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#### **Official Name**

South Sudan Federal Democratic Alliance, SSFDA

#### **Founded**

2022

Public international confirmation and structured engagement from 2025

#### **Nature of Organisation**

SSFDA is a civilian-led political alliance and democratic opposition movement. It is a governance-in-waiting structure grounded in written constitutional texts and institutional readiness. It is not a militia and not an armed faction.

#### **Mandate**

To establish a civilian-led, federal democratic state in South Sudan based on justice, equality among all 64 Nations, the rule of law, and the protection of civilians.

#### **Leadership**

Chairman and Commander-in-Chief: Samuel Mut Gai Dhap

Leadership authority is exercised collectively through defined constitutional institutions in accordance with the SSFDA People's Charter.

#### **What SSFDA Stands For**

- Federal democratic governance with decentralised power and constitutional checks
- Civilian supremacy over all security and protection forces
- Justice and accountability, including anti-corruption and asset recovery
- Equal dignity and representation for all 64 Nations of South Sudan
- Protection of ancestral lands, human rights, and civic freedoms

#### **Why This Matters Now**

Following a year of internal consolidation, institutional design, and policy development, SSFDA has formally confirmed its leadership and structure to enable responsible international engagement.

At a time marked by repression, institutional breakdown, and democratic exclusion in South Sudan, SSFDA presents a lawful civilian alternative anchored in constitutional governance rather than armed power.

## **Governance and Institutional Structure**

SSFDA operates under a charter-based constitutional framework designed to ensure legitimacy, accountability, and transition readiness.

### **Core structures include**

- A Command Council serving as the senior political leadership and oversight body
- A Shadow Government composed of 12 Shadow Ministries responsible for policy development and transition preparedness
- Independent civilian protection and humanitarian institutions operating under strict civilian oversight and international law

This institutional design prevents concentration of power and rejects personality-driven rule.

## **Legal and Ethical Framework**

SSFDA is governed by binding constitutional and ethical instruments, including

- The People's Charter for Federal Democracy
- An expanded Bill of Rights
- A written Party Constitution and Statutes
- A Code of Conduct applicable to all members and officials

These documents define limits of authority, leadership accountability, and enforceable safeguards against abuse.

## **Geographic Representation**

SSFDA maintains organised political representation across all 10 States of South Sudan.

The Alliance also operates a global diaspora network with coordination in Africa, Europe, North America, and Australia. Diaspora structures support political participation, humanitarian coordination, advocacy, and structured international engagement.

## **Position on Violence and International Law**

SSFDA is committed to civilian protection and strict adherence to international humanitarian and human rights law.

The Alliance rejects ethnic militarism, collective punishment, and the targeting of civilians under any circumstances.

## **Media Policy**

SSFDA supports free and independent media and the protection of journalists.

All official statements, quotations, and policy positions are issued exclusively through the SSFDA Press Office or published on official SSFDA channels. Journalists are encouraged to verify sources prior to publication.

### **Security Protocol**

Due to credible security threats, senior SSFDA leadership does not appear publicly and does not disclose travel or personal details. This protocol is strictly observed.

### **Press Contact**

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All interview requests, verification inquiries, and diplomatic communications should be directed to the Press Office. Secure engagement channels are available upon request.