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1. Center for Family Studies

Special, 2016

Introduction

This is a scientific civil institution concerned with scientific research in family studies, whose legal incorporation number is 2012/2157.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Center's vision:

Scientific leadership and national, regional and global benchmarks in the provision of expertise and qualitative studies to contribute to family stability.

The Center's mission:

Scientific production and the consolidation of knowledge to help build a knowledge base and skills. It is focused on the family, based on our cultural and human values, as well as family and community development.

The Center's strategic objectives:

- To produce and encourage scientific publications in the family sphere;
- To provide spaces for the production and creation of ideas in the family sphere;
- To acquire scientific knowledge about the reality of the Moroccan family;
- To establish a family knowledge system;
- To qualify and support researchers and workers in the family sphere.

Areas of work:

1. Theoretical and observational research;
2. Legal and legislative research and proposals;
3. Social engineering, family integration, rehabilitation and training;
4. Legal advocacy;
5. Media creativity;
6. Rehabilitation and training.

Significant changes in the organization

A new executive office.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- Participating in courses organized each year and networking with associations working in the same field;
- Helping to present the activities that you organize;
- Working on issues in which the United Nations is engaged to advance the status of Moroccan women;
- Organizing study days on the sidelines of conferences organized by the United Nations.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Center participates in United Nations meetings, represented by its members, including at sessions of social, human rights and environmental committees.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

We participate in the parallel activities of the Economic and Social Council and the Committee on the Status of Women, submitting proposals and expressing opinions. We need more communication with international bodies to coordinate women's and family issues in our country.

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

In order to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, the Center organizes international and national seminars to address cognitive and current issues, as well as family-related social issues at the local, regional and international levels. It attracts a number of researchers and persons interested in family issues for deliberations and scientific reflection in seminars. Since its creation, the Center has organized several seminars in response to its fundamental mandate, including studies on perceptions and concepts, roles and functions, laws and legislation, and training and qualifications.

2. Centro UNESCO de Donostia-San Sebastián

Special, 2016

Introduction

The Centro UNESCO de Donostia-San Sebastián was established on 1 September 1992. Its areas of work are education, human rights, sustainable development, education for democracy and safeguarding intangible cultural heritage. The centre is a non-governmental organization (NGO) which has been accredited by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) for safeguarding intangible cultural heritage since 2010. In 2019 and 2023, its accreditation as an NGO safeguarding intangible cultural heritage was renewed.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Centro UNESCO de Donostia-Saint Sebastián is committed to promoting the dissemination of United Nations ideals through international education and by encouraging educational research in areas of importance to the Organization, transmitted mainly through non-formal and distance education channels. The centre's work is focused on two main topics: (1) the preparation of publications and teaching materials for education on human rights, the promotion of universal values and intercultural education; and (2) participation in events based on written statements.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Two publications issued as training materials in 2020 and 2021. See United Nations Library, Geneva. *Educación superior: la Universidad de las Naciones Unidas y la Universidad para la Paz*, <https://bit.ly/3PcwfbT>, and *Las Naciones Unidas y el adelanto de la mujer*.

The Centro UNESCO de Donostia-Saint Sebastián has created the research project “UNESCO intangible heritage map of the Guipúzcoa brotherhoods”. This is a publications project on brotherhoods in the villages of Guipúzcoa. It is a strategic plan for safeguarding UNESCO intangible cultural heritage in the Basque Country. In 2020, 2021 and 2022 the Centro UNESCO published 10 books on the brotherhoods of Guipúzcoa. They present the traditions, oral expressions and social practices of ancient villages in the province of Gipuzkoa, close to San Sebastián.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- The 2020 high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council for NGOs in consultative status with the Council. From 6 to 17 July 2020. Written statement. See https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/26614Written_Statements_NGO.pdf;
- The 2021 high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council for NGOs in consultative status with the Council. From 13 to 16 July 2021. Written statement;
- The 2022 high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council for NGOs in consultative status with the Council. From 13 to 18 July 2022. Written statement;
- The 2023 high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council for NGOs in consultative status with the Council. From 10 to 19 July 2023. Written statement;
- The sixty-first session of the Commission for Social Development. From 6 to 15 February 2023. Written statement. See <https://daccess-ods.un.org/access.nsf/Get?OpenAgent&DS=E/CN.5/2023/NGO/2&Lang=E>;
- The sixty-second session of the Commission for Social Development. From 6 to 15 February 2024. Written statement. See <https://daccess-ods.un.org/access.nsf/Get?OpenAgent&DS=E/CN.5/2024/NGO/59&Lang=E>.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In January 2020, the Director of NGO Reporter (Department of Global Communications of the United Nations) accepted the proposal of the Centro UNESCO de Donostia-Saint Sebastián to publish articles on its activities and those of other related organizations.

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

The organization contributed to Sustainable Development Goals 4, 10 and 16. The Centro UNESCO de Donostia-Saint Sebastián has promoted the achievement of the Goals through the research project “UNESCO intangible heritage map of the Guipúzcoa brotherhoods”, a United Nations system training project available to NGOs in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.

3. Cercle de recherche sur les droits et les devoirs de la personne humaine

Special, 2008

Introduction

The work carried out by the Cercle de recherche sur les droits et les devoirs de la personne humaine (CRED) is focused on contributing to the activities of the treaty bodies and combating Paul Biya's terrorism in Cameroon.

Aims and purposes of the organization

- To promote the rights and duties of the human person, in particular the draft universal declaration of human duties;
- To promote international standards concerning the fight against international terrorism and such issues as democracy, the rule of law, the right to life, the right to truth, transparency and freedom of expression, assembly and association.

Significant changes in the organization

Since 15 November 2023, the President of CRED, as voted by the Security Council on 7 November 2018, has been responsible for the transitional period in Cameroon.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

CRED wishes to inform national and international public opinion about the payment of the amount of \$15,222 in donations to support the activities of the treaty bodies.

Concerning the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, the amount paid was 200 Swiss francs, as of 20 February 2014.

With regard to the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, the amounts paid were distributed as follows: 300 Swiss francs on 26 March 2014; 2,000 Swiss francs on 29 November 2016; \$100 on 3 April 2023; \$3,524 on 6 April 2023; \$2,806 on 31 May 2023 and \$1,070 on 28 June 2023.

With regard to the Human Rights Committee, the amounts paid were broken down as follows: \$1,050 on 7 July 2023 and \$1,095 on 10 July 2023.

With regard to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the amounts paid were broken down as follows: \$500 on 13 July 2023 and \$506 on 9 August 2023; \$520 on 14 August 2023; \$551 on 22 August 2023 and \$500 on 24 August 2023.

With regard to CCR [sic], the amount paid was \$500 on 24 July 2023.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The President of CRED participated in an ad hoc meeting of the Security Council and the International Criminal Court held on 17 June 2023 in Dakar.

During this hearing concerning a complaint of State terrorism against Paul Biya, the President reiterated the acts of terrorism of which he accused President Paul Biya and his gang.

ICC upheld the charge of organized terrorism against Paul Biya and sentenced him and nine other Cameroonian officials present at that meeting to death [sic].

Mr. Bell was shot in the back by Kamara Harris [sic]. According to information sources, there were three other deaths, including Micheline Calmy Rey, the Swiss Ambassador and the Russian Ambassador to Senegal.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

As President of the transition in Cameroon, Hilaire Bell has pledged to devote 50 billion CFA francs to support treaty activities (11 billion per year), the International Telecommunication Union (11 billion per year), the International Monetary Fund (11 billion per year) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (2 billion per year). Cameroon subsequently undertook to host the headquarters of these international organizations [sic]. And the President decided that Cameroon should join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization [sic] (300 billion a year, with an advance of 1,500 billion paid in advance).

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

Plans to build 3,000 new modern classrooms and recruit new primary school teachers, with a view to achieving Sustainable Development Goal 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

According to this projection, primary education will be free from the start of the school year in 2024.

4. Change Human's Life

Special, 2016

Introduction

Change Human's Life is a humanitarian, non-political and non-denominational non-profit non-governmental organization established in 2008. Approved by the State of Côte d'Ivoire under No. 1214/INT/DGAT/DAG/SDVA, it is listed in the Official Gazette of 28 January 2010 and carries out actions throughout the national territory of Côte d'Ivoire through its three pillars of intervention: (i) peace and human rights; (ii) health; and (iii) social and environmental development.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Change Human's Life aims:

- To restore and strengthen social cohesion to create a peaceful environment
- To promote and defend human rights to produce a more responsible society
- To contain HIV/AIDS through the promotion of sexual and reproductive health rights
- To provide young people with leadership skills so that they can drive the country's economic development
- To protect the environment for sustainable development

Change Human's Life aims to improve people's living conditions and behaviour for sustainable and harmonious development. It aims to do this through:

- A community approach
- Strategic partnerships
- Education and awareness-raising

- The implementation of sustainable projects
- Monitoring and evaluation

The main activities of Change Human's Life are:

- Providing school supplies for students
- Leadership and entrepreneurship training
- Raising awareness of human rights, gender equality and environmental protection
- Participating in forums and conferences to influence policy and share best practices
- Organizing consultations and national advocacy workshops

Significant changes in the organization

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has had a significant impact on the work of Change Human's Life. Staff reductions, along with changes in the skills and expertise available, have had an impact on programme effectiveness and the ability to achieve objectives.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Change Human's Life took part in the project to support social cohesion and promote democratic dialogue run from 2020 to 2023 by the European Union in partnership with the Association des volontaires pour la solidarité internationale and the Plateforme opérationnelle jeunesse de Côte d'Ivoire.

Change Human's Life has collaborated with the National Human Rights Council on a number of human rights projects and reports in Côte d'Ivoire, and observed the 2020 presidential elections, the 2021 legislative elections and the 2023 municipal and regional elections.

Change Human's Life has run awareness campaigns on children's rights and HIV/AIDS, and trained young people in leadership and entrepreneurship with the American non-governmental organization Interweave Solutions.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Change Human's Life participated in the fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, held in May 2022 in Abidjan. The organization also attended the twenty-eighth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, held from 30 November to 12 December 2023 in the United Arab Emirates, presenting the ClimAct initiative at a side event in collaboration with the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Change Human's Life collaborates with the Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Convention to Combat Desertification. It participates in initiatives, contributes to reports on local activities and builds community capacities to cope with the impacts of climate change.

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

- Sustainable Development Goal 13: Awareness-raising activity and tree-planting on 17 June 2023 for the World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought in M'Bahikoi (Adzopé), southern Côte d'Ivoire, and participation in a round-table discussion with the Focal Point for the Convention to Combat Desertification at Radio de la paix.
- Sustainable Development Goals 1 and 4: Support for the schooling of orphans and disadvantaged families since 2019.
- Sustainable Development Goals 6 and 13: Awareness-raising, training and clean-up (plastic waste collection) in Béago and Azito for World Environment Day in June 2023, in collaboration with the Azito Operation and Maintenance company.
- Sustainable Development Goals 8 and 10: Training and entrepreneurship programmes for the manufacture and sale of liquid soap, with trainees welcomed every year since March 2022.
- Sustainable Development Goals 1 and 17: Promoting partnerships between civil society actors and businesses through the "Trajet de l'espérance" solidarity event since 2018.

5. Centre indépendant de recherches et d'initiatives pour le dialogue (CIRID)

Special, 2008

Introduction

There have been no changes.

Aims and purposes of the organization

There have been no changes.

Significant changes in the organization

There is a new representative for the Centre indépendant de recherches et d'initiatives pour le dialogue (CIRID) at the United Nations Office at Vienna, Mr. Tianze Zhang.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

2020: No activities due to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19);

2021: No activities due to COVID-19;

2022: No activities due to COVID-19;

2023:

- 29 June: oral statement during interactive dialogue: Special Rapporteur on Burundi – 26th meeting, fiftieth regular session of the Human Rights Council;
- 31 March: oral statement during interactive dialogue: report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on South Sudan – 52nd meeting, fifty-second regular session of the Human Rights Council;

- 29 March: oral statement during interactive dialogue: Independent Expert on Mali - 51st meeting, forty-ninth regular session of the Human Rights Council.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Participant in the forty-ninth through fifty-fifth regular sessions of the Human Rights Council.

2023:

- Monday, 25 September 2023, 1–3.30 p.m.

75 years of the United Nations, United Nations Office at Geneva;

- Tuesday, 6 July 2023, 2–3 p.m.

Briefing on A New Agenda for Peace and the new vision for disarmament.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

2021: no activities;

2022: no activities;

2023:

- Monday, 29 June 2022, 10–11 a.m.

2021 United Nations Geneva annual report, and annual meeting with the Director-General;

- Tuesday, 27 September 2022, 12–2 p.m.

Meeting with the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva, room XXII.

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

2023:

- 26 June, private-public event.

Artificial Intelligence and the Legal Profession, CIRID in partnership with the non-Economic and Social Council-affiliated non-governmental organization (NGO) Swiss Chinese Lawyers Association (SCLA.ai.world);

14 February, room XXII, 10–11.30 a.m.

General meeting with NGOs, Office of the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva.

2022:

- Tuesday, 27 September 2022.

Informal meeting of Swiss and African NGOs to establish the Swiss Platform of African NGOs with consultative status, room E3023.

2020:

- Macky Sall prize for dialogue in Africa awarded to Her Excellency Mama Ngina Kenyatta, former First Lady and Mother of the Kenyan Nation, represented by the Secretary of Defence, Monica Juma, Republic of

Kenya, with the patronage of the Head of State of Senegal, in Dakar,
Musée des Civilisations Noires.

6. Club Ohada Thies

Special, 2020

Introduction

Club Ohada Thies is a youth organization created to support young people's active participation in the development of their country by fighting corruption and promoting environmental management through education and training.

The organization was granted special consultative status by the United Nations in 2020. The Club was also accredited by the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa in 2019.

Lastly, we are a member of the civil society platforms of the World Bank and the African Development Bank.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aim of our organization is to effectively combat the scourge of corruption in Africa, and more specifically in the States members of the Organization for the Harmonization of Business Law in Africa.

We also aim to work towards sustainable management of the environment.

Significant changes in the organization

The name of the Club Ohada Thies has been changed by the African Network for Sustainable Development.

That was to enable our organization to benefit from an expansion of its activities.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- In 2022, Club Ohada Thies delivered a statement at the thirty-first session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on the topic of the role of civil society in crime prevention and criminal justice.
- In 2021, it contributed to the work of the Committee on the School Environment.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- Online participation in the United Nations conference on sustainable development in Africa, February 2022;
- Participation in the sixty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women, March 2023, New York;
- Participation in the thirteenth Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization, February 2024, Abu Dhabi, the United Arab Emirates;
- Participation in the sixty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, March 2024, New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

- Partnership with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) through the Africa anti-corruption platform for civil society organizations that work to combat corruption, of the Coalition of the Civil Society Friends of the United Nations Convention against Corruption;
- Cooperation with the intergovernmental negotiating committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment;
- Cooperation with UN-Oceans, since obtaining accreditation in 2021;
- Participation in the UNODC “Stakeholder Engagement in the Implementation of the Review Mechanism of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime” project – the SE4U project.

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

Initiative: Young people for the Sustainable Development Goals. Countries involved: Benin, Côte d’Ivoire and Senegal.

7. Coalition digitale

Special, 2020

Introduction

Coalition digitale is an association governed by the Act of 1 July 1901 and the Decree of 16 August 1901, whose aim is to promote and popularize information and communications technology (ICT) in line with the Sustainable Development Goals.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Our vision is to capitalize on the Coalition’s know-how, network and knowledge to build a resilient digital ecosystem and an inclusive digital economy.

Our goals are to:

- Foster inclusive development through the use of ICTs, digital entrepreneurship and the empowerment of rural populations;
- Reduce the digital divide between men and women;
- Give young people, through the use of technology, the tools to develop and take ownership of it.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

1. Women’s blogging workshop, 8 March 2021: 40 young women from a variety of fields took part in the “Women’s Blogging” training workshop on 8 March 2021, initiated by the Cameroon Bloggers Association and Coalition Digitale. The aim of the seminar was to train female bloggers and bring together girls for the e-WoMenTor programme.

2. Digital Talk: Girls in ICT Day, April 2021: Girls in science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM); an exciting topic, exceptional guests for a heart-to-heart with aspiring female engineers and scientists. The girls discussed digital issues with women leaders in the field of ICT throughout the digital talk. They were given valuable advice and tools to help them better position themselves as young women in the STEM professions, which are often wrongly considered to be strictly male domains.
3. Conference on the technological gap, 7 March 2022: the association organized a workshop-discussion on the theme: “Reducing the technological gap to enable women to contribute fully to the development of Cameroon”. To mark World Engineering Day, the association trained a spotlight on all careers and sectors in engineering, in the broadest sense, at the PrépaVogt campus. Women engineers spoke to girls about the topic. The engineers who participated were Ms. Doudou Juliette Mayou Simo épouse Kemajou, mechanical engineering design engineer at Camrail; Ms. Raïssa Djiwo, general engineering graduate of Institut Ucac-Icam; and Ms. Angèle Messa, entrepreneur in education technology.
4. Digital Talk, 12 May 2022: to mark International Girls in ICT Day, the Digital Coalition organized a digital talk on the theme: “Girls in ICT, access and safety”. The association organized a coaching session in French and English, via Zoom, on a variety of subjects, including how to present one’s curriculum vitae, how to manage one’s career, and how strengthen one’s understanding of cyberspace. Several panellists contributed to the event: Mr. Harold Tagu, cybersecurity expert; Ms. Elise Onana-Thauvin, consulting department manager at Apave Cameroon; Ms. Keiko Kubota of the World Bank; Mr. Alain Betu of Groupe Speciale Mobile Association (GSMA); and Ms. Ana Afonso of REAfrica.
5. Girls in ICT Day, 2 May 2023: to mark the dual celebration of International Girls in ICT Day and Labour Day, the Digital Coalition organized a training workshop on the theme: “Digital skills for life”. The event was also an opportunity to make women and girls aware of the opportunities that digital professions offer, and how to use them to build their lives, and, at the same time, to boost the economy of Cameroon.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Members of the association took part in the General Assembly in New York in September 2023.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The association works with United Nations bodies including:

- The International Telecommunication Union;
- The World Bank;
- The African Union.

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

The present report is not an exhaustive account of the various activities carried out by the association over the last four years.

Our activities (including Digital Talk, Girls in ICT and Entrepreneurs’ Festival) have enabled us to contribute to education, especially of young people, and to support the reduction of gender inequalities by providing access to information on STEM-

related careers. The association has therefore supported the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals 4, 5, 8, 9 and 10.

8. Comité/Club UNESCO universitaire pour la lutte contre la drogue et les autres pandémies (CLUCOD)

Special, 2016

Introduction

The Comité/Club UNESCO universitaire pour la lutte contre la drogue et les autres pandémies (CLUCOD) was established on 3 June 2003 at the University of Cocody in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire. CLUCOD leads efforts to combat drugs.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Since its establishment, CLUCOD has been carrying out awareness-raising activities, providing training, undertaking advocacy work with decision makers and monitoring the tobacco industry in a bid to help reduce the consumption of tobacco and illicit drugs in Côte d'Ivoire.

Significant changes in the organization

CLUCOD has strengthened its technical and operational capacities in order to professionally address emerging challenges in the fight against smoking and drug abuse. That has enabled Côte d'Ivoire to consolidate its achievements through the adoption of Act No. 2022-407 of 13 June 2022, on the fight against illicit trafficking and use of narcotics, psychotropic substances and their precursors in Côte d'Ivoire, which takes into account the human rights of drug users in accordance with the relevant international conventions.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Through its actions, CLUCOD contributes to, inter alia, the implementation of several international conventions, notably the World Health Organization (WHO) Framework Convention on Tobacco Control and the three conventions on narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, as well as to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 3 in Côte d'Ivoire. Drugs in general, and smoking in particular, hinder social and economic development. CLUCOD focuses on synthetic drugs and new and emerging tobacco products, which represent major challenges.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

CLUCOD took part remotely in three international meetings organized by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs in 2021, 2022 and 2023. In November 2021, CLUCOD took part in two meetings organized by the General Secretariat of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, namely, the ninth session of the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control; and the second meeting of the Parties to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products, online, as a member of the official delegation.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The non-governmental organization CLUCOD has special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations. In addition, CLUCOD has fostered cooperation with the WHO country office, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS and the programme office of the United Nations Office on

Drugs and Crime Regional Office for West and Central Africa through their technical assistance and/or participation in activities. This collaboration has had a strong positive impact on the organization's role as a health and development actor.

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

The work of CLUCOD has included advocating the adoption of Act No. 2022-407 of 13 June 2022, on the fight against illicit trafficking and use of narcotics, psychotropic substances and their precursors in Côte d'Ivoire, and preparing three draft sets of implementing regulations on risk reduction, mandatory treatment and the establishment of the Medical-Judicial Unit. Other activities focused on raising awareness of laws and of the harmful effects of smoking, alcoholism, abuse of narcotics, psychotropic substances and their precursors, as well as the ban on smoking in public places and public transport, with the support of the African Capacity-Building Foundation, which is based in Harare, Zimbabwe.

9. Compagnons d'action pour le développement familial

Special, 2012

Introduction

Compagnons d'action pour le développement familial is a non-profit organization established in 1993 by young people in the Democratic Republic of the Congo to combat extreme poverty.

Aims and purposes of the organization

- Vision: a responsible world without poverty;
- Mission/purpose: to alleviate poverty;
- Objectives: to promote socioeconomic activities, encourage self-help, raise public awareness and provide information;
- Target: women and children;
- Activities: primary healthcare, food security, basic education, protection and environment.

Significant changes in the organization

In 2022, the organization carried out activities to address the humanitarian needs that had been exacerbated by armed conflict and the large-scale internal displacement in the east of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. As a result, two field offices were set up, in Mahagi, Ituri Province, and in Goma, North Kivu Province.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization maintained and strengthened its agricultural activities related to food security and income growth through the structuring of farmers' organizations. It played an active part in the universal healthcare programme, free and safe maternity services, the expanded immunization programme, and the response to malaria and the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). It increased the civil registration of children. It assessed the schooling needs of war-displaced children. It contributed to advocacy, awareness-raising on registration and the return of displaced children to school, as well as distributing school kits to pupils. It also contributed to the protection of women and girls through gender training, vocational training and literacy education.

It initiated projects on urban sanitation and on the management of nature reserves by Indigenous Peoples. It provided a female student intern with information on the United Nations/Geneva.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization attended the following meetings of the United Nations: the forty-third session of the Human Rights Council, under the auspices of the United Nations Office at Geneva, on 27 February 2020; the inauguration of building H, the new extension to the Palais des Nations, under the auspices of the United Nations Office at Geneva, on 1 November 2021; a screening of the documentary “Breaking boundaries: the science of our planet”, under the auspices of the United Nations Office at Geneva, on 4 November 2021; the sixty-sixth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, under the auspices of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), in New York in March 2022; the Social Forum on water for human rights and sustainable development, under the auspices of the United Nations Office at Geneva, on 3 and 4 November 2022; the sixty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women in New York, 6–17 March 2023; the United Nations Water Conference in New York on 22 and 23 March 2023; a screening of the documentary “Descendant” to mark the International Day of People of African Descent, under the auspices of the United Nations Office at Geneva, on 31 August 2023.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization participated in meetings with the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo in Ituri Province and North and South Kivu Provinces; and with the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, the United Nations Children’s Fund and civil society on protection, education and food security. It also raised awareness on COVID-19 and universal healthcare.

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

The organization provided 216,380 people with information on the rights of internally displaced women and children; 108,750 people accessed universal healthcare, including 9,958 pregnant women and 1,768 children under 5 years of age. It enabled the enrolment of 350,520 children in primary school and the civil registration of 4,755 children. It provided support to 160 rape victims before the courts. It empowered 6,500 family micro-entrepreneurs through apprenticeships, and 6,600 temporary jobs were created. It provided 1,500 people with information on organic production and consumption. It protected 63,500 hectares of forests with Indigenous Peoples. It finalized the construction of a shelter for women and children facing hardship.

10. Coordination des associations et particuliers pour la liberté de conscience

Special, 2016

Introduction

Coordination des associations et des particuliers pour la liberté de conscience (CAPLC) is a French non-governmental organization that campaigns for freedom of thought and worship. It undertakes monitoring, advocacy and assistance initiatives to

raise public awareness, engage with the authorities and support persons who are victims of discrimination. In collaboration with its partners, it works to safeguard human rights and promote a more inclusive society in which all persons can freely express their beliefs.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CAPLC is a non-governmental organization based in France that campaigns for the protection and promotion of freedom of conscience worldwide. Its main objectives include promoting freedom of religion and thought, defending religious minorities, combating discrimination, promoting interreligious dialogue, advocating with national and international authorities and raising public awareness. Through our various activities, we are committed to helping to build a world in which the diversity of faiths and beliefs is fully respected.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

We co-organized meetings to mark the anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, at which dozens of non-governmental organizations shared their work in the field of human rights. The purpose of the meetings was to encourage collaboration between the United Nations, member countries and civil society.

CAPLC organized talks on the promotion of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights at the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe. Representatives of CAPLC spoke at numerous meetings at the European Parliament and other institutions in Europe to promote United Nations programmes on the rights of women and United Nations resolutions for peace:

- European Parliament, June 2023: the various peace and security proposals of the Security Council on the conflict in the Sudan;
- European Parliament, July 2023: oppression of minorities in the Islamic Republic of Iran and the rights of women.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

CAPLC participated in the forty-fourth to the fifty-third sessions of the Human Rights Council. During the sessions, we held side events and made written and oral statements. CAPLC highlighted violations of human rights and freedom of religion and belief in France, as well as in Argentina, Ethiopia and Pakistan. We contributed to meetings on the universal periodic reviews of Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, China, Germany, Indonesia, Japan, Thailand, the United Arab Emirates and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. We participated in sessions of the Human Rights Committee on Ethiopia, France and Japan, as well as in sessions of the Committee on the Rights of the Child on Germany and Ukraine.

In 2020, CAPLC submitted a report to the Human Rights Committee concerning violations of religious freedom in the Russian Federation.

In 2021, it asked the Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief about the situation in Germany.

In 2022, CAPLC attended a session of the Human Rights Council to discuss attacks on freedom of conscience in the United Kingdom.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

We submitted a report to United Nations experts on justice and truth for their visit to Armenia.

We also submitted a report to the Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association for his visit to Algeria. Following our report, the Special Rapporteur met with the accused minorities.

A report to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on combating intolerance, negative stereotyping, stigmatization, discrimination, incitement to violence and violence against persons, based on religion or belief.

A report on hate crimes and hate speech to the Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief.

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

We co-organized a webinar, held in English and French, on the theme of freedom of belief and religion and the Sustainable Development Goals. Our organization promotes the key role of freedom of religion and belief in the achievement of the Goals. Our network enables us to raise awareness among many people and other non-governmental organizations of the urgency of achieving the Goals.

11. Coordination française du lobby européen des femmes

Special, 2000

Introduction

Coordination française du lobby européen des femmes (CLEF) is a non-governmental organization that advocates for the rights of women and gender equality at the national, European and international levels.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CLEF spearheads a feminist network that leads and coordinates about 80 French associations campaigning for gender equality and the rights of women. Its main task is to advocate with governments and parliaments in France; with European institutions, in close collaboration with the European Women's Lobby, for which it is the French coordinator; and internationally, thanks to its consultative status with the United Nations and its agencies (Economic and Social Council status).

Its mission is to defend the rights of women and promote equality and parity between women and men in all areas, legally, politically, educationally and culturally.

Significant changes in the organization

At the CLEF general meeting in 2022, a new board of directors, a new president and a new executive committee were elected. The new team has set out strategic priorities that are more focused on addressing violence against women and on the abolishment of prostitution.

Intensifying its advocacy efforts in France, Europe and internationally, CLEF organizes awareness-raising sessions for the general public in order to combat sexist and sexual stereotypes. For example, CLEF has organized the following national events:

- An event to raise awareness on the abolition of prostitution in June 2023;
- An event at which feminists could pose questions to candidates in the European elections in May 2024.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

CLEF contributes to the work of the United Nations by regularly producing reports on the rights of women, in particular in France.

For example, CLEF actively participated in the review by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women of the situation in France by drafting shadow reports (in 2021 and 2023) and travelling to Geneva to address the Committee's experts as part of the review (2023).

CLEF also promotes the work of the United Nations and international conventions, such as Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the Beijing Platform for Action, by organizing meetings and training courses for women political leaders and the general public.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

CLEF attends the annual sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women and organizes several side events or parallel events on the priority theme.

At the sixty-fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 2021, it held a parallel event on the equal representation of women in governance bodies.

At the sixty-sixth session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 2022, it co-organized a side event on the promotion of a gender perspective in efforts to combat climate change and in sustainable development, which was sponsored by Czechia, France and Sweden.

At the sixty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 2022, it held a side event on responding to the global challenges posed by pornography.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

CLEF worked closely with United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) France, which is a member of CLEF, including the organization of the CLEF International Women's Rights Forum (2021) and in the context of the festival of citizens' voices at the Generation Equality Forum (2021).

We represent our member associations at the United Nations and its agencies and at the Human Rights Council in Geneva.

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

CLEF is taking a number of steps to attain the goal of promoting gender equality and empowering women. CLEF has been at the forefront in the fight against inequalities between women and men, in France with its network of member associations, in Europe in close collaboration with the European Women's Lobby and internationally thanks to its accreditation with the United Nations. It also participates in the dismantling of gender stereotypes by raising public awareness at various international events, including the first International Women's Rights Forum, which was held in 2021.

12. Corps de réflexion et de planification pour l'utilité sociale (CORPUS)

Special, 2012

Introduction

The Corps de réflexion et de planification pour l'utilité sociale (CORPUS) is delighted to present its submission for the quadrennial report under the procedures of the Economic and Social Council. Since 2012, CORPUS has had special consultative status with the Council and once again reaffirms its support for all previous resolutions on the rights of the child, the most recent of which is General Assembly resolution [78/187](#), adopted by the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session.

As a people-centred non-governmental organization based in Switzerland, CORPUS has been working for many years with institutional bodies and civil society organizations to promote human rights and address migration-related issues in Switzerland.

Aims and purposes of the organization

As a civil society actor, CORPUS supports and promotes the Sustainable Development Goals, which are the cornerstone of the United Nations agenda. In particular, the organization aims to support and promote the rights of the child as set out in the Convention on the Rights the Child of 20 November 1989.

Significant changes in the organization

In recent years, the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic and the war in Ukraine have had a considerable impact on the global economic situation. In view of that situation, CORPUS has had to adapt by reorganizing its strategy for implementing sustainable development projects.

In-person events on the sidelines of United Nations forums were either partially held, postponed or cancelled owing to a lack of funding.

At the international level, CORPUS is committed to supporting the projects of local organizations in the Democratic Republic of the Congo through the conduct of training courses. The scope of a project to clean up public places in Cotonou, as part of a memorandum of understanding with the Ministry of the Environment, was reduced to the removal of plastic waste. The project was therefore not carried out as initially planned, owing to a lack of funding.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In line with the Sustainable Development Goals, CORPUS held round tables, in compliance with the applicable health measures, on mechanisms for combating discrimination based on race or religion. Invitees included international actors, United Nations representatives and national stakeholders, including representatives of the Fribourg Cantonal Office for the Prevention of Racism, the Federal Commission on Migration and the Service for Combating Racism.

In addition, the organization carried out a project to raise young people's awareness of digital technologies in order to protect them from, for example, the dangers associated with cyberbullying and the disclosure of their private lives on social media.

Lastly, CORPUS welcomes its collaboration with "REZO DREPANO-SS", a Congolese civil society platform set up to combat sickle cell disease, which affects

many children in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and requires more advocacy within the United Nations system. Both parties hope to build on this collaboration at forthcoming sessions in Geneva.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

CORPUS has taken part in most of the sessions of the Human Rights Council, the most recent being the fifty-fourth session, held in 2023, the report on which was issued as [A/HRC/54/2](#). During those sessions, CORPUS exchanged views with representatives of the Ministry of Human Rights of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Permanent Mission of Benin, among others.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Cooperation with United Nations bodies, in line with the principles of human rights and the Sustainable Development Goals, is crucial for the success of the work of CORPUS. In that connection, CORPUS highly appreciates the work of the NGO Liaison Unit, which is the focal point for matters concerning relations between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations.

Our organization follows with particular interest the work of United Nations bodies, in particular the General Assembly, the Security Council, the Economic and Social Council and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

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

In response to crises, including armed conflict, health and poverty, as well as increasing rates of out-of-school children and violence against women, which could jeopardize the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, CORPUS is focusing in particular on raising young people's awareness of the digital environment. The aim is to enable young people to make better use of digital tools and to avoid cyberbullying and broadcasting their private lives, in full alignment with the Goals and the Convention on the Rights of the Child of 20 November 1989.

13. Cœur d'Afrique - Fondation Roger Milla

Special, 2020

Introduction

Cœur d'Afrique – Fondation Roger Milla. Under the inspirational leadership of Roger Milla, we are committed to sustainable development in Africa through cultural, artistic, environmental and social initiatives.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Our organization, Cœur d'Afrique – Fondation Roger Milla, pursues clear goals and objectives aimed at promoting the well-being and sustainable development of communities.

- Fighting poverty: we are committed to reducing poverty by providing support to disadvantaged populations and promoting access to education and healthcare;
- Promoting education: we firmly believe that education is the key to development. We therefore strive to improve access to quality education for all, especially for marginalized children and young people;

- Strengthening health: we work to improve health infrastructure, raise awareness of public health issues and provide access to essential health services for all;
- Empowering women and young people: we are committed to promoting the economic, social and political empowerment of women and young people through education, vocational training and leadership programmes. We are also committed to promoting gender equality and combating gender-based discrimination;
- Protecting the environment: we lead initiatives to preserve the environment, promote sustainable agricultural practices and raise awareness of the environmental challenges facing Africa;
- Respecting and supporting Indigenous Peoples: we are committed to respecting the rights of Indigenous Peoples and supporting their active participation in decisions that affect them, as well as preserving and promoting their culture, knowledge and traditions.

In pursuing these objectives we aspire to help create a better, more equitable future for the people of Africa, by ensuring that gender equality is a reality in all our actions and initiatives.

Significant changes in the organization

Cœur d’Afrique – Fondation Roger Milla has made significant changes within our organization to strengthen our impact:

- Strengthening our programmes;
- Innovating and adapting;
- Expanding our partnerships;
- Strengthening our governance.

We firmly believe that these changes will improve our efficiency and our ability to achieve our mission in the years to come. We remain committed to our mission and values.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Joint programme of Cœur d’Afrique – Fondation Roger Milla with the United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS).

Cœur d’Afrique – Fondation Roger Milla, in collaboration with the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) Cameroon, has had the privilege of actively participating in HeForShe initiatives to promote gender equality and raise awareness of this crucial cause. It works in partnership with UN-Women Cameroon.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- Cœur d’Afrique – Fondation Roger Milla participated in the sixty-second session of the Commission for Social Development, held from 5 to 14 February 2024 at United Nations Headquarters;
- Cœur d’Afrique – Fondation Roger Milla participated in the sixty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, held from 11 to 22 March 2024 at United Nations Headquarters, New York;
- It participated in the forty-sixth session of the Human Rights Council, held on 29 April 2024 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva;

- It participated in the universal periodic review from 29 April to 10 May 2024;
- It participated in the conference of civil society organizations on Palestine organized by the Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs, held on 3 and 4 Apr 2024.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Economic and Social Council.

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

Our organization has launched educational programmes for women's empowerment, community projects for access to drinking water and health services, as well as environmental awareness campaigns. These actions contribute to achieving the Millennium Development Goals and the Sustainable Development Goals.

14. Droit à l'énergie SOS futur

Special, 2004

Introduction

Energy is not a given. Today hundreds of millions of people around the world still do not have access to a reliable source of energy.

Accessible and affordable energy is the backbone of economic and social development in countries throughout the world. Education and health systems are vulnerable to energy deficits. It is therefore vital to take action to correct this inequality, which give rise to other inequalities.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Our organization, Droit à l'énergie SOS futur, fights for better access to sustainable energy for all, in every region of the world. We want to ensure that access to energy is recognized as an essential need; to organize international access to energy; and to enshrine the right to energy as a fundamental human right in the constitutions of every nation.

Significant changes in the organization

The last four years have been marked by numerous international energy meetings. We participated in the World Social Forum in Mexico, an international symposium on energy organized by the Fondation Gabriel Péri and in meetings of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations. The production of a video enabled us to contribute to the National Day against Fuel Poverty, which takes place in France every year. We are also involved in the European Right to Energy Coalition, which fights against fuel poverty. We have renewed our governing bodies.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In recent years, we have had little involvement in United Nations activities. Our obstacle is the lack of financial resources. However, we have been very active in Europe, particularly in France and within the European Right to Energy Coalition, in which we continue to participate.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

We were unable to participate in United Nations meetings because of the health and energy crises. We are determined, as reaffirmed by our General Assembly held in Casablanca, to try to find the financial resources to enable us to participate more actively in United Nations meetings.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

We actively campaign through our website and our social networks. We are also invited to numerous events to raise awareness of the importance of energy for all. We made a film to mark the twentieth anniversary of our non-governmental organization.

Our General Assembly, held in Morocco in June 2023, provided an opportunity to discuss with academics the immense need for training in the energy sector.

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

Among the means of action we propose, we believe that the establishment of a World Day of Access to Sustainable Energy for All, as well as the recognition by the United Nations of the right to energy as a fundamental right, would contribute to improving global social and economic development.

Our non-governmental organization has launched a major international petition for recognition of the right to energy, and we are currently in talks with the Canadian Government to bring this demand for recognition of the right to energy to the attention of United Nations bodies.

15. Ensemble contre la peine de mort

Special, 2016

Introduction

Ensemble contre la peine de mort (ECPM) works for the universal abolition of the death penalty. ECPM works on abolition education in partnership with local actors in Asia, Africa and the Middle East, as well as in France. It is a founding member of the World Coalition Against the Death Penalty, and a member of the Impact Iran Steering Committee.

Aims and purposes of the organization

ECPM aims to abolish the death penalty everywhere in the world and in all circumstances. Since 2000, ECPM has been lobbying national authorities, building the capacity of civil society actors and the criminal justice system, supporting the creation of national and regional coalitions, documenting the application of the death penalty, and carrying out education and awareness-raising activities. ECPM organizes world and regional congresses against the death penalty.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

ECPM:

- Organized the Eighth World Congress against the Death Penalty, in Berlin, Germany (November 2022); and the Fourth Regional Congress in Amman, Jordan (July 2023);
- Coordinated and published reports from fact-finding missions on conditions of detention for people sentenced to death – Malaysia (2020) and Morocco (2023);
- Conducted advocacy campaigns with national authorities and at the regional and international levels (United Nations and the Comité algérien des droits de l’homme et des peuples);
- Produced a study on the abolition of the death penalty in States members of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (2020).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

ECPM:

- Participated in sessions of the Human Rights Council, making some 30 oral and written interventions, and organizing and/or taking part in parallel events. Examples include: “The death penalty in Iran”, 20 March 2023; and “The death penalty in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: the state of play after 20 years of a moratorium”, 30 March 2023, on the sidelines of the fifty-second session of the Human Right Council, Geneva;
- Organized side events at the United Nations in New York in 2020 and 2022, including: “From the death penalty to an official moratorium”, 21 October 2022, seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly;
- Submitted 18 shadow reports to the universal periodic review, the Human Rights Committee, the Committee against Torture and the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women. Examples include: “The death penalty in Cameroon”, forty-fourth session of the Universal Periodic Review Working Group (2023); and “Iraq’s compliance with the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights regarding the death penalty”, 134th session of the Human Rights Committee (2022).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

ECPM:

- Cooperated with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in Tunis and Nouakchott. For example, ECPM and the Tunisian Coalition Against the Death Penalty, in partnership with OHCHR, organized a cycle of film screenings and an exhibition in Carthage, from 14 to 16 October 2021, to mark the nineteenth World Day against the Death Penalty;
- Collaborated with several United Nations experts, including the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran, and spoke at side events organized by ECPM at the United Nations, as well as at the Eighth World Congress and the Fourth Regional Congress. At the Fourth Regional Congress (Jordan), ECPM collaborated with the Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences, the Chair of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, an OHCHR expert in the death penalty and genocide prevention, and a United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Regional Programme Officer, who were panellists in the academic programme;

- Argued in favour of renewing the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran and the fact-finding mission in Iran.

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

Work by ECPM contributes to Sustainable Development Goals 4, 8, 10, 16 and 17. ECPM actions are focused on access to justice for all and the establishment of effective institutions to guarantee peace (Goal 16). ECPM seeks to foster effective partnerships through the creation of national or regional coalitions or networks, and the organization of congresses. The inclusive and unifying work done by ECPM with regard to all abolitionist actors is in line with Goal 17. ECPM educational work in France and abroad supports the Goal 4. ECPM co-founded the Teaching Abolition International Network and organizes the international “Draw me abolition” competition (last edition in 2022–2023).
