Announcements
Week of 11 December 2017

DPI News

#DPINGO Briefings: Thursday, 14 December 2017

NGO Communications Workshop:
Digital Strategies to Amplify UN Issues
RSVP
Thursday, 14 December 2017
Morning session: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Afternoon Session: 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Location: Conference Room 12, UNHQ, NY
Flyer
NGO Communications Survey
More Information

#DPINGO Chat Series: Tuesday, 12 December 2017

Join us for our next Chat Series on the Road:
“Food as a Vehicle Towards Understanding - Chocolate Edition”
Organized with Kitchen Connection and Voices of Bangla
2:30 to 4 p.m.
Whole Foods Market, 2nd Floor, 226 E 57th St., NY 10022
RSVP
DPI/NGO Subscription Service
Please note, DPI/NGO will soon launch a subscription service. Through this new service, you will continue to receive information about DPI/NGO events, including the Weekly Announcements. More details to follow.

2017 Annual Review is now open
2017 Annual Review for DPI-associated NGOs is now open. The priority deadline to submit your Annual Review is 15 December 2017. The instructions and credentials have been sent to the heads of all DPI-associated NGOs. For more information, please visit our website. Please note that NGO Relations will no longer issue grounds passes for 2017.

DPI/NGO Youth Representatives Steering Committee Application
The Steering Committee is made of young people ages 18 to 32 serving as NGO youth representatives or leaders within non-governmental organizations or youth-led groups in association with the Department of Public Information. Individuals will act within the capacity as Steering Committee members only when requested and approved by DPI.

Deadline for application: Friday, 22 December 2017

Read Terms of Reference
Application form

TOY COLLECTION
Support our DPI-associated NGO, Fraternite Notre Dame by donating new toys for kids between the ages of 0-13 years old (price range $15-$20). Please contribute by 18 December 2017. Bring your gifts to UNITAR Building, 2nd Floor, NGO Resource Centre, 801 UN Plaza, New York 10017.

In case you missed it!
- **DPI/NGO Briefing: #StandUp4HumanRights in observance of Human Rights Day and 70th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights**
- **DPI/NGO Briefing: The Right to Health in observance of World AIDS Day. #MyRighttoHealth**
- **DPI NGO Briefing on Fashion and Sustainability: Look Good, Do Good, Feel Good**
  Read Article by UN Radio
- Watch other DPI/NGO Briefings

DPI/NGO Thursday Briefings Fall 2017 Calendar

#StandUp4HumanRights
Universal Declaration of Human Rights – Add Your Voice!


#StandUp4HumanRights
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

#MyRightToHealth
#WildforLife Campaign
Official UN Social Media Accounts
UNICEF Campaign (#RefugeesWelcome)
“Small Smurfs Big Goals” Campaign
UNITE Campaign
#BeatPollution
Children Uprooted Campaign
#NotATarget
#OzoneHeros
#NotTooYoungToRun
#StandUp4HumanRights

UN NGOs Outreach/Newsletters

UNISPAL Newsletter
DESA NGO News

What’s happening at the UN?

Monday, 11 December
Special event to mark Human Rights Day (on the occasion of the Human Rights Day (A/RES/423 (V)) (10 décembre) (co-organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and the Department of Public Information (DPI))
Monday, 11 December
United States Postal Service (USPS) Diwali Stamp “The Power of One” Award Ceremony (A/RES/69/250) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Belarus, Georgia and India, the Diwali Foundation USA, Inc., in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Azerbaijan, Cyprus, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Tunisia, Ukraine and the United Kingdom and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)-New York)

Time: 4 – 5:30 p.m.
Venue: Trusteeship Council Chamber, UNHQ, New York

All are invited. For further information please contact Mr. Ruslan Varankov, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail ruslan.varankou@gmail.com).

Tuesday, 12 December
Briefing: Commission on the Status on Women

Time: 10 a.m.
Venue: Conference Room 1, UNHQ, New York

Convened by the Chair-designate (Ireland) on the preparations for the sixty-second session of the Commission. All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Joann Lee, UN-Women (e-mail joann.lee@unwomen.org).

Tuesday, 12 December
Event on “10 Years of International Disaster Relief and Initial Recovery Assistance (IDRL): Where to Now?” (A/RES/71/127) (organized by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC))

Time: 12:15 – 1:45 p.m.
Venue: Conference Room 11, UNHQ, New York

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Florencia B. Giordano, IFRC (e-mail florencia.giordano@ifrc.org; tel. 1 (212) 338-0161, ext. 200).

Wednesday, 13 December
Event entitled “Launch of the PyeongChang Forum for the Earth and its Citizens” (commemorating the adoption of “Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal” (A/RES/72/6)) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea and the Gangwon Province of the Republic of Korea)

Time: 3 – 5:30 p.m.
Venue: Trusteeship Council Chamber, UNHQ, New York
All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Young-sun Kwon, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail: rsvp.rokun@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 439-4075).

*Wednesday, 13 December*
Informal Briefing: Commission for Social Development

Time: 4 p.m.
Venue: Conference Room 1, UNHQ, New York

Convened by the Chair-designate (Iceland), on the preparations of the fifty-sixth session of the Commission. All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Lana Emelina-Sarte, Secretary of the Commission (e-mail: emelina@un.org).

*Tuesday, 19 December*
“Hawar A Cry For Help” Documentary Screening, Panel and Reception

Time: 6:30 p.m.
Venue: ECOSOC Chamber, UNHQ, New York

**RSVP** by Thursday, 14 December 2017

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** For Non-UN Ground Pass Holders, please make sure to bring an ID document. The name(s) that you provide on the RSVP must match EXACTLY the one displayed on your ID. Line-up will start at **5.30 p.m.** Please ENTER through 46th Street Visitors’ Entrance on 1st Avenue.

**TOWARDS THE 2018 GLOBAL COMPACT: Italian Vision**

In order to improve migration governance, the Italian vision is to shift the focus on human mobility from an emergency approach to an encompassing and long-term one, turning massive irregular migration flows into predictable and manageable migration channels.

*Read the full vision by Permanent Mission of Italy to the UN*

**International Days and Observances**

11 December
**International Mountain Day** *(A/RES/57/245)*

12 December
**International Day of Neutrality** *(A/RES/71/275)*

18 December
**International Migrants Day** *(A/RES/55/93)*

18 December
**Arabic Language Day** *(Arabic)*

20 December
**International Human Solidarity Day** *(A/RES/60/209)*
**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.

---

**Wednesday, 13 December**  
**The Olympics, the Earth & Its Citizens – Launch Event**

Time: 3 – 5:30 p.m.  
Location: Trusteeship Council Chamber, UNHQ, New York

General Inquiries: gangwon.gc@gmail.com | Press Contact: Janet Appel janetappel54@aol.com (212) 258-2413

---

**Friday, 15 December**  
**“How Can We Ensure that Society’s Educational Mechanisms Do Not Contribute to Gender-Based Violence?” A Conversation with Author, Feminist, and Humanitarian Binalakshmi Nepram**

Time: 10:30 a.m.  
Location: DPI NGO Resource Centre, 801 45th st., 2nd floor, UNHQ, New York

Please RSVP by Dec. 13th: usun-nyc@bic.org

Organized by The National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha’is of the United States for the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence Campaign

---

**Wednesday, 20 December**  
**“Peace on Earth: In the Spirit of Giving” Celebration and Holiday Party organized by the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY**

Time: 2 – 4 p.m.  
Location: Hardin Room, 11th Floor, Church Center for the United Nations, 777 UN Plaza, New York

---

**SAVE THE DATE**

GlobalMindED 2018 Conference will be held in Denver, CO from **June 9-11, 2018** and the theme will be **Bold Leaders Delivering Inclusive Outcomes**.

---

**Programme**
NGO Spotlight

Covenant House

Covenant House has been formally associated with the Department of Public Information for several decades and acquired general consultative status with ECOSOC in 2011.

Covenant House’s mission is to “serve youth with absolute respect and unconditional love... and to protect and safeguard all children in need,” specifically, children living on the streets. With 31 centers throughout 6 countries, Covenant House provides shelter assistance to about 80,000 children each year.

Outreach teams search through city streets at night with food, blankets, and information about Covenant House’s 24-hour crisis centers. Children on the streets face extremely risks of being sold into trafficking, but the compassionate offer of a safe place to sleep can save them from exploitation. Children are never turned away; Covenant House promotes a child’s right to reach adulthood without being abused or homeless. Covenant House also provides long term transitional housing and mentorship for independent living, guided by principles of honesty, structure, and empowerment. Counselors, including volunteers from the corporate world, provide job training including interview preparation and certification courses in a variety of professions, from medical fields to computer skills.

Covenant House collaborates with various universities to compile data-driven research for international advocacy and legislative reform. Staff members have spoken on panels at the United Nations and have testified before congressional legislatures to support stricter trafficking penalties and other child protection laws throughout the world.

For more information, visit their website at: https://www.covenanthouse.org/
Or follow them on social media:
https://www.facebook.com/CovenantHouse
https://twitter.com/CovenantHouse
https://www.pinterest.com/covenanthouse/
https://www.youtube.com/user/CovenantHouse
https://www.instagram.com/covenant_house/

NGO Youth Corner

NGO Youth Rep Wins 2018 Marshall Scholarship

Klaudia Jazwinska ’18, a journalism and global studies major at Lehigh, has won a prestigious Marshall Scholarship, which will allow her to pursue master’s degrees at leading British universities, the British government announced Monday, Dec. 4. She is one of the forty-three U.S. students who received the Scholarship this year and the first Lehigh student to win the Scholarship in 40 years.

Jazwinska is also an NGO Youth Representative for the Center for Public Health in Nigeria to the United Nations Department of Public Information.

Read the article by Washington Post
Read the full article by Lehigh University
Opportunities for Youth

Call for Applications: Youth Rep for NGO

Please note that the United Nations, NGO Relations or the Department of Public Information are not involved in this offer nor in the recruitment process. This opportunity is extended by the Light Millennium, not DPI and is not an official position with the United Nations, DPI or NGO Relations.

The Light Millennium invites applications for an open position of Youth Representatives to United Nations Department of Public Information. More Information

Position Type: Unpaid (an option to incorporate with an internship possibility towards credit for a semester – in this case, Internship of the school criteria will apply); or For a year-long volunteer position (October-June).

Required Hours per Week: 4 hours per week on-site and 2-4 hours per week on-line (writing reports/social media/posting photos, etc...).

Requested Documents: A most recent resume, a government issued ID to verify birth year, and a “Letter of Intention” that will include availability and commitment.


DPI/NGO Resource Centre

UPDATED*: Please find below the Resource Centre hours of operation:

- Monday: 9:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. *
- Tuesday: 9:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. *
- Wednesday: 9:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. *
- Thursday: 2 to 4 p.m.
- Friday: 9:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.*

Conference Room Reservation

UPDATED*: Please note that the Conference Room will be available the following days and hours:

- Monday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Tuesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Friday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: It is mandatory for all visitors to sign-in at the Resource Centre and state the purpose of their visit. Failure to sign-in may result in denial of access to future conference room bookings.

To book the Conference Room please send your request via e-mail to undpingo@un.org. Please note, a DPI-associated NGO Representative/s must be present during your scheduled meeting.

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)
- Purpose of meeting

We will send a confirmation e-mail with the booking information.
Remember to follow our Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram accounts for more information about DPI/NGO Briefings, UN events, NGO events and more!
And don’t forget to check out our pictures from our recent events