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WELCOME MESSAGE

DEAR FRIENDS,

Hello and welcome to Glasgow – the energetic and vibrant Scottish city which hosts this and the next two CIVICUS World Assemblies. Scotland boasts one of the most exciting, inclusive and participatory civil societies in Europe and is also a global leader in the effort to bridge existing North-South divides. The World Assembly being held in Glasgow will allow us to compare and contrast the means and methods employed by civil society organisations (CSOs) in the North and South – and should thus serve as an opportunity to seek common ground and work together for a better world.

With this in mind, the World Assembly has been planned to coincide with the annual Gathering of the Scottish voluntary sector, organised by our lead partner, the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO). The advantages of having these two important events running back-to-back will – I'm sure – become clear to participants in both events. By learning from each other we become both stronger and closer to achieving our shared goals. In this year's Word Assembly, there is a significant focus on international issues but we also explore the role of the domestic voluntary sectors in the global effort to secure social, economic, political and civic justice. Accordingly, the CIVICUS Board has decided to maintain a consistent theme for this and future World Assemblies: ACTING TOGETHER FOR A JUST WORLD, with four sub-themes: CIVIC JUSTICE, ECONOMIC JUSTICE, POLITICAL JUSTICE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE.

We hope that you will be able to participate fully in the 2006 CIVICUS World Assembly, our principal convening event which now attracts civil society activists from more than 100 countries worldwide as they seek to explore the linkages between them. There are numerous plenary sessions headlined by prominent activists, leaders of global institutions and representatives of government and business. In addition to convening about 80 exhibitors, we will host over 90 workshops, which we believe to be the heart of the CIVICUS World Assembly, as well as several learning exchanges in and around Glasgow. The 2006 CIVICUS World Assembly is a golden opportunity for networking at every level of civil society and our pledge to have 50% women and 30% youth delegates reflects our commitment to participatory activism.

I look forward to meeting you between June 21st – 25th!

ARUNA RAO
CHAIRPERSON, CIVICUS

Humanity has moved forward to an era when wrong and slavery are being displaced, and reason and justice are being recognized as the rule of life.

(Mary Ashton Livermore)

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WEDNESDAY, 21 JUNE 2006		
10:00 – 21:00	Registration	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Hall 1 – Delegate Lounge* Delegates who are sponsored through the World Assembly Participation Fund are asked to visit the Finance Desk in Hall 1 after registering.
19:00 – 21:00	CIVICUS World Assembly Welcome Ceremony	Glasgow Science Centre *Science Mall* *Please make your way across the bridge next to the Conference Venue. The Science Centre is on the other side of the river. Staff will be on-site to assist.*
THURSDAY, 22 JUNE 2006		
09:00 – 10:30	Opening Plenary – Agenda Setting and Dream Weave	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Clyde Auditorium*
10:30 – 11:00	Refreshment Break	Exhibition Hall 5 and various serving points throughout the conference centre
11:00 – 12:30	Mini Plenary – To what extent are counter-terrorism efforts and legislation impeding democracy?	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
11:10 – 12:40	Mini Plenary – Building Bridges for Social Justice Across Sectors: Challenges and Lessons Learned	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
11:20 – 12:50	Mini Plenary – How can a stronger global civil society infrastructure help advance civic justice?	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
11:30 – 13:00	Mini Plenary – Global Call to Action against Poverty: Lessons of 2005	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
12:30 – 14:15	Lunch	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Exhibition Hall 5*
13:45 – 15:45	CIVICUS Members' Meeting	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Clyde Auditorium*
15:45 – 16:15	Refreshment Break	Exhibition Hall 5 and various serving points throughout the conference centre
16:00 – 18:00	Maxi-Workshop – Youth as Agents of Change	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Lomond Suite*
16:15 – 17:45	Workshop Session 1	See pages 7 – 10. *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
19:00 – 22:00	Dinner	Four different venues – please book your place if you have not yet done so at the Information and Registration Desk in Hall 1. Please consult the bus time-table in your delegate bag for further information.
22:30 – 23:30	Night Cap – Various Topics	Crowne Plaza *Argyle Suite*
FRIDAY, 23 JUNE 2006		
09:00 – 10:45	Main Plenary – Philanthropy or Foolanthropy? Deploying Resources for a Just World	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Clyde Auditorium*
10:45 – 11:00	Comfort Break	
11:00 – 13:00	Maxi-Workshop – Bilateral Donors and Civil Society	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Lomond Suite*
11:15 – 12:45	Workshop Session 2	See pages 13 – 16. *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
12:45 – 14:15	Lunch	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Exhibition Hall 5* *Lunch only for delegates who will not go on Learning Exchanges*
13:00 – 17:00	Learning Exchanges	Please book your place if you have not yet done so at the Information and Registration Desk in Hall 1. Please consult the bus time-table in your delegate bag for further information. Delegates will receive a packed lunch.

14:30 – 16:00	Workshop Session 3	See pages 16 – 18. *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
17:00 – 18:30	Workshop Session 4	See page 24. *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
19:30 – 22:00	Dinner and Evening of Various Entertainment	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Hall 5, Hall 1 and Lomond Suite. Dinner will be served in Hall 5.*
21:15 – 22:30	Night Cap – Should the UN be dismantled?	Crowne Plaza *Argyle Suite*
SATURDAY, 24 JUNE 2006		
09:00 – 10:30	Main Plenary – Are Political Leaders Listening to Civil Society?	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
10:30 – 11:00	Refreshment Break	Exhibition Hall 5 and various serving points throughout the conference centre
11:10 – 12:40	Mini Plenary – Just Information: Using 'New Media' to Build a Better World	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
11:20 – 12:50	Mini Plenary – Development Financing: Where is the Women's Dividend?	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
11:30 – 13:00	Mini Plenary – The Right to Rise Up: Why Civic Disruption can lead to Civil Liberty	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
11:40 – 13:10	Mini Plenary – Decent Work, Decent Life: Can NGOs, governments, international institutions and trade unions reach a common path for development?	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
12:30 – 14:30	Lunch	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Exhibition Hall 5*
13:30 – 16:00	Maxi-Workshop – The Changing Role of Independent Foundations in Supporting Civil Society	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Lomond Suite*
14:30 – 16:00	Workshop Session 5	See pages 28 – 30. *Consult on-the-day handout for rooms*
18:00 – 23:00	Gala Dinner	Kelvin Hall Sports Arena *Please consult the bus time-table in your delegate bag for further information*
SUNDAY, 25 JUNE 2006		
09:30 – 11:30	Closing Plenary – Building Bridges for a Just World	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Lomond Suite* Delegates can store their luggage if they wish to depart immediately after the Closing Plenary
11:30 – 12:30	Refreshments	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) *Hall 1*

The sentiment of justice is so natural, and so universally acquired by all mankind, that it seems to be independent of all law, all party, all religion. (Voltaire)

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WEDNESDAY, 21 JUNE 2006

19:00 – 21:00 **CIVICUS WORLD ASSEMBLY WELCOMING CEREMONY**
Sponsored by Glasgow City Council

The 6th CIVICUS World Assembly will be officially opened in the Glasgow Science Centre. Delegates will be "piped" across Bell's Bridge by a traditional Scottish bagpiper.

Speakers

Jack McConnell First Minister of Scotland

Councillor Liz Cameron The Rt Hon the Lord Provost of Glasgow

Anabel Cruz Founder Director, Instituto de Comunicación y Desarrollo (ICD) and **Martin Sime** Chief Executive, Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations, (SCVO), Co-Chairs of World Assembly Programme Committee

Lord George Foulkes Chair of World Assembly Host Committee

Buffet and drinks provided.

THURSDAY, 22 JUNE 2006

09:00 – 10:30 **OPENING PLENARY Agenda Setting and Dream Weave**
Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC), Clyde Auditorium

Speakers

Mary Robinson President, Realizing Rights: The Ethical Globalization Initiative

Kumi Naidoo Secretary General, CIVICUS

Aruna Rao Founder Director, Gender at Work; Chairperson of CIVICUS

Irungu Houghton Pan Africa Policy Advisor, Oxfam, Kenya

Daniel Bekele Head of Policy Research and Advocacy Department of ActionAid Ethiopia, a branch of ActionAid International and **Netsanet Demissie** Executive Director and co-founder of the Ethiopian NGO, Organisation for Social Justice in Ethiopia (OSJE). *Both are co-ordinators of GCAP in Ethiopia and were arrested in November 2005. They are currently on trial on treason charges.*

This plenary session will feature a framing of the issues which will be discussed in the plenary sessions and workshops of the 2006 CIVICUS World Assembly. Civil society in the new millennium is facing a complex plethora of issues, challenges and threats, and yet at the same time there is an upsurge of organized civic action as never encountered before. Mary Robinson will lead the session from the perspective of the global agenda for civil society, and Kumi Naidoo from the regional and national perspectives, as well as CIVICUS' response to those issues. The Agenda Setting will immediately lead into the "Dream Weave" exercise which will be facilitated by Aruna Rao and Irungu Houghton. Delegates will be invited to vision and collectively create a "Dream Weave" of their hopes and ideas on what a just world looks like to them and how we can act together to create it. The Dream Weave will result in a tapestry of "dreams" captured on pieces of paper and woven into a collage that will be put on a giant cloth. The dream weave will be concluded in the Closing Plenary on Sunday.

MINI-PLENARIES: THE JUSTICE THEMES 11:00 – 13:00

11:00 – 12:30 **MINI PLENARY 1 To what extend are counter-terrorism efforts and legislation impeding democracy?**

Panelists

Doug Rutzen (Moderator) President, International Center for Not-for-Profit Law, USA

Menaka Guruswamy Human Rights Lawyer, USA

Yuri Dzhibladze President, Center for the Development of Democracy and Human Rights, Russia

Amani Kandil Executive Director, Arab Network for NGOs, Egypt

Geoff Prewitt Policy Advisor, UNDP, Europe and the CIS Bratislava Regional Centre, UK

Pavel Severinets Founder and long-standing leader of the youth organisation "Youth Front". *On 31 May 2005, he was sentenced to three years for "organisation of group activities which violate public order or active participation therein".*

Political justice is the exercise of just political power that comes from the consent of the governed. If politics is to serve a useful purpose it needs to be organized in a way that gives voice and space to all in society. Political justice is about protecting and enlarging this space and voice and ensuring that the exercise of legitimate political power is not despotic or excessive. This mini-plenary will explore the recent trend towards counter-terrorism legislation and other measures and how these are reducing the democratic space for civil society organisations globally. Participants will critically analyze current issues of concern, including the following questions: How can the concept of human security and civil liberties be balanced with the 'war against terrorism'? What role, if any, can civil society play in the 'war against terrorism'? And how can civil society organizations maintain legitimate, accountable and transparent self-governance while helping their governments in the fight against terrorism?

11:10 – 12:40 **MINI PLENARY 2 Building Bridges for Social Justice Across Sectors: Challenges and Lessons Learned**

Panelists

Rieky Stuart (Moderator) Immediate past Executive Director, Oxfam Canada

Melanie Beth Oliviero Director International Programmes, Government Accountability Project, USA

Gary Craig President, International Association for Community Development, UK

Saso Klekovski Director, Macedonian Centre for International Co-operation, Macedonia

Karina Ribera World Vision, Bolivia

Mohamed Abou *Sentenced to a three years in prison on 20 June 2005 in Tunisia.*

Civil society is the arena outside of family, state and the market where people associate for a common purpose. In promoting its values and implementing its objectives, civil society actors can show opposing perspectives and contrasting values. For example, religious organizations and women's groups can let their different views on specific issues rule out their commonalities. Cultural, ethnic and sexual minorities follow different paths, struggling to unite

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their efforts to achieve common goals and, at times, clash with one another. Disagreements over specific or even secondary issues are often allowed to overshadow the considerable areas of agreement among civil society actors. Social justice encompasses the inalienable right to life, liberty and personal security for all citizens and, at the same time, it underlines that conflict and divisions have a disproportionate impact on vulnerable and marginalized individuals. In this regard, social justice translates into the right of different groups to exist and flourish within a society. This mini-plenary will explore these issues.

11.20 – 12:50 **MINI PLENARY 3 How can a stronger global civil society infrastructure help advance civic justice?**

Panelists

David Bonbright Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Keystone (formerly ACCESS), South Africa

Filiz Bikmen Executive Director, Third Sector Foundation Turkey (TÜSEV)

Kristina Mänd Executive Director, Network of Estonian Nonprofit Organizations (NENO)

Rajesh Tandon Executive Director, PRIA, India

Stanislav Dmitrievskii Executive Director of the Russian-Chechen Friendship Society (RCFS). *He was arrested and on 3 February 2006, was given a two-year suspended sentence and a four-year probationary period for publishing an article calling for international recognition of the current Chechen conflict as "an act of genocide by the Russian government against the Chechen people."*

Civil society is the means by which citizens advance and defend their interests in public life through collective action. Civic justice pertains to the sphere of action where civic energy drives social organization for justice ends. Global civil society is formed by local and national actors who, in self-organizing at the global level, seek to realize a global understanding of justice objectives. For justice to flourish, civil society must have enabling conditions for efficient and effective citizen organization. These include the legal and regulatory framework that govern civil society, the resource base and knowledge base, human and organizational capacity and accountability structures. This session will explore the question of whether a justice oriented global civil society infrastructure is a realisable vision or merely an illusion.

11:30 – 13:00 **MINI PLENARY 4 Global Call to Action against Poverty: Lessons of 2005**

Panelists

Ezra Mbogori (Moderator) Executive Director, MWENGO, Kenya

Charles Abugre Head of Global Advocacy for Christian Aid, Ghana

Elizabeth Eilor Vice Chairperson, African Women's Economic Policy Network, AWEPON, Uganda

Yassine Fall Executive Director, AWOMI, Senegal

Brian Pratt Executive Director, International NGO Training and Research Centre, INTRAC, UK

Kamal al-Labwani (Pro-democracy reformer), *was arrested on 8 November 2005, and on 11 May 2006 charged with "weakening national morale", among other things.*

This mini-plenary will critically address the relevance of existing current economic justice global policy demands from civil society organizations. It will also describe and analyse the role that civil society organizations are playing in implementing those demands. Participants will address the question of whether there is any justification for the current major policy demands on debt, trade, aid and national efforts to eliminate poverty. Participants will be encouraged to share the key civil society organizational strategies regarding those policy demands and extract the crucial lessons learned from these strategies.

13:45 – 15:45 **CIVICUS ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING**
Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) Clyde Auditorium

All CIVICUS Members and World Assembly delegates are invited to attend the CIVICUS Members' Meeting which gives an opportunity for delegates to interact with CIVICUS Board members and staff. A presentation will be made on CIVICUS' programmes and activities, including a report by the Secretary General, Kumi Naidoo. In addition, progress reports will be made on the World Assembly, Governance and Finance since the last Members' Meeting held in 2004, in Botswana. Delegates will be given a platform to provide feedback and ask questions to the CIVICUS Board. This year's Members' Meeting will also include a Call for Nominations to the CIVICUS Board, as well as setting out CIVICUS' strategic process. During this meeting there will be the launch of Volume 1 of the Global Report on the State of Civil Society by the Civil Society Index Project. The meeting will be rounded off by the launch of the International Advocacy Non-governmental Organizations' IANGO) Accountability Charter.

Voluntary Arts Scotland will be providing delegates with various entertainment activities during the conference. Please feel free to join in and take part in the various arts, music and entertainment provided in Exhibition Hall 5. Please visit stand number 31 for further information.

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WORKSHOP SESSION 1 16:15 – 17:45

Please note that all workshops run in parallel to the Maxi-Workshop. If you have not already done so online, please book your place in one of the workshops below at the Information and Registration desk in Hall 1 (Delegate Lounge). Please note that we cannot guarantee you a place in your preferred option.

For rooms see on-the-day flyer

16:00 – 18:00 **MAXI-WORKSHOP Youth as Active Agents of Change**
Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) Lomond Suite

Organized as a panel discussion, this session will bring together youth leaders who are affecting positive change in each of the Assembly's four sub-themes. Panelists will be drawn from the recently published book by the International Youth Foundation, "Our Time is Now: Young People Changing the World". They will share their personal stories of what sparked their activism and discuss their strategies for creating positive social change.

Street Papers – A Job Creation Opportunity for the Urban Environment

Organisers International Network of Street Papers
The Big Issue in Scotland
Strathclyde University

Presenters **Shane Halpin, Lisa Maclean, Clare Harris, Claire Black** (UK)

The workshop will show how the development of a street paper can be used not simply as a means to lift the socially marginalized out of poverty but also to put the issue of poverty onto the mainstream agenda.

Bridging the gap between research and action – early signs of impact of the CIVICUS Civil Society Index Project

Organisers CIVICUS/Civil Society Index

Presenters **Janine Schall-Emden** (Venezuela)
Volkhart Finn Heinrich (Germany)
Mahi Khallaf (Egypt)

The CIVICUS Civil Society Index is a unique assessment tool for civil society, which has been applied by CIVICUS and its partners in more than 50 countries worldwide. The workshop will provide insights in how the participatory and consultative nature of the project has strengthened civil society and its role in development and governance worldwide. Workshop participants will be engaged in a general discussion about the relevance of evidence-based assessments for policy and action.

Waging Nonviolent Struggle Under Fear and Repression: General Lessons and the Case of Eritrea

Organisers Eritrean Movement for Democracy and Human Rights (EMDHR)
Centre for Applied Nonviolent Action and Strategies (CANVAS)
International Centre on Nonviolent Conflict (ICNC)

Presenters **Daniel Rezene** (Eritrea)
Srdja Popovic (Serbia and Montenegro)
Shaazka Beyerle (USA)

How can civil society, opposition groups, activists and ordinary citizens wage nonviolent struggle under conditions of fear and harsh repression? Using Eritrea as a case study of an emerging nonviolent movement, as well as historical examples of success, this workshop will focus on: organizing within a narrow political space; overcoming the effects of fear; motivating people when fear is high; low-risk nonviolent actions, and humour as a tactic.

Women and Children in Post-Conflict Reconstruction

Organisers World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts
National Organization for New Initiatives in Development (Noni-Development)
Children's Rights in Goa (CRG)
Federation of Latin American Women and Foundation for Human Rights in Cuba
New Garia United Power for Humanity and Rights (UPHAR)
Center for Rehabilitation of Torture Survivors (CRTS)

Presenters **Ngwamma Onuoha** (Nigeria)
Magdelivia Hidalgo (USA/Cuba)
Buddhabeb Halder, Anita Mathew (India)
Sanchoy Kumar Chanda (Bangladesh)

Women and child rights are vital to prevent conflict and live in peace and survive after a conflict. Rights and human dignity are the only surety to harmony and this can only be achieved by empowering the vulnerable sections of developing nations which are mainly women and children by effective health schemes and quality education.

Strengthening Civil Society Engagement in the Crisis in Zimbabwe: Local, Regional and International Strategies

Organisers Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights (ZLHR)
Amnesty International South Africa
CIVICUS/Civil Society Watch

Presenters **Arnold Tsunga, Otto Saki, Irene Petras** (Zimbabwe)
Olajobi Makinwa (Cameroon)

The workshop will critically evaluate the human rights and humanitarian situation in Zimbabwe, where citizens are grappling with multifaceted human rights violations, economic decline and spiraling inflation. Practitioners will discuss critical advocacy strategies to engage governments, political and humanitarian institutions (such as the UN, the African Union and SADC).

Negotiating Change and Striving for Justice: the Role of Non-Governmental Public Actors

Organisers London School of Economics and Political Science

Presenters **Jude Howell, Duncan Matthews, Tim Shaw, David Herberts, Mark Robinson** (UK)

This workshop aims to explore the different ways non-governmental public actors organize to advance issues of justice in both international and national arenas. It considers the strategies and tactics non-governmental public actors use to achieve their goals and analyses the complex interactions amongst both diverse non-governmental actors and national and international institutions.

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Government and Civil Society – Implementing Compacts Effectively

Organisers National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO)
Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA)
National Estonian Non-profit Organisation (NENO)
Visionaries In Africa Foundations

Presenters **Sultana Begum, Saskia Daggett, Alice Greenlees** (UK)
Kristina Mänd (Estonia)
Nadine Naidoo (South Africa)

The workshop will explain what compacts are and how compacts can promote the interest and work of civil society organizations. It will provide practical examples. It will facilitate better understanding of different voluntary and statutory mechanisms that can be used to implement compacts effectively. It will explore how civil society organizations can be supported to ensure compliance and accountability by government.

The Legal Empowerment of the Poor: Addressing Power Divides and Exclusion

Organisers High Level Commission on Legal Empowerment of the Poor (HLCLEP)

Presenters **Naresh Singh** (Canada)
Mary Robinson (Ireland)
Kumi Naidoo (South Africa)

This workshop is hosted by the High Level Commission on Legal Empowerment of the Poor, a new, independent commission that aims to make legal protection and economic opportunity not the privilege of the few but the right of all citizens. The HLCLEP is made up of global policymakers who will pursue reforms that extend enforceable property and labour rights to the 4 billion people who live in the informal economy. The Commission seeks to build a dialogue with civil society to ensure the active participation of citizens groups in the development of new approaches to legal empowerment.

Strategies for Building Better Governance and Democracy

Organisers Commonwealth Foundation
PRIA

Presenters **Seth Lartey** (UK)
Vijay Krishnarayan (India)
Rajesh Tandon (India)

This workshop will include a presentation on the work of the Commonwealth Foundation, including a presentation on the Governance and Democracy programme, looking particularly at ways in which some of the tools and resources that the Foundation has developed for improved civil society engagement in governance, can be shared and utilised. At the same time we also want to obtain feedback from those who already used the products and receive suggestions on how the products can be improved.

Catering – Lunches and refreshment breaks will be served to all delegates throughout the week in Exhibition Hall 5 at the SECC. In your delegate bag, you will find a voucher for each day and each meal. Delegates who are going on Learning Exchanges will be provided with a packed lunch. For dinners, see daily schedule.

Social Mobilization for Poverty Reduction

Organisers Asia Pacific Socio-Economic Research Institute
Kyrgyz Community Based Tourism Association
SANGOCO

Presenters **H. D. Goyal** (India)
Kuban Ashyrkulov (Kyrgyzstan)
Hassan Lorgat (South Africa)

This workshop combines experience from three continents about how to create jobs and attract business in rural and urban areas of developed and developing countries. The common denominator is that unemployed or marginally employed are taking an active role in improving their own economic conditions, and the economy of their local communities through Social Mobilization. The ideas and methods presented can be duplicated in other communities to create new jobs and to improve local economies.

Active Citizenship, Nation Building and Globalization

Organisers MS Training Center for Development Cooperation
Kimmage Development Studies Centre (KDSC)
Pan African Development Education and Advocacy Programme (PADEAP)

Presenters **Prudence Kaijage** (Tanzania)
Patricia Wall (Ireland)
Norman Muganzi (Uganda)

The workshop offers an exploration of the concept of global citizenship and its relation to Nation Building. Although the collapse of space, time and (some) borders may be creating a 'global village', not everyone is or can be a citizen of that village. The workshop aims to identify the key challenges to global citizenship and provide an open space to discuss what strategies related to knowledge creation and opportunities for learning might act as a means of promoting equitable citizenship.

Working Together for Accountable Government: Civil Society Organizations and Parliaments

Organisers Overseas Development Institute (ODI)
Jubilee Zambia
CIPPEC

Presenters **Alan Hudson, Eliot Whittington, Tony Worthington** (UK)
Jack Jones Zulu (Zambia)
Vanessa Weyrauch (Argentina)
Ojobo Atuluku (Nigeria)

This workshop will enable Civil Society Organizations to share experiences and learn lessons about engaging with parliaments. By making their voices heard in northern parliaments, southern Civil Society Organizations would enrich the policy process.

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The New Role of Civil Society in Conflict Resolution

Organisers World Hope Foundation
Water and Development Foundation
School of Management Studies

Presenters **Oludotun Olugbemi** (Nigeria)
Tagelsir Mohamed Gasmelseid, Reem Eltayeb Elzubeir Khalid, Sarra Osman Yousif Eisa (Sudan)

The new role to be played by civil societies should be oriented towards building confidence, promoting trust, empowering societies, ensuring involvement and participation, improving mutual understanding through mediation and fostering co-existence.

Learning About Human Rights as a Way of Life – An Essential Building Block for Justice

Organisers People's Movement for Human Rights Learning (PDHRE)
National Family Support Resource Center (SOLACE)
Pacific Centre Family Services Association (PCFSA)

Presenters **Shulamith Koenig** (USA/Israel)
Kathleen Modrowski (USA)
Charles Mugasa (Uganda)
Elaine Halsall (Canada)

Participants will engage "outside the box" in a dialogue about human rights as a way of life and how the learning about human rights provides a viable strategy for economic and social transformation, enabling women and men to participate as agents of change in the decisions that determine their lives.

Anti-Poverty Campaign Handles: Are MDGs 'Maximum Distraction Gimmicks' or 'Minimalist Development Goals'

Organisers MWENGO
UN Millennium Campaign
Social Watch Philippines
CIVICUS/Millennium Development Goal Campaign

Presenters **Ezra Mbogori** (Kenya/Zimbabwe)
Salil Shetty (India)
Marivic Raquiza (Philippines)
Henri Valot (France)

In the wake of the disappointing September 2005 UN heads-of-state summit plus backsliding on G8 aid/debt/trade commitments, how is the MDG campaign best understood? Some consider the MDGs a 'distraction gimmick', in the words of Peggy Antrobus of DAWN; others – including many in CIVICUS constituencies – view MDGs as a 'minimalist' agenda that at least brings a large coalition together to build world awareness. Is it time for an MDG-plus campaign to increase the UN's eco-social ambitions? Or should we still fight for progress on existing MDGs?

Civil Society holding the State Accountable to the Constitution

Organisers Humanus Foundation

Presenters **Dieudonné Zognong** (Cameroon)

This workshop will attempt to map out broad, yet effective strategies that civil society can adopt to hold their governments accountable through an analysis of the 'African legitimacy and legality' crisis and the role that civil society has to play in defending the constitution.

Battling Multi-nationals and Neo-liberalism in Africa: Initiatives by the African Labour Movement

Organisers National Labour and Economic Development Institute (NALEDI)
Secretariat for African Labour Research Network (ALRN)

Presenter **Mandy Moussouris** (South Africa)

This workshop will seek to bring the initiatives of the African Labour Research Network in the fight against neo-liberalism to a civil society arena where new networks can be developed, information, ideas and strategies shared and collective responses discussed and developed.

New Anti-Corruption Initiatives by Civil Society

Organisers Economic Research Center
Center for Economic and Social Development (CESD)
Local Development Institute (LDI)
Open Society Initiative for Southern Africa (OSISA)
Partnership for Transparency Fund (PTF)

Presenters **Vugar Bayramov** (Azerbaijan)
Benjamas Siripatra (Thailand)
Ashraf Patel (South Africa)
Tawanda Mutasah (Zimbabwe)
Pierre Landell-Mills (UK)

This workshop will seek to create greater awareness amongst civil society organizations of the challenges of resource rich countries in the developing world and integrate key and concrete anti-corruption and transparency strategies in advocacy strategies.

Aid Harmonization Policies and Counter-Terrorism Measures: Challenges to Civil Society

Organisers International NGO Training and Research Centre (INTRAC)

Presenters **Brian Pratt, Brenda Lipson** (UK)
Kasturi Sen (India)

The objective of this workshop is to examine two major shifts in the aid regime with serious implications for NGOs and CSOs.
(1) Aid harmonisation will centralise bilateral aid to governments, bypassing civil society; and (2) Counter-terrorism measures can impede international partnerships, complicate funding, and facilitate state repression.

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Strategies for Civil Society in Post-conflict Transformation and Reconstruction

Organisers National Peace Accord Trust (NPAT)
Youth Vision Foundation (YVF)

Presenters **Maggie Seiler** (South Africa)
Ahmed Salim Bangura (Sierra Leone)

Young people and other vulnerable groups in post-conflict societies will suffer from effects of long-term trauma if interventions are not in place to break the cycle of violence. Victims become perpetrators in post-conflict societies, turning on those closest to them, as seen in South Africa and Sierra Leone. The high incidences of family violence, rape, community crime are predictable signs of societies that remain damaged by political violence. Effective post-conflict programmes can only be successful if they are community-driven.

Corporate and Non-Governmental Organizations' Engagement in the Global South

Organizations Charities Aid Foundation Southern Africa (CAFSA)
Institute for Development of Social Investment (IDIS)

Presenters **Manon Ellis Williams** (South Africa)
Marcos Kisil (Brazil)

The aim of this workshop is to share experience of Corporate Community Involvement (CCI) programmes as a means of engagement between companies and non-governmental organizations in the Global South. The session will illustrate a variety of engagement methods, using real case studies and examples. This will help participants to consider appropriate strategies to deal with the challenges and opportunities faced in making engagement mutually beneficial and effective.

World Bank-Civil Society Engagement – The Joint Facilitation Committee (JFC) Experience

Organisers Joint Facilitation Committee (JFC)

Presenters **Steve Herz** (USA)

This workshop will consider World Bank-Civil Society interactions through the experiences of the Joint Facilitation Committee (JFC). It will explore the tensions that arose within civil society around the JFC process, and CIVICUS's role in that process; discuss the findings and recommendations of the discussion paper; explain the World Bank's response to the findings and recommendations, and consider whether the JFC process has expanded the opportunities for more meaningful, empowering forms of participation in World Bank decision-making.

Creating Change by Connecting the Local to Global

Organisers Global Action Network Net (GAN-Net);
Generative Dialogue Project

Presenter **Steve Waddell** (USA)

This proposal grows out of work by the Generative Dialogue Project in partnership with Global Action Network Net to clarify strategies that are reflected in multi-stakeholder global change networks called Global Action Networks (GANs). Examples include the Microcredit Summit, the Forest Stewardship Council, the Global Water Partnership, Transparency International and the Youth Employment Summit. These organizations are a new phenomenon and present new opportunities for people working in local communities and at the global level to effect change.

The IANGO Accountability Charter

Organisers Amnesty International
Oxfam International
CIVICUS/Legitimacy and Transparency

Presenters **Kate Gilmore** (Australia)
Jeremy Hobbs (UK)

The International Advocacy NGOs and Networks (IANGOs) is a task force of leaders from NGOs and networks concerned with a variety of advocacy areas and it has developed a new Charter of Accountability for civil society actors that operate in the transnational arena. This Charter is intended to provide a set of standards appropriate to enhancing their legitimacy and accountability. Panelists from the task force that constructed the Charter will explain its history and their hopes for its value in the transnational arena. Workshop participants will be encouraged to raise questions and propose approaches to enhancing the Charter as a vehicle for strengthening transnational civil society in the future.

Civil Society Law: Trends, Challenges and Lessons Learned

Organisers International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL)
Third Sector Foundation of Turkey (TÜSEV)
CIVICUS/Civil Society Watch

Presenters **Douglas Rutzen** (USA)
Filiz Bikmen (Turkey)

Recent years have witnessed a number of initiatives affecting the legal framework for civil society. Some have helped civil society extend its vibrancy and impact. Others have sought to restrict civil society, impeding the ability of civil society to engage on issues of governance, poverty alleviation, HIV/AIDS, gender equality, and other objectives. This interactive discussion among participants will discuss tools and approaches that have been used to advance the legal framework for civil society, particularly in politically hostile environments.

Peace and justice are two sides of the same coin.

(Dwight David Eisenhower)

THURSDAY DINE-AROUND

Dinner this evening will take place in four unusual and very different venues in Glasgow. Delegates are asked to choose one of the four venues for their dinner. Please consult the bus time-table in your delegate bag for further information.

VENUE 1 ORAN MOR

The Oran Mor, meaning 'great melody of life' or 'big song', is a cultural centre and meeting place in the Heart of Glasgow's West End. Beneath the celestial ceiling mural by Alasdair Gray, one of Scotland's largest pieces of public art, guests can enjoy fine Scottish food and traditional acoustic music.

VENUE 2 THE ARCHES

Set in the heart of the city, The Arches' spectacular Victorian interior consists of fourteen brick-lined railway vaults. In the 15 years since its establishment, the Arches has become one of Europe's leading cultural venues. The dinner will take place in one of the stunning underground vaults, with spectacular lighting, and accompanying Jazz music.

VENUE 3 GLASGOW ROYAL CONCERT HALL

The Royal Concert Hall is Scotland's premier music venue, but it is also used for distinctive dinners and functions. The hall is seen as a major symbol of the city's regeneration. Situated in the heart of Glasgow's shopping district, the Concert Hall is a much-accepted landmark in the city centre. The dinner will take place in one of the bigger suites in the Concert Hall, and will be a unique culinary and musical experience.

VENUE 4 TRADES HALL OF GLASGOW

Situated in the Merchant City in the heart of Glasgow, the Trades Hall is of great historic importance. Designed and built (1791-1794) by Robert Adam, the Trades Hall served as a public hall and meeting place for the city's thriving Trades and Merchant Guilds. Visiting the Trades Hall is a journey through time as each room reveals an insight into the past. The dinner and musical entertainment will take place in the Grand Hall.

22:30 – 23:30 **NIGHT CAP Various Topics**
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Argyle Suite

Delegates will have the opportunity to debate and discuss controversial issues in more informal settings. Topics may include: Should civil society engage in party politics? Or, In whom do we trust: Religion, the State and Civil Society? Delegates are encouraged to attend and express their views and opinions, and this will present another opportunity for networking. For more information, please consult your on-the-day handout.

Justice is the bread of the nation, it is always hungry for it.

(François R. Chateaubriand)

FRIDAY, 23 JUNE 2006

Intelligent Funding

09:00 – 10:45 **MAIN PLENARY Philanthropy or Foolanthropy? Deploying Resources for a Just World**
Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC), Clyde Auditorium

Speaker

09:00 – 09:20 **Hilary Benn** Secretary of State, Department for International Development, UK

Panelists

09:20 – 09:45 **Sylvia Borren** Executive Director, NOVIB, Netherlands

Enrique Iglesias Secretary General of SEGIB, Ibero-American General Secretariat

Bisi Adeleye-Fayemi President, African Women's Development Fund, Nigeria

Dean Hirsch President & CEO, World Vision International, USA

Sir Clive Booth Chair, The Big Lottery Fund, UK

Relationships between funders and their grantees in civil society are undergoing profound changes. Increasingly, funders are interested to move towards sustainable models of partnership, which enable the grantee to independently set its goals and work towards the achievements of its goals. However, such an 'enabling' relationship is fraught with difficulties. This dynamic plenary session brings together leading funders (multi-laterals, bi-laterals, foundations, corporates and individual philanthropists) with practitioners and experts in the field to debate how to move towards more intelligent funding.

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WORKSHOP SESSION 2 11:15 – 12:45

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For rooms see on-the-day flyer

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11:00 – 13:00 MAXI-WORKSHOP

Bilateral Donors and Civil Society

Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) Lomond Suite

Moderator **Jude Howell** Director, Centre for Civil Society
London School of Economics

This workshop is divided into two sessions. The first hour will explore the question: Independent Civil Society – How Should Donors Support Voice and Accountability? It is essential that CSOs maintain autonomy and avoid donor dependency. How can this be balanced with donors' needs to monitor and evaluate funding? The second hour will look at the question: Voice of the Poor: Can Donors Ever Really Understand Civil Society? Civil Society plays an important and complementary role to government and the private sector in poverty reduction and plays an essential role in building effective states. However, donors must make decisions around which partnerships are the most effective in achieving mutual goals. How can donors ensure their and civil society's legitimacy and effectiveness in supporting the voice of the poor?

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Membership Based Organisations: Issues and Challenges

Organisers CIVICUS/Membership
Network of Estonian Nonprofit Organizations (NENO)

Presenters **Marianne Buenaventura** (USA)
Urmo Kubar (Estonia)

The workshop will demonstrate the challenges and issues faced by membership organisations among an array of membership based organisation types working to promote civil society and civic action in many sectors locally, nationally, internationally.

Community Involvement – Changing the Balance of Power in Community Development

Organisers Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA)
Community Connections
Doornkop Community Environmental Organization

Presenters **Alice Greenlees** (UK)
Schirin Yachkaschi, Kate Mbatha (South Africa)

Community development programmes are invariably characterised by a tension between their government sponsors and the communities, organisations and activists on whom they depend for successful realisation. The workshop will look at the experience of capacity building work from two different regions, Wales and South Africa, and at the methodologies used, exploring how far community involvement can change the balance of power when citizens get involved in community development.

Global Tools for Promoting Civic Participation and International Best Practices and Principles in Democratic Parliaments

Organisers IFES
Canadian Parliamentary Centre (CPC)
Public Petitions Committee, Scottish Parliament

Presenters **Keith Henderson** (USA)
Robert Miller (Canada)
Jim Johnston (UK)

This workshop will be promoting the adoption of a global monitoring and reporting tool designed to promote international best practices, principles and practices in democratic parliaments; enhancing civil society and parliamentary research and budgetary oversight through cooperative public-private partnerships and promoting more executive and parliamentary public accountability through targeted processes.

Legal Restrictions on Freedom of Association in Europe: Examples from Belarus and Russia

Organisers Human Rights Center VIASNA
Foundation for Legal Technologies
Center for the Development of Democracy and Human Rights
CIVICUS Civil Society Watch

Presenters **Valiantsin Stefanovich** (Belarus)
Elena Tonkacheva, Yuri Dzhibladze (Russia)
Julie Middleton (Canada)

This interactive workshop will examine legislation restricting freedom of association in Europe, using Belarus and Russia as case studies. The discussion will examine the reasons behind the trend, and the tactics non-governmental organizations in the region are using and could use to resist and persevere.

Impact Assessment: Enhancing NGDO Performance and Accountability

Organisers Utkal University (Department of Sociology)
Centre for Youth and Social Development (CYSD)
Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO)

Presenters **Anup Dash** (India)
Ruchir Shah (UK)

This special presentation will bring together a wide range of actors (NGDOs, Impact Assessment practitioners, researchers, donors etc.) to conceptualize and critically reflect on the issues and challenges, problems and possibilities in embedding Impact Assessment within the institutional framework of their development praxis as a learning tool as well as an internal quality control system geared to enhance their performance and accountability.

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The Right to Information: A Means to Open Up Communication Between Governments and their Citizens

Organisers University of the Free State
Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI)

Presenters **Albert Arko-Cobbah** (South Africa)
Clare Doube (India)

This workshop aims to increase the awareness among civil society activists of the value and impact of the right to information – drawing on the South African example, as well as other international best practice regarding right to information legislation and implementation regimes – and share experiences on advocacy techniques from around the world.

Enhancing Civil Society Organizations' Influence on Development Policies

Organisers Overseas Development Institute (ODI)
Centro de Implementación de Políticas Públicas para la Equidad y el Crecimiento (CIPPEC)
Jubilee Zambia

Presenters **Alan Hudson** (UK)
Vanessa Weyrauch (Argentina)
Ojobo Atuluku (Nigeria)
Jack Jones Zulu (Zambia)

By working together, CSOs and parliaments may be able to deliver more accountable, more responsive and more effective government. The objective of this workshop is to enable CSOs from north and south to share their experiences of trying to engage with parliaments and parliamentarians. In particular, the workshop will explore the opportunities for engagement, the obstacles to engagement, the mechanisms for engagement, and the lessons which CSOs have learned about what does and does not work.

Towards Community Justice – Incorporating Diverse Voices for Grassroots Development

Organisers Inter-American Foundation
Asociacion para el Desarrollo de la Costa Atlantica PANA PANA
Ceporejun
Maquiladora Dignidad y Justicia

Presenters **Philip Walsh** (USA)
Lucila Law (Nicaragua)
Olga Simal (Venezuela)
Julia Quinonez (Mexico)

Groups that have traditionally been excluded from dialogues in Latin America will be brought together to share the lessons they have learned in the struggle to fight social, political and economic discrimination and how they found their voice in their community.

An injustice anywhere is an injustice everywhere.

(Samuel Johnson)

How can Civil Society Organizations Increase Accountability to Beneficiaries?

Organisers One World Trust
Humanitarian Accountability Partnership International
ActionAid International

Presenters **Monica Blagescu, Sheryl Haw** (UK)
Rosario Leon (Peru)

Although notional reference is made to the need for downward accountability, few civil society organizations have a detailed understanding of how it can be increased. Drawing on current best practice, the proposed workshop will investigate what reforms need to take place and what types of mechanisms can be used for beneficiary accountability to be realized.

Networking for Development: Strengthening Civil Society and NGO Networks

Organisers Associação Brasileira Para O Desenvolvimento de Lideranças (ABDL)

Presenters **Andres Falconer, Dalberto Adulis** (Brazil)

This workshop enables participants to cultivate or enhance networking capacity for development, by approaching network strengthening concepts and methodologies based on Brazilian experiences and participant's own cases.

Linking Civil Society to Trade Policy Making: Field Experiences from Africa and Asia

Organisers CUTS International
London Resource Centre

Presenters **Tamara Lordkipanidze** (UK)
Bipul Chatterjee (India)

This workshop will present experiences and share lessons learnt from three projects in Africa and Asia which aim to build the capacity of civil society organizations to engage in trade policy-making and strategies used to inform and empower civil society.

Sport for Development as a Tool for Peace-Building, Conflict Resolution and Post-Conflict Reconstruction

Organisers Right To Play

Presenters **Lorna Read** (Canada)

This workshop will present the concept of sport for development through specific examples. It will show how sport and play based programmes have been able to encourage participation, build individual and community capacity, and facilitate peace and conflict resolution education.

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Accountability in International Philanthropy: To Whom and For What?

Organisers Council on Foundations
MWENGO

Presenters **Rob Buchanan** (USA)
Ezra Mbogori (Kenya/Zimbabwe)

This workshop will explore issues of accountability within the broad context of international philanthropy. The discussion will focus on a draft set of principles for international philanthropy developed through a year-long initiative of the US-based Council on Foundations and the European Foundation Centre. A key focus will be on the accountability of philanthropic organizations toward their grantees, partners and beneficiaries. Participants will be invited to contribute their recommendations and give feedback on the draft principles.

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Men in the Fight for Gender Equality

Organisers Men As Partners (MAP)
Nicaraguan Men's Association Against Violence
Treatment Action Campaign's Khayelitsha District Office
Men Against Violence Against Women, Uttar Pradesh
Swedish Men's Network for Gender Equality

Presenters **Dean Peacock** (South Africa)

This workshop will show how people are using different strategies to encourage men to take a stand for gender equality, against domestic and sexual violence and to become more involved in addressing HIV and AIDS.

Volunteering and Activism: One Agenda for a Just World

Organisers International Association for Volunteer Effort (IAVE)
United Nations Volunteers (UNV)
CIVICUS

Presenters **Liz Burns** (UK)
Yugesh Pradhanang (Nepal)
Rose Ekeleme (Nigeria)
Cecilia Dockendorff (Chile)

Whether addressing civic, economic, political or social justice, citizen participation plays a key role. Volunteerism provides a channel for vast numbers of people to give expression to their citizenship. The objective of this workshop is to explore the link between volunteering and social activism to help ensure that the potential of citizen participation in support of the global development agenda is realized.

Beyond Watchdog: New Roles for Civil Society in Promoting Accountable and Participatory Governance

Organisers CIVICUS Participatory Governance Programme
PRIA

Presenters **Carmen Malena** (Canada/South Africa)
Rajinta Mohanty (India)

This interactive workshop invites participants to share their own experiences and collectively explore and analyze new ways in which civil society is addressing the current 'democracy deficit' by is promoting and implementing participatory governance practices.

Lessons Learned from Civil Society Participating in Pursuing the Millennium Development Goals

Organisers Philippine Rural Reconstruction Movement (PRRM)
TakingITGlobal
Wales Civil Society and MDGs Task Force

Presenters **Rebecca L Malay** (Philippines)
Mouhamed A Latif Mbengue (Senegal)
Cathrin Daniel, Graham Benfield (UK)

The workshop intends to focus on the participation of civil society and its component sectors in mainstreaming the Millennium Development Goals into the comprehensive national and local development plans, processes, programmes and projects. It will also examine the development of north –south civil society partnerships to deliver the MDGs.

Citizenship And Civil Society Organizations in Preventing Violence, and in Building a Peaceful World for Children

Organisers Corporacion de Promocion y Apoya a la Infancia

Presenters **Iván Orlando Zamora Zapata** (Chile)

Children have a right to live in peace, and in a world without abuse and violence. This workshop will look at strategies for civil society to better advocate for the rights of children.

Empowering Youth Toward Justice in Sustainable Development and Conflict

Organisers Union Nationale des Etuiants Algeriens (UNEA)
National Federation of Youth Organizations in Bangladesh (NFYOB)
Youth Action for Pakistan

Presenters **A Ait Seddik** (Algeria)
Dulal Biswas (Bangladesh)
Liaquat Ali (Pakistan)

The meaningful participation of youth requires the provision of opportunities to access existing decision-making processes. It also requires creative approaches and support in order to best develop their capacities to contribute to the decision-making processes, as well as finding common areas of concern and agreed solutions.

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Financing for Development: Enhancing Civil Society Participation

Organisers Université de Yaoundé
Gender and Development Action (GADA)
Corporacion Libertades Cuidadanas

Presenters **Nseng Mbia Laurence** (Cameroon)
Tijah Bolton Akpan (Nigeria)
Adolfo Castillo (Chile)

Civil society must not only participate in the discourse on financing the MDGs but also in the financing of development programmes.

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Indigenous People Organisations: The Question of Recognition and Legitimacy

Organisers Malvatumauri (National Council of Chiefs)
Vanuatu Regional Development Training Centre
CIVICUS

Presenters **Gregoire Nimbtik, Douglas Ngwele** (Vanuatu)
Selwyn Garu, Kathy Solomon, David Robinson (New Zealand)

This workshop will investigate the role of kastom (customary) forms of organization and how institutional (rather than personal and family) issues are resolved in kastom society which has implications for the forms of organizations that are given legal recognition and for the allocation of funding into isolated rural areas.

Youth Leadership: Belonging or Longing

Organisers Slums Information Development & Resource Centres (SIDAREC)
The BOOST Fellowship

Presenters **Lucy Mathai** (Kenya)
Lena Zamchiya (Zimbabwe)

This workshop will explore different, innovative ways that young people are becoming involved in empowering their communities to advance economic justice.

Crossing Borders: Empowering Rural Women through Action and Mobilization

Organisers Federation of Latin American Women(FLAMUR)
Women of Zimbabwe Arise (WOZA)
Ladies In White

Presenters **Magdelivia Hidalgo** (USA)
Lisette Fernández, Omar Lopez, Blanca Reyes (Cuba)
Jenni Williams (Zimbabwe)

The workshop will look at the socio-economic condition of women in Latin America and Africa and how they have been able to overcome repression and prejudice in order to create their own political, social and economic spaces. It will also show the role of international solidarity and networking as a way to provide support for these efforts and to promote civil society development.

Broadening Citizen's Access to Justice

Organisers Acciones Colaborativas entre Sociedad Civil y Estado

Presenters **Luis Sebastian Cox Urrejola** (Chile)

The workshop will look at the best practice and challenges for civil society in accessing justice.

WORKSHOP SESSION 3 14:30 – 16:00

Civil Society Making International Governmental Organizations Accountable

Organisers One World Trust
Government Accountability Project

Presenters **Monica Blagescu, Robert Lloyd** (UK)
Melanie Beth Oliviero (USA)

The workshop will explore challenges related to IGO accountability and propose innovative tools and venues for civil society to better advocate for increased IGO accountability focusing on the fundamental rights to freedom of expression and access to information.

Do National Umbrellas Keep Out the Rain?

Organisers Affinity Group of National Associations (AGNA)/CIVICUS

Presenters **Kristina Mänd** (Estonia)
Urmo Kübar (Estonia)

The aim of this workshop is to discuss how civil society meets its collective needs, what the role of national associations is in this, as well as how to raise the profile of national associations, identify key successes and problems and find solutions. It covers the topics of legitimacy and transparency of the nonprofit sector, promotes self-regulation and trust, strengthening the accountability and capacity of the umbrella organizations.

Human Rights-Based Approach to Poverty

Organisers International Human Rights Network

Presenters **Siobhan Cummiskey** (Ireland)

Poverty is often seen as an issue to be addressed as a corollary of economic development rather than as a human rights issue. It is clear that the efficacy of the current approach of many 'developed' states to poverty is open to question. Human rights-based approaches (HRBA) place people as active rights-holders at the centre of poverty reduction. It requires that empowerment, participation, non-discrimination and accountability are the basis of the state's policies and strategies in line with its commitment to human rights at the international level. In a sense HRBA it is about 'bringing rights home' – transplanting them from the international arena into the domestic context.

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Linking Globally, Acting Locally: Community Development Finance

Organisers Charity Bank Limited
Community Development Finance Association (CDFA)
International Association of Investors in the Social Economy (INAISE)
Opportunity Finance Corporation – North American Network

Presenters **Malcolm Hayday** (UK)
Bernie Morgan, Mark Pinsky (USA)
Viviane Vandemeulebroucke (Belgium)

Developing networks of providers need to share knowledge more widely and act together so that those civil society organizations who wish to access finance to tackle injustice may have the tools to do so.

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New Information Society

New Technologies for Civic Action

Organisers Fundación Acceso
Centro UnMundo América Latina (OneWorld Latin America)
Instituto de Comunicación y Desarrollo (ICD)

Presenters **Tanya Lockwood Fallas, Erika Valverde** (Costa Rica)
Analía Bettoni, Marcelo Castillo (Uruguay)

This session will give participants the opportunity to experience how ICTs can strengthen social organizations and movements in challenging contexts such as Central America. The workshop will introduce the context, with an overview of the challenges facing civil society in Central America, considering the geopolitical strategy for the region promoted by the United States and their allies, and how their trade agreements will or have impacted areas such as: labour rights, citizens participation and the right to organize, and public services (giving special attention to telecommunications).

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Strategies for Establishing a United Nations Parliamentary Assembly

Organisers Committee for a Democratic U.N. (CDUN)
Movimento Federalista Europeo (MFE)

Presenters **Claudia Kissling** (Germany)
Giovanni Finizio, Ernesto Gallo (Italy)

This workshop aims at presenting and discussing the UN reform proposal to establish a United Nations Parliamentary Assembly (UNPA). An UNPA is seen as a decisive step to develop international democracy. The workshop will elaborate on the core issues involved and assess opportunities for a common NGO strategy.

Indigenous People and the Quest for Social Justice

Organisers Frontiers Foundation
Te Roopu Awina Ki Porirua
Massey University
DAPPU People's Union

Presenters **Marco Guzman** (Canada)
Amohia Boulton, Jane Shaw (New Zealand)
Thomas Pallithanam (India)

In this interactive workshop, representatives from three nations will share their experience of how indigenous and socially marginalized peoples have fared in their efforts to achieve social justice as citizens in their own countries. Real-life examples from the third sector will show how indigenous and socially marginalized peoples are using existing societal structures to achieve development goals directed by their own priorities and from within their own cultural value base.

Developing International Student Activist Networks

Organisers People & Planet
Young People's Initiative

Presenters **John Kentish** (UK)
Excellence Eyo Offiong Uso (Nigeria)

The aim of this session is to establish north - south partnerships for youth and student organisations campaigning for Trade Justice. There will also be an opportunity to discuss partnerships on other issues such as Climate Change and AIDS.

Building Guidestar Information Systems for Civil Societies Around the World

Organisers Civil Society Systems
GuideStar UK
Palestinian NGO Project
NIOK
Nelson Mandela Foundation

Presenter **Caroline Neligan, Les Hems** (UK)
Nael Shabaro (Palestine)
Anikó Porkoláb (Hungary)
Conrad Jardine (South Africa)

This workshop will examine how GuideStar information systems enable CSOs to communicate their work to the public at national and international levels and how, through information, global civil society becomes more transparent, accountable, vibrant and resourceful.

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Harnessing People Power – Principles for Success

Organisers International Center on Nonviolent Conflict (ICNC)
Center for Applied Nonviolent Action and Strategies (CANVAS)

Presenters **Shaazka Beyerle** (USA)
Srdja Popovic (Serbia)

For over a century, civilian-based movements have ended oppression, challenged corruption and inequity, achieved self-rule and produced just, democratic societies, in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Europe – showing how people power can be a force for liberation anywhere. This workshop will look at how it works; what are the principles of successful civic movements and campaigns; and how civil society activists can strategically choose nonviolent tactics.

Bridging Gaps – Forging Partnerships in Public Policy Making and Social Capital Development

Organisers ACTION Support Centre
Asociación Civil Estudios y Proyectos (E&P)

Presenters **Gillian Ameck** (South Africa)
Osvaldo Elissetche (Argentina)

The workshop is aimed at discussing lessons learned in civil society organisations' (CSO) experiences to promote participation in policy making and social control, identifying best practices, obstacles and opportunities for CSOs to promote citizen participation and strengthening civil society. It is intended to identify effective approaches to improve transparency and better public programmes' results.

Civil Society Partnerships: An Exploration

Organisers Institute of Cultural Affairs International
ICA: UK

Presenters **Lambart Okrah** (Belgium)
Jonathan Dudding (UK)

This workshop focuses on two key aspects of "Acting Together": partnership and participation. Participants will explore the concept of partnership, focusing on what is needed to make a partnership work, how it can help attain the MDG targets, experience the use of tried and tested group facilitation methods, and will be introduced to a model for assessing partnerships.

What is Global Civil Society?

Organisers Centre for the Study of Global Governance, London School of Economics (LSE)

Presenters **Sabine Selchow, Fiona Holland** (UK)

This workshop will explore the nature and meaning of globalisation in order to understand 'global civil society.' Participants will be encouraged to consider this ambiguous, contested and controversial idea. The aim will be to stimulate a diversity of perspectives and some new understandings. This session will also introduce the Global Civil Society Yearbook.

Prayer and Meditation Space
Delegates who wish to retreat for prayers/meditation can do so in the Etive Room in the SECC.

Older People and Civil Society

Organisers Bristol University, Medical Research Council – HSRC

Presenters **Valerie Lipman** (UK)

This workshop will look at the role of older people in civil society and how they can contribute to a vibrant civil society.

Accountability in the New Poverty Reduction Agenda: Where are the Voices of the Poor?

Organisers World Vision UK
Community Development Resource Network (CDRN)
The Joint Process of the Vulnerable Groups (JPVG)
Civil Society for Poverty Reduction (CSPR)
World Vision Zambia
Acción Internacional por la Salud (AIS)
World Vision Bolivia

Presenters **Fletcher Tembo** (UK)
Rosemary Adong (Uganda)
Fernando Menete (Mozambique)
Robert Kelly Salati, Gertrude Chanda (Zambia)
Oscar Lanza Van Den Berghe, Karina Ribera (Bolivia)

This workshop will explore how effective civil society organizations think they are in representing poor people on government and donor policies on poverty reduction strategies, and specific mechanisms and tools that are used to ensure social inclusion. The workshop will also examine the nature of the policy space, and the question of who is accountable to whom.

New Information Society

Politics of the Information Society: Bottom-lines that (Must) Concern Every Social Activist

Organisers New Information Society

Presenters **Anita Gurumurthy** (India)
Sean O Siochru (Ireland)
Pablo Accuosto (Uruguay)
Karen Banks (South Africa)
Parminder Jeet Singh (India)

This workshop will facilitate a discussion which will cover historical and contemporary points of reference in global negotiations – from media related debates and IPR to WTO and aid. It will examine the implications for human rights debates in the emerging IS trends; the inadequate exposition of the right to development within this space and the new paradigms for development in the IS; global, national and local agendas and the necessary role for civil society, as well as the complexities and challenges for civil society processes and alliances for action.

The New Information Society track is a multi-year theme that will be featured over the course of the CIVICUS World Assemblies in Glasgow 2006–2008.

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LEARNING EXCHANGES 23 JUNE

On Friday afternoon, delegates will be able to go on learning exchange project visits in and around Glasgow. Learning Exchanges allow CIVICUS World Assembly delegates and Scottish organisations an opportunity to explain their work and to engage in dialogue.

Delegates need to sign up for Learning Exchanges prior to Friday, 23 June, 10 am. If you have not registered for a Learning Exchange online, please make your way to the Information Desk in Hall 1 to sign-up for a Learning Exchange. Please note that Learning Exchange places are limited, and delegates are not guaranteed a place in the Learning Exchange of choice.

Buses to the Learning Exchanges will leave the SECC carpark from 12.45pm, except where indicated otherwise. For delegates who are going on Learning Exchanges, a packed lunch will be provided on the bus.

Organisation Association of Local Voluntary Organisations
Title Local Community Change and Rural Regeneration through ICT and Technology
Theme Rural Communities
Location New Lanark

This Learning Exchange will give an overview and hands on demonstration of the GuidLife, an online electronic community and social enterprise, providing a virtual space for community interaction and development. Delegates will also hear how it has been used to develop Local Community-led Plans. This Learning Exchange will take place in the New Lanark World Heritage Centre, 25 miles south of Glasgow. **www.theguidlife.net**

Organisation BCD Credit-Union
Title Business Development through the Use of Credit Unions
Theme Credit Unions
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange consists of an introduction of the role of Credit Unions in development, a DVD presentation, discussion and a tour of the premises. Focus will be on the business development of a garage that used a Credit Union loan, increasing the number of employees. **www.bcdcreditunion.co.uk**

Organisation Black and Ethnic Minorities in Scotland (BEMIS)
Title Empowering Black & Ethnic Minority Groups
Theme Black & Ethnic Minorities
Location Edinburgh

BEMIS is the leading national umbrella body supporting the development of the Black and Ethnic Minorities NGO Sector in Scotland. This Learning Exchange includes presentations, case studies and discussions on establishing an NGO infrastructure and co-ordinating a voice for diverse under-represented community groups. **www.bemis.org.uk**

Organisation British Red Cross
Title Addressing HIV in the UK and Other Countries
Theme HIV/AIDS
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will comprise a presentation on current projects addressing HIV prevention and support in Scotland and internationally. Following on there will be interactive discussions outlining shared experiences and learning. **www.redcross.org.uk**

Organisation Burrell Collection
Title Encouraging Communities Voicing Opinions on Visual
Theme Arts
Location Glasgow

The Burrell Collection is a purpose built museum that exhibits medieval art, European paintings and an important collection of Islamic art. This Learning Exchange includes an introduction and evaluation of the Through Your Eyes Project, which offered small community groups new and imaginative ways of looking at cultural objects. **www.glasgowmuseums.com**

Organisation Central Scotland Forest Trust
Title Delivering Environmentally Led Regeneration
Theme Environmental Justice
Location Shotts

The image, environment and landscape of degraded parts of central Scotland are being improved by woodland planting and management, access and recreation works, and various community projects. This Learning Exchange will give delegates the opportunity to visit two of these sites where community participation has influenced what happens in their neighbourhood. **www.csft.co.uk**

Organisation Citizenship Centre (Scotland)
Title Active Citizenship through Community-based Learning and Development Processes
Theme Active Citizenship
Location Wishaw

Introducing delegates to the work of the Citizenship Centre, this Learning Exchange will provide an interactive discussion outlining ideas and experiences of practice development and policy contexts. The dialogue will centre on how local people can develop the capacity to be active citizens through community-based learning and development processes. **www.volunteernorthlanarkshire.org.uk/CitizenshipCentre.htm**

Organisation Community Health Exchange (CHEX)
Title Community Health – From Practice to Policy
Theme Community Health
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will focus on the use of participative methods for engaging local people in community development processes to address health inequalities and social justice. It will involve an interactive session with three CHEX Network members: Healthy Castlemilk, Reach Community Health Project and the Live Life Network. **www.chex.org.uk**

Organisation Community Radio – Leith FM Edinburgh, Awaz Fm
Title Community Voices over the Airwaves
Theme Community Media Communications
Location Edinburgh

Following presentations on community outreach and audience development, this Learning Exchange will comprise a participative workshop on how radio can be used to preserve and promote cultures. It will also explore and discuss the regenerative and educational potential of community radio. **www.leithfm.co.uk** and **www.radioawaz.com**

Organisation Community Service Volunteers (CSV)
Title Empowerment and Older People
Theme Retired and Older People Volunteering
Location Edinburgh

This Learning Exchange will incorporate a vision, strategy and action plan, as well as an interactive discussion, on involving older people in volunteering. It will take place in Edinburgh and will include a presentation on the project "Moose in the Hoose", which encourages older people's empowerment through the use of ICT. **www.csv.org.uk**

Organisation Community Video – Pilton Video Edinburgh, Glasgow Media Access Centre (GMAC)
Title Moving Images for Citizen Empowerment
Theme Community Media Communications
Location Edinburgh

Pilton Video and GMAC are community video organisations providing access to filmmaking for the community. The Learning Exchange will demonstrate video and the moving image as a tool for citizen participation. It will elaborate on the educational possibilities of video, and provide a platform for discussion about the challenges and opportunities of video for making hidden voices heard. **www.piltonvideo.org, www.piltonvideoarchive.org, www.g-mac.co.uk**

Organisation DESERVE
Title Delivering Services to Small Rural Communities
Theme Rural Communities
Location Dunoon (by ferry), Loch Lomond

Travelling through scenic rural areas, this Learning Exchange will include presentations examining the transferability of models of service delivery for communities in remote and rural areas developed by partners in Scotland, Sweden, Iceland and Finland. There will also be a visit to one of the Village Halls that received 21st Century Millennium Funding. Please note: This Learning Exchange will not return until 9 pm in the evening. **www.nppdeserve.info**

Organisation Fairbridge in Scotland
Title Personal Development Programmes for Young People
Theme Youth
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will examine various tools, processes and practices used to engage with, and facilitate learning for, socially excluded, disenfranchised and disaffected youth. Delegates will have an opportunity to participate in some of the team-building activities used by youth participation workers. **www.fairbridge.org.uk**

Organisation Gorbals Arts Project (GAP)
Title Community Art
Theme Arts
Location Glasgow

The Gorbals is an area of socio-economic deprivation and physical degradation in Glasgow that has transformed its image in recent years. GAP works with young people and adults to deliver public art commissions that in turn fund delivery of Community Arts Workshops. Delegates will visit workshops, see art work produced by members of the community in classes and local schools, and visit public art works. **www.gorbalsartsproject.org**

Organisation Govan Initiative Ltd
Title Sustainable Community Development in a Modern Economy
Theme Economic Regeneration
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will show how technology has been harnessed to transform the local economy from its reliance on the industrial age to one that embraces the needs and opportunities of a digital age. Underpinning the delivery of this major social enterprise's services is the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) Model. **www.govanonline.org.uk**

Organisation Inverclyde Council for Voluntary Services
Title Capacity Building in Local Voluntary Organisations
Theme Capacity Building
Location Port Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will focus on some of this local NGO support organisation's recent achievements, including tackling health improvements and developing and implementing a formal partnership methodology with the local government agency. Delegates will have an opportunity to share experiences of energising local people into action when they have little resources. **www.cvsinverclyde.org.uk**

Organisation LGBT Youth
Title Young People's Rights – LGBT
Theme Youth – Equalities
Location Edinburgh

Exploring the barriers facing lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender young people, this Learning Exchange will examine the importance of diversity and the legislative framework. It will observe good practice and practical tools, which are transferable to other equality organisations, allowing policymakers and practitioners to promote the inclusion agenda within their work. **www.lgbtyouth.org.uk**

Organisation Learning Link Scotland
Title Access to Learning Opportunities for Adults
Theme Adult Education
Location Edinburgh

This Learning Exchange will share and explore learning approaches, strategies, resources and tools which help stimulate communities to engage in the political processes at local, national and international level. It will examine the development of an educational model of change and influence that will have international reach and transferability. **www.learninglinkscotland.org.uk**

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Organisation Legal Services Agency Ltd
Title Tackling the Legal Needs of the Disadvantaged
Theme Legal Services
Location Glasgow

Legal Services Agency tackles the unmet legal needs of the disadvantaged by giving advice and representation in courts and tribunals throughout Scotland. The Learning Exchange will centre on presentations from the main departments in the organisation: asylum, mental health, housing/homelessness and disability. Delegates will have an opportunity to meet a voluntary member of its board. **www.lsa.org.uk**

Organisation New Lanark Conservation Trust
Title Establishing a Conservation Trust
Theme Rural Communities
Location Lanark

Visiting the historic World Heritage village of New Lanark, this Learning Exchange will give delegates the opportunity to learn about its history and how, from its social pioneering roots, it has established itself as a conservation trust. **www.newlanark.org**

Organisation North Glasgow Stress Centres
Title Providing Therapeutic Stress Management
Tackling the Legal Needs of the Disadvantaged
Theme Holistic Therapy and Well-being
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will highlight how stress issues affect adults and young people and the treatment plans and methods used to address these. There will be an opportunity for delegates to experience a taster session in therapeutic massage.

Organisation Project Ability
Title Developing Artists from Marginalised Groups
Tackling the Legal Needs of the Disadvantaged
Theme Arts
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will explore how the arts can benefit people's health and well-being, along with how income can be generated from the sale of art work. There will be a tour of the studio facilities and exhibitions in the centre of Glasgow. **www.project-ability.co.uk**

Organisation Scottish Disability Equality Forum – Access Panels (Volunteer Advocacy and User Groups)
Title Developing Access for People with Disabilities
Theme Empowerment
Location Falkirk

SDEF works for social inclusion through the removal of barriers and the promotion of equal access to the built and natural environment for people affected by disability. This Learning Exchange will showcase the work of the voluntary access panels from different parts of Scotland. It will take place at the Falkirk Wheel boat lift. **www.sdef.org.uk**

Organisation Scottish Inter Faith Council
Title Faith Communities in Civic Engagement
Theme Civic Engagement
Location Glasgow

During this Learning Exchange delegates will share the learning that has taken place in Scotland on the development of interfaith relations. It will particularly focus on the interfaith youth conference and seminar for women's groups. **www.interfaithscotland.org**

Organisation Stepping Stones for Families (SSFF)
Title Tackling the Effects of Poverty on Families with Young Children
Theme Families
Location Paisley

Stepping Stones for Families identifies innovative ways to tackle the effects of poverty on families with young children. This Learning Exchange will offer three discussion choices for each delegate on: an innovative financial inclusion project; partnership working with a local housing co-op; and rural poverty work where people have been supported into sustainable employment. **www.ssff.org.uk**

Organisation Support for Ordinary Living (SOL)
Title Developing Support Services for Adults with Disabilities to live in their own home
Theme Families
Location Motherwell

This Learning Exchange will compare notes with service users and staff of a small "supported living" organisation for people with learning disabilities. It will look at the work involved in promoting active citizenship for adults with disabilities, providing access to employment and ensuring equal pay for people in supported employment. **www.forliving.org**

Organisation Telephone Helplines Association (THA)
Title Just Access to Just Telephone Services
Theme Access
Location Glasgow

This interactive Learning Exchange will focus on achievements and experiences in influencing telecommunications regulators, telephone service providers and organisations providing help via the telephone to make a difference to people's ability to access services, support and information. It will include a visit to a telephone helpline call centre supporting children. **www.helplines.org.uk**

Organisation The Village Storytelling Centre
Title Bringing Communities together through Storytelling
Theme Community Communications
Location Glasgow

The Village Storytelling Centre seeks to bring communities together through the medium of story. This Learning Exchange will give an overview of how storytelling is used to bring communities together and encourage young people to develop empathy and tolerance. **www.thevillageonline.org.uk**

Organisation Recycle Renfrewshire – The Wise Group
Title Best Practice in Social Inclusion, Sustainable Waste Management and Digital Inclusion
Theme Recycling
Location Glasgow

Award-winning Recycle Renfrewshire demonstrates best practice in partnership working, making a significant contribution to social inclusion, sustainable waste management and digital inclusion. The Learning Exchange will include a tour of the refurbishment facility, meeting the key operational partners and a DVD presentation highlighting personal case studies. **www.thewisegroup.co.uk; www.thewisegroup.co.uk/COMMUNITY/ Recycling_Initiatives.htm**

Organisation The Wise Group
Title Social Exclusion – Getting to work
Theme Training
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will include a presentation on how people with a disability or health problem are supported in returning to work. There will be a sharing of experiences on what works well in other countries in getting excluded people into work. **www.thewisegroup.co.uk; www.thewisegroup.co.uk/Jobseekers_index.htm**

Organisation Utheo Ltd
Title Developing and Delivering Services in Local Communities
Theme Community Engagement, Recycling
Location North Lanarkshire

Delegates will learn how this community based organisation has engaged with the local community to develop a thriving community resource that is 'a place for people, a centre for all'. The Learning Exchange will include discussions on combating the injustices of poverty, isolation and intolerance. **www.thehoose.net**

Organisation Voluntary Health Scotland (VHS)
Title Advocacy of Scottish Health Partnerships
Theme Health
Location Glasgow

VHS promotes both the development of strategic voluntary/statutory sector partnerships for health and the involvement of patients, service users and communities. The Learning Exchange will focus on community and voluntary sector health improvement work in Scotland through case studies concerning 3 local organisations. **www.vhscotland.org.uk**

Organisation Turning Point, Voluntary Sector Quality Network (VSN)
Title Using Organisational Development Models to Improve Service Delivery
Theme Organisational Development
Location Glasgow

This Learning Exchange will consist of a presentation on the quality models used by Scottish organisations and a question and answer session covering, for example, whether models developed for the public and private sector work in NGOs and, if not, can they be adapted? **www.turningpointscotland.com; http://vsn.qualityscotland.co.uk**

Organisation Volunteer Centre Glasgow
Title Overcoming Perceived and Real Barriers to Volunteering
Theme Volunteering
Location Glasgow

Coinciding with Scotland's national Refugee Week, this Learning Exchange invites delegates to exchange best practice ideas for engaging refugees on a voluntary basis in their work. Discussion will focus on the perceived and real barriers to volunteering (both formal and cultural), as well as the benefits for volunteers, the organisations and the wider community. **www.volunteerglasgow.org**

Organisation Volunteer Development Scotland (VDS)
Title Volunteering: Facilitating Greater Youth Community Involvement
Theme Youth Volunteering
Location Stirling

VDS is the national umbrella body for volunteering in Scotland. This Learning Exchange will look at best practice and strategies for youth development in Scotland and participating countries, regions and organisations. It will include a visit to a local volunteer centre in the historic town of Stirling. **www.vds.org.uk**

Organisation West of Scotland Seniors Forum (WSSF)
Title Rights of Older People
Theme Older People
Location Glasgow

WSSF is the umbrella body for 85 local seniors forums located throughout the West of Scotland. The Learning Exchange will include case studies of how older people's local activity has influenced decision makers and service providers to meet the needs of older people. **www.wssf.org.uk**

Organisation Working Together for Change (WTFC)
Title Personal Development of Women
Theme Women
Location Glasgow

This interactive Learning Exchange will include an introductory session on participatory global education for adults and the exploration of creative ways on how women connect their personal and local experience with global injustice worldwide. There will be visits to two partner community groups. **www.workingtogetherforchange.org.uk**

Organisation Scottish Parliament
Title Civil Society and Participative Democracy
Location Edinburgh

This Learning Exchange will take place in the main Chamber of the Scottish Parliament in Edinburgh, which was re-established in 1998 after a 300 year gap. The Presiding Officer, the Right Honourable George Reid MSP, will welcome delegates and facilitate a discussion on "Civil Society and Participative Democracy" between CIVICUS delegates, Scottish Parliament Members and panel members. Delegates will have the opportunity to take a 45 minute tour of the building. Please note: Buses for this Learning Exchange will leave after the Main Plenary in the morning. Please consult the bus time-table in your delegate bag for further information.

WORKSHOPS 23 JUNE

WORKSHOP SESSION 4 17:00 – 18:30

Please note that all workshops run in parallel to the Maxi-Workshop. If you have not already done so online, please book your place in one of the workshops below at the Information and Registration desk in Hall 1 (Delegate Lounge). Please note that we cannot guarantee you a place in your preferred option.

For rooms see on-the-day flyer

Acting Together for Just and Participative Health Care

Organisers Technical University Berlin
International Association of Patient Organisations (IAPO)
Disabled Peoples International (DPI)
Health Action International (HAI)
Global Campaign on Social Security and Coverage for All
ILO Social Protection Sector
Consumers International (CI)
Global Network of People living with HIV/AIDS (GNP+)

Presenters **Annette Riesberg, Andreas Wulf** (Germany)
Jo Harkness (UK)
Mary Ennis (Canada)
Assane Diop (Senegal)
Raoul Fransen (Netherlands)

The workshop brings together CSOs seeking to cooperate to promote individual and collective rights in health/long-term care at international, national, institutional level. Basis of discussion is a draft charter of rights for CSOs representing users' interests in health/long-term care and a draft manual about strategies and standards to realize them.

Does the Current System of International Institutions Work?

Organisers Foro UBUNTU

Presenters **Marta Garrich** (Spain)

This workshop questions the validity of the United Nations, and other Bretton Woods Institutions, and the growing tendency towards delegating power to the World Trade Organization (WTO). The session will look at the study of the World Campaign for Reform of International Institutions. It directly relates to the key theme of the CIVICUS World Assembly because it focuses on the challenges and opportunities of a just and effective global governance.

Understanding the Work of the United Nations Democracy Fund

Organisers United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF)

Presenters **Valerie De Campos Mello** (USA)

This workshop will give participants an overview of the work of the United Nations Democracy Fund globally. Democracy lies at the heart of the United Nation's normative value system. The ability to participate in decisions that affect the lives of the people is a fundamental human right. Democratic institutions are fundamental for the full promotion and protection of human rights. They can help to increase socio-economic development, contribute to the prevention of violent conflict and the establishment of sustainable peace. With the establishment of the Democracy Fund (UNDEF), the United Nations created a funding mechanism that will support activities to promote and strengthen democracy in the world.

New Strategies for Civil Society in Promoting Sustainable Development

Organisers Vietnam Institute of Development Studies;
Youth Charitable Organization (YCO)
UNESCO Pro Natura;
Upholding Life and Nature (ULAN)

Presenters Tang The Cuong (Vietnam)
M. S. R. Prem Kumar (India)
Peter Lengyel (Romania)
Ronaldo R. Gutierrez (Phillipines)

This workshop will showcase case studies from various regions and extract the lessons by civil society learned in promoting sustainable development at the grassroots' level.

New Strategies for Promoting Adult and Youth Volunteerism

Organisers Vietnam Institute of Development Studies
Youth Charitable Organization (YCO)
UNESCO Pro Natura
Upholding Life and Nature (ULAN)

Presenters **Lucía Pérez, Camilo López** (Uruguay)
Jonathan Marino, Nathaniel Whittemore (USA)

This workshop will showcase case studies from various regions and extract the lessons learned by civil society in promoting sustainable development at the grassroots' level.

No to Free Trade, Yes to Fair Trade

Organisers MaxHavelaar Foundation.CH
Alliance Nationale Des Consommateurs Et de l'Environment du Togo (ANCE – Togo)

Presenters **Leadus Madzima-Mawande** (Zimbabwe)
Ebeh Adayade Kodjo (Togo)

This workshop will look at various models being applied in the agricultural industry in various parts of the global south to show that fair trade is the best option for economic justice.

Children and Human Rights Education

Organisers Sabanci University
Baveeko Basoome! Education for the Street Child Project

Presenters **Tara Hopkins** (Turkey)
Ssegawa Meddy (Uganda)

This workshop is an overview of a hands-on learning and implementation process for human rights at the grass-roots level designed for those who wish to work with children living in poverty and violence, empowering the participants and raising the self-esteem of the children they will work with.It will share the activities and philosophies of those working primarily in non-formal settings who wish to both learn as well as teach more about the practical concepts of basic human rights.

PROGRAMME 23 JUNE

SOCIAL EVENTS FRIDAY

ENTERTAINMENT IN THE CONFERENCE VENUE

A buffet dinner will be served in Hall 5 in the SECC (19:30 – 22:00). Delegates can sit down in the Hall, or wander to the delegate lounge in Hall 1. Delegates who are interested in the Football World Cup can watch it in Hall 1. There will be sporting activities and walking tours on offer; interested delegates please enquire about signing up at the Information desk in Hall 1.

Man's capacity for justice makes democracy possible, but man's inclination to injustice makes democracy necessary.

(Reinhold Niebuhr)

21:15 – 22:30 **NIGHT CAP**

Should the United Nations be dismantled?

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Argyle Suite

Panelists

Sara Longwe (Moderator) Immediate-past Chairperson of FEMNET, Zambia

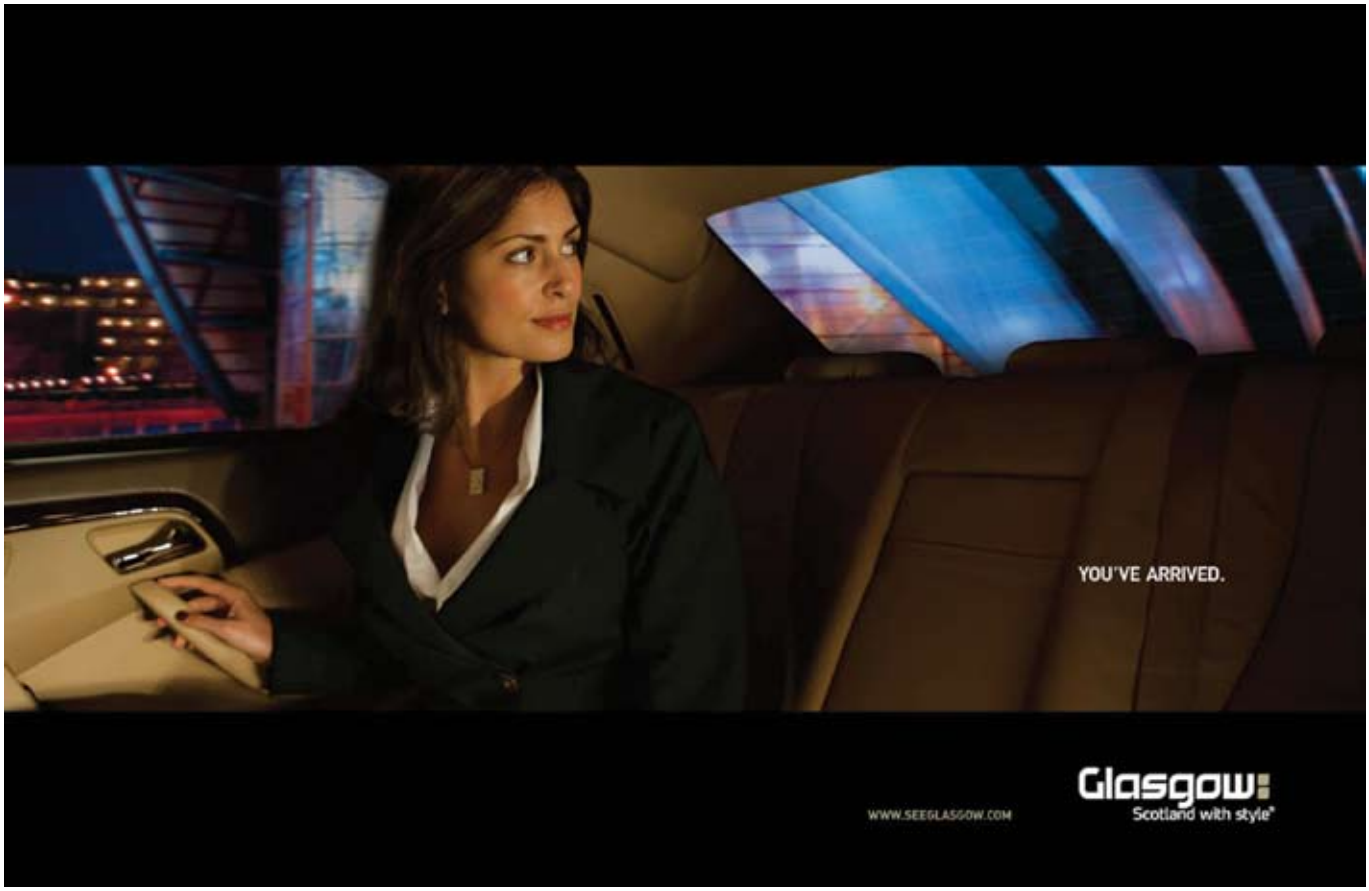
Cyril Ritchie Chairman International Steering Committee of International Civil Society Forum for Democracy (ICSFD)

Marta Garrich Executive Officer, UBUNTU – World Forum of Civil Society Networks Ad Hoc Secretariat

Mae Chao Volunteer Infrastructure Specialist, Research & Development Unit, United Nations Volunteers (UNV)

Mutabar Tojiboyeva Head of Ardent Hearts *was detained on 7 October 2005, following the unrest in Andijan, Uzbekistan. She was found guilty of 13 charges, including threatening public order and sentenced to eight years in prison on 7 March 2006.*

This night cap, which will be attended by representatives from the United Nations and civil society practitioners working on the reform of international institutions, will critically analyse the origins of the United Nations, its mandate and the work it has been doing; and will explore the question of its relevance, usefulness and effectiveness in this era of global civil society and global campaign work.



PROGRAMME 24 JUNE

SATURDAY, 24 JUNE 2006

09:00 – 10:30 **MAIN PLENARY**
Are Political Leaders Listening to Civil Society?
Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC), Clyde Auditorium

Speakers
Enrique Iglesias Director General, SEGIB Ibero-American General Secretariat, Spain
Aruna Rao (Moderator) Founder & Director, Gender at Work; Chair, CIVICUS Board
Rene Gomez Manzano Head of the Cuban Association of Independent Lawyers and vice president of the Assembly to Promote Civil Society. *He was detained on 22 July 2005 in Cuba.*

Civil society has over the past decade, become more empowered and a legitimate voice wanting to be heard in the decision making process. In almost every part of the globe, from North America, Europe and Asia, to Africa, the Pacific, the Caribbean and Latin America, there has been a marked increase in people forming associations, foundations, civil society organizations and similar organizations to deliver human services, promote grassroots development and advocate for political and civil rights. This session will explore the question whether political leaders are listening and engaging civil society in policies and legislation making.

MINI-PLENARIES

New Information Society

11:10 – 12:40 **MINI PLENARY 1 Just Information: Using 'New Media' to Build a Better World**

Panelists
Lesley Bulman-Lever (Moderator) Chief Executive Officer, World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts
Parminder Jeet Singh Executive Director, New Information Society, India
Mario Lubetkin Director General, Inter-Press Service (IPS)
Baishali Rinku Sen Publisher, Color Lines, USA
Fessahaye Yohannes Co-editor and co-founder of the weekly newspaper Setit, Eritrea, *was 'arrested' in March 2002, and his whereabouts are unknown.*

Is civil society effectively using the media in all its many different forms to enhance its work? Civil society practitioners who work in media will guide this open forum discussion with civil society activists on civil society messaging in the media to increase our understanding of what is "new media" and what is its importance to the work of civil society nationally, regionally and internationally.

The New Information Society track is a multi-year theme that will be featured over the course of the CIVICUS World Assemblies in Glasgow 2006–2008.

Intelligent Funding

11.20 – 12:50 **MINI PLENARY 2 Development Financing: Where is the Women's Dividend?**

Panelists
Noeleen Heyzer Executive Director, UNIFEM, USA
Ing Kantha Phavi Minister of Women's Affairs, Cambodia
Nouzha Skalli Member of Parliament, Morocco
Rocío Rosero Garcés National Council for Women (CONAMU), Ecuador
Sylvia Borren Executive Director, NOVIB, Netherlands
Sofia Simba Minister for Gender, Children and Community Development, Tanzania
Eren Keskin Lawyer and president of the Istanbul branch of the Human Rights Association (HD), *was sentenced to 10 months' imprisonment on 14 March 2006 in Turkey.*

Gender equality is central to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals yet globally the picture is mixed on support for gender equality, women's rights and women's organizations. Even in the areas of women's health and education, where investments are more robust, progress has been inadequate in a number of regions and programmes that holistically address women's rights and empowerment remain inadequately funded. How will this trend be reversed? New aid modalities and national priorities must move from commitment to action if significant concrete gains toward gender equality and women's empowerment are to be made. How will this be accomplished? This panel discussion led by Noeleen Heyzer, Executive Director of UNIFEM and featuring senior ministers and economists from a range of developing countries will discuss key opportunities and challenges in financing 'the women's dividend'.

The Intelligent Funding track is a multi-year theme that will be featured over the course of the CIVICUS World Assemblies in Glasgow 2006–2008. This multi-year track is supported by The Big Lottery Fund.

LOTTERY FUNDED

11:30 – 13:00 **MINI PLENARY 3 The Right to Rise Up: Why Civic Disruption Can Lead to Civil Liberty**

Panelists
Peter Ackerman Founder and Chair, International Center on Nonviolent Conflict (ICNC), USA
Huwaida Arraf Co-founder, International Solidarity Movement (ISM), Palestine
Salka Barca Nonviolent anti-occupation activist, Western Sahara
Jack DuVall President, International Center on Nonviolent Conflict, (ICNC), USA
Srdja Popovic Co-founder, Centre for Applied Nonviolent Action and Strategies (CANVAS), Serbia
Kong Youping Former official trade union official in Liaoning Province, was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment on 16 September 2004, China.

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"Any people anywhere, being inclined and having the power, have the right to rise up..." (Abraham Lincoln). Ordinary citizens can and have freed themselves by using nonviolent methods and civic action to win civil liberties, justice and freedom. Experts in civilian-based power and leaders of nonviolent movements/campaigns will discuss key ideas, such as the importance of strategic skills rather than favourable conditions, international norms and standards for assistance to nonviolent resisters, and new applications of nonviolent power.

11:40 – 13:10 **MINI PLENARY 4 Decent Work, Decent Life: Can NGOs, governments, international institutions and trade unions reach a common path for development?**

Panelists

Guy Ryder General Secretary, ICFTU

Sanna Johnson Head of Development Cooperation, The Olof Palme International Center, Sweden

Rodney Bickerstaffe President, War on Want; Vice-Chairman, Solidar

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Decent Work – promoting employment, rights at work, social protection and social dialogue – is prioritised as a main aim of and tool for development by the labour union movement and a range of social NGOs, as it adresses poverty at its root causes and marks a 'high road' to economic and social progress. But what does the general civil society movement think about this? Is it the right way to development? And what about governments and the international financial institutions? Are they ready to prioritise the creation of Decent Work in trade negotiations, aid programmes and loan conditions? Get the answers from the actors themselves at this mini-plenary.

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Intelligent Funding

13:30 – 16:00 **MAXI-WORKSHOP**

The Changing Role of Independent Foundations in Supporting Civil Society

Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC)

Panelists

Gerry Salole Chief Executive European Foundations Centre and former programme Director for the Ford Foundation in Southern Africa

Marcos Kisil Director of IDIS, Brazil. CAF Network partner in Latin America

Geoff Mulgan Director of the Young Foundation and former Director of the UK Prime Minister's Policy Unit

Monica Patten President and CEO Community Foundations of Canada

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Charlie McConnell Chief Executive Carnegie UK Trust

Philanthropic foundations are increasingly major players in local, national and global development programmes. Foundations such as Ford, Soros, Gates and Carnegie, together with the emergence of new philanthropists and players, such as Community Foundations, collectively provide billions of dollars of funding annually for civil society organisations. This session will take the form of a question time debate. Four speakers with international expertise will set out their thoughts on the changing role of independent foundations followed by debate.

The Intelligent Funding track is a multi-year theme that will be featured over the course of the CIVICUS World Assemblies in Glasgow 2006–2008.

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The launch of the Carnegie Commission of inquiry into the future of civil society

Carnegie UK is launching its latest independent commission of inquiry into the future of civil society in the UK and the Republic of Ireland, at the CIVICUS World Assembly on Saturday, 24 June 2006.

The launch will take place from 13.30 pm in the SECC, Glasgow, Lomond Suite, as part of the session on the changing role of independent foundations in supporting civil society.

Speakers include:

- **Millie Banerjee** Chair of Carnegie UK
- **Geoff Mulgan** Director of the Young Foundation, founder and former director of Demos and Commission Chair
- **Gerry Salole** Chief Executive European Foundations Centre

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WORKSHOP SESSION 5 14:30 – 16:00

Please note that all workshops run in parallel to the Maxi-Workshop. If you have not already done so online, please book your place in one of the workshops below at the Information and Registration desk in Hall 1 (Delegate Lounge). Please note that we cannot guarantee you a place in your preferred option.

For rooms see on-the-day flyer

Innovative Strategies for Effective Use of the Media by Civil Society

Organisers The Media Co-op

Presenters **Jack Byrne** (Ireland)

This workshop will look at how the media shape a world view and how civil society could effectively promote a more equal and environmentally safe world through the creative appropriation of the various media and technologies that ensure interaction with the listener/viewer.

New Information Society

eGovernance supporting Civic Existence, Expression and Engagement

Organisers TODESY Consortium
Scottish Agricultural College
Scottish Council for Voluntary Organizations (SCVO)

Presenters **Salvatore Aw De Simone** (Italy)
Sarah Skerrat, Bruce Wares, Norman MacAskill (UK)

The role of the internet in greater citizenship and governance is widely publicized, although much myth-making remains. This workshop will examine principles and practice of online media harnessed to increase the representation and e-democracy of civic society, pertinent in this age of the "Information Society" and "Knowledge Economy", where "being digital" is key to social justice.

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Towards a Global Standard in Civil Society Organizational Governance

Organisers Anti-Corruption Trust of Southern Africa (ACT)
Charities Aid Foundation
Chinese Association of NGOs (CANGOS)
National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO)
Nigerian Network of NGOs (NNNGO)
Association of Chief Executives of Voluntary Organisations (ACEVO)
Governance Hub

Presenters **Ernest Maigurira** (South Africa/Zimbabwe)
Arnold Tsunga (Zimbabwe)
Olga Alxeeva (Russia)
Dorit Lerhack (China)
Nolan Quigley, Filippo Addarii, Linda Laurance (UK)
Yemisi Ransome-Kuti (Nigeria)

The workshop will explore what Governance means in the wide range of countries represented in the workshop and begin the process of identifying common ground and the potential for an international statement on governance. Following the workshop, country representatives will independently take forward discussions in their own contexts and continue dialogue via an e-network.

Responsible Lending: Analyzing MDG Goal 8

Organisers Jubilee Scotland
African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)
Third World Network (TWN)
AIS-CODECO
Jubilee Zambia JSPR

Presenters **David Milway** (UK)
Mandla Hadebe (Zimbabwe)
Chien Yen Goh (Singapore)
Oscar Lanza (Bolivia)
Jack Jones Zulu (Zambia)

This workshop will explore the issues in evaluating the extent to which loans made to Malawi by Scotland are ethical. Based on the results of a preliminary research project by Jubilee Scotland and using the Co-operative Society's Values and Principles, the workshop will aim to activate discussion and civil society participation in the audit. AFRODAD will also convene an All Stakeholders Consultative Meeting to asses the status and progress African countries have made towards Goal 8 of the Millennium Development Goals against their background of a heavy debt burden, fragile economies, declining development assistance and deteriorating terms of trade.

Towards a Better Legitimacy, Accountability and Transparency Among Civil Society Organizations

Organisers The International Management and Training Institute (IMTI)
Young Men's Christian Association

Presenters **Jean Dib Hajj** (Lebanon)
Jia Xijin (China)
Svetlana Ashlynyan (Armenia)
Ali Mokhtar (Eygpt)
Judith Russell (Cypress)
Harriet Namisi (Uganda)

The workshop is aimed at promoting Civil Society Organizational legitimacy, accountability and transparency by exposing various experiences in the related fields from different countries in the world and highlighting best practices (procedures manuals produced, codes of conduct established, training packages developed). The workshop will also aim at assisting the participants to identify tools, and/or manuals that respond to their needs at the local level, thus enabling them to meet legitimacy and accountability challenges.

The Community of Democracies: Lessons for Civil Society

Organisers Democracy Coalition Project (DCP)
Executive Secretariat, NGO Process of the Community of Democracies
Africa Governance Alert

Presenters **Dokhi Fassihian** (USA)
Djingarey Maiga (Mali)
Dieudonné Zognong (Cameroon)

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This workshop will discuss the substantive work that has been undertaken by a non-governmental coalition of democracy and civil society organizations since the original 2000 Warsaw Conference of the Community of Democracies. Discussants will speak about the progress that has been achieved to date and goals for the future, including efforts to strengthen the organizational structure of the non-governmental process, its links to the governmental process, and efforts to encourage the Democracy Caucus to take a leadership position on United Nations reform and the establishment of a Human Rights Council.

Promoting Rights, Responsibilities and Civic Participation for Active Citizenship

Organisers African Citizens Development Foundation (ACDF)
Pan African Development Education and Advocacy Programme (PADEAP)
European House
London Civic Forum
DAMAAN Development Cooperation

Presenters **Otunba 'Dele Ajayi-Smith** (Nigeria)
Norman More Muganzi (Uganda)
Miklos Barabas (Hungary)
Helen Marsh (UK)
Wasim Wagha (Pakistan)

This workshop will analyze the various conceptual and practical elements and criteria of citizenship in different parts of the world (Africa, Europe, Pakistan, etc.) including the link between rights, responsibilities and citizenship; identifying and improving the role of NGOs in promoting active citizen participation and enhancing civic responsibilities; providing NGOs with effective skills and tools to promote individual and collective civic participation leading to social, political and economic transformation.

A Necessary Debate: The Role of Civil Society in Corporate Social Responsibility

Organisers Instituto de Comunicación y Desarrollo (ICD)

Presenters **Camilo Lopez, Lucia Perez** (Uruguay)

This workshop will look at various ways in which civil society can engage more effectively with the corporate sector to increase corporate social responsibility.

Sustaining Dialogue: Strategies for Engagement Between Citizens and Government

Organisers New Zealand Social and Civic Policy Institute (NZSCPI)
The Institute for Democracy in South Africa (IDASA)
Civic Life International

Presenters **David Robinson** (New Zealand)
Teddy Nemeroff (South Africa)
Tokunbo Awoshakin (Nigeria)

This workshop will focus on using dialogue as a way of increasing citizen agency. Almost all of the economic development and governance related dialogues have involved some level of citizen agency which comes in when looking at the challenges of organizing communities to take action. It will look at how citizens deal with the generally dominant position of government. It will provide a basic relationship analysis that focuses on how power dynamics are transformed through dialogue.

Civil Society at the Local Level: Getting our Voices Heard

Organisers Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector (GCVS)
Cidade

Presenters **Martha Wardrop, Mary Sinclair** (UK)
Angela Quintanilha Gomes (Brazil)

The workshop will set out the definitions of community engagement and the good practice frameworks which seek to enhance government accountability, transparency and responsiveness. Using case studies from Glasgow and Brazil, participants will be shown how to set up info bases, community engagement 'hubs', and the development of a Community Involvement Framework to involve local communities and equalities groups in local planning processes, as well as the development of participatory budgeting processes which involve communities in decision-making.

Campaign for a Charter on Civil Society Rights

Organisers STRATÉGICO
CIVICUS/Civil Society Watch

Presenters **Adriana Ruiz-Restrepo** (Colombia)
Rieky Stuart, Julie Middleton (Canada)
Clare Doube (India)

Civil society around the world is increasingly threatened by legal restrictions, administrative barriers and threats and attacks on its members. Anti-terrorism laws have undermined democratic tenants and justified draconian restrictions on freedom. Governments fearing foreign influence have smothered civil society organisations with heavy administrative and legal burdens. Along with partners around the world, CIVICUS is initiating the call for a campaign to strengthen civil society rights. The campaign will seek to further define, advocate and enhance protections for the rights of civil society worldwide.

Where is Women's Voice in Civil Society and Public Institutions

Organisers Gender At Work
DAPPU People's Union

Presenters **Aruna Rao** (India/USA)
Anasuya Sengupta, Thomas Pallithanam (India)

Around the world men's voice dominate both civil society and public institutions. Even organizations that envision and work toward just and equitable societies marginalize women's voices and rights. This is not unchallenged. This workshop will describe a global effort led by Gender at Work to address these inequities and two powerful interventions for women's empowerment in mainstream institutions – a dalit workers' union and state police in South India.

Justice does not help those who slumber but helps only those who are vigilant. (Mahatma Gandhi)

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HIV/AIDS – from Global Goals to Local Action: New Initiatives in Thinking and Acting Together

Organisers Bangladesh Manobadhikar Sangbadik Forum (BMSF)
Campaign for Improved Access to Treatment for AIDS in Resource Poor Countries (ImpAcTAIDS)
Treatment Action Campaign (TAC)
HIV Scotland
UN Alliance of Mayors' Initiative for Community Action on AIDS at the Local Level (AMICAALL)

Presenters **Khairuzzaman Kamal** (Bangladesh)
Ly Penh Sun (Cambodia)
Kenneth Mwansa (Zambia)
Charity Mulenga, Maggie Nanyangwe (Zambia)
Linda Mafu (South Africa)

The uniting theme of this workshop is leadership: Leadership which enables and empowers people and institutions, public and private, to think and act together. Five breakout groups will look closely at just what civil society leadership really means in the practical context of HIV/AIDS prevention and care, from the perspectives of: local government, voluntary organisations, media professionals, campaign groups and other (extra-)ordinary people working at grassroots level in local communities.

Children as Peace Builders, Striving for a Just World

Organisers World Vision International
Global Movement for Children
Children as Peacebuilders Uganda Network
Children as Peacebuilders Colombia Network
Children as Peacebuilders Philippines Network

Presenters **Ruth Kahurananga** (Uganda)
Miquel de Paladella (Colombia)

This workshop will have children sharing their experiences as leaders of peace building networks in Colombia, the Philippines and Uganda. The aims of this workshop will be to share successful and innovative experiences and lessons learnt from children directly engaged in building peace, and to propose strategies to foster effective child participation in peace-building initiatives in a global context that pushes security as a primary concern.

Strengthening Legitimacy and Transparency

Organisers Hauser Center for Non-Profit Organizations
CIVICUS/Legitimacy and Transparency Programme
Centre for Youth and Social Development
Keystone
Instituto de Comunicación y Desarrollo (ICD)
MWENGO

Presenters **Dave Brown** (USA)
Volkhart Finn Heinrich (Germany)
Jagadananda (India)
David Bonbright (UK)
Anabel Cruz (Uruguay)
Ezra Mbogori (Kenya/Zimbabwe)

This workshop will draw on the work of a joint project of CIVICUS and the Hauser Center for Nonprofit Organizations to explore the issues of civil society legitimacy and accountability, identify innovations in organizational and domain responses to those issues, and share and disseminate useful approaches across countries and regions. This workshop will identify some of the initial findings of that project, explore some of our future plans for building on those findings, and invite reactions and comments on the findings and plans by civil society activists and leaders who have been grappling with the issues.

Current State and Future Prospects of Civil Society: Findings from the Civil Society Index Implementation Phase 2003-05

Organisers CIVICUS/Civil Society Index Project

Presenters **Lorenzo Fioramonti** (Italy)
Regina Martyn (Canada)
Hannelore Wallner (Austria)

This workshop will present and discuss the results of the CIVICUS Civil Society Index, which has been CIVICUS' major programmatic activity over the past 3 years. Presenters will highlight the key findings of the CSI project, which has been implemented in more than 50 countries worldwide. They will engage the audience in a discussion about the implications of the CSI results for the role of civil society in today's societies.

Building and Managing a Strong and Legitimate Nonprofit

Organisers Network of Estonian Non-profit Organizations (NENO)

Presenters **Kristina Mänd, Urmo Kübar** (Estonia)

This workshop demonstrates the practices and experience of a strong and recognized advocacy membership organization that makes effective use of sustainable management principles, board governance techniques and member involvement procedures. Participants will discuss how these experiences, skills and knowledge can be put into practice in other membership associations.

Renewing the Global Call to Action Against Poverty – Together for Equality

Organisers Oxfam Scotland
CIVICUS/GCAP & MDG Campaign
MWENGO
International Council for Adult Education (ICAE)
GCAP Japan
GCAP India

Presenters **Judith Robertson** (UK)
Owain James (UK)
Thomas Deve (Tanzania)
Ana Agostino (Uruguay)
Katsuji Imata (Japan)
Lysa John (India)
Oscar Lanza (Bolivia)

2005 was a landmark year in the fight against poverty. In less than 12 months, GCAP has grown into the world's largest ever anti-poverty movement, whose organisations together represent more than 150 million people globally, with campaign actions in more than 80 countries. There were some victories on debt cancellation and aid but tragically rich countries betrayed the world's poor by allowing the colossal inequities in world trade to persist. GCAP will unite again in solidarity in 2006 to continue to challenge the structures of poverty and injustice and to ensure world leaders take the necessary steps to assign poverty to history. This workshop will present the outcomes of the recent GCAP planning meeting in Beirut and the current mobilization plans all over the world.

PROGRAMME 24-25 JUNE

GALA DINNER

18:00 – 23:00 **CIVICUS World Assembly Gala Closing Dinner**
Kelvin Hall Sports Arena

Speaker **Juan Somavia** Director-General, International Labour Organisation (ILO)

Moderator **Jeremy Hobbs** Executive Director, Oxfam International

One of the highlights of the Gala Dinner will be the CIVICUS Call for Nominations to the Nelson Mandela Graca Machel Innovation Awards. The CIVICUS Nelson Mandela Graça Machel Innovation Award is aimed at providing seed funding for innovative ideas emerging from organisations or groups of participants at the CIVICUS World Assembly. The broad idea is to support community based and grassroots initiatives with an emphasis on the overall WA theme: Acting Together for a Just World through one of the four sub-themes: Civic, Economic, Political and Social Justice.

The Kelvin Hall was originally a venue for various exhibitions, circuses, fairgrounds & carnivals before being converted for use mainly as a sporting arena. The present building dates from 1927. It offers an atmospheric dining opportunity for our 1000 delegates in truly historic surroundings, and a perfect location for the closing gala of the 6th CIVICUS World Assembly. The dinner will be rounded off with speeches and a traditional Gaelic social dance, the Ceilidh, to which delegates are invited to join in.

SUNDAY, 25 JUNE 2006

09:30 – 11:30 **CLOSING PLENARY Brief Visions for the Future**
Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC), Lomond Suite

Speaker **Salil Shetty** Director, Millennium Campaign, United Nations

Contributors
Guy Ryder General Secretary International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU)
Rajiv Joshi (Convener, Scottish Youth Parliament)
Liz Burns President, International Association for Volunteer Effort (IAVE)
Kate Gilmore (Amnesty International)
Barry Gaberman (Senior Vice-President, Ford Foundation)
Cecilia Dockendorff President, Fundacion SOLES
Sadiqa Salahuddin Executive Director, Indus Resource Centre
Haoming Huang Chinese Association of Non-Governmental Organizations
Lucy McTernan Director of Corporate Affairs, Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations, SCVO
Roseline Zigomo CIVICUS, World Assembly
Ma Su Su New *Arrested in October 2005, she is at present detained in Insein Prison, Rangoon, Myanmar.*

This session will conclude the 2006 CIVICUS World Assembly,by bringing together the diversity of voices of the Assembly in very short concluding messages and committments for 2007. The session will include a 'reaping' of the dreams that delegates sowed in the Opening Plenary's "Dream Weave" exercise. What did we dream and how will we go about putting our dreams into action until we meet again at the 2007 CIVICUS World Assembly?

ASSOCIATE EVENTS

There will be a number of events around the CIVICUS World Assembly. CIVICUS is pleased to welcome the delegates from:

- International Association for Community Development AGM
- International Youth Foundation
- Annual Meeting of AGNA (Affinity Group of National Associations)
- Civil Society Index Group Meeting
- CEDAG (European Council for Non-Profit Organisations) Board Meeting
- PRIA Citizen Participation & Democratic Governance
- UK Department for International Development Nordic + Meeting

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Over the next two years it's hoped that the CIVICUS World Assembly will grow even bigger with more delegates coming from more nations to Glasgow to discuss, debate and change the world.

Without the dedication of everyone mentioned, the Assembly would be a smaller, less focused and less productive event. Its success is their success.

The organisers and the CIVICUS Board hope to see both old friends and new faces back in Glasgow in 2007 – until then they thank everyone for all their support.

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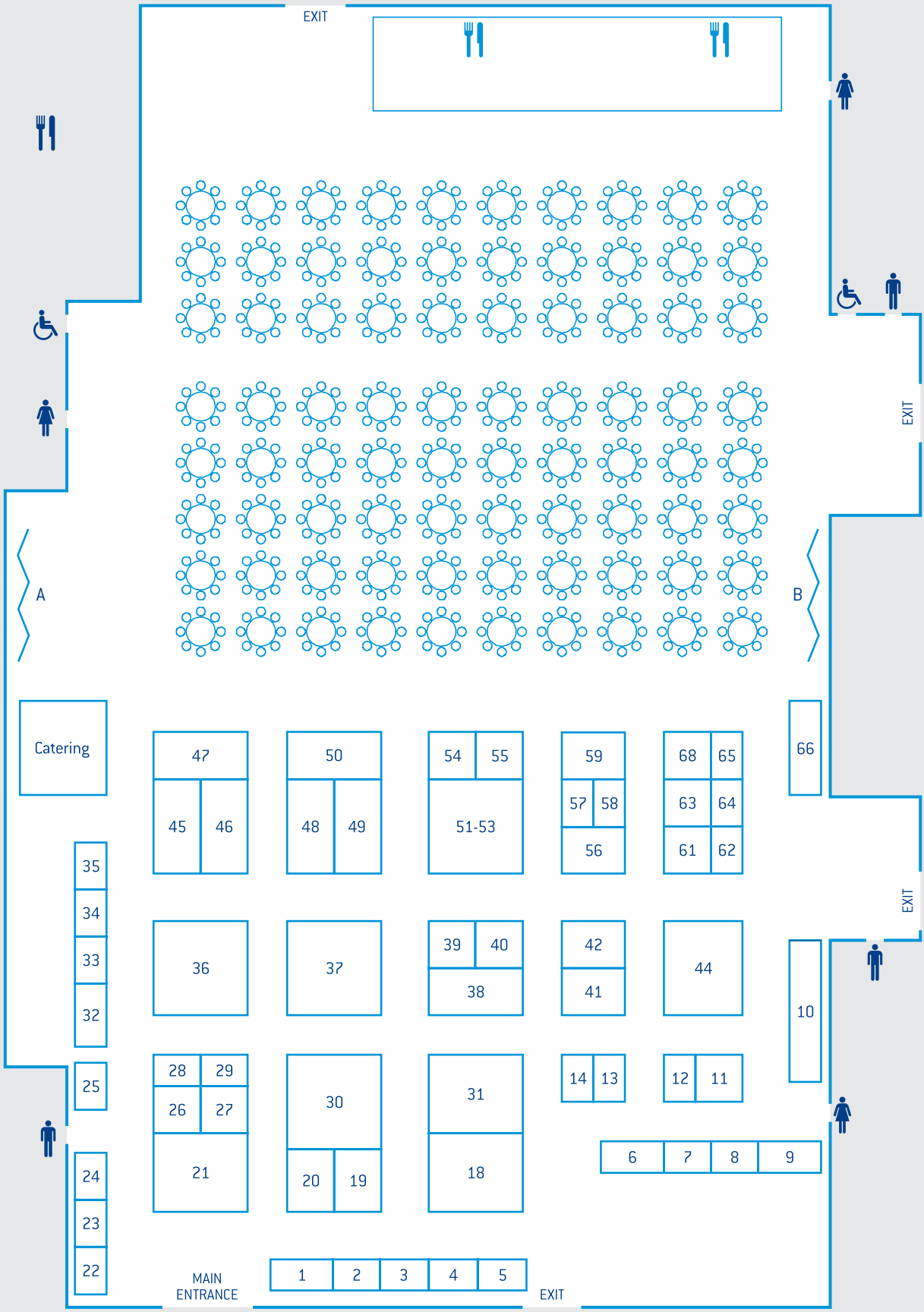

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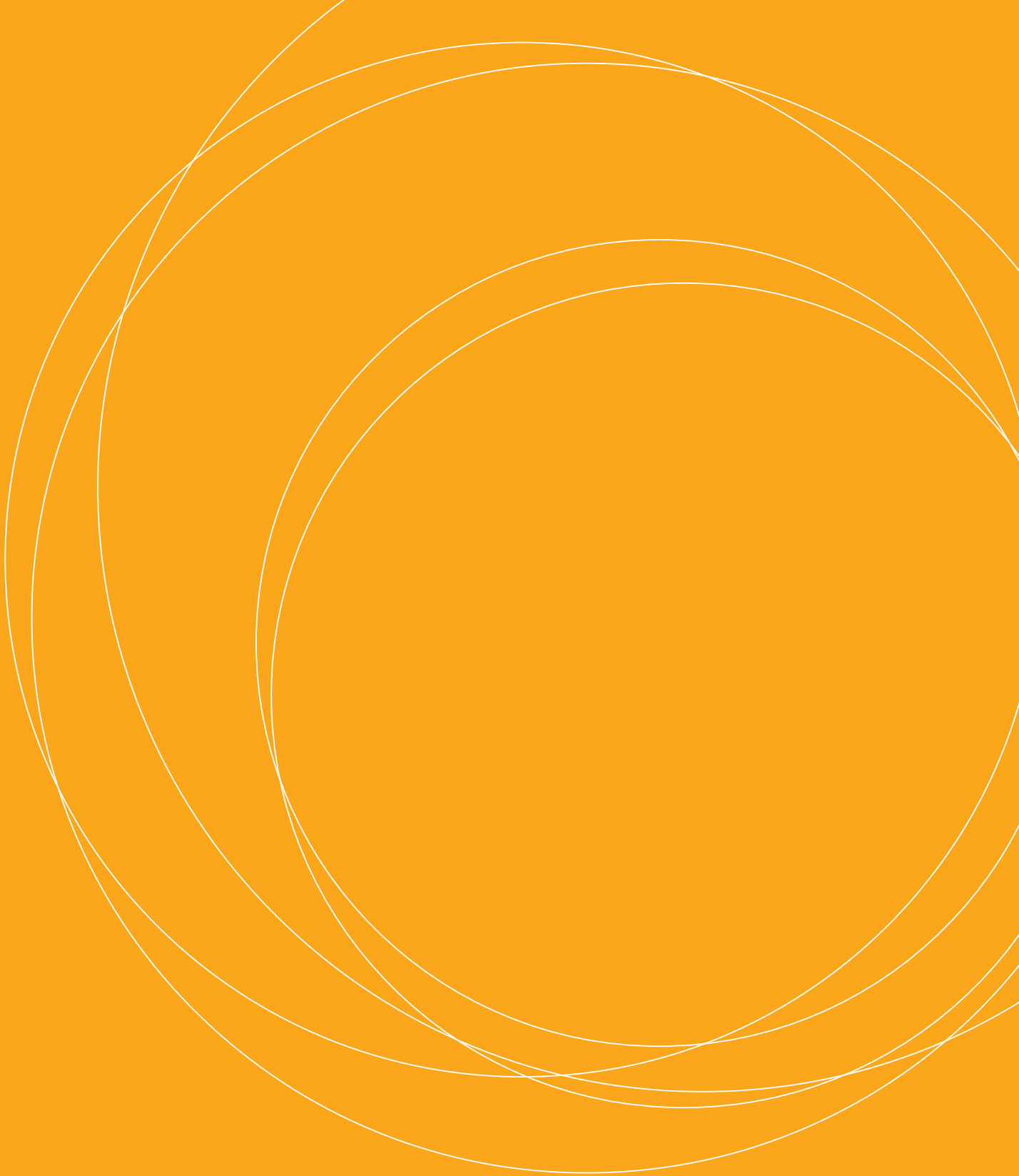

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