Announcements

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DPI/NGO News

World Humanitarian Day 2017

Civilians are #NotATarget

For WHD 2017, humanitarian partners are coming together to reaffirm that civilians caught in conflict are #NotATarget. Through a global online campaign featuring an innovative partnership with Facebook Live, together with events held around the world, we will raise our voices to advocate for those most vulnerable in war zones, and demand that world leaders do everything their power to protect civilians in conflict. Read more...

Sign the petition to reaffirm that civilians caught in conflict are #NotATarget.

The Essential UN

Take a look another look at the UN! The Essential UN website, provides a succinct and interactive way to quickly grasp the essentials of the Organisation through fast facts, short videos, information cards and fun quizzes.

THE ESSENTIAL UN

Together Initiative #JoinTogether

Learn about the latest UN global initiative that promotes respect, safety and dignity for everyone forced to flee their homes in search of a better life.

TOGETHER WEBSITE
DPI Resources

2017 DPI Communications Guidance

The News and Media Division of DPI is proud to feature: In Case You Missed It, a look back at some of the noteworthy news developments that took place over the past two weeks in the UN system.

Social Media & Campaigns

- UN4RefugeesMigrants Campaign
- WildforLife Campaign
- Official UN Social Media Accounts
- UNICEF Campaign (#RefugeesWelcome)
- “Small Smurfs Big Goals” Campaign
- UNITE Campaign
- FreeAndEqual Campaign
- Children Uprooted Campaign
- #NotATarget

UN NGOs Outreach/Newsletters

- UNISPAL Newsletter
- DESA NGO News

What’s happening at the UN?

Saturday, 16 September 2017
Outrace Poverty: 5K/10K Run/Walk a scenic course and help raise money for the UNFCU Foundation

Registration: 8 a.m.
Race Time: 9:30 a.m.
Venue: Firefighters Field, Roosevelt Island, 425 Main St., New York, NY 10044

Sunday, 17 September 2017
The UN Development Programme (UNDP) and partners announced the 15 winners of the Equator Prize 2017, recognizing local and indigenous communities from Africa, Asia, and Latin America. The winning organizations, which showcase innovative solutions for tackling poverty, environment, and climate challenges, will be honored at a celebratory gala in New York on September 17, 2017.

More information
Upcoming UN Meetings and Observances

23 August
International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition [UNESCO] [29 C/Resolution 40]

29 August
International Day against Nuclear Tests (A/RES/64/35)

30 August
International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances (A/RES/65/209)

NGO Corner

Please note that the events announced here are not organized by the United Nations and do not necessarily reflect the official opinions of the Organization.

23-24 August
Travel, Tourism, and Transformation: A Celebration of Sustainable Tourism
THIS EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Please note that advance registration is required. Arrival and security instructions for the United Nations will be sent to those who register. For additional information please contact: dominique@globalwdf.org or worlddevfound@gmail.com

More information

In Action

UNAOC launches call for Young Peacebuilders in MENA
The United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) is pleased to launch the call for applications for the Young Peacebuilders in Middle East and North Africa programme. The call is open to participants between 18 to 25 years old, from the region, with a strong interest in growing their ability to act as agents of peace in their community, region and beyond. The deadline to apply is 31 August 2017.

More information

DPI-associated NGO Spotlights

Human in Love
The NGO Human in Love was associated with the United Nations Department of Public Information on 23 June 2017.

Human in Love (HIL), formerly the World Disaster Relief Organization (WDRO), was founded in 2009 to provide long-term disaster relief. WDRO became HIL in 2011 to
emphasize its support for international development, which HIL views as necessary for ultimately breaking the poverty cycle in Southeast Asia and central Africa. HIL provides school scholarships in poverty-stricken regions as education is the first step towards eradicating poverty and protecting the environment from frequent natural disasters caused by pollution and over-industrialization. HIL seeks to assist the most vulnerable regions of the earth to minimize future vulnerability in cases of disaster.

In 2015, HIL obtained special consultative status with ECOSOC, and in 2016, HIL sponsored the 40th Hankuk University of Foreign Studies International Model United Nations in Seoul, Republic of Korea.

For more information please visit their website at www.humaninlove.org or follow them at the following platforms:
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/humaninlove
YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/humaninloveorg

NGO Youth Corner

Youth Voices on Substance Abuse
DPI/NGO Briefing “Youth Voices on Substance Abuse: A Guide to Empowerment and Action” was one of the highlights of the Spring 2017 Briefings Season. Please read reflections on the Briefing published by our colleagues at DPI Academic Impact Section:

On April 20, 2017, eighteen of these students presented their perspectives on the opioid pandemic and recommended approaches to dealing with this health crisis at a briefing held under the auspices of the UN Department of Public Information, NGO Relations Section. Students were joined by Ithaca Mayor Svante Myrick, whose Ithaca Plan: A Public Health and Safety Approach to Drugs and Drug Policy advocates expanded supportive and recovery services, and Michelle McElroy from Southern Tier Aids Program, which supports regional counseling and needle exchange programs. Also presenting were Yu Ping Chan from the UN Office of Drugs and Crime, who provided a global perspective, and Jeff Brez, Chief, NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events.

Read full article...

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- Monday: 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Thursday: 2 to 4 p.m.
- Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Conference Room Reservation

The Conference Room will be available the following days and hours:
- Monday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Tuesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
To book the Conference Room please send your request via e-mail to undpingo@un.org

We will need the following information:
- Name of the organization
- Name of person responsible for the booking
- Contact information (e-mail address and phone number)
We will send a confirmation e-mail with the booking information

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