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1. The BARKA Foundation, Inc.

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The BARKA Foundation, based in the United States and also registered locally in Burkina Faso, serves as a catalyst for sustainable development in areas of WASH, education, women's empowerment and sustainable agriculture.

Aims and purposes of the organization

BARKA's sustainable development work is focused in Burkina Faso, however the organization has numerous educational and civic actions in the United States to develop relationships of reciprocity in service of a culture of peace. BARKA's development strategy is holistic, focuses on WASH as a centralizing factor, and incorporates culture and the cultural arts into its approach. BARKA abides by Free, Prior and Informed Consent and the guidelines established by the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

WASH: BARKA has implemented 3 unique projects which have increased access to clean water through well-drilling, improved sanitation through latrine construction and raised awareness of hygiene education. Education: School construction in a rural village. Women: Sensitization of Menstrual Hygiene Management for 2000 high school girls. Cultural Arts: Theatre sensitization on issues of WASH and agro-ecological innovations. These programs have reached more than 25,000 people.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended NGO Briefings in New York City, New York, United States, such as the Youth-Led Briefing 1+4=16 Targeting Poverty and Education for Peace on November 3, 2016; and the 60th session of the Commission on the Status of Women from March 14 to

March 24, 2016.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

BARKA worked with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) in Burkina Faso on a committee to spearhead a national implementation of Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM). Separately, a BARKA representative received a training in the area of MHM sensitization sponsored by UNICEF Burkina over the course of 2016.

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

With its activities in the last four years, the BARKA Foundation has made several contributions to the improvement of living conditions of the people of the eastern region of Burkina Faso. The foundation's main projects during this period include a holistic WASH Project in 5 villages of the commune of Fada N'Gourma, numerous education programs that focus on gender equality (MHM, FGMC, WASH-in-Schools), and several Social Arts projects (theatre sensitization) in the areas of WASH and agro-ecology. They have, among others, contributed towards the achievement of Goal 1: "No poverty", Goal 2 "zero hunger", Goal 3: "Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages", Goal 4: "Quality Education", and Goal 6: "Ensure access to water and sanitation for all".

2. The Catholic Health Association of India

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Founded in 1943, The Catholic Health Association of India (CHAI) with 3,534 member institutions across the country, is the largest private not-for-profit healthcare network in the country. 80% of them are located in remote medically underserved rural areas, operating under 11 Regional Units across the country. CHAI upholds its vision to bring 'health for all'.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CHAI works for the promotion of physical, psychological, social and spiritual health of all, irrespective of religion, caste, creed, gender, language, colour etc., rendering service, education and research.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

2015: Written statement submitted by CHAI to the High-Level Segment (HLS) of the Economic and Social Council held from 6 to 10 July 2015 at the United Nations Headquarters at the Annual ministerial review on managing the transition from the Millennium Development Goals to the Sustainable Development Goals: what it will take. [UN document E/2015/NGO/44]

2015: Written statement submitted by CHAI to the Commission on the Status of Women Fifty-ninth session held from 9-20 March 2015 as Follow-up to the 4th World Conference on Women and to the 23rd special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the 21st century".[UN document E/CN.6/2015/NGO/182]

2016: Statement submitted by CHAI as part of the virtual consultation for the Global Review Panel on the future of the Joint Programme model.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives from CHAI attended the 68th Session of the General Assembly Panel Discussion on “Child, Early and Forced Marriage Worldwide, including the Elaboration of the Post-2015 Development Agenda” at Trusteeship Council Chamber, CB, on 5 September 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

September 2016 to December 2017: In partnership with UNICEF Telangana, CHAI implemented a project in Khammam district towards the creation of protective environment through intensive Social and Behavior Change Communication (SBCC) messengers.

Action – Social mapping of 100 villages; 1000 grid influencers identified and trained; 580 stakeholders capacitated on SBCC techniques who in turn provide life-skills training to 9000 adolescents, undertake efforts towards immunization and newborn care; prevention of early marriage; sensitized 45,000 adolescents and 24,000 parents on immunization.

August 2015 to March 2016: In partnership with UNICEF Andhra Pradesh, CHAI implemented a pilot project for enhancing the quality of New Born Care and extending Routine Immunization coverage through intensive SBCC.

Action – Through 27 training sessions, capacitated 177 Health Educators and 600 ASHA workers in high priority districts of Kurnool and Vizianagaram.

April to Dec 2015: In partnership with UNICEF Jharkhand, CHAI implemented a project to generate demand for New Born Care and Routine Immunization through SBCC. Action - Training to folk artists and conducting street theaters in 120 high priority villages.

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

SDG 3 (MDGs 4, 5 and 6):

- TB prevention, control and care (Project Axshya) involving Civil Society: In 96 districts across 10 states (including 9 urban sites). Visited 2,885,077 households creating TB awareness. Facilitated 250,406 symptomatics to undergo sputum examination - 24,822 (9.91%) diagnosed with TB, and 24,088 (97%) put on treatment.
- People with Disabilities (PwDs): Supported annually for over 8,000 differently abled children/young adults in 8 States.

- GAVI-CSO Alliance project: Facilitates a platform (Alliance for Immunization and Health) of 206 CSOs in 4 states.
- Community health services: Complements public health schemes and promotes community health care, in 390 villages (with 390 Community Health Volunteers), in 9 states.
- Holistic Community Care Centres (HCCs): Provided comprehensive care to 107,790 People Living with HIV/AIDS through 30 HCCs in 17 states.
- Provides comprehensive maternal health care to 1000 pregnant women in 10 rural areas, for a period of 1000 days – from pregnancy to child's 2nd birthday.
- Quality management systems in blood banks: Trained 322 doctors, 729 Lab Technicians and 150 nurses of 653 blood banks and 57 Drug Controllers of 16 states and 2 Union Territories.
- Prevention and control of diabetes: Implements 2 projects: in 5 districts of Uttar Pradesh & 2 blocks of Udaipur in Rajasthan. Sensitized over 500,000 people. Screened 60,572 people for diabetes – with 4,477 (7.39%) positive for diabetics and referred to further treatment.
- Holistic Palliative Care: Established Model Holistic 25-Bed Palliative Care Hospice cum Training Centre & 6 Holistic Palliative Care Units covering 3 states; also, trained 195 nurses/doctors.

SDG 7 (MDG7):

- Solar Energy Initiative: With the support of Misereor and the German government, in two phases, supported 125 healthcare facilities in 10 States to install solar power units.

3. The Institute of Economic Strategies

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The Institute for Economic Strategies was founded in 1990. The scientific and methodological guidance of the Institute is carried out by the Department of Social Sciences of the Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS). Director General - Doctor of Economics, Professor Alexander Ageev, Director - Academician of the RAS Boris Kuzyk. Structurally, the INES is organized on the basis of permanent centers and targeted programs formed to address specific scientific and practical problems.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Researches and development in the field of strategic management, forecasting, regional, sectoral economy, innovative activity, international relations and the world economy aimed at the optimal use of natural resources and the use of eco-friendly, environmentally-aware, energy, and material-saving technologies, to maintain stability of social and cultural systems, to ensure the integrity of biological and physical systems; business consulting; business education; publishing activities; organization and holding of events; project and development management; social programs and charity.

Significant changes in the organization

The Institute joined the Russian Integrated Reporting Regional Network in March 2014; became a representative of Globethics.net in Russia; from 2014 is a member and permanent partner of the Association "Analytics". With the participation of the Institute, the Yalta Civilizational Club was founded to prepare the United Nations report "The Strategy for Forming a Sustainable Multipolar World Order Based on Partnership of Civilizations."

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Specialists of the Institute participated in more than 100 scientific research works (Development of concept for forming of common markets of oil and oil products of the Eurasian Economic Union for official use of by the Eurasian Economic Commission (2015)).

The Institute continues to work on research on other topics: The Geopolitical Forecast - 2030; Global Rating of 100 Countries; Monitoring of Global Risks; Analysis of the Situation in the Middle East; Development of the Concept of the Great Silk Road Economic Belt. The Institute acted as an organizer and took part in more than 250 events (The 11th Civilization Forum "Prospects and Strategic Priorities for Revival of the Eurasian Civilization " in the framework of the 4th International Scientific Conference "Current Problems of Global Researches", Lomonosov MSU. The Institute published more than 300 books (ru,eng). The International Forum on Global Ethics - the report "Responsible Leadership and 10 Revolutions of the 21st Century."

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Participation in the preparation of the report "The Strategy for Forming a Global Sustainable Development Based on Partnership of Civilizations", which will be presented at a round table at the UN Headquarters within the framework of the 72nd session of the UN General Assembly, along with proposals to hold the Summit of Civilizations in 2020 and the proclamation of the World Decade of Partnership of Civilizations (2021-2030).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Institute cooperates with the UN Information Center in Moscow.

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

Specialists of the Institute actively participate in the formation of standards and requirements for the competence of personnel in the field of integrated management and integrated reporting, describing positions, professional competencies, requirements for levels of education, work experience and certification in accordance with the qualification levels. In 2016, a meeting took place with the chairman of the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) during which the current status of development of Integrated Reporting (IO), the state of the IR in Russia, and experience of introducing the IR into the practice of corporate activities and management of megacities (Bangalore) were discussed. The Institute is a representative office of Globethics.net in Russia. Globethics.net (GE) is a global network dedicated to applied ethics that brings together individual participants and organizations from

all over the world. Particular emphasis is placed on business ethics, interreligious ethics and responsible leadership.

Organization of regular seminars and master classes for students of higher educational institutions, young professionals, business leaders and experts on the topics: responsible leadership, corporate social responsibility, integrated management. Arrangement of a series of webinars for the students of the National Research Nuclear University "Moscow Engineering Physics Institute" on the topics: "Climate Justice as the Key to Sustainable Development", "Sustainability Ethics" and others.

The ES journal which is published by the Institute on a regular basis, include articles devoted to the sustainable development goals (more than 30 articles a year).

4. The Leprosy Mission International

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The Leprosy Mission (TLM) is a non-denominational Christian Fellowship, with 143 years of dedicated service to persons affected by leprosy and their families. The organization has been promoting the rights and dignity of those affected by neglected tropical diseases with primary focus on leprosy. Keeping leprosy in perspective, the key areas of engagement for the organization have been around health, education, advocacy, research, community based rehabilitation, disability and Sustainable Development Goals impacting persons affected by leprosy.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aim of the Leprosy Mission is to defeat leprosy and transform lives of those affected by the disease. The organization is striving to break the chains of leprosy, empowering people affected by leprosy to attain healing, dignity and lead life in all its fullness.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

While TLM is directly addressing SDG (3), target 3.3, the scope of the TLM Global Fellowship work cuts across SDG 1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8/9/10/11/12/13/15 and 16.

TLM was involved in raising awareness on the convention on the rights of persons with disabilities as significant numbers of persons affected by leprosy are living with disabilities.

The organization has commemorated international days of the UN such as

International Women's Day

International Day of Persons with Disabilities, World Mental Health Day

World Health Day Human Rights Day Zero Discrimination Day

As leprosy and poverty complement each other, TLM has been observing the 'Second UN Decade for the Eradication of Poverty' (2008-17).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

2014: workshops hosted by WHO to develop the INCLUDE modules.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

During the reporting period, TLM International Director actively participated in the formulation of the Global Leprosy Strategy led by WHO. TLM national offices have contributed to the initiative of the UN Human Rights Council in implementing the Guidelines and Principles for elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy and their families. TLM has been combating stigma and exclusion associated with leprosy by promoting and protecting the dignity and human rights of persons affected by leprosy under key human rights treaties. The organization has been advocating to mainstream the human rights of persons affected by leprosy in the special procedures of the UN Human Rights Council.

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

TLM has been addressing MDG goals impacting persons affected by leprosy across 29 countries in which it has its presence. MDG 01; TLM endorsed the 'Zero Hunger Challenge' as leprosy is a disease of poverty resulting in acute poverty and hunger amongst significant number of persons affected by leprosy. A flagship project of TLM in India has been a dairy cooperative project in the state of Tamil Nadu owned and managed by persons affected by leprosy to earn a decent livelihood.

Persons affected by leprosy are amongst the most vulnerable facing food insecurity. TLM for the reporting period was engaged in a food security project in Mozambique in partnership with Food for the Hungry providing education and training in sustainable farming methods.

MDG 2:

Children affected by leprosy, because of stigma, are often denied admission in schools or drop out early. TLM in Ethiopia constructed a preschool in partnership with Guernsey Overseas Aid Commission and supports inclusive education through a community programme.

MDG 3:

TLM has always maintained a special focus on girls and women affected by leprosy. TLM in Nigeria has provided training to community health volunteers and traditional birth attendants to address reproductive health issues of girls and women in rural areas.

MDG 6:

TLM has established and maintains a chain of hospitals and clinics to detect and treat leprosy. Specialist services were provided during the reporting period to address leprosy related complications. Annually 21,000 patients benefit from the health services provided by the TLM supported leprosy hospital in Nepal.

MDG 7 (Target10):

Leprosy thrives in an environment characterised by poor hygiene and sanitation. Stigma poses barriers for persons affected by leprosy to access water and sanitation. TLM in Niger has constructed a block of disability-accessible latrines under a community empowerment project.

MDG 8 (Target 16-Indicator 45 and Target 17):

Youth affected by leprosy are often denied opportunities to earn a decent livelihood. A livelihood programme is being implemented in Myanmar, in partnership with UK Aid to create access to decent work.

TLM along with leading pharmaceutical companies advocated for the availability of free and affordable drugs to various neglected tropical diseases including leprosy.

5. The Rockefeller Foundation

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

During 2013-2016, The Rockefeller Foundation steered our sights toward our future and support of "Innovation for the next 100 years". In a world of constant change, a Centennial is a rare and tremendous milestone. In 2013, The Rockefeller Foundation marked ours with both reflection and celebration, under the banner of this Centennial theme.

We held convenings on issues important to our future in places meaningful to our past. To pay tribute to, and better understand, our rich history, we commissioned a series of books and an interactive website of stories, photos, memos and journal entries from our archives. And we launched a refreshed strategy model that we believe best positions The Rockefeller Foundation to fulfill its mission to “promote the well-being of humanity” for a new century. We defined our dual goals—to build resilience and promote inclusive economies—and re-imagined our four focus areas: Advance Health, Revalue Ecosystems, Secure Livelihoods, and Transform Cities.

Against this backdrop, we reflect on innovations that made our first century—and our Centennial year—so remarkable: from the launch of the field of public health in the early 20th century to the launch of 100 Resilient Cities in 2013. Some are already showing impact today—for example, the Asian Cities Climate Change Resilience Network’s work with Asian cities to build resilience to climate change—while others, such as our new initiative Digital Jobs Africa, are in earlier stages. But they all have innovation at their heart and the potential for great transformations.

With the Centennial year now in our rear-view mirror, we have not hit the brakes; rather we have accelerated our pace to find and fund the best new ideas, expanded and deepened our networks for innovation, and re-animated our culture of innovation across our global office locations in New York, United States, Nairobi, Kenya, Bangkok, Thailand, and Bellagio, Italy.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Rockefeller Foundation’s mission—unchanged since 1913—is to promote the well-being of humanity throughout the world. Today, we pursue this mission through dual goals:

advancing inclusive economies that expand opportunities for more broadly shared prosperity, and building resilience by helping people, communities and institutions prepare for, withstand, and emerge stronger from acute shocks and chronic stresses. To achieve these goals, we work at the intersection of four focus areas—advance health, revalue ecosystems, secure livelihoods, and transform cities—to address the root causes of emerging challenges and create systemic change. Together with partners and grantees, The Rockefeller Foundation strives to catalyze and scale transformative innovations, create unlikely partnerships that span sectors, and take risks others cannot.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

No contribution was specified.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Foundation's engagement with the United Nations during 2013-2016 has been strong and extensive, including grant support to UN bodies and participation of our delegation at milestone meetings:

- Rio +20
- UNFCCC COP 21
- Habitat III Summit
- World Urban Forum - Medellin
- World Humanitarian Summit UN Secretary-General's Climate Resilience Initiative A2R — Anticipate, Absorb, Reshape
- and in a host of other notable United Nations gatherings.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Rockefeller Foundation works closely with several United Nations bodies: the World Health Organization in support of universal health coverage; UN SG's Office on climate change; UN Habitat and UNEP on resilience in cities and the New Urban Agenda; UNDP on

the Global Resilience partnership; UN Women for a leaders forum and post-harvest loss; Global Compact; and SE4ALL. And our Zero Gap initiative works at the intersection of finance and international development, a model for how the development community can support and de-risk new and innovative financing mechanisms—including financial products and public-private partnerships—to mobilize large pools of private capital that have the potential to create out-sized impact.

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

Much of the Foundation’s work in recent years, along with our partners, has been about getting universal health coverage on the global agenda. We have supported securing the inclusion of UHC in the Sustainable Development Goals in 2015. Further, the Rockefeller Foundation is proud to be a signatory of the Global Compact, and to support UHC2030.

6. The Society For The Policing of Cyberspace

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The Society for the Policing of Cyberspace (POLCYB), was incorporated as a not-for-profit society in June 1999. It is based in British Columbia, Canada.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The mission is to promote cyber-security through enhancing and developing global international partnerships to prevent detect, and combat cyberspace crimes.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Under the Special Consultative Status, POLCYB has contributed actively to the work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to combat cybercrime, specifically with regards to UNODC's call for, "capacity building, prevention and awareness-raising, and international cooperation, as well as data collection, research and analysis on cybercrime." The international POLCYB initiatives listed below also reflect POLCYB's efforts in supporting the UNODC to address the key challenges in combating cybercrime which were highlighted in the 2013 UNODC report, "Comprehensive Study on Cybercrime" (p. xxi – xxii). POLCYB continually shares information on new international cybercrime trends, best practices in collecting electronic evidence, capacity building, and new technologies for cybercrime investigations and identification of vulnerabilities in Internet of Things.

- 1) The "Secure POLCYB Trusted Community Portal" enhances international collaboration and capacity building amongst global Law Enforcement and Corporate Security professionals through sharing emerging technologies, resources, and initiatives pertaining to cybercrime prevention, detection, and response.
- 2) Since 2013, POLCYB has been the Co-host for the "Annual International Cybersecurity and Policing Conferences" in Kerala State, India. The conference is

hosted by the Kerala State Police, India, and focuses on sharing international Cybercrime Policies and Strategies.

- 3) The POLCYB Executive Director and POLCYB's international cybercrime subject matter experts presented at, "The Rule of Law in the Governance of Cyberspace Forum", Wuhan, China, May 28-29, 2016, hosted by Zhongnan University of Economic and Law. which facilitate discussions on formulating the new Cyber Security Law in China in 2016.
- 4) In support of UNODC's call for research and analysis on cybercrime and international collaboration, POLCYB is collaborating with the Zhongnan University above to develop the "Asia Pacific Research Institute for Cyberspace Policing" in China.
- 5) POLCYB continually contributes to the efforts in combating ICT-facilitated child abuse and exploitation. E.g. In support of the UNODC "Study on the Effects of New Technologies on Abuse and Exploitation of Children", May, 2015, POLCYB Co-hosted with the Kerala State Police, India, to organize the "KidGlove Workshop", on 19th August 2015, to educate elementary school students and parents on prevention of online abuse of children. The POLCYB Executive Director was also a Presenter.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

POLCYB did not have the opportunity to cooperate directly with United Nations Bodies, due to highly limited financial and staffing resources during this period. However, the above examples of POLCYB's activities reflect POLCYB's commitment to meet the common goals shared by various United Nations Bodies, particularly relating to the cybercrime work of UNODC. For example, public education on cybercrime prevention, protecting children and women against online abuse, and capacity building amongst law enforcement in developing countries.

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

POLCYB conducted a wide range of international activities and initiatives which support the

following two (2) Millennium Development Goals:

1) "Promote gender equality and empower women"

The POLCYB Executive Director was the Keynote Speaker at the, “Cyber Security and Ethical Hacking for Women by Women”, Kerala, India, 21 August 2014. The Kerala State Police and POLCYB co-hosted the event, which was attended by approximately 150 women in Computer Science and Engineering, and organized by women police executives of the Kerala State Police. The event aimed to empower women to combat cyber violence against women and girls in India, raise awareness of their legal rights in reporting cybercrime, and to promote gender equality in the fields of cybersecurity and cybercrime investigations. POLCYB’s participation at the above event also supports UNODC’s call to combat Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG). In addition, POLCYB is engaged in ongoing partnerships with our global partners to support combating VAWG in the areas of Online Child Exploitation and Abuse.

2) “Develop a global partnership for development”: “In cooperation with pharmaceutical companies, provide access to affordable essential drugs in developing countries.” POLCYB promotes safe access to essential drugs in developing countries combating counterfeit pharmaceuticals. The POLCYB Executive Director and two other POLCYB Executives serve on the TechTrace Advisory Board to promote global use of information-sharing of technologies which facilitate Customs Officers around the world to identify counterfeit products, including counterfeit pharmaceuticals.

7. Track Impunity Always - TRIAL / Association suisse contre l'impunite

(Special; 2009)

Introduction

TRIAL International is a non-governmental organization fighting impunity for international crimes and supporting victims in their quest for justice. The organisation provides legal assistance, litigates cases, develops local capacity and pushes the human rights agenda forward. TRIAL International is active in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Mexico, and Nepal. It is also dealt with cases of gross human rights violations perpetrated in Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Russia and Tunisia. Its staff is mainly deployed in Geneva, Switzerland, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Bukavu, Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Aims and purposes of the organization

TRIAL International aims to fight for justice where crimes under international law are committed. TRIAL International uses the power of the law to fight impunity, defends the interests of victims before international courts and brings cases before the appropriate international human rights bodies.

Significant changes in the organization

On 6 June 2016 the organisation changed its name into TRIAL International to better reflect the international scope and nature of its mandate.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

TRIAL International contributed to supporting the United Nations and advancing the achievement of the agenda of the ECOSOC by lodging approximately 30 complaints on behalf of victims of crimes under international law before the Human Rights Committee (HRC), the Committee against Torture (CAT), the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances (WGEID) and the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention (WGAD). TRIAL International participated to the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of the countries where it is active, and it filed several alternative reports to United Nations Treaty Bodies (including the

HRC, the CAT, the Committee on Enforced Disappearances, the Committee on the Rights of the Child, and the Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women) and general allegations (including to the WGEID; the Special Rapporteur against Torture; the Special Rapporteur on the Promotion of Truth, Justice, Reparations and Guarantees of Non-recurrence; and the Special Rapporteur on Extrajudicial, Summary or Arbitrary Executions).

TRIAL International conducted training programmes on the functioning of United Nations' Treaty Bodies and Special Procedures directed at human rights defenders, and long-term coaching programmes on international litigation of cases of gross human rights violations directed at local lawyers. TRIAL International runs a database called Trial Watch, which includes more than 1400 profiles of suspected criminals currently investigated or tried in dozens of contexts and trial venues.

TRIAL International has been involved in the drafting of both the first and the second edition of the International Protocol on the Documentation and Investigation of Sexual Violence in Conflict (2014 and 2016 respectively), promoting its dissemination, facilitating its translation into Nepalese and Bosnian, and conducting capacity-building sessions for human rights defenders. TRIAL International issued the publication "Promoting Accountability through the Human Rights Bodies in Geneva".

TRIAL International and other NGOs launched a campaign aimed at raising awareness on the lack of implementation by Nepal of the Views delivered by the HRC on individual complaints (Real Rights Now).

TRIAL International has carried out activities supported by the UN Voluntary Fund for the Victims of Torture in 2013, 2014 and 2016.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the session of the CAT on Mexico (Geneva, Switzerland, November 2013).

Representatives attended the HRC session on Burundi (Geneva, Switzerland, October 2014).

Representatives attended the CAT session in order on Burundi (Geneva, Switzerland, November 2014).

Representatives attended the session of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances on

Mexico (Geneva, Switzerland, February 2015).

Representatives attended the Human Rights Council's session on the situation in Burundi (Geneva, Switzerland, March 2016).

Representatives attended the Human Rights Council's session on Burundi (Geneva, Switzerland, June, July and September 2016).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Partnership with UNDP and the European Union in the carrying out of a pilot project in DRC, aimed at improving the domestic justice system, strengthening the role of civil jurisdictions and promoting access to international and regional bodies (2016-2018).

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

Our organisation did not participate in the work of the ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies as we focused our activities on litigation and submission of reports concerning gross human rights violations and crimes under international law to United Nations Treaty Bodies and Special Procedures. Similarly, the organisation prioritised training and coaching programmes on the mentioned subjects working mainly with local organisations and human rights defenders in the countries where it works (i.e. BiH, Burundi, DRC and Nepal).

8. Treasureland Health Builders

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Treasureland Health Builders is an international organization that is globally focused and locally rooted working in Sub-Saharan Africa and the United States to progressively sustain advocacy for effective and efficient systems. We promote inclusive access to health, education, empowerment and provide services that would enhance the quality of life of marginalized individuals and communities.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Our Mission/Aim is: to promote services on inclusive health, education and empowerment that will enhance the quality of lives of persons with disabilities and other marginalized individuals and communities. Our Focus/Purpose is: provide mentoring and exchange programs to promote learning and educational opportunities for marginalized and vulnerable groups; individual and community strengthening and empowerment programs to improve socioeconomic ability to access better health services; promote health, education and empowerment services for persons with disabilities and their caregivers; advocate for health system strengthening to provide inclusive health services for persons with disabilities and other marginalized groups; provide information on diseases of poverty, sexual, reproductive and global health.

Significant changes in the organization

Significant Changes in our organization include:

1. Rebranding: Treasureland Health Builders is now Treasureland Health Builders Initiative. It also has a new logo and also rebranded our aims and purposes.
2. Expansion: We were formerly registered and operated only in Nigeria but now we also operate and registered in The United States and have a 501(C)(3).

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Treasureland Health Builders Initiative's work contributes immensely to the work of the

United Nations. All our activities are targeted on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and now the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Major activities:

1. Treasureland organized Professional Cultural and Exchange visit between 3 organizations from two countries, Nigeria and Liberia, March 2016. This program was organised to bring to the lime light global health issues in both countries.
2. Treasureland is carrying out a 5-year project (2014-2019) on education for orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) in Nigeria. This project is targeted to provide access to education for 3,000 OVCs.
3. Treasureland commemorated the World AIDS Day, December 1, 2013, 2014 and 2015 in Nigeria. The WAD was targeted to provide public HIV/AIDS screening to the people in Ketu, Mile 12, and Ikorodu communities in Lagos respectively, Kenya.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Treasureland Health Builders Initiative participates in the meetings of the United Nations. Some years, Treasureland Health Builders Initiative sends its representatives and delegates to attend the different programs of the United Nations in New York. some of the programs we have participated in includes but not limited to;

1. UN Convention on Indigenous People, New York, 2014.
2. UN Women Convention on the Status of Women New York, 2016.
3. UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, New York, 2015, 2016.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Treasureland collaborates with the United Nations Information Center (UNIC) Lagos to carry out some commemoration events.

On the 8th of March 2013 and 2014, the organization collaborated with UNIC to commemorate the International Women's day in Owode/Ajegunle community, Lagos Nigeria.

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

Treasureland Health Builders Initiative carries out some programs that empower women and girls in support of the MDGs. Below are some of the programs.

Project LeaDeM - Leadership Development and Mentoring (LeaDeM) for Girls and Young Women. This project is taking place both in the United States and in Nigeria and have reached 850 girls and young women in both countries.

Project SHARE - Our Project SHARE programs focus more on women who have been abused in any form. Women who have gone through sexual exploitation, sexual violence, rape, and/or domestic violence. This will helps them amplify their voice through our Project SHARE: Speak, Heal, Aspire, Regain and Empower. This project has so far reached 150 women in Lagos and Imo states in Nigeria.

Sexual and Reproductive Health:

Our sexual and reproductive health programs focus on adolescents and young people as they make up the world's largest generation of young people with approximately 1.8 billion young people aged 10 to 24.

9. U.S. Federation for Middle East Peace, Inc.

(Special; 2005)

Introduction

The International Federation for Peace & Sustainable Development (IFPSD rebranding from USFMEP in 2017) is a non-profit organization which supports all nationalities, races, creeds and religions. IFPSD continues to promote the United Nations commitment to international peace and security through educational programs, participating in UN event and conferences and public relations and global community outreach initiatives.

Aims and purposes of the organization

IFPSD is committed to building bridges and facilitating sustainable development for global issues, peacekeeping, specifically with Interfaith Communications, Women Empowerment and Women's Rights, Human trafficking, Youth empowerment and the Rights of the Child. IFPSD has established liaison offices in 17 countries around the world to help raise awareness and change for these issues and to support the development and achievement of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.

Significant changes in the organization

Rebranding the name from US Federation for Middle East Peace to International Federation for Peace and Sustainable Development. IFPSD is expanding its' reach to Cultural Heritage and the Protection of Artifacts due to recent destruction of archaeology sites over the years, raising awareness that this destruction and activity is essential in preserving culture from war and hostile conflict.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

IFPSD has continued to advance the achievements of the development agenda of ECOSOC and the UN at large, by: 1. Annually hosting the Montessori Schools Model UN event in New York; 2. Holding an annual side event for the Commission on the Status of Women; Mrs. Kader moderated and was the keynote speaker at the panel discussion “Women in Armed Conflict and Post-Conflict Situations” that took place at the United Nations headquarters in

2015. 3. IFPSD organized the panel discussion with the theme Equal Access to Education for Girls and Women at the United Nations headquarters in 2015. 4. Participated in the 15th Session of Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (PFII) at the UN Headquarters in 2016.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

IFPSD regularly attends and participates in High Level meetings, IFPSD cooperates regularly with United Nations bodies and agencies at Headquarters by preparing regular and yearly statements, and annually contributing to the 57th through 60th Sessions of the CSW since the inception of USFMEP/IFPSD 16 years ago.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In December 2015, co-sponsored event "The Changing Dynamics of Islamophobia and its Implications on Peaceful and Inclusive Societies" with and the Permanent Observer Mission of the OIC.

May 2016, President of the NGO spoke at UNODC's event "Voices of Victims of Human Trafficking: Readings from River of Flesh and other Stories."

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

IFPSD has undertaken numerous initiatives in support of the SDGs, such as: 1. As part of its celebrations for 2015 International Youth Day, IFPSD organized the panel The Power of Youth to Build Peace Through Intercultural Dialogue 2. Participate in biennial The International Association of Women Judges (IAWJ) events whose members represent all levels of the judiciary in over 75 countries / areas worldwide and share a commitment to the equality of justice and the rule of law. 3. President Sally Kader participated in the UN conference, "Planet 50-50 by 2030: Step It Up for Gender Equality". 4. IFPSD provided gifts to the Egyptian Youth of 11,000 Soccer balls during the Global Ambassadors Visit to Egypt in 2014 to help youth under the age of 25 engage in sports and to promote peace and stability in Egypt. On the 16th of March, President Sally Kader and the IFPSD hosted a discussion of ways in which women can speak out an actively engage in dialogues for peace through their myriad interfaith, inter-religious and intercultural perspectives. 5. Participated at the United Nations International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD), SDG #17.

10. UNANIMA International

(Special; 2005)

Introduction

UNANIMA International increased its coalition membership to 21 Congregations with 20,000 people in 83 countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

UNANIMA International (UNANIMA) was created in 2002 as a Non-Governmental-Organization (NGO) coalition of communities of religious women throughout the world who work in solidarity with others to bring economic and social advancement particularly to women and children living in situations of poverty, immigrants and refugees and to promote the welfare of the planet.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Examples of Executive Committees Representatives served on are: the planning of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty commemoration at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, United States, from 2013-2016 with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs; NGO Committee on Social Development (2013-2016); NGO Committee on Migration (2014-2016; Examples of Written Interventions are – CSW 57: E/CN.6/2013/NGO/55; CSW 58: E/CN.5/2014/NGO/7; CSoCD54: E/CN.5/2016/NGO/6. The Organisation sponsored Side events during: CSW 57; CSW59; CSOCD52.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Examples of meetings Representatives of the organization attended are:- the Twenty-first Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change held in Paris, France from 30 November to 12 December 2015; the Tenth (31 March – 4th April 2014) and Thirteenth (14-18 July 2014) sessions of the Open Working Group on

Sustainable Development Goals held at UN Headquarters, New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Representatives were members of: The Planning and Sub Committees for the Civil Society Forum of the Commission for Social Development with UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs staff for the 2013-2016 sessions; A tutorial produced in 2014 on the Universal Periodic Review enabled members to learn how to do shadow reports; co-submitting on 29 January 2016 to UN Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, Sixty-fifth Pre-Sessional Working Group, Geneva, March 7-11, 2016- Switzerland “State Efforts to Prevent and Remedy Human Rights Abuses Committed by Swiss Corporations Operating Abroad”.

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

The Organisation: trained 13 members from 25 February - 5 March 2013 on The United Nations and the Millennium Development Goals, Rio+ 20; held a two-day International Youth Day workshop on human trafficking in Tamale, Ghana, for 85 youth from 8 countries in April 2013; presented on the Sustainable Development Goals in Montreal on 19 July 2014; prepared resources on the Sustainable Development Goals in four languages in July 2016; and gave a workshop in Saskatoon on 13 November 2016 on the Sustainable Development Goals and care of the earth.

11. Under The Same Sun Fund

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

At Under The Same Sun (UTSS), we are driven by the belief that all persons have intrinsic value as each is created in God's Image. Accordingly, we also believe that all persons are worthy of love, respect and, above all, dignity. UTSS Fund will support causes globally that meet these objectives and are approved by the Board of Directors.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Promote via advocacy and education, the wellbeing of persons often marginalized and misunderstood. Specifically, we focus on those who are disadvantaged by disability and/or poverty. Our current goal/focus is persons with albinism in Africa.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

We have, in close collaboration with Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), the Special Representative of the Secretary General (SRSG) on violence against children and the human rights council, succeeded in putting the human rights issues faced by persons with albinism on the agenda of the United Nations. To achieve this, we have networked extensively with United Nations bodies and agencies particularly through bilateral meetings. We have also participated in the interactive dialogue of human rights council sessions, contributed information to the development of resolutions, provided reliable information for reports by OHCHR, Treaty Bodies and Special Procedure mechanisms. We have also contributed to the development of the albinism campaign site: albinism.ohchr.org developed by OHCHR communications branch and cooperate with the UN Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights by persons with albinism.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

These include:

- Oral and written statements at the human rights council
- UPR processes including in pre-session and mid-term sessions led by collaborations between UPR-Info, other CSOs and the OHCHR
- Written and made oral statements during deliberations at treaty bodies for example the Committees of the CRPD and CRC
- Organization and Statements at several Expert meetings hosted by OHCHR for example OHCHR 's "Expert Meeting on Persons with Albinism: Violence, Discrimination and the Way Forward (September 2014)
- Several side events hosted in tandem with OHCHR as well as permanent missions in Geneva, Switzerland, and New York, United States, in collaboration with UNICEF, DESA and the SRSG VAC for example, "Children with Albinism: Violence and Displacement" (Geneva, March 2014).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

At the UN office in Geneva and at UN field offices, we have contributed to research papers and studies for example:

- OHCHR Preliminary report titled "Persons with albinism" 2013 A/HRC/24/57
- "Report of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee of the situation of human rights of persons living with albinism" (2015), A/HRC/28/75

We have also carried out joint sponsorship and collaborations including:

- The Regional Forum "Action on Albinism" in June 2016 in tandem with the UN Country Team in Tanzania and the UN independent expert on enjoyment of human rights by persons with albinism
- National Consultation on "The role of human rights mechanisms in enhancing neonatal, infant and under-5 child health, in May 2015 in tandem with the UN Country team in Tanzania and OHCHR
- Producing a guide for UN refugee workers dealing with persons with disabilities generally and persons with albinism specifically. This is in cooperation with the UN High

Commission for Refugees in Geneva.

- Collaboration with UNESCO country team in Tanzania in grassroots advocacy and public awareness campaign in the Lake Zone region.
- Joined UN country team in Tanzania to execute and celebrate the 2nd international albinism awareness day in 2016 in Dar es Salaam.
- Maintained relationship with UN senior human rights advisor to provide information on and pursue national and multi-stakeholder dialogues on albinism in Tanzania

Received Financial assistance from the United Nations: for example, we received finances for rehabilitative, socio-economic, psycho-social support and medical support particularly prosthesis for victims of attacks who have lost limbs; through the United Nations voluntary fund for victims of torture for 3 consecutive years running from 2014 to 2016.

Written submissions to Treaty Bodies and Special Procedure Mandate Holders such as CRC, HRC, CERD, CRPD, CAT, and SR on torture.

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

While we have carried out various initiatives touching on the MDGs, our key area has been the promotion of education. We have:

- Hundreds of persons with albinism through school or vocational training to protect them from attack, lift them out of poverty and simultaneously reduce their chances of working outdoors where skin cancer tends to kill most of them at an early age.
- Serve more than 3,000 persons with albinism and their families annually through direct service delivery and referrals.
- Give understanding albinism seminars to over 25,000 persons per year.
- Millions are reached annually through national and regional media awareness campaigns Advocacy:

- We have celebrated international albinism awareness every year since its inception in 2014. We have also supported celebration of the same by providing partnership support and resources to albinism groups in over 20 countries in Africa.

- We instituted the Bari-Bari Prize in albinism advocacy to support international, regional and national advocacy among grassroot albinism development groups and in honour of H.E. Yusuf Mohammed Bari Bari of the PM of Somalia to the UN office in Geneva (1958-

2015)

- Trained advocates from 28 countries on albinism advocacy in the first-ever pan African albinism advocacy conference held in Tanzania in 2015.

12. Union of Arab Jurists

(Special; 1977)

Introduction

The Union of Arab Jurists, (the Union Or UAJ), established in January 1975. It obtained ECOSOC Status in May 1977. The Union is a regional organization representing the jurists in 16 countries; it works with Arab and International organizations on peace, justice, human rights, international human rights law and development.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Union of Arab Jurists works toward the development of Arab Laws and the unification of their terms; it provides experience and legal support toward the respect of Human Rights and the protection of fundamental liberties. It insists on the necessity of the separation of power between legislative and judicial bodies, and on the importance of the independence of the judiciary. The Union also aims to the establishment of closer links between the Arab Jurists and similar organizations in the world and United Nations system.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In recent years, the Union of Arab Jurists has increased its participation and engagement with the United Nations work and activities, especially in the fields of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law. The Union has participated in all sessions of the Human Rights Council in Geneva, Switzerland. The Union contributed to the work of the Human Rights Council through written and oral statements, as well as organising side events and meetings. Through its regional conferences and meeting the Union expose the work of the UN to its members and has encouraged their input in this work.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

At the 22nd session of the Human Rights Council held in March 2013, the union submitted 7

joint written statements, and delivered (6) oral statements on items 2,3,4 and 7. Also, it co-organized 5 side events on different human rights issues.

At the 23rd session June 2013: The UAJ delivered (4) statement on item 3, 4 and 7 and 4 written statements. It also organized two side events, and co-organized 3 side events on human rights violations in the Middle East. At the 24th session, September 2013, submitted and delivered several oral and written statements on agenda items 2, 3, 4, and 7.

In 2014, the Organization participated in the 25th, 26th and 27th sessions of the Human Rights Council in March, June and September 2014. It has submitted 8 written statements and delivered 10 oral statements. The UAJ has also organised 4 side events on human rights situations.

The Union also participated in the 21st Special Session of the Human Rights Council on the situation in the State of Palestine, July 2014, and the 22nd session on the situation in Iraq/ISIS in September 2014. In 2015, The Union of Arab Jurists participated in the 28th session of the Human Rights Council, March 2015, and the 29th session of June 2015, as well as the 30th session, September 2015. The Union delivered a total of 10 statements and organised 3 side events. The UAJ also participated in the 23rd Special Session of the Human Rights Council on the violations by the terrorist group (Boko Haram) April 2015, and the 24th Special Session on the situation in Burundi, December 2015.

In 2016, the Organization participated in the 31st, 32nd, and 33rd session of the Human Rights Council at the United Nations Office/Geneva. It also delivered several oral statements on the situation in the Middle East. The Union also attended the two Special Session of the Human Rights Council, 25th on Syria and 26th South Sudan on October and December 2016.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The cooperation with United Nations bodies is a corner stone in the Union of Arab Jurists activities. In this regard the Union continues its cooperation with the Human Rights Mechanism, especially the OHCHR, UNHCR, Special Procedures and treaty bodies. The Union also cooperate with the Conferences and the activities of the United Nations especially those related to development, environment, and human settlements.

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

Through its activities, The Union worked to raise awareness and gave priority to the millions of children and women victims of conflict, war, injustice and despair who lost school, health income. The Union has warned that in many countries the implementation of MDGs will not be possible before restoring peace.

13. Union of Ibero American Capitals - Intermunicipal Financial and Economic Centre for Advice and Co Operation

(Special; 1989)

Introduction

The Union of Ibero American Capitals (UCCI) was constituted in Madrid, Spain, on October 12th, 1982. It's an international organization, which assembles 30 capitals and cities of Ibero-America (Latin America, Caribbean and Iberian Peninsula - Spain, Portugal and the Principality of Andorra).

Aims and purposes of the organization

To encourage links and relationship between capitals cities and UCCI; to consider all matters concerning life, activities and problems of the affiliated local governments; to promote neighborhood rights, specially the right to a peaceful coexistence, citizen's participation in public affairs and in the field of inter-municipal relationship; to impel a balanced and harmonic development of the capital cities of Ibero-America, striving for cooperation and solidarity among them; to organize meetings and other activities to promote the exchange of best practices between member cities.

Significant changes in the organization

Main objectives of the organization where extended (June 2016): To establish collaborative synergies between cities and city-networks to generate spaces of dialogue and representation of municipalism to favor its international position; to foster integral cooperation between territories and cities for the construction of public policies and tools for a whole local development; to identify the sustainable development goals and encourage actions aimed at achieving them.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

A wide range of activities were developed in the following fields: Youth; Public local policies on families and childhood; Urban security; Gender; Urban mobility; Ibero-American Culture Capital City; Environment; Social policies; Tourism and economic development; New

technologies; Firemen and risk management in the city; Urban development and housing; City Diplomacy.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Quito, Ecuador, October 17-20, 2016).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

UN-Habitat (United Nations Human Settlements Programme):

World Cities Day (institutional statement) on October 31; International Meeting “A new justice for the new Urban Agenda”, Madrid, September 2016; Ibero American Local Governments Forum (2013, 2014, 2016); II World Assembly towards Habitat III (Quito, October 16, 2016).

UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization):

World Day for Cultural Diversity, for Dialogue and Development (institutional statement) on May 21.

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

UCCI, as member of the world cities network UCLG (United Cities and Local Governments), is actively participating in the “Global Task Force of Local and Regional Governments” (a coordination mechanism that brings together international networks of local governments to undertake joint advocacy relating to the SDGs).

14. Union Syndicale des Agriculteurs (U.S.A.)

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The main organization's objectives in the agriculture development process, is to provide decision and policy-makers, financial organizations as World Bank, others valuable banks, governments with a sound basis and proposals about the main country energy sub-sector issues such as restoration of forests, species and rivers' water ecosystems that undergo a severe degradation for many reasons such as, forest clearing for subsistence crops, for fire wood needs and services timber, annual bush fire, poor economic driving force; lack of environmental resources management, financial problems to carry out investment necessary to reviving the poor conservation of forests and water, forest and animals and poor land management facing the country as challenge.

Aims and purposes of the organization

a. The development of settlement in the spirit of careful

1. Promoting and rising rural and agricultural settlement, with an emphasis on national priority areas. 2. Encouraging varied business and economic development in rural settlements as a leverage for regional development. 3. Providing guidance and mounting know-how so as to enhance settlement and adapt it to regional conditions.

4. Developing agriculture in minorities' villages. b. Nurturing optimal manufacturing conditions for the distribution of agricultural goods.

1. Improving the efficient use of agricultural production elements and increasing their availability to farmers by streamlining processes (water, land and marine areas, foreign workers, capital).

2. Improving economic terms for the producing sector.

3. Providing efficient research solutions to issues which pose a threat to the agricultural sectors.

4. Setting the development and promotion of agriculture upon the principles of sustainable development.

c. Protecting the State's lands and its resources

1. Protecting open spaces.

2. Protecting and preserving the agricultural land and water sources.

d Leveraging the relative advantages of Togolese agriculture

1. Increasing the export value of fresh and processed agricultural produce.

2. Upward and assimilating knowledge for the benefit of Togo agriculture and in order to advance the exportation of Togo's agricultural inputs and the exportation of knowledge.

3. Reinforcing the status and image of Togo's agriculture and rural regions.

4. Increasing public awareness to the consumption of locally produced agricultural foods.

e. Ensuring the quality and safety of fresh food provided to the population

1. Regulating the monitoring and control systems for each step in the production and marketing of fresh food.

2. Upholding the efficient and educated use of fertilizers, pesticides, veterinary medicines and food additives.
3. Promoting animal health and reducing health risks associated with animals and their produce.

f. Improving service quality and offering efficient and friendly service

1. Streamlining processes and improving services for farmers and citizens.
2. Increasing the Ministry's administrative efficiency, innovating and improving its organizational processes.
3. Efficiently managing and implementing ongoing administrative operations which support the advancement of the Ministry's goals.
4. Assimilating a planning and performance control culture within the agriculture sector, as part of the governmental framework.
5. Addressing broader tasks that are not included in the Ministry's

Purpose and Goals and to which the organisation is committed in accordance with the cross-governmental perspective

1. Fulfilling governmental decisions in the scope of the Ministry's responsibilities.

2. Addressing statutory duties and law enforcement in the framework of the Ministry's responsibilities.

3. Taking part in ministerial partnerships aiming to realize national goals and tasks in accordance with the governmental guiding principles.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

1) Promotion of communities' care issues by engaging with a wide range of influential actors at the national, regional and international level. This includes convening conferences and workshops, seminars and training to share learning on issues such as strengthening national care systems, agriculture development, improving family-based care in the rural areas and collecting evidence on women and children's care situations.

2) Collaboration with other international and national organizations to advocate for the inclusion of children's healthcare and protection within national policy frameworks such as United Nations' resolutions on children's rights, and the Post-2017 Development Framework.

3) We currently working through a group of people initiative to support communities building the evidence base, to support knowledge and information sharing on crime prevention, economic development and to increase national and regional capacity on areas infrastructures. We support the development and implementation of care reform practices which emphasise the strengthening of families and the improvement of alternative care and agribusiness services.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization collaborates with UNIC in Togo.

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

1) USA financing supports agricultural productivity growth by financing the supply of inputs to vulnerable households to support recovery of agricultural production, providing support for the acquisition and production of certified seeds, construction of small-scale infrastructure, training of producer groups and their umbrella structures, and capacity building. We took actions to reduce post-harvest losses and improve quality of consumer products, improve labor productivity by supporting the acquisition of processing equipment, promote value addition through processing, enhance market access and promote market opportunities for the selected crops for the projects' target population, and construct appropriate rural infrastructure.

2) USA financing supports programs: Projects to Support Agricultural Development in Togo and Projects to Support the Agricultural Sector. This support will help in increasing productivity of small farms through encouraging adoption of new technologies, promotion of value addition, and marketing of the targeted agricultural produce. It also supports agricultural diversification through the promotion of strategic food and export crops as well as freshwater fish farming.

3) Established a single registry database of the poorest and most vulnerable households in each community to know the number of people with disabilities/ vulnerability, which will help eliminate duplication of efforts and costs in social interventions.

15. Unitarian Universalist Association

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

The Unitarian Universalist Association has had an office at the UN headquarters, New York, United States, since 1962 and has been active in the areas of human rights, climate justice, disarmament, peace, and security.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Our Every Child is Our Child program provides educational support and healthcare access to children made vulnerable by HIV/AIDs in Ghana. Committed to advancing equal rights for all humans regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity (SOGI), our LGBTQ/SOGI Human Rights program brings LGBTQ human rights to the forefront of the UN agenda. By focusing on women's sexual and reproductive health and rights, our Women's Initiative program supports strong voices and stronger actions, with particular emphasis on the global ratification/implementation of an international bill of rights for women known as the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW). Bolstering the UU climate change movement through advocacy and educational resources, our Climate Justice Initiative program collaborates with like-minded organizations at the UN, calling for global action in the name of a sustainable future for all. Bringing the United States' Movement for Black Lives to a global stage, our Racial Justice Initiative coordinates events and initiates dialogue to fight against anti-black racism on an international level.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Unitarian Universalist UN Office is very active on several UN NGO committees:

CoNGO Committees.

The Conference of NGO's in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CoNGO) facilitates the participation of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) in the UN system.

CoNGO works to ensure that NGOs have adequate access to UN meetings, conferences, special events, and documentation. The UU-UNO serves on the following CoNGO committees:

UN NGO Committee on Human Rights, Bruce Knotts is a co-chair

Subcommittee on anti-racism and other forms of intolerance.

UN NGO Committee on Disarmament, Peace and Security, Bruce Knotts is the chair

UN NGO Committee on Sustainable Development which works on climate change related issues, Bruce Knotts is on the governing board.

UN NGO Committee on Migration which works on global migration issues.

Other Committees and Groups:

UN Faith the Ethics Network for the International Criminal Court, which support faith and ethical engagement to promote the work of the ICC. Bruce Knotts is the chair.

NGO Security Council Working Group which meets with all the members nations of the UN Security Council for off-the-record meetings.

UN Commission on the Status of Women which works to empower women for a better world.

DPI Committee:

NGO/DPI Executive Committee which provides help to the 1,400 NGOs with DPI consultative status. Bruce Knotts was elected the chair in 2015.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The UU-UNO organized with the OHCHR the launch of the UN Decade of People of African Descent on November 3rd, 2015. The UU-UNO chaired the program committee of the DPI/NGO Conference in South Korea on Education for Global Citizenship and more. The UU-UNO hosts and participates in UN meetings throughout the year.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

As co-chair of the NGO Committee on Human Rights, the UU-UNO has very strong and deep relationships with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

As Chair of the NGO Committee on Disarmament, Peace and Security, the UU-UNO has deep and profound relationships with the Office of Disarmament Affairs. As Chair of the NGO/DPI Executive Committee, we have deep relationships with the Department of Public

Information. We also work with UN Women, UNDP, UNICEF and UNHCR among others. We have worked with UNESCO in developing strong educational models for Global Citizenship. We work against racism, misogyny and all forms of bigotry. We were a primary organizer of the New York Climate march. We had the second largest religious contingent in the march, outdone only by the Catholics.

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

The UU-UNO's project in Ghana Every Child is Our Child has been praised by the Government of Ghana and particularly the Ghana AIDS Commission, UN AIDS and UNICEF Ghana as an example of a project which addresses the MDGs of Universal basic education, gender equality (the project admits 2 girls for every boy), Working as we do with the Manya Krobo Queen Mothers Association we contribute to empowering women. We also alleviate poverty.