# Group Exercise – Problem Analysis

# **PURPOSE**

To understand the basic principles of analysis of problems by identifying major problems and the main causal relationships between them.

## **Instructions:**

- 1. Identify existing Advocacy PROBLEMS, imagine future ones.
- 2. Each participant writes down a suggestion for a A STARTER or FOCAL PROBLEM.
- 3. The group should then discuss each proposal and try to agree on ONE STARTER or FOCAL PROBLEM.
- 4. Identify substantial and DIRECT EFFECTS of the focal problem.
- Identify substantial and DIRECT CAUSES of the focal problem.

### **PROBLEM TREE**

# Focal Problem Causes of the Focal Problem

# <u>Instructions (continued):</u>

- Construct a PROBLEM TREE showing the cause and effect relationships between the problems.
- Review the problem tree, verify its validity and completeness, and make necessary adjustments