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\$1.5million project launched

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A European Union-Funded \$1.5 million project, to be implemented by the Foundation for Rural Integrated Enterprises & Development (FRIEND), was launched in the Western Division.

The Grassroots Voices for Good Governance (GVGG) was launched in Lautoka yesterday in the presence of community leaders, executives and representatives of community based organisations.

The project is designed to strengthen community based organizations, through adopting good governance practices and its mechanisms to ensure sustainable development where communities participate actively and take ownership of their own development initiatives.

European Union's Head of Cooperation, Christophe Wagner said the EU is proud to support this new initiative which will enable people to guide the development of their communities.

Wagner says it is a model of development they wholeheartedly support; developing inclusive policy making processes and enhancing the capacity of communities will result in enhanced inclusive and sustainable growth.

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