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Why Global Amhara Knowledge Hub exists, and what you can expect from us

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We are a new organisation. We are not asking for trust on our word. We are asking readers to judge us by how we work: evidence first, civilians first, everything dated, sourced and open to correction.

Key takeaways

- Global Amhara Knowledge Hub was founded in 2026 to give the Amhara crisis a careful, citable public record and a clear institutional voice. This is its first publication.
- The Board's commitments: evidence before argument, protection for every civilian, sources and dates on every claim, English and Amharic, and corrections made in public.
- Amhara Media Network (AMN) is a channel of Global Amhara Knowledge Hub. Its panelists speak for themselves; the Board's positions are published here.

Global Amhara Knowledge Hub publishes for the first time today. We will not pretend to a history we do not have. We were founded this year by Amhara academics, lawyers, journalists, health and humanitarian professionals and community organisers, in Ethiopia and in the diaspora. Before today we had published nothing. What follows is not a record of what we have done. It is a set of commitments, and readers can check them against everything we publish from now on. Why we exist. For more than three years, people in Ethiopia's Amhara region have lived through armed conflict, and through the arrests, displacement and loss of schooling and health care that have come with it. Since late September 2026 the region has also been drawn into the renewed war on the Tigray front. On 9 October the UN Secretary-General named Amhara, with Tigray and Afar, among the regions where fighting has resumed [1]. On 1 October OCHA said that health facilities there had reportedly run out of emergency supplies [2]. Even so, the record of what is happening to Amhara civilians is thin, scattered and hard to cite. OCHA says that no verified displacement figures are available for Amhara [2]. Diplomats, journalists, researchers and our own community are too often left with rumour. We exist to help close that gap. Our working principle runs from data to impact: መረጃ ’ጥናት ’ትንታኔ ’ፖሊሲ ’ስትራቴጂ ’ተግባር ’ውጤት, Data ’Research ’Analysis ’Policy ’Strategy ’ Action ’Impact. Advocacy that skips the first steps does not last. What you can expect. Evidence first. Every factual claim we publish will rest on a named source, with a grade showing how strong it is: confirmed, fair, contested or single-source. Where sources disagree, we will say so and give both accounts. Where something is not known, we will say that too, rather than fill the silence with estimates. Civilian protection, for all. Our focus is Amhara civilians, but they are not the only civilians

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who count. We will report harm to civilians by any party: federal forces, Fano, Tigrayan forces, the OLA, Eritrean forces or militias. Where Amhara armed actors are accused, we will say so. We are not aligned with any armed group, and we do not endorse any group's military aims. We will judge every party by its conduct. Sourced and dated. Every item carries the date it describes ("as of") and a persistent identifier, so that it can be cited. Figures carry the name of whoever counted them. Once published, a page stays at its address. If it is replaced, it says so and links to what replaced it. Bilingual. English is our canonical text. Amharic follows within 72 hours for statements, positions, alerts and Board editorials, and until it does, the Amharic page says that a translation is pending. Corrections in public. We will make mistakes. When we do, the correction is noted on the item and listed in a public corrections log. We do not quietly rewrite. Atrocity alerts are updated by numbered updates, never by silent edits. Who speaks for us. Statements, alerts and positions come from the Board, and only the Board adopts a position. Analysis and briefs carry the name of their author or of our editorial team, and they are not Board positions unless the Board adopts them. What we do not do. We do not collect testimony, footage or evidence, and we cannot investigate, prosecute or offer legal aid. Anyone who needs to report an incident should use the organisations listed on our Report an Incident page. They have the mandate and the safeguards to handle it. Amhara Media Network. Some conversations need more room than a written brief allows. Amhara Media Network (AMN), a channel of Global Amhara Knowledge Hub on YouTube, hosts discussion with experts, community voices and guests. Panelists on AMN speak for themselves. Their views are not Board positions. The Board's positions are published on this website, dated and numbered, and nowhere else. Each AMN episode has its own page here, with show notes and the names of the people taking part. What we ask of readers. Check our sources; we link them so that you can. Tell us when we are wrong. Judge us by whether the work that follows meets the standard set here. — The Board Sources UN Secretary-General's statement on Ethiopia, 9 Oct 2026 (UN Ethiopia page dated 10 Oct). Evidence: Confirmed. UN OCHA daily update of 1 Oct 2026, as reported by Xinhua (datelined 1 Oct, published 2 Oct) and democrata.es (2 Oct). Evidence: Confirmed. Human Rights Watch and 35 organisations, call for an HRC special session, 9 Oct 2026. Evidence: Confirmed.

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