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1. International Lesbian and Gay Federation Europe

Special, 2006

Introduction

The European Region of the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association (ILGA-Europe) is an international NGO umbrella organization bringing together 422 organizations from 45 European countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

ILGA-Europe's mission is to act as a European voice for the rights of those who face discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation, gender identity and/or gender expression and intersex status; achieve full equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) people; and empower LGBTI organizations and their allies.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

ILGA-Europe has submitted shadow reports to the Human Rights Council (HRC) in relation to the Universal Periodic Review (UPR). The following reports have been submitted during the reporting period, among others:

- Joint submission by ILGA-Europe and Association Mozaika for the UPR of Latvia, 11th Session, 2011;
- Joint submission by ILGA-Europe and Lithuanian Gay League (LGL) for the UPR of Lithuania, 12th Session, 2011;
- Joint submission by ILGA-Europe and SETA, Trasek and Sateenkaariperhee for the UPR of Finland, 13th Session, 2012;
- Joint submission by ILGA-Europe and PROUD for the UPR of the Czech Republic, 14th Session, 2012;
- Joint submission by ILGA-Europe and NGO Juventas for the UPR of Montenegro, 15th Session, 2013; and
- Joint submission by ILGA-Europe and Labris and Gayten-LGBT for the UPR of Serbia, 15th Session, 2013.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

ILGA-Europe participated in the following meetings of the HRC in Geneva, Switzerland:

- 13th, 17th, 18th and 23rd sessions of the HRC. During these meetings, ILGA-Europe contributed through statements on several UPR Reports and the implementation of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action;
- 13th Session of the UPR Working Group, May-June 2012; and

- 9th Advisory Committee Session in August 2012. ILGA-Europe contributed through an oral statement on the draft study on “traditional values”.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

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

ILGA-Europe commemorates World AIDS Day annually by issuing a public statement that is disseminated to public institutions and civil society organizations, towards MDG 6.

2. European Space Policy Institute

Special, 2010

Introduction

The European Space Policy Institute (ESPI) is an association based in Vienna, Austria. Its Certificate of Foundation was signed in November 2003 by the European Space Agency (ESA) and the Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG). Its statutes were signed in September 2005.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The European Space Policy Institute provides decision-makers with an informed view on mid- to long-term issues relevant to Europe’s space activities. In this context, ESPI acts as an independent platform for developing positions and strategies.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

On 29 March 2013, ESPI delivered a presentation examining the potential consequences of incidents in space at a seminar hosted by the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) on the Role of Norms of Behaviour in African Outer Space Activities held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Issue 67 of the ESPI Perspective series, which was published 26 August 2013, examines the possibility of extracting general principles of law from the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS) Legal Subcommittee’s work with National Legislation.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

ESPI has participated in all sessions of COPUOS of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) during the reporting period.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

ESPI has hosted two annual evening events on space in close cooperation with UNOOSA during the reporting period.

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

No activities were specified.

3. European Union of Women**Special, 2002****Introduction**

The European Union of Women (EUW) is a non-governmental European organization with 17 national sections. Together with the Group of Women of the European Peoples Party, EUW forms the European Women's Associations (EWA). Its task is to formalize contacts between EUW women and Members of the European Parliament and to safeguard mutual support and the exchange of information on common issues and policies.

Aims and purposes of the organization

EUW aims to protect human dignity and freedom and maintain the cultural heritage of Europe as well as its social and economic progress. EUW and its Commissions develop ideas to work within political contexts and find solutions for political and social problems.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

EUW regularly discusses the results of the United Nations working groups and spreads them within the network of women in the 17 national sections and commissions.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

EUW attends the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) every year. It also attends meetings in Geneva, Switzerland, and Vienna, Austria, related to development, cultural exchange, statutes and protection of women and children, NGO working processes and the debates on freedom and democracy in the world.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Due to difficulties in resuming consultative status, EUW's cooperation has been limited and only increased after 2013.

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

The EUW Commission on Migrants, Refugees and Demography published a report on the integration of young migrants. The EUW Commission on Health and Social Welfare published a report on the integration of social and health care affecting maternal health, towards MDG 4. The EUW Commission on environment, local government and regional planning published a report on water management, towards MDG 7.

4. Flora Tristan Peruvian Women's Center**Special, 1998****Introduction**

The Center for Peruvian Women Flora Tristan (Flora Tristan) is a feminist organization with over three decades of working experience in the defence and promotion of women's human rights.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Flora Tristan's vision is a strengthened democratic society without discrimination or exclusion of any kind, where women can fully exercise their rights. Therefore, Flora Tristan works to combat the structural causes that restrict democracy, the exercise of rights, and women's citizenship through four programmes: Women's human rights; Sexual rights, reproductive rights and public health; Political participation and decentralization; and Rural development.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Throughout its work, Flora Tristan has closely followed and incorporated the campaign raised by the United Nations Secretary-General "Unite to End Violence against Violence", into several actions on 25 November 2013, the day of non-violence against women. In 2012, Flora Tristan coordinated a participatory process on the combined Sixth and Seventh Alternative Report of the Committee of the Convention against all Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). Flora Tristan monitored the implementation of the recommendations of the CEDAW Committee by the Peruvian State. Flora Tristan has significantly contributed to the Alternative Report of Peruvian civil society on the implementation of the Covenant on Civil and Political Rights in 2013 and has, among other things, advocated for the ratification of Domestic Workers Convention No.189.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Flora Tristan participated, among others, in the following meetings:

- United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 20-22 June 2012;

- First meeting of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, 12-13 August 2013;
- XII Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean Santo Domingo, 15-18 October 2013;
- 57th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), New York, 4-15 March 2013.

During these meetings, Flora Tristan contributed through statements, reflections and advocacy.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Flora Tristan has cooperated with the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) on diverse topics such as interventions with municipalities to help to achieve cities free of violence; the promotion of a comprehensive response to HIV, including prevention and response to violence against women; and the organization of a dialogue on diversity with feminisms in Andean countries, heading XIII Feminist Encuentro. Moreover, Flora Tristan has cooperated with UN-Women concerning the dissemination of research on access to justice and impact of specialized police stations as well as coordinated actions with civil society to demand a comprehensive response to violence against women.

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

In support of MDG 3, the organization contributed to promoting equity and empowerment of women and strengthening the awareness of rights, by developing training activities with urban and rural populations and with indigenous peoples. It has also advocated for policy change in favour of gender equality.

5. Fundación UNITRAN

Special, 2010

Introduction

Fundación UNITRAN (UNITRAN) develops activities for the education of road-users in cooperation with national and international organizations to achieve safe and sustainable mobility in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Aims and purposes of the organization

UNITRAN advocates for reduced traffic accidents by supporting and implementing programmes and plans on awareness-raising and conducting research on prevention and road safety.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

UNITRAN has contributed to the work of the United Nations through a multitude of awareness-raising events on road safety in different countries. UNITRAN has participated in and spoken at several public events, such as the first parliamentary forum on road safety in 2011 in Montevideo, Uruguay, or the Ibero-American Meeting on Road Safety in Mexico City, Mexico. In cooperation with governments, UNITRAN has established Centres for the Promotion of Road Safety and conducted training sessions for children and adults. In August 2013, UNITRAN co-organized the first Conference about Road Accidents in Uruguay, which was based on the five pillars of the United Nations' Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020. The final document was presented to the President of Uruguay.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

UNITRAN has organized several conferences and trainings in cooperation with the Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) and the Uruguayan National Road Safety Unit (UNASEV) within the framework of the United Nations Decade on Road Safety. One of them consisted of seven days of preventive behaviour and mock traffic accidents in October 2010 in Montevideo. Moreover, UNITRAN has served as observer of the PAHO Technical Cooperation between the cities of Montevideo, Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Belo Horizonte, Brazil. Moreover, UNITRAN has signed partnership agreements with PAHO/WHO on a programme to promote Road Safety as well as with the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

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

No activities were specified.

6. Global Alliance for Women's Health**Special, 1998****Introduction**

Since its founding in 1994, the Global Alliance for Women's Health (GAWH) is committed to advancing women's health in all stages of life and at all policy levels through health promotion, education, advocacy, and programme implementation.

Aims and purposes of the organization

GAWH both promotes and implements women's health-care research and service improvements at local, national, and international levels by collaborating with governmental and non-governmental organizations, the private sector, academics, and individual citizens from all regions of the world. A cornerstone of GAWH's work has been to develop public/private partnerships that advance an understanding of all aspects of women's health throughout the life cycle and to

articulate these implications for public policy and development at the international and country levels.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

After initiating two caucuses in 2009, GAWH continued to serve as the Bureau in 2010 and 2011 for the Council on Gender Based Health and the Friends of the United Nations Diabetes Resolution. Five meetings were held over a period of 18 months that were successful in facilitating and expediting the decision to hold the High-level Meeting on Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs) in New York, 19-20 September 2011.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

GAWH representatives attended the following meetings in New York:

- Preparatory discussions for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), 14-16 February 2012;
- Launch of the World Health Organization (WHO) Quality Rights Project, 28 June 2012;
- 3rd Session of the Opening-ended Working Group on Ageing, 21-24 August 2012; High-level Meeting of the 68th Session of the General Assembly on Disability and Development, 23 September 2013; and
- Sixth High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development, 7-8 October 2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In cooperation with United Nations bodies and through public/private partnerships, GAWH sponsored and organized the following symposia:

- “Women and Multi Drug Resistant Tuberculosis (MDR-TB)” on the occasion of the 55th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), 1 March 2011;
- “Anemia and Women’s Health: a critical but under attended public health issue” on the occasion of the United Nations High-level Meeting on NCDs, 20 September 2011; and
- “Women, Girls and Smoking: the need for gender specific tobacco control during the High-level Meeting on NCDs”, 19 September 2011.

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

The organization undertook many activities towards MDG 3. In particular, in 2013, GAWH began preparations for a parallel event on anaemia and postpartum haemorrhage to be presented at CSW in 2014.

7. Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments

Special, 2010

Introduction

The Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments (GAATES) is the leading international organization dedicated to the promotion of accessibility of the built and virtual environments. It was incorporated as a NGO in Canada in 2007 and has an international presence in 6 regions: the Asia-Pacific, Arab, North American, South American, European, and African Regions.

Aims and purposes of the organization

GAATES works to improve access for the estimated one billion people with disabilities around the world, with respect to accessibility of the built environment, transportation and related facilities; information and communications technologies (ICTs); and inclusion in policies and standard operating procedures related to early warning and response and Disability Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction (DiDRR).

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

GAATES coordinated a Consultation on the High-level Meeting on Disability and Development organized by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, in 2012. GAATES and DESA also co-hosted a consultative meeting about States Parties Reports on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) in Riyadh. The organization is working with Asia Disaster Preparedness Centre on “A Planning Guide for Early Warning Systems and Emergency Management Agencies, Government Departments and NGO’s on DiDRR”; and with the Asian Broadcasting Union on Guidelines on Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

GAATES has hosted side events at the Conferences of States Parties (COSP) to the CRPD in 2011 and 2013. GAATES also participated in a roundtable on accessibility as part of the sustainable development agenda during the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), June 2012. It presented at a panel on accessibility and use of ICTs in DiDRR of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) in 2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

GAATES has a working relationship with a number of international organizations, including among others, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), DESA, CRPD’s Secretariat, the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), and UNESCAP. Among other activities, GAATES developed drafts for UNESCO and DESA on the topic of accessibility for persons with disabilities, one of which was used as a background paper at a CRPD Experts meeting held at the World Bank. GAATES has delivered two projects on

DiDRR funded by the UNESCAP Trust Fund for Tsunami, Disaster and Climate Preparedness.

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

GAATES has developed technical guidelines and supporting implementation materials and undertook capacity-building activities for stakeholders for the inclusive achievement of the goals.

8. Global Witness

Special, 2010

Introduction

Global Witness investigates and campaigns to prevent natural resource-related conflict and corruption and associated environmental and human rights abuses.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Global Witness' ten campaign teams undertake investigations, write reports, and lead advocacy work to increase transparency, improve practices, and hold governments and companies accountable for their activities in order to create an environment which fosters development and civil society engagement. Global Witness currently works to end corruption and increase transparency in the oil, gas and mining sectors; combat the trade in conflict diamonds; reform natural resource governance in the Democratic Republic of Congo; and end illegal and unsustainable logging and trade.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Global Witness supports the work of United Nations Economic and Social Council by contributing to its research, analysis, and policy recommendations on matters pertaining to the economic and social dimensions of natural resource management. Global Witness has repeatedly advised Security Council members, sanctions support staff, and United Nations expert panels on the imposition, implementation, and monitoring of sanctions, in the case of Liberia for example.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Global Witness met with representatives of the United Nations Security Council in 2011 and 2012 to discuss United Nations resolutions in Congo.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Among others, Global Witness took part in the International Community Transparency and Accountability Working Group (ICTAWG) of the United Nations in Afghanistan. The organization provided input to several United Nations Security Council Resolutions ([S/RES/1952](#) and [S/RES/2127](#)) and was involved in the

formulation of several United Nations guidelines and principles with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). Global Witness also consulted extensively with the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA) on corruption and extractive industries.

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

The recent Addis Ababa Conference on financing for development recognized the importance of a number of areas that Global Witness works on, including the need to curb corruption, develop good governance in the extractives sector, and reduce illicit financial flows.

9. Groupe pivot: Droit et Citoyenneté des femmes

Special consultative status: 2006

Introduction

Groupe pivot: Droit et Citoyenneté des femmes (GP/DCF) formalizes a coalition of 8 associations and NGOs (stakeholder members), three government departments and the Coordination des Associations et ONG féminines du Mali (consultative members), all of whom have rallied to the project “Women’s Rights and Citizenship in French-speaking Africa”.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The purpose of the group is to help increase respect for women’s rights and women’s participation in government and to support women in asserting their rights and fully exercising their citizenship. To achieve that goal, GP/DCF works to establish and consolidate networks by building on objectives/actions for the promotion, protection and defence of women’s rights and citizenship.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

GP/DCF worked on Security Council Resolution 1325 on women and peace and security ([S/RES/1325](#)), arising out of the 2012 political and security crisis in Mali. GP/DCF collaborated with the National Democratic Institute (NDI) on the awarding of a transition management grant to GP/DCF. The project was entitled “Support for the Participation of Women in the Political Transition Process in Mali”.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization has participated in the annual meetings of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

GP/DCF has been able to conduct very meaningful actions on behalf of women through public peace conferences in Mali in collaboration with the Network

on Security and Peace for Women in the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Region and with the support of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women).

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

GP/DCF carried out the following projects aimed at achieving Millennium Development Goal 3:

- An awareness and information campaign on access to justice, respect for and protection of women's human rights in places of detention in the region of Ségou, Mali;
- Legal and psychological assistance and support for victims of gender-based violence; and
- An awareness and mobilization campaign for 10 parastatal groups and professional associations from February to June 2010 and August 2010 to November 2011, seeking enactment of the National Gender Policy of Mali.

10. Guild of Service

Special, 2002

Introduction

The Guild of Service (Guild) was established four decades ago with the mandate of empowering marginalized women and children.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Guild aims at empowering women, widows, the elderly, and children and achieving social and gender justice through mobilizing public opinion; tackling social problems; and collaborating with key stakeholders.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Guild has contributed to the work of the United Nations through several community-based projects for the improvement of hygiene, peace, and social justice in Northern India. Moreover, Guild contributes extensively to the report on implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Guild participates in every session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) and every meeting of the Beijing Review. Additionally, Guild participated in the Asia-Pacific Intergovernmental Meeting on the Second Review and Appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing convened by United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) in Bangkok, Thailand, 10-12 September 2012.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Guild works in close collaboration, among others, with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and United Nations Information Centres (UNIC). Guild is a member of the National Alliance of Women's Organizations, which spearheads all reviews of the implementation of United Nations Resolutions in India. Guild drafted a Resolution on Widows, presented to the Under-Secretary-General of UN-Women, Ms Michelle Bachelet, which was supported by more than 80 organizations across the world. On 9 December 2011, Guild submitted a final report with the project titled: "Enhancing Social Security for Excluded Single Women (Widows) in India", which was partnered by UN-Women India. With the support of UN-Women, Guild organized workshops to improve the status of widows in Lucknow and New Delhi, India, as well as the National Consultation on Widows, in New Delhi on 3 April 2013.

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

Guild advocates for the rights of marginalized women towards MDG 3. Projects include shelter homes for destitute women and conflict affected women and children in Kashmir, RahatGhar and Srinagar, India, where women receive trainings. Guild provides non-formal education for children in Kashmir and Najafgarh, India, and for marginalized children of Vrindavan, India, towards MDG 2.

11. Hope for the Nations**Special, 2002****Introduction**

Hope for the Nations (HOPE) is a NGO based in British Columbia, Canada, focused on helping children at risk around the world. It works in over 27 countries through partnerships with national organizations.

Aims and purposes of the organization

HOPE empowers children at risk to become children of change by partnering with local organizations working within a wide variety of cultural contexts. HOPE provides the basic necessities of love, health care, education, a healthy community and self-sufficiency.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

HOPE is the coordinating NGO for the Canadian Informal Regional Network (IRENE) under the Economic and Social Council and a member of the Association UN-ONG-IRENE. Each year, HOPE is a major contributor to the event called Global Citizen Kelowna which is a week of various events focused on the MDGs.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

HOPE collaborates with United Nations bodies through the UN-NGO-IRENE network.

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

In 2010, HOPE started a new project in a remote area of the Himalayas, focused on gender equality issues as a direct reflection of the High-level segment topic for 2010 concerning Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, towards MDG 3.

12 Human Rights Commission of Pakistan**Special, 2010****Introduction**

The Human Right Commission of Pakistan (HRCP) was established in 1987 and takes a leading role in providing a voice for the provision of human rights for all and democratic development in Pakistan.

Aims and purposes of the organization

HRCP aims at the ratification and implementation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and of other related Charters, Covenants, Protocols, Resolutions, Recommendations and internationally adopted norms by Pakistan. It works to monitor human rights violations and seeks redress through public campaigns, lobbying and intervention in courts, the organization of seminars, workshops and fact finding missions. HRCP cooperates with national and international groups, organizations, and individuals engaged in the promotion of human rights to take appropriate action to prevent violations of human rights and provide legal aid and expertise to victims of those violations and to individuals and groups striving to protect human rights.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

HRCP has contributed to the work of the United Nations by promoting human rights through workshops, fact-finding missions, and public meetings and demonstrations. HRCP has translated important United Nations conventions and treaties into local languages, including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, the Convention on the Rights of the Child, and the Slavery Convention, among others, and disseminated them country-wide.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

HRCP attended a meeting with Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Opinion and Expression, Jakarta, Indonesia, 14-15 July 2011.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

HRCP has cooperated with the United Nations Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances in Indonesia in 2011 and Pakistan in 2012 and has submitted individual complaints of enforced and involuntary disappearances. In collaboration with United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), HRCP implemented a project to document child rights violations in Pakistan and uploaded the data in a web portal in 2011-2012.

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

HRCP held two consultations on Pakistan's present and future development goals, discussing Pakistan's progress in fulfilling the MDGs and developing a vision for the SDGs and post 2015.

13. International Council of Psychologists

Special, 1998

Introduction

The International Council of Psychologists (ICP) is committed to promoting peace, human rights and collaboration among mental health professionals and social scientists globally.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The mission of ICP is to advance the science and practice of psychology and support the use of psychological knowledge to promote social health and justice; contribute to world peace and human rights for all peoples by helping to empower underrepresented ethnic and culturally diverse groups; promote and integrate health and mental health services globally; and foster international professional development, networking, communication, mentoring and friendship among psychologists, social scientists and allied mental health professionals.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization contributed financial support to United Nations projects and committees. It funded, planned and assisted Annual Psychology Day annually at the United Nations in New York during the reporting period. In addition, quarterly articles about the work of the United Nations were included in the organizational newsletter "International Psychologist", which is sent to more than 600 professionals worldwide. ICP also presents a symposium of the work of the United Nations committees at the International Council of Psychologists' convention annually.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

ICP chaired and co-chaired the Executive NGO Committees on Ageing (NGOCOA), Mental Health and the Family. In addition, it participated in the following meetings:

- Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), New York;
- Committee of the Family, Vienna, Austria
- Conference on Disarmament by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs;
- Committee on Elimination of Racial Discrimination of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights; and
- World Health Assembly of the World Health Organization (WHO).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

ICP was involved in a two-year programme of advocacy in conjunction with the 18th and 19th Session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) on behalf of older persons and NGOCOA. In the course of this campaign, ICP produced a position paper on “Older Persons and Transportation” sponsored by thirteen NGOs. In the final draft document of CSD19, older persons were recognized as a specific group in civil society.

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

The organization continued to promote education and communication as a means to support MDG 2. The organization hosts an annual international conference to provide a forum for discussions by young and experienced scientists regarding challenges encountered in their respective regions of the world.

14. IPAS

Special, 1998

Introduction

Founded in 1973, IPAS is a NGO working globally to increase women’s ability to exercise their sexual and reproductive rights and reduce abortion-related deaths and injuries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

IPAS believes that every woman has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, to safe reproductive choices, and high-quality health care.

Significant changes in the organization

IPAS opened offices in Bangladesh and Sierra Leone in 2011.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

IPAS contributes regularly through advocacy and research to the work of the United Nations regarding sexual and reproductive health and rights. It is involved in United Nations bodies, special procedures, and commissions that deal with those issues. Among other contributions, IPAS's participation includes a submission to the 2010 High-level Segment about gender equality and women's empowerment through improved maternal health; a statement to the Annual Ministerial Review for the 2011 Economic and Social Council High-level Segment; and a report about women's access to safe abortion care to inform the 2012 Report on successes in achieving United Nations Global Strategy for Women's and Children's Health.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

IPAS participated, actively in all sessions of the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) in New York, during which it submitted oral and written statements. IPAS delivered a keynote address on global reproductive health challenges during the Commission's 44th Session in April 2012. IPAS also attended the 54th, 55th, and 57th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in New York in 2010, 2011, and 2013 and provided oral and written submissions.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

IPAS contributed to United Nations country review processes through numerous shadow letters and oral statements to various treaty monitoring bodies and the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) process. Among others, IPAS submitted statements, presentations, and guidance to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) in 2013 and the United Nations Human Rights Council in 2012. In 2011, IPAS contributed submissions about effective practices in eliminating preventable maternal mortality and morbidity in response to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights' Note Verbale.

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

Given that unsafe abortion is a leading cause of maternal mortality (13% globally), IPAS' work to expand access to safe and legal abortion directly contributes to the realization of MDG 5, Target 6.

15. Mamta — Health Institute for Mother and Child**Special, 1998****Introduction**

MAMTA Health Institute for Mother and Child (MAMTA) has been working in Tigri slums of South Delhi, India, on issues related to maternal and child health since 1990. It has achieved a leading position in India and is currently implementing programmes with more than 350 partner organizations in 19 states of India and in Bangladesh and Nepal.

Aims and purposes of the organization

MAMTA works to empower the underserved and marginalized individuals and communities through gender sensitive participatory processes for achieving optimal and sustainable health and development by implementing projects through evidence-based programming, capacity-building, advocacy, and networking.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

MAMTA's national and regional work on capacity-building of civil society and governments, such as the National Training Program (NTP) for health professionals and its advocacy work for the inclusion of Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health (ARSH) components into the National Rural Health Mission, has significantly contributed to sustainable health and development and corresponds with several of the MDGs.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

MAMTA participated in the 2013 annual meetings of the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva, Switzerland, as a member of the Regional Expert Group on Pre-conception Care for the South-East Asia Regional Office of the of the Civil Society Reference Group on HIV, HIV/AIDS department.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In 2013, MAMTA was actively engaged in the development of a "Regional Framework to End Child Marriage" for the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation with support from a number of United Nations agencies in South Asia.

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

MAMTA has implemented 36 programmes on improving reproductive and sexual health of young people in India, Nepal, and Bangladesh, improving maternal and child health services and livelihood opportunities for Women. Additionally, MAMTA undertook important capacity-building initiatives towards MDGs 5 and 6 in South and Southeast Asia by conducting international and national training programmes on mainstreaming sexual and reproductive health and rights with the support of the WHO, national governments and United Nations bodies.
