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1. World Human Dimension

Special, 2000

Introduction

World Human Dimension is an NGO active in Russia (former USSR) since 1991. WHD freelancers work in Russia, the United States of America and Europe.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Main objectives - international humanitarian cooperation and teaching on the United Nations.

Significant changes in the organization

One Youth Representative - Carolina Van Sproncen (Neitherland) – was added in Europe. Now we have 4 staff members in New York and 3 - in Europe (Geneva, Switzerland, Vienna, Austria, and Brussels, Belgium).

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Our educational project "From the League of Nations to the United Nations" which includes 26 programs on the Organization is a meaningful contribution to raising public knowledge about the United Nations and issues it covers at 70.

It's also appropriate to mention our contribution to the campaign to elect a woman UN Secretary-General; holding a panel on the Climate Change and an educational quiz for youth " UN at 70".

We provide consultative assistance to Russian business organizations willing to participate in the Aid&Trade exhibitions and programs.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

In 2012-2015 WHD representatives attended the following meetings:

2012 56 Session of the Commission on the Status of Women: New York, 27 February - 9

March; Film screening "Languages Lost and Found: Speaking & Whistling the MammaTongue": New York, United States, 21 February.

2013 the 57th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women: New York, March 04 – 15; Commission on Sustainable Development, 20th session: New York, 20 September; High-level meeting of the General Assembly on disability and development: New York, 23 September; High-level event on the Millennium Development Goals and Post-2015 Development Agenda: New York, 25 September;

2014 the 58th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women: New York, March 10 – 21; 7th Session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities New York, 10 - 12 June; 65th Annual UN DPI/NGO Conference: New York, 27 - 29 August; International Day of Persons with Disabilities: New York, 03 December; WHD took part in the essay contest held by the Friendship Ambassadors Foundation and UN Women with the follow-up participation in the PINK Cloud project by UN Women and Microsoft: April 22-24, Rome, Italy.

WHD staff participated in the United Nations Rotary Day where panels and discussions had relevance to various UN issues including MDGs: November 1st, New York.

2015 the 59th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women: New York, 09 - 20 March; Sixth Session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing: New York, 14 - 16 July; “Faith, Identity and the promotion of Peace in the Aftermath of Genocide” event within a framework of launching a project on problems of people with disabilities: New York, 18 November.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

WHD maintains close relationship with the Moscow UN Information Center and actively interacts with other UN bodies largely due to the fact that our President is a former longtime staff member of the UN Secretariat. One recent example to illustrate the above-mentioned: recently we were requested to contribute to the United Nations campaign launched by Jean Krasno to elect Woman as a UN Secretary-General. See our website for more information:

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

Initiatives supporting MDGs covered: Environmental Sustainability(№1), inclusive education(№2), integration of older people and people with disabilities into economic activity(№3); gender equality (№4), empowering women (№5):

1. November 2015: Panel discussion on "Raising public awareness on Climate Change";
2. 2009-2015: research project "Reconciliation through comprehension";
3. October 2012: Reintegration program for older people and people with disabilities into an active life - monitoring and raising public awareness.
4. April 2014: participation in the Pink Cloud project in Rome organized by the UN Women and Microsoft. The project was aimed at encouraging gender parity in tech sector.
5. November 2015: assisting campaign to elect a woman UN Secretary-General, proposing a concrete person to the post.

Additional Information

26 programs have been prepared for the project "UN at 70". Those include lectures, seminars and round tables held weekly at the WHD premises covering among other things such topics as:

- Failure of the League of Nations to prevent WWII; -War-time conferences by the Allies to work out configuration of the world after WWII;
- Major Cold War issues;
- China and the UN Security Council;
- Middle East in 60s-70s;
- Millennium Development Declaration, its goals and targets.

2. World Organization of Governance and Competitiveness

Special, 2008

Introduction

Founded in 1997 by Monica Westin, World of Hope International (WOHI) began with a small preschool and clinic in a small rural village called Samsam Odumase, Ghana. Today, our operations in Ghana span a library (open to all), IT center, a preschool and primary school recognized by the Ghana Education Service, a clean potable water supply program, a female empowerment project, HIV/AIDS awareness education, and sports peer-to-peer education program. In recent years WOHI has collaborated with non-profit organizations and UN agencies in other countries in order to improve the lives of children internationally in accordance with our mission.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Implementing the United Nations Development Goals. World of Hope International, WOHI, especially focus on Early and primary education for the girl child. World of Hope International will implementing the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. Expanding our operations to other countries.

Significant changes in the organization

Developing Technology Program. WOHI has a new IT center and will provide education for children and local population. Solar energy roof for school. Istanbul, Turkey: Opened new office in Istanbul. Expanding efforts to reach vulnerable children/families displaced by war.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

World of Hope International, WOHI, continues to work in conjunction with the ECOSOC agenda through the development of economic, social and environmental initiatives with special focus on the well being of women and children in Ghana. WOHI in cooperation with the Ozer Foundation in Istanbul, Turkey started a nutrition and education project in Istanbul for the benefit of woman and children refugees. Ours staff is cooperating with UNDP in Istanbul.

Economic

WOHI contributes to literacy and numeracy skills by providing primary education to 500 students and has established a local library in order to increase the human capital potential of children, which will result in a positive economic impact both in the short and long terms. Micro credits were extended for small business development specifically for agricultural based businesses.

Social

Established a nutrition program for students Construction of wells helping ease access to potable clean water. Malaria reduction by securing existing water sources and providing mosquito nets to community members in an effort to combat mosquito borne illnesses.

Provided AIDS awareness education.

Environmental

Planting 2000 trees. Access to safe and nutritious food for 500 students by constructing a food garden on the school's premises.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

World of Hope International, WOHI, President and representatives attended the following conferences.

- United Nations New York, United States of America, 2016 60th Session of the Commission of Woman,
- New York May 2015 14th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
- New York Mar, 2015 59th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW59),
- New York 2015 53rd Session of the Commission for Social Development,
- New York May 2014 13th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.
- New York 2014 58th Session of the Commission on the Status of Woman,
- New York 2014 52nd Session of the Commission for Social Development. Development (CSocD)

- New York 2013 12th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.
- New York 2013 57th Session of the Commission on the Status of Woman. of Women (CSW57)
- New York 2013 51st Session of the Commission for Social Development

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Promoting the Rights of the Child in cooperation with Ghana Ministry of Woman's and Children's Affairs and UNICEF. The WOHI staff in Istanbul are cooperating with UNDP to coordinate efforts to provide assistance to refugees. Following guidelines and recommendations by UNICEF in regards to Early Childhood Education. Meeting with UN bodies to establish cooperation in countries we work.

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

Constructing additional wells with safe and clean portable water for communities in need. Early and Primary Education: Providing a safe environment for student to learn. Expanded on existing curriculum, hired addition professional teachers. High percentage of girls attending school.

Child Health: Food security and nutrition program

Female Empowerment- micro loans

Reduced child mortality with reduction in instances of Malaria. Provided mosquito netting to local families.

Combat AIDS: Recognize World Aids Day and provide special education for the local population.

Environmental Sustainability: Solar energy for school and waste management education.

Additional Information

World of Hope International, will continue to expand its mission to additional countries, with special focus on Education. Our Early Childhood Education program approved by Yale Child Study Center in cooperating with UNICEF and will be duplicated in other countries where will want to make an impact.

3. World Space Week Association

Special, 2012

Introduction

World Space Week Association supports the United Nations in the global coordination of the United Nations declared World Space Week 4-10 October annually.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The mission of World Space Week Association (WSWA) is to strengthen the link between space and society through public education, participation, and dialogue on the future of space activity using World Space Week as a focus. To achieve this mission, the strategy of the Association is to expand United Nations declared World Space Week, 4-10 October annually, to efficiently focus global attention on space through widespread events that week and associated media coverage. Specifically, World Space Week Association shall institutionalize World Space Week in the plans of other organizations globally on the largest possible scale; seek media coverage of the resulting celebration; provide participating organizations with coordination and assistance; and hold events at a global level.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- 1) The organization prepares and publishes the World Space Week annual report each year.
- 2) The increase of events held shows World Space Week Association's effective work to increase the awareness of World Space Week, The number of events held in 2012 was 685. In 2015 the number was nearly 1900 in over 70 nations.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- 1)The organization addressed the fifty-sixth session on The Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS) General Assembly 14 June 2013 in Vienna Austria reporting on the growth of World Space Week from 2000, and the vision to grow this event to a new

level.

2)The organization addressed the fifty-first session COPUOS Scientific and Technical Subcommittee 17 February 2014 in Vienna Austria reporting on success of 2013 and the vision for the future.

3)The organization addressed the fifty-seventh session COPUOS General Assembly 16 June 2014 in Vienna Austria reporting on the growth of World Space Week and its goals for the future.

4)The organization addressed the fifty-second session COPUOS Scientific and Technical Subcommittee 6 February 2015 in Vienna Austria giving report and our vision for the future.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

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

Each year, the World Space Week Association (WSWA) selects a theme for the upcoming World Space Week (WSW) to provide a focus of the activities and events that take a place throughout the world, during 4-10 October.

World Space Week 2014 focused on the benefits of satellite navigation to society. Space based navigation systems help us locate planes, ships, cars, trains and people, but also helps us improve agriculture and disaster management. Thus the World Space Week Association contributed to the MDG 8.F worldwide.

Additional Information

The organization attended the fifty-second Scientific and Technical Subcommittee 3-13 February 2015 in Vienna Austria, the fifty-fourth session of Legal Subcommittee 13-24 April,2015 in Vienna Austria, the fifty-eighth session of COPUOS 20-19 June 2015 in Vienna Austria.

In 2014 the organization attended the fifty-first session of COPOUS 11-21 Feb 2014 in

Vienna Austria, the fifty-seventh session of COPUOS 12-20 June 2014 in Vienna Austria.

In 2013 the organization attended the fiftieth Scientific and Technical Subcommittee 11-22 February 2013 in Vienna Austria, and the fifty-sixth session of COPUOS 12-21 June 2013.

In 2012 the organization attended the fifty-fifth session of COPUOS 6-15 June 2012 in Vienna Austria

4. World Welfare Association

Special, 2012

Introduction

World welfare Association established in 1991. Association is registered as per ordinance 1961 laid down vide government of Punjab, Pakistan, 181/DDFW/FSD191 dated June 05, 1991

World Welfare Association is one of its natures in serving the humanity. WWA has ethical values those reflect in its practices. Its main purposes to serve the people as this is duty of those peoples, who have empowerment to do something better for others. This organization is trying its best to do the job well. World welfare association is guiding the people to choose the better way of living. Since 1991 organization is working with devotion, Free Education, Health service by implementations of Medical camps, free dispensaries for the deserving peoples. The organization also helps the poor, at the time of marriage of their daughters in shape of money and dowry.

Aims and purposes of the organization

World Welfare Association is doing its best to provide education to children by awaking the people from the importance of education and provide the sources to get the education. Because education is the tool of the progress and prosperity.

- To help the poor but hard working women to train in the field of handicrafts, Stitching, Cutting, Making Flowers, Decorating Pieces
- Providing better facilities to prevent health problems.
- Provide the best and easy ways of earning livelihood for those women come out from their homes and in search of employment and forget their own.
- Committed for the quality education for all.
- Scholarship for the intelligent students.
- Reduction of drugs demand in women.
- To raise the awareness and consciousness.

(To manage workshops for community members and parents of children to motivate them about necessity of education and health of children, and also manage workshops for other purposes).

- To provide the facilities of education.

(We want to travel from non-formal to formal education).

- To ensure the practical participation of women in the process of development

(To establish Educational & Technical training institutions, we want to inaugurate a Skill centre).

- To provide the basic facilities of Health.
- Youth welfare, Poverty, Peace, Agriculture, Minorities.

Significant changes in the organization

As the organization is working on all issues related to the civil society and is becoming the popular non profit organization in Faisalabad, Pakistan. The change in organization is that we are seeking youth to be employed in our organization. We employee Hassan Tariq who is graduate from Griffith University Australia in International Relations working as Manager Projects and Fareeha Mirza graduate from Punjab University in International Relations working as Project manager (Women Development). With the young team we are trying to introduce this organization On International Platforms.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

We are working on the same agenda of UN. UN has done remarkable contributions in the development of women , their education , self independence and prosperity of women. We also done to our best for the development of women and also education of Youth. We come up with two branches of school where we are providing free education and skill training for females so that they can start their own small business.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

We participate in the meetings in the start then we just concentrate on the development projects due to lack of money because to participate in conferences needs high budgets, with the passage of time we got good reputation among the people and we are now the popular

organization of Faisalabad, Pakistan. with the Addition of young and educated people in our team now we are working to explore international platforms . Our priority is to send our representatives in conferences and sessions by UN .

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

We communicate with UN bodies to seek help and their experts advice to run the project we also call a youth ambassador on the inauguration of our skill training center.

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

Organization is working day and night to achieve the goals and agendas set by United Nations to meet annual developmental goals.

5. World Wide Fund for Nature International

General, 1996

Introduction

The World Wide Fund for Nature International (WWF) mission is to stop the degradation of the planet's natural environment and to build a future in which humans live in harmony with nature, by: (i) conserving the world's biological diversity; (ii) ensuring that the use of renewable natural resources is sustainable; (iii) promoting the reduction of pollution and wasteful consumption.

Aims and purposes of the organization

There have been no changes.

Significant changes in the organization

Mr. Marco Lambertini has taken his functions as Director General of WWF International since April 2014 replacing Mr. James Leape.

WWF has also redefined its goals and structure organized around on six Goal Practices (Climate and Energy, Food, Forests, Oceans, Water, Wildlife) and three Supporting Driver Practices (Finance, Governance and Markets).

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

WWF has contributed to these processes through sharing information, policy positions, suggestions and recommendations, case studies as well as verbal and written advice to key diplomats and participants of several UN international and regional meetings.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

12th Special Session and 27th Session of the UNEP Governing Council; Rio+20 preparatory meetings and Summit; World Heritage Committee (WHC) 36th, 37th, 38th and 39th sessions; UN General Assembly (UNGA) 67th, 68th, 69th and 70th sessions; Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) COP11 and COP12; UN Convention against Transnational

Organized Crime (UNTOC) COP6 and COP7; UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) COP18, COP19, COP20, COP21; 1st, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 13th OWG on SDGs sessions; UN Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) 65th and 66th sessions; UN Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ) 22nd session; Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) 2013, 2014, 2015; HLPF 2014, 2015; UN Special Event to Follow up Efforts Made Towards Achieving the MDGs; UN High-level event on Illicit Wildlife Trafficking; First UN Environment Assembly (UNEA) of the UNEP; Climate Summit 2014; Substantive Informal Meeting on Third International Conference on Financing for Development (FfD); 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th sessions of the Post-2015 intergovernmental negotiations (IGN); 2015 UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (UNECLAC) Regional Forum on Sustainable Development; Eighth Joint Annual Meetings of the African Union Commission (AUC) and the UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA); 2nd drafting session on the Third Conference on Financing for Development (FfD) Outcome Document; 2nd UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) Forum on Sustainable Development; President of the General Assembly Two days of informal hearing with stakeholders; Third Conference on FfD; UN Sustainable Development Summit 2015; the Inter-Agency and Expert Group (IAEG) on SDGs indicators Second Meeting.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

UNEP, UNDP, UNGA, ECOSOC, UNDESA, UN Statistical Commission, UN-NGLS, HLPF, HLPEP, UNECA, UNECE, UNECLAC, UNESCAP, UNESCWA, UNESCO, UN Global Compact, FAO, UN Water, WHO, CSD, WTO, UN-Women, ILO, UNCTAD, UNODC, UNCCPCJ, UNCAC, UNTOC, UNCLOS.

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

WWF's programme of work contributed to the achievement of the MDGs, particularly as it relates to Goal 7 on Environmental Sustainability and Goal 1 on Poverty Eradication.

WWF works to support sustainable livelihoods and reduce poverty, and develop more equitable models of natural resource consumption and governance. An important dimension

of our work are efforts to reduce human ecological footprint by promoting sustainable production and consumption patterns.

WWF National, Programme and Country offices across the network run a number of projects and programmes aimed at linking conservation and better natural resource management with improving livelihoods and alleviating poverty. We collaborate with different partners to achieve the best possible outcomes from our work: with indigenous and traditional peoples to sustainably manage their environment; with the public sector to integrate conservation into development investment and our partners include national governments and regional bodies, as well as bilateral, regional and multilateral IFIs; in partnerships with businesses and the private sector, to shift major commodity markets to responsible and sustainable production; with other environmental, development and human rights NGOs and CSOs, from local grassroots groups to large global organizations to deliver effective conservation while safeguarding people's livelihoods.

Additional Information

WWF has also provided support, contributing to the work of the UNSG's high level panels such as the High Level Panel on Global Sustainability, High Level Group on Sustainable Energy for All, High Level Advisory Group on Climate Change financing, the High Level Panel on post-2015 UN development agenda as well as the Inter-Agency Expert Group on SDGs indicators and the HLPF. WWF has also actively contributed to the multitude of stakeholder processes in the lead up to the adoption of the SDGs and has also been very active in the Friends of Group on poaching and illicit wildlife trafficking set up in New York by the Permanent Missions of Gabon and Germany.

6. World Youth Alliance

Special, 2004

Introduction

The World Youth Alliance (WYA) is a global coalition of young people committed to promoting the dignity of the person and building solidarity among youth from developed and developing nations. WYA has over 1 million members in over 150 countries supported by six regional offices in Africa, Asia Pacific, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, and North America.

Aims and purposes of the organization

WYA trains young people to work at the regional and international levels to impact policy and culture. Through this lived experience of the dignity of the person, young people are able to affirm life at all levels of society.

Significant changes in the organization

WYA enrolled over 95,000 new members over the time period of 2012-2015. In 2012, WYA opened a new regional office for the Middle East, based in Beirut, Lebanon, expanding our operations and training program there.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Each year WYA hosts the International Solidarity Forum (ISF) at the United Nations, bringing together members from around the globe to learn about and discuss issues of international importance and relating to the United Nations' mission. The themes of the ISF during this quadrennial period have been: Sustainable Development (2012); Health and Sustainable Development (2013); the Family: The Backbone of Development (2014); and Health & Education: Keys to Development (2015). We also hosted cultural evenings featuring young musicians and films by young filmmakers at the United Nations in 2012, 2013, and 2014.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- 1) Commission on Social Development representatives attended the following sessions: 50th Session, 1-10 February 2012; 51st Session, 5-15 February 2013; 52nd Session, 11-21 February 2014; 53rd Session, 4-13 February 2015.
- 2) Commission on the Status of Women representatives attended the following sessions: 56th Session, 27 February-9 March 2012; 57th Session, 4-15 March; 58th Session, 10-21 March; 59th Session, 9-20 March.
- 3) Commission on Population and Development representatives attended the following sessions: 45th Session, 23-27 April 2012; 46th Session, 22-26 April 2013; 47th Session, 7-11 April 2014; 48th Session, 13-17 April 2015.
- 4) Representatives attended the 3rd Intersessional Meeting of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, 19-27 March 2012.
- 5) Representatives attended the High-level meeting of the General Assembly on disability and development, 23 September 2013.
- 6) Representatives attended the 13th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, 12-23 May 2014.
- 7) Representatives also attended meetings related to the Sustainable Development Goals, including meetings on the Open Working Group document (July 2014) and open meetings leading up to the final conference on the text of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

World Youth Alliance's Middle East office received a grant of \$200,000.00 from the United Nations Democracy Fund for the Emerging Leaders of the Arab Region program. This project will direct the energy and potential of youth in 5 Arab states towards building free, just and democratic societies through building the capacity of 620 youth on topics of freedom, democracy and human rights. The project began in November 2014 and will continue through October 2016.

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

WYA has been working devotedly in support of the health and personal-development related Millennium Development Goals. In addition to participating in events related to them, WYA has conducted research and analysis and published white papers on maternal

health, sustainable development, HIV/AIDS, reproductive health, family planning, and development aid. These materials have served as the basis for training of WYA members so that they are prepared to promote authentic development. WYA has been developing curricula for children that foster personal development, respect for human dignity and rights, and healthy decision-making. WYA has also been working with partner organizations to empower women through evidence-based health education that can contribute to reducing maternal mortality and helping them make informed choices about their fertility.

7. World Youth Foundation

Special, 2004

Introduction

Since its establishment World Youth Foundation (WYF) has provided a platform for the interchange of ideas among youth organizations both locally and internationally. The World Youth Foundation has received membership with the National Commission for UNESCO Malaysia (NATSCOM) in 2012 and a full member of Commonwealth Youth Council (CYC)

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization's aims to promote, development and documentation of youth programs beneficial to youth worldwide.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization participated in the Online Forum on "The United Nations wants to hear from you", 31st December 2012

The organization participated virtually in the Session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Partners of UNESCO's Executive Board, UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France, 26th September 2013

The organization submitted written input to UN PGA and Sustainable Development Solutions Networks (SDSN) report on post-2015, 25th February 2014

The organization submitted written statement to the 59th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW59) by UN Women, 22nd October 2014

Representative participated in the Helen Clark Facebook Q&A session by United Nations Development Programme on the Global Goals, 22nd September 2015

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization joined Linear Presentation of the IIEP / UNESCO E-Forum on Gender in Education, 26th March 2012

Representative participated in the Bali Youth Multistakeholder Meeting in Alignment with HLPEP Consultation on Post-2015 Development Agenda, Bali Nusa Dua Convention Centre, Bali, Indonesia, 24th – 25th March 2013

Representative participated in the Asian and Pacific Regional Implementation Meeting on Rio +20 Outcomes, United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok, Thailand, 22nd – 24th April 2013

Representative participated in the Asia Pacific Civil Society Regional Consultation Meeting 2012, organized by UNEP and the Asian Development Bank (ADB), Satagoeri Project and Ecomom Korea, Phnom Penh, Cambodia, 17th – 18th September 2013

Representative participated in the Beyond 2015 selecting nominees for the OPGA's first High Level Event on the "Contributions of Women, the Young, and Civil Society to the Post-2015 Development Agenda", UN Headquarters, New York, United States, 6th – 7th March 2014

Representative attended Roundtable Dialogue With Ms. Christiana Figueres, Executive Secretary, UN Framework Convention On Climate Change (UNFCCC), Prime Minister Office, Putrajaya, Malaysia, 3rd March 2015

Representative attended 70th Session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA70), 15th – 28th September 2015, New York, United States of America

Representative participated in the UN Sustainable Development Summit, UN Headquarters, New York, United States of America, 25th – 27th September 2015

Representative participated in the 21st session of the Conference of the Parties (COP21) and the 11th session of the Conference of the Parties (CMP11), Le Bourget, Paris, France, 30th November – 11th December 2015

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization joined as a MY World partner 14th February 2013 and conducted several MyWorld surveys both locally and internationally World Youth Foundation also conducted the HeforShe survey.

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

- The organization joined UNV Online Volunteering service in promoting the My World Global Survey, 9th September 2014
- Conducted MY World offline survey with Stamford College Malacca's program, 27th September 2014, Orkid Hotel, Melaka, Malaysia
- The organization supported International Women's Day by releasing a message through Facebook page in line with the MY World priorities, 8th March 2015
- The organization supported International Campaign for the UN Decade on Youth Employment (Beyond 2015 CYWG) by Signup a petition, 21st April 2015
- The organization supported International Youth Day "Youth Civic Engagement" by releasing a message through our Facebook page, 12th August 2015
- The organization conducted the Global Goals Survey with Stamford College Volunteers, 6th October 2015, Stamford College Malacca, Malaysia
- The organization hosted "Youth Be Aware" Workshop 2012: Health and Environment, Healthy Environment for Healthy Youth, 26th – 29th November 2012, Renaissance Melaka Hotel, Malaysia
- The organization hosted International Conference on Trafficking of Young Women and Children, 3rd – 7th September 2013, Ramada Plaza Melaka, Malaysia

- The organization hosted the Multi-stakeholder Meeting: Violence Against Women “Engaging Youth as Agents of Change”, 21st – 23rd June 2014, Ramada Plaza Melaka, Malaysia
- The organization hosted International Workshop on Climate Change, “Youth Action on Climate Change”, 21st – 24th May 2015, Swiss-Garden Hotel & Residences Malacca, Malaysia
- The organization hosted Official Launching Ceremony of MY World – The United Nations Global Survey, 24th May 2015 Swiss-Garden Hotel & Residences Malacca, Malaysia

8. Worldwide Network Nigeria: Women in Development and Environment

Special, 2008

Introduction

This is the second report of activities by WorldWIDE Network: Nigeria covering the last four years from 2012 to 2016. The organization was granted special Consultative status in 2008. The organization's headquarters is based in Nigeria. It is a non- profit, Non partisan Non- Governmental Organization, granted United Nations Special Consultative Status in the year 2008.

Aims and purposes of the organization

1. To nurture grassroots participation and strengthen the role of women in Environmental Conservation, solid waste management, water and sanitation. 2. To develop small and medium scale enterprises, through skills acquisition, micro credit, counseling and training for women and youths. 3. To give technical assistance to NGOs, Community Based Organizations, women's groups, men's groups to design programs and execute projects that will lead to sustainable development. 4. To train Women and Youths on Reproductive health and prevention of HIV / AIDS. 5. To promote programs and activities that will lead to women empowerment, gender equality and Good Governance in Nigeria.

Significant changes in the organization

The organization has continued to grow from strength to strength in programs and activities. our engagements with communities has continued to create positive impacts. Since the granting of Special Consultative Status, our members have participated in many United Nations conferences. This gave our members access to many policy documents and learning materials distributed during the conferences at the United Nations in New York, United States of America. The organization's programs and activities are designed in line with the final outcomes of the work of the commissions.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations. The organization has

contributed significantly in the work of the United Nations through advocacy and sensitization meetings with community leaders, as well as capacity building training for grassroots women on the Beijing Platform of Action the domestication of United Nations Convention on Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women. We have reproduced and distributed learning materials for awareness raising in communities. The organization was involved in the monitoring and evaluation of the MDGs projects and programs in our country.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Participation in meetings of the United Nations The Chief Executive and Some key members have participated in many United Nations conferences both in New York, United States, and at the World Urban Forums. The Executive Director chaired some NGO and Women caucus meetings at the United Nations, and also contributed in drafting and presenting NGO written statements during the Commission on Social Development conference. They also participated in many networking events and contributed in reports submitted by the civil society organizations. We also contributed to the Civil society inputs on SDGs consultations.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Cooperation with United Nations bodies The organization has cooperated with UNICEF and UNDP Nigeria in program implementation. The organization implemented training for community members on gender and women's participation in decision making. the UN Women documents were used for the training. We are currently working on ending violence against women, as well as providing safe spaces for survivors. We have been part of the work of NGO Committee on Social Development.

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

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals The organization has sensitized grassroots women leaders on the 8 Millennium Development Goals. The organization has monitored and evaluated the projects and programs implemented by the government and her agencies in Nigeria to meet the targets. Reports

produced by this organization form part of the over all reports submitted by Nigeria on the goals. The exercise has encouraged the contractors handling the projects to deliver on time and according to project specification. The organization has been able to identify and report some erring contractors. Our actions has encouraged the communities to step-in and maintain the projects.

Additional Information

Additional Information The organization is working as member of the NGO sub- committee on Commission for Social Development. The organization is also working with other civil society organizations on the issue of Violence Against Women and girls. Many abused women are ashamed to come out and report their cases. The women lack information regarding the legal provisions and where to go to seek for help. Our organization is now working with youths in selected communities to report cases of violence against women. It is hoped that if the younger generation are taught early to Shaun violence and embrace alternative conflict resolution strategies, the incidence of violence against women and girls will be a thing of the past.

9. Yachay Wasi, Inc.

Special, 2008

Introduction

Yachay Wasi, Inc.: Yachay Wasi means in Quechua: House of Learning. Yachay Wasi, Inc. is based in New York City, United States of America, since 1993 and in Cuzco, Peru since 1997. It is also associated with the Department of Public Information since 1997, in partnership with UNESCO since 2007 and is a member of the Mountain Partnership since 2009. In November 2012, Yachay Wasi, Inc. was accredited with UN FCCC.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Culture and spirituality of Indigenous peoples, which include caring for the environment, are still the basis for Yachay Wasi's commitment. Protection of Indigenous Sacred Sites and of Biodiversity is still one of the aims of Yachay Wasi. In early 2012, advocacy for Sustainable Tourism benefiting Indigenous communities according to CSD-7 (1999) was achieved during the negotiations for Rio + 20 outcome document.

The planting of high altitude native trees in the High Andes continued until end of 2014, when extreme heat burned some of the small trees and project was stopped temporarily.

Yachay Wasi still publishes an occasional newsletter online and maintains an internet information list. Yachay Wasi still invites and facilitates visa requirements for Yachay Wasi members in Peru to travel to New York, United States of America, to attend yearly PFII sessions.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

From January thru May 2012, constant participation in negotiations for Rio + 20 outcome document, with advocacy for Sustainable Tourism benefiting Indigenous communities according to documents from the Commission on Sustainable Development 7th session (1999). On 20 March 2012, Yachay Wasi was part of a panel of representatives from the

Indigenous Major Group speaking on KEY MESSAGES OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES for Rio + 20.

During the 11th session of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII), Yachay Wasi organized a side event on Sustainable Tourism in the High Andes, on 14 May 2012, which was hosted by the United Nations Environment Programme New York Office: TURISMO VIVENCIAL EN LOS ANDES REGION DE CUSCO. Speakers were an officer from UNESCO and visiting members of Yachay Wasi from Cuzco, Peru.

During the 12th session of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Yachay Wasi organized a side event on Water is Life, in the time of the Inkas, on 20 May 2014 which was hosted by the United Nations Environment Programme New York Office, United States. Speakers were an officer from UNEP, a member of UNPFII, a member of Rotary International, Australia, an Agriculture expert from Peru and rge president of Yachay Wasi of Yachay Wasi from Cuzco, Peru;

BRIEFING BY YACHAY WASI TO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS on eve of the 2012 National Model United Nations Conference: Yachay Wasi Main Rep. to UN addressed 30 students from the University of Idaho and their Professor on 2 April 2012 at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in Times Square, New York, United States. Students had selected Peru as the country to represent during the Conference and wanted to learn from a NGO implementing projects in Peru.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- COP-21, Paris, France, December 2015 (registered only)
- UN GA Summit on SDGs, 25-27 September 2015;
- High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, 26 June-08 July, 2015;
- Post-2015 Development Agenda GA Hearings with NGOs, 26-27 May 2015;
- GA High level Meeting World Conference on Indigenous Peoples, 22-23 September 2014;
- GA Informal Hearing World Conference on Indigenous Peoples, 17-18 June 2014;

- 65th Annual DPI/NGO Conference, 27-29 August 2014;
- 13th Session of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, 14-18 July 2014;
- 12th Session of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, 16-20 June 2014;
- High level event on the MDGs & Post 2015 Development Agenda, 25 September 2013;
- UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio + 20), 20-22 June 2012 (registered, unable to attend financially)
- 23 April – 4 May & 29 May – 2 June 2012, Informal Consultations Rio + 20 outcome document;
- Rio + 20 Zero Draft negotiations Jan. thru May 2012: 4 sessions;
- 15 – 16 December 2011, 2nd International Meeting for Rio + 20, 15-16 December 2011
- Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues sessions 2012 thru 2015;
- Commission on Status of Women – 2012 thru 2015 Commission for Social Development – 2012 thru 2015

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

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

Projects undertaken by Yachay Wasi in Peru High Andes support the MDG 7: Environment:

Planting of High altitude native trees in Peru Andes (2008 thru early 2015 when high temperatures burned some of the young trees and saplings.

Ongoing: Proposal for Partnership with SDG30 Platform:

Follow up to successful CSD Partnership RECOVERY OF THE CIRCUIT OF FOUR

LAKES in Peru Andes (Water & Sanitation 2007-2011). The project in 2016 - 2020 will implement environmental education in schools of Indigenous communities in same Circuit of Four lakes.

10. Yakutia - Our Opinion

Special, 2012

Introduction

NGO “Yakutia – Our Opinion” is a human rights organization. It operates in Republic Sakha (Yakutia), the biggest subject of Russian Federation. Our organization undertakes human rights protection at global and national level.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The main aims are: -human rights protection; -informing people about real situation; - monitoring socio-economic situation; -formation of public opinion; -anti-corruption activity; The main purpose – implementing international norms in Russia through public awareness, civic activity and development of relevant documents (reports, resolutions, appeals and others) at the UN and other international organizations to enforce incentive measures in relation to Russia. The organization is unique organization in consultative status registered in Republic Sakha (Yakutia) and operated in Siberia and Far East of Russia. Other organizations in consultative status are registered in Moscow and large cities of the European part of Russia and operate in Siberia and Far East through its affiliates and subsidiaries.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization developed the following complaints to the UN bodies.

- 1.The complaint to the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression in the interest of Russian citizens in order to protect the right to equal access to quality Internet at affordable prices.
2. The complaint to the Human Rights Council Branch (complaint procedure) in the interest of the initiative civic group of Nyurbinsky district of Republic Sakha (Yakutia) of the Russian Federation to return the 10% stake in the joint stock company "ALROSA-

Nyurba".

3. The complaint to the Petitions Team in the interest of Russian citizen Vladimir Sotnikov in connection with the violation of his labor rights.

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights recommends to identify not only some specific violations, but systematic violations of human rights and to propose measures for their elimination. For this reason the organization developed the initiatives to change russian legislation for every complaint.

The organization developed some materials and projects at global level.

1. Analysis of documentation and recommendations for the 2013 Universal Periodic Review of Russian Federation.

2. Action Plan - Priority measures and practical recommendations to the Russian President and the Russian Government to ensure decent life for citizens.

3. Activity strategy at global level - Appeal to the independent institutes of civil society.

4. Anti-corruption initiatives: -priority measures to develop legal bases of activity of the non-governmental anti-corruption organizations;

-the proposal of amendments to russian legislation on anti-corruption expertise of legal acts.

5. Online Newspaper 'Yakutia – Our Opinion' in english on opportunities provided by UN.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

In 2013 the organization's chief participated in Indigenous Fellowship Programme of the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, 15 june – 13 july 2013. During the fellowship the chief participated at the following UN meetings: -the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) and made the statement on Item 5 "Study on the access to justice in the promotion and protection of the rights of indigenous peoples";

-the 2013 Substantive session of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and made the written statement for High level segment: annual ministerial review. In 2014 the organization submitted the statement for High level segment: annual ministerial review at the ECOSOC Substantive session.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization received financial assistance (grant) from the United Nations for participation of chief in Indigenous Fellowship Programme in Geneva, Switzerland, 15 June – 13 July 2013.

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

The organization would have been able to contribute more to the implementation of United Nations programmes if not for the following problems which are ongoing: scarce funds and few representative staff make attendance at international meetings very difficult.

11. Young Men's Hebrew Association of The City Of New York, The

Special, 2012

Introduction

92nd Street Y (also known as 92Y) is a world-class cultural and community center where people all over the world connect through culture, arts, entertainment and conversation. For 142 years, we have harnessed the power of arts and ideas to enrich, enlighten and change lives, and the power of community to repair the world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

We are a catalyst, with a mission to inspire action by bringing together today's most exceptional thinkers and influential partners for social good, both on our stage and through our professional and international fellowship programs. We are as strong as a cultural and performing arts center as we are as an American Jewish community center that serves everyone.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

1. Ford Fellowship (2012 – 2016) The Ford Motor Company International Fellowship of 92nd Street Y enhances the efforts of emerging leaders in communities throughout the world. So far, 333 individuals from 74 countries have participated in this nonprofit management and leadership trainings taught by faculty of the Picker Center for Executive Education at Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs and Yale University, United States of America. There are visits to model nonprofit organizations such as the Doe Fund, the Carnegie Council, and The United Nations Children's Emergency Fund.

2. Diplomatic Roundtables (2012-2016) The Diplomatic Roundtable program arranged by 92Y International Relations provides a respectful, respected, open forum for dialogue and a place of learning where different nations, races, religions and ethnicities connect and

exchange views. 92Y's leadership and invited guests, including some of the region's top business and political leaders, join ambassadors and consuls general for evenings of frank, off-the-record dialogue.

3. International Way, StreetFest (2012-2016)

Diplomatic friends join us along International Way at 92nd Street Y's annual Street Festival, held each September on sixteen blocks of Lexington Avenue, New York, United States of America, showcasing culture, products and tourism from a variety of countries. We work with Cultural and Tourism offices, Consulates General, and Permanent Missions to the United Nations.

4. Social Good Summit (2012-2016)

The Social Good Summit is a two-day conference examining the impact of technology and new media on social good initiatives around the world. Held annually during United Nations General Assembly Week, the Social Good Summit enables global citizens to unlock the potential of technology to make the world a better place. The Social Good Summit is partnered with the United Nations Foundation, the United Nations Development Program, and Mashable. The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to end poverty, fight inequality and injustice, and tackle climate change have played a large role in the Social Good Summit programming.

5. Giving Tuesday (2012 – 2016) #GivingTuesday was founded in 2012 by 92nd Street Y in close partnership with the United Nations Foundation. Together, with a team of influencers and founding partners, we have launched a global movement that has engaged over 30,000 organizations worldwide.

6. 7 Days of Genius 92Y has partnered with United Nations Women to identify a global network of youth leaders that will host 92Y Genius events in their communities. These young activists are members of the United Nations Interagency Network on Youth Development's (IANYD) Youth and Gender Equality Working Group. They lead 20 workshops and events around the globe focusing on defining and developing a youth-led genius solution for gender equality.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

92Y International Relations team has attended: Protecting the Rights of LGBTI People in

Latin America: A Decade in Progress at the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (November, 2015) and the screening of It's Not Over, an HIV documentary (November, 2015).

92Y's Special Education program connected with United Nations expert panelists on Ehlers-Danlos syndrome. 92Y Educational Outreach has also partnered with a Holocaust Remembrance event at the United Nations General Assembly (92Y musicians performed on site).

92Y Ford fellows do an annual United Nations tour and briefing; in 2015 with Ravi Karkara and United Nations Women.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Giving Tuesday, a campaign created by 92Y has greatly participated with the United Nations Foundations in their efforts. Additionally, the Social Good Summit equally partnered with the United Nations Development Program and the United Nations Foundation during each event held at 92Y, and several satellite events around the world.

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

Ford Motor Company International Fellowship of 92nd Street Y

#GivingTuesday

Social Good Summit

92Y Holocaust Memorial

12. Young Professionals Forum

Special, 2012

Introduction

Young Professionals Forum (YPF), Inc. is a non-profit 501(c) (3) organization. We provide educational outreach, interventional, mentoring programs that is tailored towards the needs of the challenges that face youth within Washington Metropolitan Area and Baltimore City, United States of America. We also work internationally in developing countries including Nigeria, South Africa and Sierra Leona. Our goals is to support and improve the African countries participation in the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) for engaging in developmental projects that help to foster entrepreneurship and economic development in Africa.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Our aim and purpose is to educate and carry out programs that will help to combat issues affecting Africa, by conducting campaigns, seminars, workshops and programs that increase awareness of economic, health and environmental development issues and people.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

May: Organized Teenage Pregnancy Conference and Campaign August: Hosted delegates from Nigeria for African Growth Opportunity Act project study tour. During the tour, we encouraged local Civic Societies to partner with UNDP FOR millennium goal achievement.

2016 February: Our representative participated at the Fifty-Fourth Session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD54). The session took place from 3 to 12 February 2016 at United Nations Headquarters in New York, United States.

March: Representative participated in the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women that was held from 14 to 24 March 2016 at United Nations Headquarters in New York, United States. April: Submitted statement for the 2016 ECOSOC High Level

Segment (HLS).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

August 16th 2012: Young Professionals Forum developed a Capability document to support inputs for the CAPMATCH global market place, for civilian capacities. We have enhanced additional capabilities and will be updating these when UN requests.

October 20-21th 2012: Sponsored 2 representatives to attend in the Post-Rio to Post-2015 International Stakeholder Engagement in New York, United States. We actively contributed to dialogues for new governance architecture and role of civic society in the implementation of Rio+20 outcomes. December 1st 2012: Organized a World AIDS Day event in Nigeria to help to raise awareness about HIV AIDS. December 11th 2012: Submitted a written statement for UN women conference CSW in support of the 2013 conference theme.

December 2012: Organized a food donation to help alleviate poverty

2013

February: Representative attended the Fifty-First Session of the Commission for Social Development, which took place from 6 to 15 February 2013. August: Organized, coordinated and submitted a petition to UN women for investigation of the constitutional amendment made by Nigerian Senate to Make Under-Age Marriage Constitutionally Legal.

September: Representatives both from Nigeria and United States attended the General Assembly “High-level meeting of the General Assembly on disability and development”

September 2013. Representatives also attended the UNICEF Global Partnership on Children with Disabilities during the General assembly. December 10th 2013: Submitted written statement for the 2014 Commission on the Status of Women UN conference.

2014

January: Registered and Submitted side event notice to UN women CSW to host a side event in the 2014 conference.

March 2014: Representatives attended and organized a side event for the fifty-eight (58th) session of UN Women conference 2014, titled “Girls can do it too STEM education”.

July/August 2014: Participated as an observer at the Fifth Session of the Open-ended Working Group (OEWGA), that took place from 30 July to 1 August 2014 at United Nations Headquarters in New York, United States.

2015

January: Submitted written statement for the 2015 Commission on the Status of Women UN conference.

June/ July: Representatives attended the 2015 High-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council that took place in New York, United States, 26 June to 8 July 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Our organization are still working on partnering with the United Nations body to carry out a joint activity with the UN.

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

Our organization activities in line with Millennium Development Goals. Our organization observed the World AIDS Day each year December 1, developed partnership for developmental programs in Abia State, Nigeria.

13. Youth for Unity and Voluntary Action

General, 1996

Introduction

Youth for Unity and Voluntary Action (YUVA) is a voluntary development organisation established in 1984 in India. YUVA's engagements are derived from defending, promoting, restoring and creating the civil, political, social, economic and cultural rights of the poor at the individual and collective level. Our target groups are children, youth, women, homeless, migrant and informal workers. YUVA's strength lies in facilitating grassroots intervention towards evidence based policy engagement. YUVA currently works in 8 states of India.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Since 1984, YUVA has questioned social structures along the side of the poor, with the aim of empowering them to participate in a process of meaningful change. At the heart of YUVA's mission lies the conviction that the collective destinies of the human race are bound together. For a genuine, sustainable and lasting social system, sharp differences in income and opportunities must give way to a more equitable distribution. Thus, YUVA has focused on creating access and enabling processes to a gamut of rights and opportunities within the human rights framework for the marginalised and vulnerable sections of the society.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

YUVA has been closely involved in the SDG process over the last three years. Representatives of the organisation have participated in several important meetings, negotiated statements and led Indian civil society engagement processes in the SDG process. We are also involved in the Habitat III process in the last several months, bringing to bear our experience with the SDGs and urbanisation.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- 1) 2011: Representatives attended the 55th Session of the CSW, New York, United States of America.
- 2) 2013: Representatives participated in meeting titled Advancing Regional Recommendations on Post 2015: A dialogue between governments, civil society and UN representatives, 22 September.
- 3) 2014: Representatives attended 52nd Session on Commission on Social Development, 11-21 February.
- 4) 2014: Representatives attended the 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th Open Working Group sessions on Sustainable Development Goals, March – July (different dates).
- 5) 2014: Representatives participated in the 65th Annual UN DPI/NGO Conference on Cooperation with UN bodies, 27-29 August
- 6) 2015: Representatives attended the 2nd PrepCom of the Habitat III, 14-16 April, Nairobi.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

1) We have a close relationship with UNDP on the Post 2015 participation over 2014-2015. UNDP has supported our participation several SDG related international processes and follow-up mechanisms. 2) For the Habitat III engagement, we are closely working with UN-Habitat since 2015, as a technical support partner and collaborator. 3) Some of our employees are formal members of the UN MGCY, and are active participants in the Habitat III process through this since 2015. We have organised slum youth consultations in preparation of the National Youth Consultation in the lead up to Habitat III. 4) YUVA is implementing a project in collaboration with UNICEF to create child friendly safe cities in Mumbai, India, 2014-present

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

2013: Representatives participated in the High Level Event MDGs and Post 2015 Development Agenda, 25 September.

14. Zayed International Prize for the Environment

Special, 2004

Introduction

The Zayed International Prize for the Environment (Zayed Prize) is the world's most valuable environmental award, worth US\$1 million. It was established in 1999 by H.H. Sheikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the Vice President and Prime Minister of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Ruler of Dubai, United Arab Emirates, in recognition of the philosophy, vision and achievements of former President, Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan, who worked tirelessly to preserve and protect the environment for future generations of his country, the region and the world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Zayed International Prize for the Environment is meant to recognize and encourage environmental achievements supporting and promoting the implementation of global initiatives such as the Agenda 21, the Millennium Development Goals, the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation for Sustainable Development, outcomes of Rio+20 & Sustainable Development Goals

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

2013 July, The Zayed International Foundation for the Environment has signed a partnership and cooperation agreement with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), in the Kenyan capital, Nairobi. Accordingly UNEP is prepared to receive and administer the contribution of US\$ 140,000 for technical and secretariat support towards the organisation of the Zayed Prize 6th Cycle, the International Conference and Exhibition on Sustainable Living, the Awards ceremony, two regional workshops and Zayed Prize 2013-2015 international activities.

In March 2014, during The Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE) conference held in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, the Zayed Foundation and UNEP had released the Arabic Version of Building Inclusive Green Economies, which presented data and success stories on green economy practices based on real-life case studies from two dozen countries engaged in South-South cooperation.

June 2014, Zayed Foundation signs an agreement with United Nations Environment Programme. Zayed International Foundation for the Environment has allocated USD 100,000 to the production, development and adaptation of the Global Green Economy Curriculum Sourcebook.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

2012 June, Zayed International Foundation for the Environment Participates at Rio+20 Earth Summit and the participation was outstanding. At Rio+20 A Press Conference was held by the Chairman of Zayed Foundation, together with the Director of Environment in UNIDO, to launch the Arabic version of UNIDO POPs Toolkit for the Investigation and Management of Contaminated Sites.

2012 November, Zayed Foundation was an active participant at the 18th Conference of Parties (COP18) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

2013 February, Zayed International Foundation for the Environment was a key participant at the 27th session of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum (GC27/GMEF) of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) that opened on at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, Kenya.

2013 May, Zayed International Foundation for the Environment hosted the Arab Regional Implementation Meeting for the 20th session of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development in Dubai, United Arab Emirates in association with the United

Arab Emirates Ministry of Environment and Water where discussions focused on the future developments of sustainability after 2015.

2014 February, Zayed International Foundation for the Environment was a key participant at the First Arab States Regional South-South Development Expo (RSSD Expo) in Qatar.

2014 June, Zayed International Foundation for the Environment actively participated in the first-ever session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA) in Nairobi, Kenya.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

2013 NOVEMBER, Zayed International Foundation for the Environment in partnership with UNIDO organized a training workshop in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, on Contaminated Sites Management Toolkit.

2015 February, Zayed International Foundation for the Environment and UNEP launch the first edition of Dubai International Forum on Sustainable Lifestyle.

2015 June, Zayed International Foundation for the Environment celebrated World Environment Day in partnership with UNEP in Dubai Mall, United Arab Emirates. It was a great opportunity for Zayed Foundation to highlight the responsibility each of us has to care for the earth while urging to reconsider ongoing patterns of production and consumption so as to become better stewards of our planet

UNOSSC: 2015, Initiated the discussion for the hosting of GSSD Expo 2016 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

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

2012 June, Contributed to the Future Perfect, UNDESA publication for Rio+20.

2015 February, The 1st Dubai International Forum for Sustainable Lifestyles, held from 25th to 26th February, is organized by the Zayed International Foundation for the

Environment in partnership with UNEP. The Forum on Sustainable Lifestyles brought together a diverse and dynamic network of international experts, practitioners and professionals to discuss and take action on sustainable lifestyles.

15. ZOA Vluchtelingen zorg

Special, 2012

Introduction

ZOA is an relief and recovery agency supporting vulnerable people affected by violent conflicts and natural disasters in fragile states, by helping them to realize dignified and resilient lives.

Countries of presence are Afghanistan, Burundi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Jordan, Iraq, Liberia, Myanmar, Philippines, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Uganda, Yemen. In 2012 ZOA ended its activities in Cambodia after 20 years. Also, ZOA ended its activities in Thailand in 2014 after 30 years.

ZOA provided assistance in Haiti after the 2010 earthquake, and in Pakistan, following the 2010 flooding.

Awareness raising in The Netherlands is also our mandate.

ZOAs goals are:

- Sustainable access to basic services and resources
- Good community governance
- Peaceful and stable communities

ZOA works in 5 core sectors through which it aims to achieve the goals: livelihoods and food security; water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH); basic education; peace building; and shelter.

Aims and purposes of the organization

ZOA's mission:

ZOA supports those who suffer because of violent conflicts and natural disasters in fragile states, irrespective of race, gender, ethnicity, religion or age. Through its long-term commitment, ZOA attends to the needs at different stages, from relief to recovery, in a

variety of sectors. By working alongside communities, ZOA contributes to signs of hope and restoration, and ensures people's dedicated participation in rebuilding their lives so as to have a lasting impact.

ZOA's approach:

- Long term commitment
- Guiding principles: inclusion, ownership, participation, accountability & transparency, sustainability, do no harm
- Rural and urban areas
- Local presence
- Multiple partnership arrangements
- Constituency involvement
- Focus on outcome results

Implementation strategies:

- Capacity development
- Lobbying & advocacy
- Service delivery
- Awareness raising
- Dialogue and social integration
- Partnerships

Significant changes in the organization

Formal name change organisation in 2013 from 'ZOA Vluchtelingen zorg' to simply 'ZOA'.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

ZOA provided life saving assistance to beneficiaries under coordination of and in collaboration with Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs(OCHA), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), World Food Program and other United Nations agencies, in above mentioned countries. ZOA is an active member of the Cluster system, is an Implementing Partner of

UNHCR and WFP and FAO, and also receives funding from these agencies. By doing so, ZOA advances the achievement of the development agenda of ECOSOC and the United Nations at large.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

ZOA attended all the annual consultations of UNHCR with NGOs in Geneva, Switzerland, in all the years 2012-2015.

ZOA attended the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, in Sendai, Japan, early 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In the reporting period 2012-2015 the organisation collaborated with and was funded by relevant United Nations agencies for its emergency relief and recovery programming: UNHCR, UNICEF, OCHA, WFP, FAO, UNDP.

With UNHCR the organisation provided necessary relief in Ethiopia, Thailand and Sri Lanka.

UNICEF: Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Liberia, Myanmar, Sudan, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Yemen

OCHA: Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Myanmar, mostly through pooled funding. In all countries where ZOA operates and OCHA has a presence, ZOA coordinates with OCHA.

FAO: Ethiopia, Liberia, Sri Lanka, South Sudan, Uganda

WFP: Afghanistan, Burundi, Myanmar, South Sudan,

UNDP: Ethiopia, South Sudan, Sudan, Yemen.

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

ZOA supported a range of activities and projects in the support of the Millennium Development Goals, especially MDGs 1, 2 and 7.

In most program countries the organisation implemented programs for food security and livelihood; by helping to achieve higher incomes, by enabling access to employment also for young people and women and by fighting against undernourishment of the most vulnerable,

the organisation supported the achievement of MDG 1.

By providing important primary education to tens of thousands of refugee children from Myanmar and by supporting the teachers in camps in Thailand ZOA supported MDG 2. Also in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan, Uganda and Liberia the organisation assisted primary education programs to refugee children and affected population.

In its food security programs, ZOA gave ample attention to supporting biodiversity, anti-erosion measures; ZOA has its own CO2 offset project in Ethiopia. (MDG 7)

In most of its program countries such as Afghanistan, Myanmar, Ethiopia, Liberia and others, ZOA provided sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation to tens of thousands of refugees and other affected populations, in support of MDG 7.

Other MDGs were supported as well, but less directly.