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1. Family and Life

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Family and Life works to promote human rights in Ireland and further afield.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The charitable work of Family and Life is focused on protecting human life and helping women, children, unborn babies and families in vulnerable situations. Our work focuses on alleviating poverty in its complete definition. Some of our major projects focus on material impoverishment while others focus on intellectual impoverishment.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Representatives of the organisation made a written submission and oral briefing to the 111th Session of the United Nations Human Rights Committee in Geneva, Switzerland, in July 2014.

Representatives of the organisation participated in the United Nations Human Rights Committee Panel Discussion on the protection of the family and its members in Geneva in September 2014.

Representatives of the organisation made a written submission and oral briefing to the 55th Session of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in Geneva in June 2015.

Representatives of the organisation made a written submission to the United Nations Human Rights Committee in Geneva on its General Comment on Article 6: “Right to life” of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights in June 2015.

Representatives of the organisation made a written submission to the 25th Session of the Universal Periodic Review in respect of the review of Ireland in Geneva in May 2016.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

2013: The organisation sent representatives to the 57th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.

2014: The organisation sent representatives to the 58th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.

2015: The organisation sent representatives to the 59th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.

2016: The organisation sent representatives to the 60th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.

The organisation co-sponsored parallel events at the 58th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in March 2014.

The organisation co-sponsored parallel events at the 60th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in March 2016.

The organisation co-sponsored a side event at the 49th United Nations Commission on Population and Development in April 2016.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Throughout the period the organisation has consistently advocated for improvements to maternal health, in support of Millennium Development Goal 5.

Throughout the period the organisation has consistently advocated for measures to reduce child mortality, in support of Millennium Development Goal 4.

2. Family Educational Services Foundation

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Family Education Services Foundation (FESF) is a nonprofit, education org based in Karachi, Pakistan. According to UNDP 1.25 Million deaf children of school going age are in Pakistan, only 10,000 of these deaf children attend school, 2%. Since 1984, its committed to enhance quality of life & education for marginalized and disadvantaged through connecting, investing & empowering. Projects are Reach Program; MOVE Program; Eduserve Training Program; Dast'Khat artisanal economic program for deaf students, Community Services Program, and CodeEar. FESF impacts over 1200 deaf children and young adults from low income families in both urban & rural areas.

Aims and purposes of the organization

1. FESF schools are providing formal education, academic literacy & vocational training to disadvantaged children & youth in enabling environment where students can excel.
2. Established & launched first ever Pakistan Sign Language (PSL) lexicon referencing 5000 words.
3. As 65% of Pakistan's population is below the age of 25, FESF is working towards long lasting impact in social development. Focus is on developing leadership, soft skills & engaging youth voice in solving social problems.
4. Provides a range of training courses & seminars in education & child development, focusing on needs of teachers & parents of mainstream & special needs children via innovative online teaching techniques.
5. Provides Parent Training Program to enabling families & parents of deaf students through sign language & literacy classes to enable them to be active participants in their deaf child's development.
6. Catalyzing opportunities for people with disability by building capacity for special education teachers in government and private schools with 226 teachers & 25 schools.
7. Provides an economic opportunity for deaf students to hone talents & harness economic benefits through textile products made by deaf artisans.

8. Provides job placement program by working with corporate sector in Pakistan & delivers a full circle solution for young deaf adults by providing training in marketable skills & assisting in employment process. Over 500 deaf adults are now successfully employed through FESF's program.

9. Established Code Ear movement in Pakistan that give Deaf children access to cutting-edge computer science education.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Over 1371 students are currently enrolled across 5 Deaf Reach Campuses across Pakistan.

78 Deaf students from Karachi, Hyderabad and Sukkur appeared in national examination boards. FESF is in partnership with USAID, DFID (UKAID), Sindh Government Pakistan for different programs. There are other donors as well.

Over 500 Deaf individuals have received training & job placement through corporate partnerships with: Pizza Hut, Valet Solutions, KFC, Shell, Caterpillar, Continental Biscuits Limited, DHL, UBL, HBL, Garments and Misc., KFC, and Private employers in Lahore, Pakistan.

In anticipation of 2016 launch of Global Goals, FESF with American Pakistan Foundation (APF) & launched a civil society collaborative APF@UN. FESF has served as multistakeholder in UN ECOSOC Special 2013 Accreditation in leading the social development rep of Pakistan education NGOs, FESF has bridged information gap between Pakistan educ NGOs & intl dev framework; worked to connect the intl dev framework with specific targets of successes on grassroots level in Pakistan; worked to ensure sustainable development in Pakistan through multistakeholder approach to partnership.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Activities at UN NYC include

1. Statement at CSW61;
2. Statement at CSocD55

3. Intervention at UNGA71 Event, SDGs COMING TO LIFE
4. Statement delivered at UNGA 2nd Committee High Level Political Forum
5. Intervention at WSIS+10 High Level Meeting
6. Written Statement at CSW60
7. Pakistan NGO Collaborative YOUTH Rep at Youth Forum CSW6
8. Rep at CRPD15
9. Side Event “Rethinking Social Development through Partnerships in Pakistan” at CSocD54
10. Intervention at UNGA 2nd Committee Informal Consultations.
11. Participation at CSW youth forum.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Rep in Working Group Youth & Gender Equality; Rep in WSIS+10; Organized & Facilitated 10 Youth Reps at Youth Forum CSW60

with UN WOMEN & UN Youth & Global Goals.

UNCRPD: FESF took part in consultative meeting to develop provincial strategy on disability with UNCRPD on SDGs & Disability Legislation.

World Health Organization in collaboration with Department of Social Welfare, Sindh organized a Provincial consultation on development of provincial strategy on disability in Karachi.

FESF participated in WHO consultative meeting held to assist Member States to plan policies and to improve access to high-quality affordable assistive products.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

MDG2, MDG3 and MDG8: There are programs targeted specifically at promoting gender equality & empowerment of women. These range from provision of academic education to craft, skills & literacy training for adult females.

3. Farmers Educational & Cooperative Union of America

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Founded in Point, Texas, United States, to help the family farmer address profitability issues and monopolistic practices, National Farmers Union has been working to protect and enhance the economic well-being and quality of life for family farmers, ranchers and rural communities through advocating grassroots-driven policy positions adopted by its membership. NFU represents farmers and ranchers in all states, with organized divisions in 32 states. The key to the success and credibility of the organization has been Farmers Union's grassroots structure in which policy positions are initiated locally. The policy process includes the presentation of resolutions by individuals, followed by possible adoption of the resolutions at the local, state and national levels. Members and staff of the Farmers Union advocate these policy positions worldwide.

Aims and purposes of the organization

National Farmers Union believes that good opportunities in production agriculture are the foundation of strong farm and ranch families, and strong farm and ranch families are the basis for thriving rural communities. National Farmers Union brings these principles to bear in the international arena, advocating for family farmers worldwide.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

New York, United States (September 22, 2016) – David George Velde, board member of the World Farmers' Organisation (WFO) and National Farmers Union (NFU) General Counsel and Vice President of International Relations, represented the world's farmers yesterday before a high-level meeting of the United Nations (U.N.) to discuss global antibiotic resistance. The meeting concluded with the 193 member countries of the U.N. adopting a declaration to fight antibiotic resistance and reduce the use of the drugs in agriculture and human medicine.

WFO represented the only farmer organization on a panel involving the Prime Minister of Norway, the Minister of Health of Argentina, the Secretary of the Department of Health of the Philippines, President of the World Bank, and President and CEO of Consumer Reports.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

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Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Velde, representing the farmers' constituency, presented with world health and economic leaders on a panel titled “Addressing the multi-sectoral implications and implementation challenges of antimicrobial resistance in a comprehensive manner.”

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

WFO organizes meetings, seminars, conferences, workshops on specific themes, forums, national, regional and international discussion circles and policy-making arenas, aimed at raising the knowledge of farmers. WFO encourages farmers to participate actively in the development of sustainable agricultural policies. WFO aims to promote the formation and strengthening of women producer organizations and ensure that women have a voice within mixed organizations.

4. Fazaldad Human Rights Institute

(Special; 2005)

Introduction

Fazaldad Human Rights Institute was founded in 1999 on the principle that education is the most sustainable defense against violence and extremism in Pakistan. Our methodology is geared towards "changing the mindset" of society towards moderation, peace and tolerance. FHRI is the most experienced organization in Pakistan on training for human rights, peace and democracy in the struggle against violent extremism. In 2016, FHRI has also started program for children with special challenges through equine therapy program.

Aims and purposes of the organization

To eliminate human rights abuse by spreading human rights awareness through educational institutions though out the country. To enable women to participate in the decision-making process and also to promote the gender equality. To cater basic health needs of the poor. Improve the quality of life for Children with special needs through Equine Therapy Program.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

FHRI organized one-day workshops on Human Rights Education with 20 different Institutions for teachers. The main topics which covered were peace, tolerance, UDHR, Human Rights, Women Empowerment, including CEDAW, Child Rights, SDGs, teaching methodologies etc. About 2000 teachers have been sensitized. FHRI celebrated Youth Human Rights Days in 40 Institutions of the country targeted Youth from 10 to 22 years. More than 24,000 youth have been sensitized. The youth were assigned speech, poster competition, tableaus focusing issues like gender discrimination, CRC, basic health awareness, Human Rights, Minorities Rights etc. FHRI distributed more than 6,000 booklets to teachers, community members and about 6,000 brochures and literature for youth. These books include the UN documents like UDHR, CEDAW, CRC etc. FHRI established medical camp in Mithi

(the most rural area in Sindh, Pakistan). The area has suffered from famine. This desert region was in a state of emergency. In this camp we treated 2675 patients, served by six doctors three assistants. The most common illnesses treated were malnutrition, skin disease, gynecology issues, eye infections, fever and throat infections. In another camp installed in Malir, Pakistan, which suffered a very hot and dry spell. We established heat stroke camp and treated 2523 patients. The most common illnesses were heat stroke, dehydration, gastroenterology issues, high fever, infections etc.

FHRI started new project with the name of Sunrise Therapeutic Horsemanship Program for the Children with special needs in collaboration with Path International in 2016. Equine Therapy has been introduced by FHRI for the first time in Pakistan. At the moment we are treating 50 CWDs with the age bracket of 3 to 12 years.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

2014: FHRI Representative attended a conference to mark World Teachers' Day organized by UNESCO, UNICEF, ILO and WFP, in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, Government of Pakistan in Islamabad, Pakistan, 2nd October.

2015: FHRI Representative attended National Consultation on SDG-4 organized by UNESCO and UNICEF in Islamabad, 5th December.

2015: FHRI representative attended seminar on the Monitoring and Evaluation of the proposed Sustainable Development Goal on education by SDPI Islamabad collaboration with the Academy of Educational planning and Management in Islamabad, 31st August.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

FHRI in collaboration with Social Welfare Department Punjab and UN women organized seminars in 16 Days of Activism against Gender based violence which promote awareness about women's rights Rawalpindi, Islamabad, 2015.

FHRI in collaboration with pennywort school system celebrated Peace day in which Deputy Superintendent of Police, Ms. Shahzadi Gulfam, UN Peace award holder and trainer FHRI delivered lecture to teachers and community members on Peace day in Lahore, Pakistan, 2015.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

FHRI contributed to MDGs 4, 5 and 6, SDGs 3 in Mithi, Malir by providing Health care services through medical camps to 5,198 patients during the reporting period. FHRI contributed to MDG 1, SDG 6 in villages of Punjab installed and operates purification and delivery systems to provide clean drinking water in 2015. FHRI contributed to MDG 3, SDG 4 and SDGs 5 in Punjab by conducted teachers training for more than 2,000 teachers and Youth Human Rights Programs for 24,000 students from 2013 to 2016. Every Year FHRI observes Women's day 8th March, Human Rights Day 10th Dec, International Peace day 21st Sep on regular basis. FHRI also celebrated International day of person with disabilities on 3rd December 2015.

5. Federation of American Women's Clubs Overseas (FAWCO)

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

Federation of American Women's Clubs Overseas (FAWCO) is a global network of 65 women's organizations with about 12,000 members in 34 countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

FAWCO promotes gender equality and women's empowerment focused on education, environment, health, and human rights.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

FAWCO promotes the United Nations development agenda through Target Programs focused on education, awareness and fundraising for projects contributing to Millennium and Sustainable Development Goals in the areas of education, environment, health and human rights. FAWCO Representatives serve in leadership positions on NGO Committees on the Status of Women in New York, United States, Geneva, Switzerland, and Vienna, Austria; NGO Committee on Migration in New York; Department of Public Information NGO Executive Committee; Working Group on Girls; and Interagency Consulting Forum (Athens). FAWCO posts blogs and articles promoting the United Nations on its website and social media (Facebook, Twitter).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

FAWCO Representatives participate in hundreds of meetings of United Nations agencies every year in New York, Geneva, Vienna and Athens, Greece. FAWCO delegations attend the Commission on the Status of Women and FAWCO signs statements submitted by NGO coalitions. FAWCO co-sponsored an NGO Forum parallel event with NGO Committee on Migration in March 2016. Representatives in Geneva attend Human Rights Council sessions.

Youth Representatives attended Youth Assemblies in August 2014, 2015 and 2016.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In addition to Department of Public Information, Commission on the Status of Women, and Human Rights Council, Representatives attend NGO Briefings at United Nations High Commission for Refugees in Geneva, work with High Commission for Refugees in Greece, and participate in Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice in Vienna. In 2015, FAWCO applied for partnership with United Nations Educational, Cultural and Social Organization. In 2016, FAWCO was granted Observer Status to Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

FAWCO's Target Program 2013 – 2016 raised over \$170,000 to support economic empowerment for survivors of sex trafficking in Africa and Latin America. FAWCO contributes to Millennium Development Goals and Sustainable Development Goals through FAWCO Foundation grants for development efforts including: avert AIDS in South Africa; support women suffering from obstetric fistula in Ethiopia; provide eye surgery in The Philippines; assist schools and training centers in Brazil, Cambodia, Ethiopia, Haiti, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Madagascar, Morocco, The Philippines; provide clean water in Kenya; plant coffee in Cambodia, trees in Senegal, and guayule in South Africa.

6. Federation of Cuban Women

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

Membership of the Federation of Cuban Women increased to 4,305,655 members, representing 90.9% of the Cuban female population over 14 years old, organized in 81,333 grassroots organizations.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Federation of Cuban Women has among its main objectives the following: To struggle for the full incorporation, participation and promotion of women in the economic, political, social and cultural life of the country under conditions of equality of rights and opportunities, attain the necessary transformations and strengthening of the family that will induce all its members to exert, with awareness, their responsibilities and promote democratic relations within it, promote the development of non-sexist education in the family, school and society to prevent sexist stereotypes.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The NGO has sent many written statements to Human Rights Council, and to the Commission of the Status of Women as following: "Promotion and protection of civil, political, economic, cultural and social rights, including the right to development", "Situation of Human Rights that requires attention of the Council", among others.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The NGO has attended 57-60 sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women During 2013-2016 the Organization participated in parallel events in the frame of the Commission: "The ability to learn, read and write as women`s rights: Cuban commitment to women and the world", "Women, Equality, Justice and Employment", "The Millennium Achievements"

and "Advances in women's rights. In 2016 participated in the Panel "Beijing + 20 and Cuban women". In the Human Rights Council, it attended the 24, 27, 30 and 33 sessions, presenting oral statements on the issues: women, human rights, gender perspective, right to self-determination, and in the 27th Session the representatives participated in the interactive dialogues on the annual report, on the working group about arbitrary detention, in the 30th Session in the parallel panel "Children's rights in Cuba".

The NGO participated in the Regional Conference on Population and Development: Cairo + 20 World Summit (Uruguay 2014), in the 47th session of the Commission, and in the XVI International Meeting of Working Group on Gender Statistics in 2015, also in the ECOSOC Regional Training Workshop on "Policies aimed at families for poverty reduction and reconciliation of work and family life in Latin America and the Caribbean", in Chile.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Organization works with UNDP on the Prevention of HIV/AIDS and the Program against Tuberculosis. With UNFPA, has printed materials for education, raising awareness and training courses for sexual education and struggling against sexist stereotypes. UN agencies have also supported actions of the NGO in the annual commemoration of the World Day against Violence against Women, Rural Women and the World Food Day.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

7. Federation of Trade Unions of Ukraine (FPU)

(Special; 2009)

Introduction

The FPU is the largest voluntary association of all-Ukrainian trade unions that consists of all-Ukrainian status trade unions, and trade union associations of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, regions, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol with more than 6 million members. The FPU structure consists of 43 all-Ukrainian trade unions and 27 territorial trade union associations. The FPU is affiliated with the International Trade Union Confederation and the Pan-European Regional Council. 24 affiliates of the FPU are affiliated with the global union federations and their European organisations. The FPU closely cooperates with the European Trade Union Confederation, maintains working contacts with the Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD, the European Economic and Social Committee, the International Association of Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions. The FPU develops fruitful ties with more than 50 trade union confederations of Europe, Asia and Americas. The FPU is a member of the Ukrainian National Platform of Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum and the Ukraine-EU Civil Society Platform. He has continuous contacts with the offices of the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund in Ukraine, actively cooperates with the Friedrich Ebert Foundation and the AFL-CIO Solidarity Center.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The FPU objective is to express and represent interests and protect rights of the affiliates, coordinate their joint action, promote trade union unity, represent and protect members' labour, social and economic rights and interests before state and local authorities, in relations with employers, their organisations and associations, and other civil associations. The FPU main activities are: a) trade union organisational work; b) regulation of social and labour relations; c) social protection; d) legal protection of workers and trade union members; e) technical inspection of labour, f) cooperation with public authorities; g) cooperation with foreign trade unions and organisations, the ILO, the IFIs, the WTO, the WHO and others. The FPU is a member of the National Tripartite Social and Economic Council. In the framework of social partnership, the FPU is an integral part of the General Agreements concluded

between the all-Ukrainian associations of trade unions, all-Ukrainian associations of employers and the Government of Ukraine.

Significant changes in the organization

FPU membership was reduced by almost 2 million people as a result of the destruction of the FPU headquarters during the events of the Revolution of Dignity, military intervention and war in the east of Ukraine. This affected the organization's collection of membership fees and its participation in international events and organisation of activities at the national level in 2014-2016.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The FPU actively participated in definition of priorities and tasks of the ILO Decent Work National Programmes for Ukraine, implementation of the ILO projects in Ukraine. Priorities for 2016-2019 fully comply with the objectives of the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement: promoting employment and developing sustainable enterprises for stability and growth, promoting effective social dialogue, improving social protection and working conditions.

On 7 February 2013 in New York, United States, the FPU President made a statement at the 51st Session of the Commission for Social Development.

On 12 February 2015 in New York, USA, the FPU Acting President made a statement at the 52nd Session of the Commission for Social Development.

On 3-5 November 2015 in Turin, Italy, the FPU representatives participated in the ILO Sub-regional Conference on Labour Law and Social and Labour Relations in Central and Eastern Europe.

The FPU representatives regularly participated in expert meetings of trade unions with the UNDP and the ILO representatives on state employment service reform in Ukraine.

To mitigate decline in living standards of citizens, the FPU took measures to ensure openness, transparency and economic feasibility in setting prices (tariffs) for basic socially important goods and services, raising basic state social standards and guarantees, payment of wage arrears, introduction of adequate preventive measures for social protection of the poor.

In the appeals of the FPU to the President of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the Parliament of Ukraine, the leaders of parliamentary groups and factions, the question was

raised about a need to amend the current legislation with regard to providing Ukrainian workers with modern sustainable jobs with decent wages, paying wage arrears, and restoring suspended and abolished rights and guarantees of workers, including in the sphere of social insurance.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

2013: The FPU representatives took part in the 51st Session of the Commission for Social Development, 5-10 February, New York, USA; in the 57th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women, 10-15 March, New York, USA; the 102nd Session of the International Labour Conference, 7-19 June, Geneva, Switzerland.

2014: The FPU representatives took part in the 52nd Session of the Commission for Social Development, 10-13 February, New York, USA; the 103rd Session of the International Labour Conference, 5-12 June, Geneva, Switzerland.

2015: The FPU representatives took part in the 59th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women, 9-11 March, New York, USA; the 104th session of the International Labour Conference, 8-12 June, Geneva, Switzerland.

2016: The FPU representatives took part in the 105th session of the International Labour Conference, 5-12 June, Geneva, Switzerland.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The FPU actively cooperates with the UN Office in Ukraine. Since 2006, the FPU is a member of the UN Global Compact, and regularly reports on the work done.

The FPU pays great attention to cooperation with the ILO, the ILO Bureau for Workers' Activities in Geneva, the ILO Regional Office in Budapest, Hungary, the ILO National Coordinator in Ukraine.

Every year, the FPU represents the Ukrainian workers of at the ILC sessions, participates in development of conventions important for workers, defending common position of trade unions in respective committees. The FPU actively uses the ILO capabilities in the field of expert appraisal of draft legislative acts which are discussed in the Parliament of Ukraine.

In 2015, the FPU initiated ratification by Ukraine of the ILO Convention No. 117 on Social Policy (Basic Aims and Standards), and in 2016 of the ILO Convention No. 102 on Social

Security (Minimum Standards). In addition, the FPU monitored implementation of the conventions ratified by Ukraine, in particular the fundamental and priority ones, and actively used the ILO supervisory system in case of their violations.

The FPU cooperates with the headquarters of international financial institutions (IFIs) and their representative offices in Ukraine. During the visits of the IMF missions in 2013-2016 to Ukraine, at the initiative of the FPU, a number of meetings with representatives of trade unions took place. The main topic of the meetings was social aspects of loan conditions. The FPU representatives stressed that the Government's economic reforms should in no case worsen the standard of living of people, but, on the contrary, help improve the lives of workers and their families.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The FPU experts took an active part in the preparation of the national reports Millennium Development Goals. Ukraine: 2013/2014/2015, and the final national report Millennium Development Goals. Ukraine: 2000-2015 and their presentations in Kyiv.

In 2015, the world community approved new Development Goals for the following period. In cooperation with international trade unions, the FPU sought to ensure that goals of full employment, decent work, decent social protection, and access to quality public services and quality public education, gender equality and a just solution to climate problems are reflected in the Government's domestic policy.

On the occasion of the ILO 100th anniversary, the FPU invited the Government of Ukraine to conduct a whole range of activities in connection with adoption on 25 September 2015 of the Sustainable Development Goals at the 70th session of the UN General Assembly providing employment for all, which replaced the MDGs and will determine the agenda in the next fifteen years.

Every year on 7 October, the FPU celebrated the World Day of Action for Decent Work initiated by the ITUC by holding information campaigns to draw government agencies' attention to decent work in Ukraine, inform the public about trade union demands and actions. Every year, on 20 February the FPU traditionally celebrated the World Day of Social Justice, the World Day of Action for Decent Work on 7 October, the World AIDS Day on 1 December 1 through workshops and conferences at the national level.

8. Felix Varela Center

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

The Félix Varela Centre (FVC) is a Cuban, civil, voluntary, non-profit, non-governmental organization legally registered at the Ministry of Justice, on September 1993, (Law 61, Volume 01, Page 210, Dossier 211003745). The Felix Varela Centre contributes to the sustainable development in Cuba, through the accompaniment to experiences of self-management, the development of local initiatives of environmental improvement and the promotion of ethical humanistic thinking with a gender perspective.

Aims and purposes of the organization

To contribute to the development of an environmentally responsible behaviour that would promote community participation in the search for alternatives for local sustainable development in Cuba. 1. Promote the values of humanistic ethics; 2. To publicize the moral, economic, cultural, scientific, political and social achievements and values of the people of Cuba; and 3. Support the process of building our sustainable social development by defending peace and sovereignty.

Central work themes: • Ethics and development; • Ethics for sustainability; • Ethics for a sustainable economy and environmental education for enterprises; • Peace culture; • Mediation and consultation processes for public management; • Culture of peace and education for sustainability; • Solidarity social economy; • Corporate social responsibility; • Gender; Environmental Management for Sustainability; • Green Map Programme; • Local sustainability indicators; and • Participation in community development processes and their relationship with sustainability.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

2013

- Expressed its opinion on the amendments to the Final Declaration of the meeting “Cuban Civil Society in Defence of Sovereignty and Human Rights in Cuba” (Havana, April).
- Celebration of the 7th Workshop of the Peace Culture Network of the Felix Varela Center with the participation of the country's territorial nodes.

2014

- The CFV is part of the organizing committee of the Congress Environmental Education in the International Convention on Environment and Development.
- Celebration of the 8th Workshop of the Peace Culture Network of the Felix Varela Center with the participation of the country's territorial nodes.

2015

- Participation of the CFV in Field Lessons: "Bellagio Conference on Urban Adaptation Construction on the occasion of the 10th Anniversary of the Katrina and Rita Hurricanes".
- Celebration of the 9th Workshop of the Peace Culture Network of the Felix Varela Center with the participation of the country's territorial nodes.

2016

- Participation in the First “Primeiro Seminario Internacional de Inclusao Cidada, Cooperativismo Popular e Economia Solidaria” (Brasil).
- Participation of Wendy Brawer founding president of the Green Map System at the 18 Workshop of the Green Map Network.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- Meeting for the implementation of the national follow-up mechanism to Agenda 2030 and ODS.
- Workshop on the presentation of contributions to human rights mechanisms.
- Conference "Results of the International Labor Organization Meeting" (ILO).
- National Workshop on the implementation of the Montevideo consensus.
- Celebration in greeting to the creation of United Nations Women.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

- Contributions to mechanisms of periodic universal review on Cuba.
- Participation in meetings with special rapporteurs who have visited us for example:

the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Since the call made by the Millennium Declaration (United Nations, September 2000), the Felix Varela Center has reaffirmed its commitment to contribute to Objectives.

Goal 3: Promote gender equality and empower women: Gender issues have been treated as cross-cutting themes in all actions developed by the CFV, in relation to the participation of women with their empowerment, among others.

Goal 7: Continuing the mainstream work of strengthening the Peace Culture Network and the Green Map Network. Develops environmental rehabilitation and adaptation project to climate change in vulnerable communities to contribute to sustainable development.

9. Feminenza Kenya

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Feminenza Kenya, formally incorporated on 24 April 2008, is part of a network of an international women's NGO, consisting of 400 leaders and educators from 18 countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

1. To advance education for the public benefit, in particular by research and by providing educational tools and mentoring, in the fields of: (a) transformative leadership; (b) the prevention of armed conflict, ethnic and gender oppression; (c) fear management and forgiveness; and (d) gender respect.
2. To promote human rights (as set out in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and subsequent United Nations conventions and declarations) throughout the world by all or any of the following means: (a) Relieving need among the victims of human rights abuse; and (b) Promoting respect for human rights by individuals and corporations
c) Promoting popular support for human rights.
3. To relieve mental, physical and emotional distress of persons suffering from sickness or trauma as a result of conflict, bereavement or loss, or for those facing their own death, by the provision of counselling and support.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Feminenza Kenya's work supports UNSCR 1624, UNSCR 1325 by (i) developing the contribution of women to fostering a culture of peace, ii) strengthening the role of women in leadership, (iii) combating violence against women and girls through gender education for both genders. We have, since 2005, worked with 180 CBOs/NGOs across the Great Lakes Region to: stem the growth of FGM; foster gender respect and reduce violence against women; reduce inter-ethnic fear and the risk of violence; adopt forgiveness and reconciliation as a

sustainable route to peace; develop women as transformational leaders.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Feminenza delivered a workshop at the CSW 2013, a parallel event on 5th March 2013, entitled: 'Women rehabilitating survivors and offenders as a long term transformative solution to Gender Based Violence'. Furthermore Feminenza made contributions to the various plenary sessions, circle meetings and parallel events during the CSW 2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

We are a confirmed partner of UN Women.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Feminenza Kenya supports with its works MDG 3, which aims to promote gender equality and empower women. Two of the recognised priorities in achieving MDG 3 are to strengthen the role of women in leadership and to combat violence against women and girls.

2016: On behalf of the organization Global Communities Feminenza conducted a workshop on Trauma Healing for 30 very traumatized girls and young women from the informal settlements of Nairobi, Kenya, who had been victims of Gender Based Violence. The workshop took place under the PEPFAR / DREAMS initiative.

2015: As part of the Global Communities program to counter extreme violence, Feminenza delivered a successful Trauma Healing Workshop in Naivasha, Kenya. Participants were 60 leaders of vulnerable informal settlements in Nairobi: men, women, Christians and Muslims. Although our training on Forgiveness and Reconciliation for 20 women leaders in the Rift Valley, Kenya took place before 2013 (2010-2011) the impacts of this - partially funded by UN WOMEN / SIDA - training programme still continue today, as the alumni of the programme continue to make a significant contribution to the cohesion and security of their communities in the Rift Valley and many of the women have leadership positions in the new country structure. Furthermore alumni of this programme helped with delivering our Trauma Healing workshops in 2015 and 2016. Feminenza Kenya will be focusing in the coming years on training a cadre of practitioners in our Trauma Healing Workshop to multiply the impact for communities who need this work.

10. Feminist League

(Special; 2009)

Introduction

The Feminist League was established in 1993 and works on a national level. The main goal of the Feminist League is to promote equality of women and men in all spheres of life: economic, political, social, cultural and within the home.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Feminist League strives to achieve its goals through the following activities and programs: Research and publication of reports on women's issues in Kazakhstan, Informational support to women's NGOs and mass media, Monitoring gender-related legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Education about women's issues, Informational electronic network FemLine.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Preparation Combined Third and Fourth UN CEDAW Alternative Report. Geneva. Switzerland, January 2014.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Participation of representatives of our organization in work, and also performances in parallel sessions: The fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women took place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, United States, from 10 to 21 March 2014.

The fifty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women took place at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 9 to 20 March 2015.

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, participation of representatives of the organization in work of sessions and work above texts of the declarations: Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development Bangkok, Thailand, 21-22 May 2015. Ensuring Sustainability as the Key Driver for Achieving Development Justice CSO Statement at the 1st

Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia-Pacific 19-20 May 2015, Bangkok.
Asserting People's Priorities to Achieve Development Justice, 31 March- 2 April, 2016,
Bangkok.

Asia-Pacific CSO Forum for sustainable Development 26- 28 March, 2017 Bangkok,
Thailand.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Active cooperation with UN Women Multi-Country Office in Almaty, Kazakhstan, covers
Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. Preparation by our experts Training
on development of the alternative report on realization of positions of the Convention on
liquidation of all forms of discrimination concerning women (CEDAW) in Kazakhstan and
Tadjikistan. Date: on September, 19-20, 2015 Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Participation in " Training for public organizations on gender statistics, use the data on a floor.
24-25 June 2016, Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Preparation by our experts the Round Table Prevention of sexual harassments in the
workplace and national mechanisms of the decision the Place of carrying out: Astana Date of
carrying out: on November, 11, 2016, Astana, Kazakhstan.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

11. Fondazione Opera Campana dei Caduti

(Special; 2009)

Introduction

The Bell of Peace, placed on the Miravalle hill, in the city of Rovereto, Italy, has been conceived by the priest from Rovereto, Father Don Antonio Rossaro after the Great War as an eternal symbol of condemnation of conflicts, pacification of conscience solidarity between peoples. It has been made with the bronze of the cannons offered by the Countries that took part to the First World War and it rang the first toll on October 4, 1925. During these years it made its voice clear, striking every evening the one hundred tolls reminding life and peace. Authorities, Presidents and Ambassadors, together with citizens from many Countries, paid homage and keep listening to it as it was their consciousness voice. Already 94 Nations have put their flags around Maria Dolens, the proper name of the bell, to testify, in a visible way, the loyalty to a message, to a sort of “Peace Agreement”. On January 18, 1968, with an ordinance of the President of the Republic, Giuseppe Saragat, the Fondazione Opera Campana dei Caduti (Bell of the Fallen Foundation) has been created. The Foundation aims to educate the new generations to a peaceful, non-violent culture of human rights.

Aims and purposes of the organization

- The maintenance of the monumental Bell which was built by the melting of the bronze cannons offered by the countries involved in the First World War;
- Honour through daily tolls the fallen of every war;
- Keep the memory of the horrible events in which many people were killed in the cruelty of war;
- Promote and spread with several events, in Italy and abroad, the brotherhood of the living on the community of the dead;
- Promote activities on education, training and research towards the developing of the young generations, the professional figures and activists of organizations of civil society, of the world of associations, of cooperation, people’s diplomacy, peace and non-violence;
- Promote any other initiative, in Italy as well as in Europe and the rest of the world, for the spreading of the idea of peace, about living together with other peoples, non-violent resolution

of conflicts and the respect of human rights; -Promote contacts with the diplomatic representatives of Europe and of the rest of the world in order to reach a formal support of the various countries for the "Peace Pact", according to the inspirational principles of the Foundation and demonstrated by the presence of the flags of the supporting countries around the monumental Bell, symbol of peace and brotherhood among peoples.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Considering the ground-breaking initiative undertaken by the UN Human Rights Council concerning the drafting of a United Nations Declaration on the right to peace as a fundamental right of peoples and individuals, the "Fondazione Opera Campana dei Caduti" in collaboration with other association promotes the "Motion for the international recognition of peace as a human right".

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the the 47th Session of Commission on Population and Development, "the Assessment of the Status of implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development", New York, United States, 7-11 April 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

A delegation formed by the "Fondazione Opera Campana dei Caduti", "Italian National Coordination of Local Authorities for Peace and Human Rights", the "University Center for Human Rights" and from the "UNESCO Chair in Human Rights, Democracy and Peace", University of Padua, met the Chairman of the intergovernmental working group of the Human Rights Council (based on resolution A/HRC/RES/20/15) the Permanent Representative of Italy, the Permanent Observer of the Holy See, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, for the international recognition of peace as a human right; Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland; 23 June 2014.

- Collaboration with the United Nations Regional Information Center for Western Europe to spread and promote the United Nations Initiatives.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

- Conferences and meetings per year to encourage environmental sustainability MDGs 7/SDGs 6-12-13-17
- Cultural initiatives (ex: debates, round table, theatral plays, concerts) par year to promote the Education for everyone MDGs 2/SDGs 4-17
- Civil Marches to raise awareness of citizenship about unknown tragedies as the "Coltan problem in Congo" and the "babyminers" MDGs 2-7-8/SDGs 4-8-12-17
- All the initiatives that the "Fondazione Opera Campana dei Caduti" realizes every day contribute to the achievement of the SDGs 16-17

12. Fondazione San Patrignano

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

San Patrignano Foundation is a non-governmental organization with Special Consultative Status since 1997.

Aims and purposes of the organization

To welcome and rehabilitate social outcasts and drug addicts without any social, political or religious discrimination; To offer this service completely free of charge to the people who need it and to their families; To end any type of addiction or marginalization by showing individuals the path to life based on dignity, honesty, responsibility, respect for oneself and others; To use professional training as an instrument for the total social rehabilitation of the people welcomed into the community; To support families and prevention through public initiatives in favor of a drug-free world; To develop economic resources through the community's own production activities as well as private and public contributions necessary for the development of the mission.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Drug addiction recovery and social reintegration. Advocacy for balanced public health based drug policies, and for the right of the children to be protected by drug.

Technical assistance on the recovery model.

Member of the Vienna NGO Committee on Drugs (VNGOC). 2010-15 Member of the VNGOC Board Founding member and Vice President of the Civil Society Task Force for UNGASS 2016 on drugs.

Commemoration of the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016, in Vienna, Austria, and New York, United States.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

2013: 56th Session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND): Vienna 11-15 March. Organizer of and speaker at side event on cannabis.

2013: CND Inter-sessional meetings for the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on Drugs (UNGASS 2016) Vienna and New York in June, Vienna in December.

2014: 57th CND: Vienna, 13 - 17 March. Organizer of and speaker at the side event on drug policy human rights and the UN Conventions.

2014: CND Inter-sessional meetings for UNGASS 2016 in Vienna, June, September and December

2014: NGO DPI Conference in New York, 27-29 August.

2015: 58th CND: Vienna 9 – 17 March. Organizer of and speaker at the side event on recovery

2015: CND Inter-sessional meetings for UNGASS 2016 in Vienna, June, September and December 2015. Global Forum on Youth, Peace and Security - Amman, Jordan, August 21-22.

2016: Civil Society Interactive Hearing on Drugs in preparation for UNGASS 2016, New York, 10 February.

2016: 59th CND: Vienna. 14-22 March 2016. Organizer and speaker at the side event on families and drugs

2016: UNGASS 2016 on drugs in New York, April 19 – 21. Organizer and speaker at the side event on recovery, speaker at the side event on alternative to incarcerations organized by UNICRI.

2016: Speaker at the 7th United Nations Alliance of Civilization (UNAOC) Global Forum in Baku, Azerbaijan, April 25-27.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

1. UN New York: Visit of the UN Secretary - General Ban Ki-Moon to the SanPatrignano community in 2013.

2. UNODC 2013-2016: Scientific and technical cooperation with UNODC in the research on addition and technical experts on drug demand reduction-recovery.

3. UNICRI 2013-2016: Project DAWN, Drug and Alcohol Women Network.

4. International Narcotic Control Board (INCB) 2015: San Patrignano was part of the expert group that met INCB during their mission in Italy

5. UN representatives as keynote speakers in SanPatrignano:

- WeFree Day: Raymond Yans, President INCB, Gilberto Gerra, UNODC, Andrea Iacomini, UNICEF, 2013. Ahmad Alhendawi of Jordan, UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth, Cindy J. Smith, Director UNICRI, 2016.
- Positive Economy Forum: Fernando Castellanos Silveira - Executive Office of the UN Secretary-General , 2015 and Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, UN High Representative of the United Nations Alliance of civilizations (UNAOC), 2016.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

MDG1: SP helps vulnerable and socially marginalized youth with drug addiction problem and support their employment and social reinsertion.

MDG3: San Patrignano provides drug rehabilitation programs for pregnant women, female minors, and mothers to ensure self-sustainability and women empowerment.

MGD6: SP Hospital offers beds and treatment to HIV/AIDS patients. SP databases on addictions used for scientific purpose and research on addiction. MDG7 target 7A: SP is a zero-impact community. Target 7C: SP preserves biodiversity and reestablished the breeding of an autochthonous almost endangered species.

SGD 1.4 SP offers technical cooperation on drug addiction, marginalization and lack of opportunities, especially among youth.

SDG 3.3 SP provides health care for drug users with hepatitis in its hospital.

SDG 3.5: SP provides drug free long term and residential treatment to people with drug abuse problem with no costs involved for the users, their families or the taxpayers. SDG 3.6: SP runs awareness campaigns against drug driving in Italy.

SDG 5.2: SP offers gender sensitive drug rehabilitation programs for girls, pregnant women and women victims of abuses. SDG 15.2 -15.3: SP advocates internationally on the need to save the biodiversity, the ecosystem and the animal species and forests endangered by drug cultivation.

SDG 16: SP WeFree project raises awareness on the links between drugs, organized crime, corruption, violence and death, promoting critical thinking among youngsters.

13. Forum of Women's NGOs of Kyrgyzstan

(Special; 2005)

Introduction

The organization was set up in 1994 and was officially registered in 1996. Women's NGOs network is active and strong. Thematic programs: women's participation in political processes, violence against women, women's economic rights and women's rights. Program Approaches: 1. Consolidation of Women's Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) activities; 2. Women's Capacity Development. 3. Women's NGOs capacity Development. 4. Gender Awareness Development. 5. Monitoring of commitments. 6. Networking.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Mission is consolidation and strengthening of women's movement towards gender equality and women's empowerment, building partnership towards women's equality, increase of women's participation in public life through their organizations.

Goals: gender equality; empowerment of women; consolidation of a women's movement; development of women's non-government organizations capacity; protection of women's rights.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization worked for women's rights by submitting 4 written statements and presenting 4 oral statements at United Nations processes, one shadow report to Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, held 7 parallel sessions at United Nations meetings, contribution to the Zero draft of the outcome document for the United Nations Summit to adopt the Post-2015 Development Agenda. April 2016, New York, United States – presentation at the UN DESA Expert Group Meeting on the topic “HLPF 2016: Shaping the reporting by Major Groups and Other Stakeholders on their contribution to the implementation of the 2030 Sustainable development Goals”.

In 2014 the organization became an Organizing Partner of the Women Major Group.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended:

2013:

- Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) 57th and hold 2 side events in March, New York.

2015:

- CSW 58th session and hold 2 side events in March, New York. 2015
- CSW 59th session and hold 1 side event in March, New York. High Level Political Forum in New York in July.
- Post-2015 June and July Intergovernmental Negotiations (IGN) on SDGs
- Conference on Financing for Development) in Addis-
- Ababa, Ethiopia. United Nations Global Leaders' Meeting on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment on 27 September, New York.
- United Nations General Assembly in September.

2016

- CSW 60th and hold 1 session in New York, 17 March.
- United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Sixth meeting of the Task Force on Public Participation in Decision-making, 10-11 February.
- United Nations Economic Commission for Europe regional Sustainable Development Goals Regional Forum on Sustainable Development, Geneva, Switzerland, 10 May.
- High Level Political Forum, July, New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In partnership with UN Women Kyrgyzstan office: 1) hold a conference on women's views in 22-23 January 2014; and 2) translated a guide for Non-Government Organizations from English into Russian.

Presentation at High Level Political Forum Side Event, 20 July 2016, New York, organized by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization conducted:

- 17 September 2015 - a conference on Integrating Sexual and Reproductive Rights into sustainable development agenda in Kyrgyzstan.
- 12 November 2015 - a Round table on institutionalization of participation of civil society organizations.
- 11 March 2014, 12 March 2014, 12 March 2015 at CSW in New York - 3 side events on Women and the new Sustainable Development Goals.
- 29 April- 1 May 2016 - training on a new SDG and implementation,
- a side event at High Level Political Forum 2016 in New York on Goal 5.

The organization initiated in partnership with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe in 2016 a Regional civil society engagement mechanism for Institutionalization of participation of Civil Society Organizations in all stages of the Sustainable Development Goals at United Nations Economic Commission for Europe. Presentation at High Level Political Forum Side Event, 20 July 2016, New York, organized by United Nations Economic Commission for Europe.

From August to December 2016 - ran a campaign from Global to Local and trained local authorities “State commitments within Goal 5 of SDG on Gender Equality”.

Representatives presented to Major groups on 10 July 2016 the Common Civil society organizations Common reporting guidelines at High Level Political Forum.

14. Foundation for Autism Support and Training

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The Foundation for Autism Support and Training (FAST) is a nonprofit organization with a specialized focus on children and adults with autism spectrum disorder. Since applying for and receiving Consultative Status with the NGO Branch of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs FAST has dedicated much in the way of time, resources and attention to focusing on autism issues worldwide.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Aim of FAST is to improve the conditions of people with autism worldwide and to increase and build capacity for autism training internationally for staff and parental training using tele-rehabilitation through the use of online video such as SKYPE. While we have a rough estimate of the number of people with disabilities worldwide, no one knows how many people have autism worldwide. We have seen similar rates of autism prevalence in advanced countries that compare to the US rate, 1 in 88 or 1.5 individuals estimated with autism in the US. This number is increasing 17% each year. People with disabilities are entitled to the same rights as all other human beings and to equal opportunities. Too often their lives are handicapped by physical and social barriers in society which hamper their full participation. This is amplified by gender inequalities in many nations. Because of this, millions of children and adults in all parts of the world often face a life that is segregated and debased. Although awareness has been raised about disability issues, there remains a pressing need for continued action to promote effective measures for prevention and rehabilitation of autism. The World Health Organization and World Bank report recommends tele-rehabilitation as an effective mode.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

From 2013- present, we have documented projects we have undertaken in India, Cameroon, Liberia, and Anguilla and we have reached out extensively to many UN departments including NGO Relations, Social, Advocacy and Special Events and to try to present our contributions either in person, in video format or in written form so others may be able to follow our pilot projects.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

As part of promoting the 20th Anniversary of the 1995 World Summit for Social Development and the adoption of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action, The UNDESA Division for Social Policy and Development (DSPD) launched a yearlong campaign called “For Inclusion. For Equality. For People”. The campaign, which is part of the wider “2015 Time for Global Action” campaign, aims to highlight the importance of unity and the need to put people at the centre of the development agenda, leaving no one behind.

On the theme of “Innovation and Technology”, UNDESA DSPD is launching in 2015 an e-discussion on “How could the international community facilitate knowledge sharing and access to new technologies and innovation to all social groups, including youth, older persons, persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples, as well as vulnerable groups such as people living in rural and remote areas and people living in poverty?”

FAST contributed a detailed written report for that.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Training and Capacity Building through FAST's "Adopt A Center" Tele-rehabilitation Projects via SKYPE video with these projects:

- Kemarly of Anguilla in Cooperation with Blossom Center and actress Annie Potts
- Training of Staff at Crystal Foundation in Cameroon
- Reached out to Centers in and around Poona and Ahmednagar, MS India to be part of Adopt

a Center Capacity Building and Training Project

- Co-Hosted A Day of Art Event with broad alliance of International organizations including World Autism Organization, Foundation for Africans with Disabilities and Neglect, Autism Community of Africa, Liberia Renaissance Foundation, Racines Heritage Foundation, Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation. Pulled International alliance together to seek joint funding for international projects and pooled resources to try and get funding.
- Wrote ASD Training Capacity Building in Developing Nations proposal to Bill Gates Foundation
- Wrote first of kind Autism International Capacity Building Assessment Survey -Maintain information clearing house and call in center which provides free technical assistance and advice to stakeholders worldwide.

15. Foundation for Preventing Youth Violence, The (FPYV)

(Special; 2009)

Introduction

The FPYV is a non-profit public-service corporation as well as 'Youth NGO' with special consultative status bestowed by ECOSOC of UN, established by a father (Jong-ki Kim, Founder) of a fatal victim of school violence forced to take his own life due, under the goal to educate the society upon the magnitude of school violence and to engage in prevention of school violence. Foundation for Preventing Youth Violence ("The FPYV" hereinafter) is located at 88, Seocho-daero 46-gil, Seocho-gu, Seoul, the Republic of Korea. The Presiding head of organization is MOON Yong Lin and the Secretary-general is LEE Jong Ik, and it consists of 4 Youth Centers and consignment institutions of 3 Youth Counseling Center and 14 branches (Personnel situation: 320).

Aims and purposes of the organization

The purpose of FPYV is to contribute to fostering healthy environment for youths by forming upstanding youth culture, including prevention of violence against youths, enhancement of youth welfare, civil rights movement for youths, and youth training programs.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

1. "School Violence SOS Support Group" offers supports for youths, parents and teachers on school violence. Moreover, based on the MOU concluded with the MOE, the group operates a center for the Reconciliation and Dispute Mediation of School Violence. The center provided assistances through hotline and online counseling services (276,257 cases), and supported dispute mediations and emergence responses to serious cases (35,383 cases).
2. "Edujikim" is a education/training institute that operates for the purpose of preventing school violence and developing professional manpower with a license (No. 05-1) from the MOE, where 25,308 candidates completed a program. The center made significant impact on

elevation of expertise of school violence. The programs consist of job training for teachers and remote education/training program offering certificates and prevention training.

3. Development and Publication: The FPVY contributed to distribution of references on school violence by publication of literatures, teachers' guide (CD), and planning, development and operation of new prevention/education programs.

4. Support for Victims of School Violence: The FPVY delivers supports on living of victims, crisis counseling (by phone/internet), counseling, and mentoring program with professionals.

5. Campaign for Promotion of Civic Awareness: The FPVY leads to promote social changes through campaigns: "a very trivial confession" for adolescents to express their concerns, and "Blue Family Campaign" for youths, teachers, and parents come together to prevent school violence. Concerning on cyber bullying, FPVY conducted "Friendly Digital Community" for 22,984 students at 835 classrooms over 130 schools in Seoul.

6. Research and Statistics: FPVY is the only private agency to conduct annual analysis, which led significant impacts on national awareness of school violence for 15 years.

7. Preventive Actions against School Violence: By fully taking advantage of cultural events: "Ghost Friend" and "Here Comes Police," FPVY invested efforts to elevate civic awareness on school violence.

8. International Exchange & Cooperation: 29 seminars and international exchange programs with Japan and Germany on school violence were hosted and overseen by FPVY.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

1. Character Education for Military Personnel: It operates programs on group experiential activities with the 'C:EMD (Character: EQ•Moral•Dilemma approach) model, a theory of the FPVY with programs for development of healthy personalities. It helps military personnel in their late youth adjusting to military life in a positive manner by strengthening their rational

decision-making, communication skills, morality and personal characters.

2. Remote Training & Education via Online: This program contributed to developing professional workforce of 55,793 individuals specialized in various fields of school violence prevention targeting teachers, police, and others.

3. Signing of Public-Private Business Agreement: FPVY encouraged government authorities to engage in the issue of school violence by executing agreements with government agencies.

4. Successful Policy Proposal: After FPVY presented a policy proposal on Hot Line for School Violence, which led the operation of '117: School Violence Hot Line' by the NPA for a shelter for victims. The efforts of FPVY contributed to the safety of children, youths and their families. FPVY continue to make suggest revisions for the 'Law for Protection and Measure of School Violence.