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1. Action contre la faim

Special, 2005

Introduction

Established in 1979, Action contre la faim is a humanitarian and professional non-governmental organization specializing in efforts to relieve hunger. In 2020, the organization was working in 46 countries on 820 projects in the areas of health (including nutrition and mental health), water, hygiene and sanitation, food security and livelihoods, disaster risk reduction and advocacy. Thanks to the work of its 8,300 employees and collaborative efforts with its partners, 25 million people benefited from the organization's programmes in 2020.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aim of Action contre la faim is to combat the scourge of hunger on all fronts by addressing the underlying causes of malnutrition and its consequences through emergency operations aimed at meeting the essential needs of the most vulnerable people, and by conducting post-crisis and development programmes to empower communities. By integrating its programmes into local and national systems, and by carrying out advocacy and research, Action contre la faim ensures that short-term responses become long-term solutions.

Significant changes in the organization

New offices were established in the years from 2017 to 2020, including in Germany, Italy and India.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In the countries in which it operates, the organization works closely with various United Nations agencies with links to humanitarian activity (Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, United Nations Children's Fund, World Food Programme (WFP), Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, etc.), whether through the design and implementation of operational responses for vulnerable populations or through participation in the humanitarian coordination system (cluster, humanitarian country team, etc.). Activities include the distribution of food or cash transfers; implementation of standardized monitoring and assessment of relief and transitions surveys; drinking water supply projects; implementation of support projects for farmers; and assistance projects in refugee camps with UNHCR.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Action contre la faim regularly participates in formal and informal discussions during the United Nations Protection of Civilians Week, the humanitarian segment of the Council and the sessions of the United Nations General Assembly, as well as in the work of the Security Council. The organization participated in the annual consultations with non-governmental organizations of the World Food Programme from 2017 to 2020. Similarly, in conjunction with the World Health Organization, the organization participated in the World Health Assembly in May 2019 to share messages about the importance of universal health coverage.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Action contre la faim regularly participates in the work of the global clusters in the fields of nutrition; health; water, sanitation and hygiene; food security; and logistics.

The organization is an active member of the Committee on Food Security and it participates in related international negotiations.

The organization participates in the work of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee: Results Group 3 on collective advocacy; the Emergency Directors Group since February 2019; and the group on mental health and psychosocial support in emergency settings.

Action contre la faim is an active member of the Scaling Up Nutrition movement in several countries and at the global level. The movement's secretariat is hosted by the United Nations Office for Project Services.

Action contre la faim is part of the Global Coalition for Social Protection Floors and consequently participates in formal and informal discussions with the International Labour Organization. Its representative spoke at the last International Labour Conference (2021). Action contre la faim is in contact with the United Nations Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights and attends meetings of the Human Rights Council.

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

The organization contributes to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals 2, 3, 5 and 6 by conducting programmes in the countries in which it operates. Action contre la faim organizes annual advocacy and awareness-raising activities that target the general public to celebrate the following world days: World Food Day for Goal 2 and World Water Day and World Toilet Day for Goal 6.

2. Action pour la promotion du développement

Special, 2017

Introduction

Action pour la promotion du développement (APRODEV) aims to contribute to the work of the United Nations by promoting the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aim of APRODEV is to promote the well-being of the world's populations. Specific purposes include the following:

- Combating common illnesses and major scourges (HIV/AIDS and other pandemics);
- Implementing practices for the sustainable management of the environment;
- Promoting human rights and social equality;
- Ensuring food security for all;
- Raising public awareness of the rules of ethics and morality;
- Informing, educating and communicating in the area of life skills;

- Combating moral depravity; and
- Contributing to research in the spiritual field.

Significant changes in the organization

The non-governmental development organization APRODEV has been able to extend its reach to remote and very isolated communities and localities in the north-western part of the Democratic Republic of the Congo where there are no United Nations agencies and offices.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

APRODEV has helped to raise the visibility of the work of the United Nations, especially in areas where knowledge of the United Nations is limited.

The organization has provided extensive information to and raised the awareness of a large number of national and local associations in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and in the Republic of the Congo in regard to the possibility of them working with the United Nations system, particularly through the non-governmental organization branch.

APRODEV has helped to relay relevant information about the work of the United Nations to communities and to raise their awareness of issues such as the World Health Organization guidelines on preventing the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and other disasters suffered by our planet.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

APRODEV has participated in several scheduled meetings of United Nations bodies that were held remotely. On those occasions, it was able to provide contextualized inputs on the themes addressed.

However, owing to a number of constraints, it was unable to attend face-to-face meetings.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Because of its limited experience, APRODEV is still at the stage of making administrative and physical contact with agencies and national or local offices of the United Nations system. However, progress has been made with some bodies of which it is now a member.

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

In recent years, APRODEV has worked more with vulnerable groups in awareness-raising with a view to the implementation of the Goals, mainly people living with disabilities, migrants, local communities and indigenous peoples, and internally displaced persons in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

3. Action secours ambulance

Special, 2013

Introduction

Action secours ambulance (ASA) is a non-profit development and humanitarian organization with tax identification No. 000-560-859-1 that works in the fields of health, education, women's and children's rights, disaster prevention and disaster risk

reduction, social issues, humanitarian response, climate change and environmental protection and is a member of the Stop TB Partnership, a global partnership to fight tuberculosis, and the programme to combat HIV/AIDS and malaria#. As part of its activities, it also acts in cases of natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes and other hazards to aid those affected. ASA is also part of the Global Network of Civil Society Organisations for Disaster Reduction and serves as its national representative for Haiti. ASA has also signed up to the Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and NGOs in Disaster Relief and has consultative status with the Economic and Social Council. ASA is an open organization well prepared to engage in cooperation and receive assistance from public and private organizations and entities that endeavour to achieve the Millennium Development Goals and the Sustainable Development Goals and to conduct serious work geared towards the development of Haiti. Activities are conducted in the fields of health, the environment, recovery, disaster risk reduction, emergency response, women's and children's rights, climate change and social issues. Aid takes such forms as prevention/reduction, preparedness/response, rehabilitation/reconstruction, immediate ambulance recovery, ambulance service operation and first aid.

Aims and purposes of the organization

To reinforce acknowledgement of the undeniable importance of life by preventing and alleviating any grave act against an individual; and to promote environmental protection, the improvement of health and the well-being of people regardless of colour, gender, class or creed anywhere in Haiti and in the world. The vision of ASA is to operate nationwide and to transmit our values in the Caribbean, throughout the Americas and the whole world by sharing them with other organizations that have the same mission.

Significant changes in the organization

Two officers of ASA have been given authorization to make decisions and sign the organization's documents, namely the chairman of the board of directors, Jean-Marie Jean Baptiste and the executive director, Getro Mathieu. The executive director liaises with the United Nations system and public and private entities.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In regard to United Nations activities, the organization participated in the high-level policy dialogue. To follow-up on the high-level political forum we participated in the strategy of mobilization for the eradication of poverty. The organization engages with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime on policies and strategies to combat drugs, corruption and environmental crime.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

2017–2020: Global Forum for Migration and Development, in Berlin;
Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction, in Cancún, Mexico;
“The Water-Energy-Food Nexus in the Region”.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Cooperation with the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and the United Nations Development Programme in Haiti in the United Nations humanitarian country team.

Cooperation with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction in the regional review process.

2017/2018 humanitarian response plan.

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

- Conversation about local, national and industrial technology road maps for the Sustainable Development Goals;
- Human Rights Council meeting on the 2030 Agenda: pursuant to resolution [37/24](#), the first Human Rights Council intersessional meeting for dialogue and cooperation on human rights and the 2030 Agenda.

4. Action sécurité éthique républicaines

Special, 2017

Introduction

Action sécurité éthique républicaines (ASER) has continued to work towards the withholding of arms transfers to countries that violate international law, including the Arms Trade Treaty.

Aims and purposes of the organization

ASER has the following aims and purposes: • The promotion of respect for human rights in the work of the security forces; • The monitoring of acquisitions, exports and the use of and the trade in military, police and security equipment with regard to respect for human rights and international humanitarian law; • Activities to ensure compliance with international arms trade commitments signed by States; • The provision of information for the general public and raising the awareness of society in relation to human rights in the work of security forces; • Defence of and support and advice for victims of human rights violations committed by security forces.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Participation in conferences of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Conferences of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The production of analyses for conferences of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty.

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

Raising awareness of respect for human rights in the field of arms transfers and use through participation in conferences.

5. Bar Association for International Governmental Organizations

Special, 2009

Introduction

The Bar Association for International Governmental Organizations (BAIGO) pursues its goals of supporting and protecting and promoting and providing legal assistance for the international staff of intergovernmental bodies and to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that wish to participate or work as observers in the deliberations of intergovernmental bodies.

Aims and purposes of the organization

- (a) Recruit legal officers and members of national bar associations to assist in achieving the aims of BAIGO;
- (b) Train legal officers and lawyers in the body of law applicable to the deliberations of international organizations, their advisory bodies and their administrative and criminal tribunals;
- (c) Provide legal consultation services to international civil servants in the protection and defence of their rights and legal status;
- (d) Fill the shortages in legal advisers and councils to assist and advise international civil servants in regard to their rights and status;
- (e) Provide legal consultation services to NGOs that are applying for consultative or observer status with intergovernmental organizations.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes. Activities have been curtailed owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- (a) Legal consultation services provided to over 400 staff members of international organizations;
- (b) Proceedings before the tribunals of intergovernmental organizations in more than 120 cases involving questions of law and the legal status of international civil servants;
- (c) Legal consultation services offered to international civil servants' unions in defence of the rights of the international civil service; and
- (d) Consultation services for NGOs applying for consultative status.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- 2017 Economic and Social Council Partnership Forum, on the theme “Partnerships for promoting opportunities, increased prosperity and sustainable development for all”
- 2018 Economic and Social Council, on the theme “From global to local: supporting sustainable and resilient societies in urban and rural communities”
- 2019 Economic and Social Council, on the theme “Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality”

- 2020 Economic and Social Council, on the theme “Accelerated action and transformative pathways: realizing the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development”
- Services and contributions to the annual meetings of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations
- Participation in meetings of the Economic and Social Council Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
- Participation in United Nations work on financing for sustainable development
- Participation in annual forums of NGOs in consultative status

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

- Participation in the work of the Economic and Social Council
- Participation in the annual sessions of the United Nations General Assembly
- Participation in the work of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations
- Participation in the work of the United Nations Internal Justice Council and presentation of briefs and recommendations
- Participation in the work of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
- Preparation of training courses for the United Nations Institute for Training and Research
- Support for NGOs in the preparation of their submissions to United Nations bodies

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

Advice and support services provided to various NGOs in consultative status in connection with the preparation of their statements, presentations and briefs to United Nations bodies and at United Nations development fairs of the Economic and Social Council.

6. Comité français des organisations non gouvernementales pour la liaison et l’information des Nations Unies

Special, 2005

Introduction

The Comité français des organisations non gouvernementales pour la liaison et l’information des Nations Unies was established in 1948 and comprises more than 100 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that liaise with and share information about the United Nations. “The work of our committee is perfectly aligned with the current philosophy and policy of the United Nations”.

Aims and purposes of the organization

- To disseminate information on the views and work of the United Nations and its specialized agencies; and
- To convey the needs of populations and to offer suggestions to the United Nations.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

January 2017 – Working group on education and children’s rights, to draft a letter supporting United Nations efforts to encourage countries, the United States of America in particular, to ratify the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

6 and 7 March 2017 – Colloquium: The challenge of West Africa’s emergence – Public policies and regulations to promote investment.

24 January 2018 – Examination of the Secretary General’s report on repositioning the United Nations development system to deliver on the 2030 Agenda.

14 November 2018 – Interaction with and submission of proposals to the Children’s Ombudsman on the protection and defence of their rights.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

22 March 2017 – World Water Day;

27 June 2017 – Forum of the United Nations French Association;

27–29 September 2017 – Madrid: 5th Global Forum of the World Committee for Lifelong Learning;

24 October 2017 – United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) – United Nations Day, in 5 workshops: Peace – Planet – People – Prosperity – Partnership;

10 December 2018 – Institute of International Relations debate on the Global Compact for Migration;

13 and 14 December 2018 – thirteenth international colloquium of the Paris Human Rights Center on the theme “70 Years after the Adoption of the Geneva Convention: Is International Humanitarian Law Confronted with New Challenges? Reflections on Normative Interactions”;

26 March 2019 – Paris II University – Lecture/Debate on the theme: “The Security Council in a world in pieces” – debate conducted by H.E. Jean Marc de La Sablière, former representative of France to the United Nations.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

17 March 2017 – Paris Diderot University – UNESCO – lecture series on the theme “Sexual Health in Hospital” – 30 March 2017 – UNESCO and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees – mobile learning week – 20 April 2017 – Report on “Elder Abuse in France – Proposals” sent by the Committee to the Economic and Social Council.

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

26 January 2017 – Working group “Good use of digital media in educational practices – a challenge in formal and non-formal education for democratic citizenship and participation”;

6 February 2017 – French Development Agency – Working Group: “Ending Female Genital Mutilation: the common challenge for the North and the South”;

8 March 2017: Women's Day;

26 March 2017: Women's Cooperation, Colloquium: "Parents/Children – Challenges and Future";

4 and 5 September 2017: Global Forum organized by Convergences: "Together, let's innovate for a Zero Exclusion, Zero Carbon, Zero Poverty world";

25 November 2017: French Association of Women Physicians colloquium: "At-risk Childhoods";

20–22 March 2019: Paris-World Citizen Summit: "How to build global solidarity in the service of humankind". At this summit, an interactive colloquium was organized and chaired by the Committee on the theme: "Places of power and fields of action/The role of NGOs in participatory democracy";

11 and 13 November 2019: Participation in the World Peace Forum.

Additional information:

25 April 2018: Australian and New Zealand Army Corps Day at the Villers-Bretonneux memorial in the Somme region, commemorating the centenary of liberation, in the presence of the Australian and French Prime Ministers;

30 September 2020: Videoconference conducted by the Circle of Economists on the theme of "Ageing well and innovative solutions"; proposals for social and societal partnership, with NGOs of the French NGOs/United Nations Committee.

7. Femmes autochtones du Québec

Special, 2009

Introduction

Femmes autochtones du Québec is a bilingual non-profit organization founded in 1974. Femmes autochtones du Québec represents indigenous women from the 10 first nations of Quebec as well as those living in urban areas. For more than 47 years, Femmes autochtones du Québec has been contributing to restoring the balance between women and men, including in the following areas: health, youth, justice and public safety and the promotion of non-violence. In this context, we play a role in education, awareness-raising and research, and we offer a structure that enables women to be active in their community.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The mission of Femmes autochtones du Québec is to defend the human rights of indigenous women and their families, both individually and collectively. The goal is for them to be treated without discrimination and in the same way as their non-indigenous sisters and indigenous and non-indigenous men. Femmes autochtones du Québec conveys the needs and priorities of its members to federal and provincial governments, civil society and decision makers in all areas of activity that have an impact on the rights of indigenous people. Our organization also engages in awareness-raising and training among indigenous and non-indigenous people on issues specific to indigenous women and girls.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

By participating in the United Nations forums described in the section below, Femmes autochtones du Québec has contributed to the work of the United Nations and to the achievement of the development plan of the Economic and Social Council. In addition, we have continued to promote and represent the rights of indigenous women and girls in Quebec. Among other things, early in 2019, Femmes autochtones du Québec transmitted a submission to the United Nations for the report entitled “Efforts to implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: recognition, reparation and reconciliation”.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives of Femmes autochtones du Québec attended the sixteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, held with the theme “Tenth Anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: measures taken to implement the Declaration”, which took place from 24 April to 5 May 2017 in New York.

Representatives of Femmes autochtones du Québec attended the seventeenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, on the theme “Indigenous peoples’ collective rights to lands, territories and resources”, which took place from 16 to 27 April 2018 in New York. Representatives of Femmes autochtones du Québec participated in the session of the Commission on the Status of Women on the theme “Social protection systems, access to public services and sustainable infrastructure for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls”, held from 11 to 22 March 2019 in New York.

Representatives of Femmes autochtones du Québec attended the eighteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, on the theme “Traditional knowledge: generation, transmission and protection”, which took place from 22 April to 3 May 2019 in New York. Representatives of Femmes autochtones du Québec participated in the twelfth session of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, on the theme “Efforts to implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: recognition, reparation and reconciliation”, from 15 to 19 July 2019, in Geneva.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Femmes autochtones du Québec cooperated with the United Nations bodies mentioned in the previous section and also participated in several meetings with the Collegiate Council of the Continental Network of Indigenous Women of the Americas, including the one held in February 2018 in Colombia and the one held in October 2018.

Our organization has also met with key figures at the United Nations in connection with indigenous peoples’ issues:

April 2018: Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples;

March 2019: meeting with the special adviser on indigenous issues at the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations.

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

Our organization's activities are not focused on achieving the Millennium Development Goals but on supporting development in a broader sense through awareness-raising, mobilization and advocacy activities.

8. Fondation Nehemie

Special, 2013

Introduction

The Fondation Nehemie is a non-governmental development organization based in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The organization's activities are focused on social welfare and development.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Our aims and purposes are focused on combating poverty, undernourishment and the promotion of social welfare through the following activities:

- Promotion of fishing and agropastoral activities for food self-sufficiency and food security;
- Awareness-raising among grassroots communities for self-help through small-scale activities at the local level.

Significant changes in the organization

Owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, there were no significant changes in the organization.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

We contributed to only a few online discussions. However, we participated in local awareness-raising activities to combat the COVID-19 pandemic by publicizing the use of social distancing and other individual and collective protection measures.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

We participated in only a few online discussions.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

We have had no formal cooperation with other United Nations bodies in the last few years.

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

The COVID-19 situation led to the cancellation of many activities and initiatives on the ground and continues to have lasting effects. We have confronted enormous financial difficulties in the relaunch of agropastoral activity and we continue to look for partners to assist us in relaunching our activities. We are also looking for partners to start industrial fishing activities on fish-bearing rivers; all of the country's provinces have rivers with fish plentiful enough to meet the food needs of the population.

This is a brief description of the situation of Fondation Nehemie in recent years and we are counting on the support of our partners to achieve our objectives.

9. Fondation “Surgir”

Special, 2005

Introduction

Established in 2001, the Fondation “Surgir” combats all forms of violence against women and girls, especially honour killings. Based in Lausanne and established pursuant to articles 80 et seq. of the Civil Code, the Fondation “Surgir” is recognized as a body operating in the public interest.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The main aim of the Fondation “Surgir” is to combat all forms of gender-based violence through four forms of intervention: protection, information, capacity-building and reconstruction.

Protection

The protection of women and girls against gender-based violence and discrimination is the primary mission of the Fondation “Surgir”. We believe that it is essential to provide better access to protective services, such as legal and social services and emergency services with 24-hour hotlines through which professionals can respond to victims in complete confidentiality, in addition to shelters where women can be safe.

Information

The Fondation “Surgir” implements awareness-raising campaigns on the themes of gender-based violence, sexual harassment in schools, gender equality and other similar issues, and targets not only women – the worst affected victims – but also men, families and local communities. Combating gender-based violence requires changes in behaviour and thinking.

Training

An enormous effort is deployed in the field in relation to gender equality, the deconstruction of masculinities and the role of women in society. Our partners train government officials, civil society organizations and social workers to better understand gender issues and prevent gender-based violence.

Reconstruction

It is crucial that women victims of gender-based violence are able to find protection and assistance but also to retake control of their own lives, regain their self-confidence and rebuild their lives. The Fondation “Surgir” allows women who wish to do so to contact professionals for legal and psychosocial support. When safety cannot be assured in their country of origin and when their life is in danger and there is no other solution, the Fondation “Surgir” helps people in extreme emergency situations to obtain a humanitarian visa for Switzerland, in order to be able to start again in another country.

Significant changes in the organization

We had a change of leadership following the retirement of our founder. We also renewed the foundation's board, made internal governance changes and reviewed our internal control mechanisms. We have developed a strategy for the period from 2022 to 2025 that contains plans to strengthen our contributions to the work of the United Nations.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

We were not able to contribute as much as we would have liked. We actually focused our efforts to a large extent on changes in internal governance; COVID-19 also led to a slight reduction in our activities.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Peace talks, United Nations Palestine committee, virtual events

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

We worked with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, notably with Baseer Naweed.

- Participation in a conference organized by the Fondation “Surgir” in Geneva in September 2020 on honour killings;
- Collaboration on protection against honour killings in Pakistan.

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

Through our programmes in Switzerland and abroad, we contribute to two Sustainable Development Goals:

Goal 5: Gender equality. In Jordan, Palestine and East Jerusalem, we implemented programmes to fight discrimination and protect against sexual and gender-based violence. We also engage with schools to prevent violence from the earliest age through awareness-raising and sexuality education sessions.

Goal 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions. In Jerusalem, our programme is contributing to a reduction in institutional discrimination, particularly by promoting access to justice and protection for women victims of sexual violence from the Arab community.

10. Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec**Special, 2013****Introduction**

The Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec is a not-for-profit association committed to promoting and supporting the social and solidarity economy, the establishment of support networks and research into solidarity-based cooperation. The Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec is also a network for a critical appraisal of the implementation of the social and solidarity economy in Quebec.

Aims and purposes of the organization

1. Promote and support the creation of networks of businesses and associations based on the economic and social profitability of solidarity;

2. Organize activities, events, meetings and research work related to the social and solidarity economy;
3. Carry out and publish studies, documents and other works to promote the social and solidarity economy;
4. Apply for and receive subsidies, membership dues or financial or other resources and to administer them in furtherance of these objects.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec published a book in 2018 on the social and solidarity economy in agribusiness project in the Labrousse and Rivière-Froide regions of Haiti. This project is in line with the United Nations Millennium Development Goals, including “eradicate extreme poverty”; “promote gender equality and empower women”; and “ensure environmental sustainability”.

The Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec is working to establish North-South research partnerships with a decolonization perspective.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

We have not had the means to participate with the United Nations since 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

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

In collaboration with the Institut de technologie et d'animation, the Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec organized a grass-roots university in Port-au-Prince in 2018 to share the results of the research conducted on the Québec-Haiti social and solidarity economy in agribusiness project.

11. Horizon d'échange et de lutte contre la pauvreté

Special, 2017

Introduction

Horizon d'échange et de lutte contre la pauvreté is recognized as a public service that combats poverty, inequality and social injustice and defends human rights in Senegal.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aims of the organization are as follows: (i) combating extreme poverty and hunger; (ii) ensuring environmental sustainability; (iii) advancing respect for and the protection of human rights; and (iv) helping disadvantaged populations through the active participation of the beneficiaries themselves.

Significant changes in the organization

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) health crisis prompted the organization to expand its geographic coverage beyond Senegal. As a result, it changed its name to ONG HELP Afrique in April 2021, as approved by the Senegalese Ministry of the Interior.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization contributed to the universal periodic review in November 2018 by undertaking field surveys, investigations and research into the implementation of the commitments of Senegal in relation to the Sustainable Development Goals. The organization focused on the following areas: (1) children; (2) combating poverty; (3) the protection of human rights by public decision-making bodies; and (4) support for the Senegalese Human Rights Commission.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Owing to the rejection of repeated visa applications, the organization was unable to participate in various meetings, with the exception of the following:

- The eighth international forum of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) non-governmental organization (NGO) partners at UNESCO headquarters in Paris on 7 and 8 December 2017, on the theme of climate change;
- The High-level Conference on the theme “From COP21 towards the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021–2030)” at UNESCO headquarters in Paris on 10 and 11 September 2018;
- The 11th International Forum of NGOs in official partnership with UNESCO on 16 and 17 December 2019 in Paris.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The NGO is implementing a Senegal Model United Nations project in collaboration with the United Nations Information Centre in Dakar to bring together the Centre and the Senegalese Association for the United Nations around an academic programme for students of international relations and the work of the United Nations.

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

During the reporting period, the NGO focused on the following Sustainable Development Goals:

- Goals 1, 2 and 5: To improve the living conditions of rural women, training for trainers on income-generating activities was provided to more than 4,000 women. The organization also provided food to more than 5,000 disadvantaged families in 2020;
- Goal 3: In 2019, the NGO implemented a health solidarity project for women living with breast cancer, benefiting 1,706 women. In 2020, the NGO undertook a campaign to raise awareness of health measures to better cope with COVID-19;
- Goal 16: The NGO has set up a project entitled “The path to the decriminalization of homosexuality in Senegal by 2030” to combat discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

12. Collectif des femmes africaines du Hainaut

Special, 2013

Introduction

The Collectif des femmes africaines du Hainaut is a group of sub-Saharan immigrant women whose objective is to promote their involvement and participation in the development of their host country and their country of origin. Thanks to its consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, we have been able to conduct advocacy initiatives with public authorities and build networks at the national and international levels to help women of African descent escape the isolation that accompanies migration and to combat the racism and discrimination that they face. We have participated in several meetings of the Human Rights Council, the Commission on the Status of Women and the meeting on the International Decade for People of African Descent.

Aims and purposes of the organization

To foster and promote the involvement of women in development through activities and advocacy measures aimed at strengthening gender and racial equality and the empowerment of women migrants.

Significant changes in the organization

We have not experienced any major changes other than problems related to work caused by the coronavirus. Several meetings were cancelled.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Participation in the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, on 3 and 4 October 2013; 7 March 2014: organization of a side event on the margins of the twenty-fifth session of the Human Rights Council (Palais de Nations); twenty-seventh session of the Human Rights Council, side event (15 September 2014); Commission on the Status of Women, non-governmental organization forum, Beijing+20 in Geneva; from 2 to 5 November 2014; Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (24 October 2016); fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, United Nations Headquarters in New York, 10–21 March 2014 (side event); 31 October 2014: Written participation in the fifty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women; participation in the sixty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women, held at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 13 to 24 March 2017.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The United Nations Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent conducted a fact-finding visit to Belgium from 4 to 11 February 2019. The Working Group's visit to Belgium was at the invitation of the Government. The visit included a meeting with government officials, national institutions and civil society organizations in Belgium. We participated as a civil society organization.

We participated in the Africa regional meeting for the International Decade for People of African Descent organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on 25 August 2019 at the United Nations Office at Geneva.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Global Forum on Migration and Development: We have participated in the preparatory work for the Global Forum and in the plenary sessions on an annual basis.

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

We have conducted several activities on the ground aimed at combating racism and promoting gender equality and women's empowerment: mentoring (a project promoting access for migrant women to decision-making positions); the plural identity (aimed at the fight against racism); the Africulture festival; and an international conference at the European Parliament in partnership with the Brussels headquarters of UN-Women, held on 20 November 2014, on the intersection of international agendas concerning migrant women.

13. Mouvement de la paix**Special, 2017****Introduction**

The Mouvement de la paix, a grass-roots education association, works to achieve peace, disarmament, conflict prevention, education for a culture of peace and sustainable development, pursuant to the Charter of the United Nations, and to support the activities of United Nations institutions.

Aims and purposes of the organization

- To participate in building peace, national and international security and friendship between peoples and to prevent conflicts, by acting and having an influence on the causes of wars and violence, particularly in the economic and social fields;
- To propose initiatives that bring together all citizens without distinction of belief or opinion, based on the fundamental texts of the United Nations:
- Culture of peace and non-violence (United Nations – United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)) and peace education;
- Sustainable Development Goals;
- Climate and disarmament resolutions and the work of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change;
- Resolution [70/299](#) adopted in 2016 on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Methods: Building partnerships and involving public opinion through 120 local committees in France, by inspiring a national “On the move for Peace” movement, made up of 200 organizations, by publishing the monthly magazine *Planet Peace* and by informing 50,000 people, local elected officials and parliamentarians on a monthly basis, through our newsletter *Infos-paix*.

Significant changes in the organization

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic obliged us to participate in more national and international videoconferences, so as to become involved in activities to promote a multilateral and united response to the pandemic, including the scientific community.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Participation in and contribution to the success of United Nations international days:

- 8 March: International Women's Day;
- 21 March: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;
- 16 May: International Day of Living Together in Peace;
- 21 September: International Day of Peace;
- 26 September: International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons;
- 24–30 October: United Nations Disarmament Week;
- 10 November: World Science Day for Peace and Development;
- 20 November: World Children's Day;
- 10 December: Human Rights Day;
- 18 December: International Migrants Day.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- Delegation of the Mouvement de la paix to the United Nations: presence of our association at the 2017, 2018 and 2019 sessions of the Preparatory Committee for the 2020 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference, which was postponed to August 2022;
- United Nations Geneva conference: youth forum organized by Mayors for Peace in April 2018;
- 17 April 2018: Attendance at the “Convergence of consciousness” conference organized by the International Alliance for the Sustainable Development Goals;
- 4 June 2019: Participation in the conference “Daring the New Paradigm for Peace: From Vision to Realization” (AIODD).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

- UNESCO General Conferences (2017 and 2019): participation in the UNESCO forum in Tunis on 28 February 2018, publication of the book *Drones and Robots for Peace* in 2022.

The Mouvement de la paix participates in all sessions of the UNESCO General Assembly in partnership with the International Association of Educators for Peace. Reflections and activities for education in the culture of peace and non-violence.

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

- 5 February 2020: seminar at the United Nations Office at Geneva: Réaliser ensemble une Paix durable, intérieure et extérieure (Achieving sustainable internal and external peace together)

This seminar was proposed and jointly organized with World Organization of Prenatal Education Associations, Union des nations pour l'enseignement, la science universelle et les droits de l'homme (Union of Nations for Education, Universal Science and Human Rights) and the non-governmental organization Paix et Bienveillance en Action (Peace and Benevolence in Action). Jai Jagat Geneva, the International Peace Bureau, Heartfulness and Better We Better World also participated.

- Work in partnership with Jai Jagat Geneva
- Preparation of a seminar on economy and peace
- Participation in the Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference in Vienna in June 2022, the Conference of States Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in partnership with Nobel Peace Prize winners the International Campaign for Nuclear Abolition, the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs and the International Peace Bureau.

14. Organisation constellée pour le développement économique et social de la commune des Gonaïves

Special, 2017

Introduction

The Organisation constellée pour le développement économique et social de la commune des Gonaïves is an organization operating in the commune of Gonaïves, Haiti. The organization works in the socioeconomic field in the commune through investments in social projects that serve the population.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The main purpose of the organization is the economic and social development of the commune of Gonaïves and the defence and promotion of its economic potential.

Significant changes in the organization

In recent years, there have been no significant changes in the organization. We continue to work towards achieving our various goals, despite our financial difficulties.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

To contribute to the activities of the United Nations we continuously promote its ideals through our different events. When it has been within our means, we have participated in numerous United Nations videoconferences.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

We have tried several times to participate in United Nations meetings in person, registering several of our members for United Nations activities. However, the United States Embassy has always rejected the visa applications. We have often participated by videoconference.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

We have cooperated with other United Nations bodies by signing petitions on human and other rights.

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

We have undertaken initiatives to promote the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals such as our financing of solar street lamp projects in the Ruelle Necker and Avenue Léon Legros areas to help the population and to promote solar energy.

15. Organisation de défense de l'environnement au Burundi

Special, 2005

Introduction

The Organisation de défense de l'environnement au Burundi is a non-profit association approved by ministerial order No. 205.01/495 of 28 October 1992. Its vision is one of a verdant landscape whose land, fauna, flora and water resources are effectively conserved and managed and where the stable climate ensures the population's well-being in a sustainable manner.

Aims and purposes of the organization

To promote and ensure the protection of the environment and the sustainable management of natural resources through ongoing and specific activities in the fields of the environment, water and sanitation, food security and community recovery based on measures adapted to climate change to contribute to the constant improvement of the living conditions of the population.

Significant changes in the organization

- Change of statutes and the name of the Organisation pour la défense de l'environnement au Burundi (Organization for the Defence of the Environment in Burundi) and Organisation de défense de l'environnement et le développement durable (Organization for the Defence of the Environment and Sustainable Development), with a new executive committee for a renewable five-year term and a supervisory board for a two-year term;
- Establishment of a partnership with German non-governmental organization Welthungerhilfe, supported by the Government of Germany;
- Suspension of foreign non-governmental organizations by the Ministry of the Interior and local authorities of Burundi for 3 months, which has led to delays in the implementation of the annual plan.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- Contribution to the preparatory meetings for the twenty-fifth Conference of the Parties in Budapest through meetings at the level of civil society organizations to influence the Government of Burundi on its climate commitments;
- Contribution to the drafting of the United Nations Development Programme Burundi programme in line with the Burundi 2018–2027 National Plan.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Owing to time constraints, the organization was not able to participate in any meetings.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization cooperated with the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in Geneva in analysing the environmental vulnerability of humanitarian camps hosting Congolese refugees in Burundi.

It also collaborated with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees at the Gitara transit centre for repatriated people arriving from Tanzania (Mabanda Commune/Makamba Province) by improving the environmental conditions at the site, which was highly vulnerable to inclement weather.

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

- Goal 1: Eradicate poverty in all its forms, in two communes of Ngozi Province, by providing employment to 350 families for 3 years;
- Goal 2: End hunger, achieve food security and improve nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture through the extension of macadamia nut cultivation and the installation of anti-erosion devices to increase agricultural production;
- Goal 6: Guarantee access to water and sanitation for all and ensure sustainable management of water resources through the rehabilitation and management of 400 water sources and the installation of 620 ecological latrines;
- Goal 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts by raising awareness of the household use of improved stoves and solar energy;
- Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote terrestrial ecosystems. Restore old landscapes and establish new woodlands that protect watersheds;
- Goal 17: Partnerships for the achievement of the Goals through the establishment of internal networks and other international non-governmental organizations such as Welthungerhilfe.
