

Cooperative Global Engagement

OSI, with the Hewlett Foundation and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, is one of three founders of the Connect US funders collaborative, which now also includes the Ford Foundation and the Ploughshares Fund. OSI's grant is \$1 million per year. Connect US was launched in 2004 as a program of grantmaking and operational activities designed to foster stronger collaborations among foreign policy advocacy groups, with the goal of promoting a vision of responsible U.S. global engagement -- in which U.S. power and influence are employed in a manner perceived worldwide as legitimate and responsive to the interests of the major stakeholders in the international community. Connect US funds in four areas: nuclear non-proliferation; the intersection of global warming and development; reestablishing U.S. credibility and leadership on human rights; and ensuring civilian capacity to conduct foreign policy. During a recent leadership transition at Connect US, OSI indicated its intention to continue its support for three years (2009-2011) to solidify the promise of progress on foreign policy issues.