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CIVICUS 8th WORLD ASSEMBLY

18–21 June 2008 • Glasgow

Acting Together for a Just World

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"You can have power over people as long as you don't take everything away from them. But when you've robbed a man of everything, he's no longer in your power"

– Aleksandr I Solzhenitsyn

Message from Anabel Cruz, Chairperson of CIVICUS Board

Anabel Cruz

Dear Friends,

It is my great pleasure, in my capacity as chairperson of CIVICUS, to welcome you back to Glasgow, the wonderful and lively Scottish city that has been host to the three year series of CIVICUS World Assemblies since 2006. We have enjoyed every minute of our two previous World Assemblies here in Glasgow, where we have learnt from each other and we have had the opportunity to compare and contrast the means and methods employed by civil society organisations all over the world, in the North and in the South. We look forward to this third World Assembly in Scotland!

In this year's Word Assembly, there is a significant focus on civil society accessing, engaging and participating in all forms and spheres of governance at the local, national and international levels. This year, we will further explore our overall theme of "Acting Together for a Just World" through the focus theme of PEOPLE, PARTICIPATION AND POWER. Whether citizens are engaging national governments for better governance or working with private companies and local government agencies for real change in their communities, this theme will highlight the role of people acting together to gain more access to power.

Civil society activists, leaders of global institutions and representatives of government, media, business and donors, from more than 100 countries are attending this year World Assembly. We will also host 30 workshops, all of which will highlight the main theme of the event, as well as several learning workshops in and around Glasgow. For the second time we will also have the CIVICUS Youth Assembly, which offers a unique opportunity for young people to work and meet with peers who are making changes that really matter.

We are extremely grateful to our lead partner, the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) for these years of cooperation and collaboration. We also appreciate very much the warm reception that the vibrant civil society and all sectors of Scottish society have given to our delegates. Thank you Glasgow! Thank you SCVO!

I really look forward to meeting you all between 16-21 June!

Anabel Cruz
Chairperson, CIVICUS

"I regard class differences as contrary to justice and, in the last resort, based on force." Albert Einstein

Programme overview

WEDNESDAY **18 JUNE**	Registration Participatory Governance Conference AGNA Meeting	Registration	Registration **Plenary 1:** People, Participation & Power – we the people…	Registration BBC "World Have Your Say" - Live from the SECC	Welcome Reception & Official Opening CIVICUS Nelson Mandela-Graça Machel Awards	Informal Networking
THURSDAY **19 JUNE**	**Mini-Plenary 1:** Financing for Development: Innovation and Reform (Intelligent Funding Track) **Mini Plenary 2:** Joint challenges and responsibilities of civil society and media – what are our roles for People, Participation and Power? (Media Track)	CIVICUS Members Meeting	Learning Exchanges Workshops x 10	CIVICUS Members Cocktails BBC "World Have Your Say" – Live from BBC Scotland	Networking Sessions Dinner	Film Screenings Informal Networking
FRIDAY **20 JUNE**	**Plenary 2:** People engaging with Inter-Governmental Organisations on an uneven playing field	Break Out Sessions x 10	Learning Exchanges Workshops x 10	BBC "World Have Your Say" - Live from the SECC	Networking Sessions Walking tours Dinner	Film Screenings Informal Networking
SATURDAY **21 JUNE**	**Plenary 3:** Rethinking the role of the Corporate Sector: Trade, Development and Human Rights	Every Human Has Rights Rally	Workshops x 10	**Plenary 4:** Amplifying Wisdom: A Dialogue with the Elders .	Gala Dinner	

Pre-events

CIVICUS YOUTH ASSEMBLY 2008

OVERVIEW

The CIVICUS Youth Assembly is the most unique youth event of 2008.

The innovative programme emphasises the delegates' own expertise, knowledge and experience through establishing a fully participatory space of shared learning. In this, the Youth Assembly makes a radical departure from the traditional conference style of panels of experts and Q&A sessions; moving towards an active and galvanising approach where delegates not only develop knowledge of the issues covered, but also personal and shared capacity to take action.

The Youth Assembly recognises the ability of young people to make change happen, and offers active and engaged young people from across the world the opportunity to come together, find connections with other young people and organisations - and through this exposure and engagement provide a supportive structure for ongoing, sustainable action globally.

Monday 16 June

Opening Ceremony • The Ferry, Glasgow • 18h00 -21h30

Welcome
Official opening & Welcome addresses

Tuesday 17 June

Plenary 1 • Alsh Room, SECC • 09h00 – 10h00
Introductions: An introduction to the Event

Participation sessions • Loch Suite – all, SECC • 10h00 – 17h00
Exploring the Themes: Interactive sessions to explore the importance of participation within the themes of the event

Plenary 2 • Alsh, SECC • 17h00 – 18h00
Reflection and ways forward: Summary of the sessions of the day and a look ahead to the next day and the World Assembly

Ceilidh • The Arches, Glasgow • 19h30 – 00h00
A traditional night out: Dinner and Dancing in a uniquely Scottish way

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YOUTH ASSEMBLY
16-18 JUNE 2008
GLASGOW

Wednesday 18 June

BBC Editorial Meeting • Alsh, SECC • 09h00 – 09h30
Choosing the Issue: Delegates will determine the topic for the BBC 'World Have Your Say ' broadcast from the Youth Assembly

Youth Commissions • Loch Suite – all, SECC • 09h30 – 13h00
Action not words... What should be the response by young people to the issues raised in the CIVICUS Assemblies?

Networks and Pre-World Assembly • Boisdale, SECC • 14h00 – 16h15
What next? A chance to meet some of the world's leading Youth organisations, as well as learn about the World Assembly and CIVICUS

"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader." – John Quincy Adams

WORLD ASSEMBLY Plenary 1 • Hall 2, SECC • 16h30 – 18h30
Agenda Setting: People, Participation & Power – we the people…
Panel discussion: CIVICUS Board chair, Board members and the current and incoming Secretaries-General, including Ethiopian social activists Daniel Bekele and Netsanet Demissie

BBC World Have Your Say Broadcast • Alsh, SECC • 18h00 – 20h00
World Have Your Say: Youth Delegates will debate and comment on the hottest topic of the day

Thursday 19 June

Network Event: • Eurohostel, Glasgow • 20h00-22h00
Get Engaged! International youth and development organisations will host a series of events in the Youth Assembly accommodation for delegates to sign up and find out more
Friday 20 June

Network Event: • Hall 1, SECC • 18h30-21h00
Meet the Scottish Youth Parliament: Delegates will get a chance to meet their Scottish peers, who are all democratically elected to represent Youth voices at the highest level of power in Scotland

"We look forward to the time when the Power of Love will replace the Love of Power. Then will our world know the blessings of peace..." – William E. Gladstone

Participatory Governance Conference

Caledonia University, Glasgow • 17-18 June

The CIVICUS Participatory Governance Programme will hold a two-day World Assembly pre-event on the theme of "How to Build Political Will for Participatory Governance?" The conference will focus on the critical issue of building broad-based support for participatory governance initiatives. The choice of this topic is based on the realisation that one of the key challenges faced by participatory governance practitioners is lack of political will. Although participatory governance offers important concrete benefits for citizens and state actors alike, there is often initial resistance from political actors and government officials who are unfamiliar with such approaches. The objective of this conference is to explore and understand reasons for political won't and, most importantly, to share and learn about strategies and tools that have proved successful in building political will.

Attendance at the conference is by invitation only and limited to approximately 70 participants. Participants include leading practitioners from around the world from both civil society and government

AGNA Meeting

Leven • 18 June

The CIVICUS Affinity Group of National Associations (AGNA), a global network of 55 national associations, will be holding its 4th Annual General Membership Meeting prior to the launch of the 2008 World Assembly. AGNA was inaugurated at the 2004 World Assembly in Botswana to foster greater co-operation across national and regional boundaries and to increase national associations' ability to pursue mutual interests. The AGNA Annual General Membership Meetings create a forum for leaders of national associations to engage in peer-learning, knowledge-sharing and joint action on issues of mutual concern and to plan priorities for AGNA.

The topics addressed are related to the role of national umbrellas, their mandate, and relations with other sectors. This year's meeting will deepen discussions on threats facing national associations' space and independence, as well as strategies to counter them and expand national associations' impact and influence over public policy and practice. The meeting will also provide participants with guidelines on means to effectively interface with the media.

GCAP Global Council Meeting

15 – 17 June • Holiday Inn & SCVO Glasgow Offices

The Global Call to Action Against Poverty (GCAP) will hold the first face to face meeting of its newly elected Global Council from June 15-17th. The council will review and finalise a 3-year strategic plan and GCAP Charter, endorse the transition plan phase II and mobilisation plan 2008. The council will also discuss its terms of reference and formulate a memorandum of understanding for a global assembly, global foundation, regions and national coalitions. It will also elect members for the Global Foundation Board and transitional Monitoring and Evaluation group.

GCAP is an alliance made up of a diverse range of coalitions, community groups, trade unions, individuals, faith groups and campaigners who are all committed to the fight against poverty

Highlights

The Intelligent Funder Track

The UK's Big Lottery Fund has awarded a grant to the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) in connection with wider support to the CIVICUS World Assembly (CWA). This grant is to manage and develop the Intelligent Funder Track (IFT). The IFT seeks to identify the intelligent funder, promote discussion on what should constitute intelligent funding and advance replication and transference of good practice between regions and between donors and recipients of aid. The Intelligent Funder Track is a multi-year theme running throughout the CIVICUS World Assemblies in Glasgow 2006-2008, inclusive of a three-year programme of fellowships, commissioned papers, workshops and plenary sessions related to the funding of civil society capacity building, financial sustainability, social enterprise, and, ultimately, impact.

Intelligent Funding is the entire chain of the funding process, not just the donors. Accountability is downwards as well as upwards. Accountability/transparency in international funding means showing the impact and the outcome of our actions. This should not be just statistics and 'number crunching' but meaningful accountability to beneficiaries.

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MEDIA TRACK

CIVICUS, Inter Press Service (IPS) and Oxfam Novib initiated a joint activity on the relationship between the media and civil society in 2007. The overall aim is to increase understanding between mainstream media and civil society in order to improve the quality and quantity of coverage that civil society issues receive.

This year the media track aims to identify joint challenges for civil society and media in order to address issues facing humankind today and come up with concrete action steps in the form of joint projects among partners.

While media are dominant in influencing debates in civil society, many leading media and civil society players see significant and growing gaps and opportunities in the way media relates to civil society, and vice versa. We are convinced that the public is hungry for information about civil society actions and that this interest goes well beyond the alternative fringe or celebrity involvement. On the other hand we acknowledge the deficiencies of civil society in communicating to the media effectively about the successes and impacts of campaigns against poverty, the environment and debt relief, especially the vision from the marginalised. Also, exactly what is the role of media as a stakeholder of and in civil society?

The focus of the track will be on examining the current state of media-civil society relations, making recommendations and identifying opportunities to strengthen it, taking into account the focus theme of the 8th World Assembly: People, Participation and Power.

Oxfam Novib IPS

NETWORKING SESSIONS

Networking is possibly the most tangible outcome of the World Assembly. To facilitate networking, this year's programme therefore features formal and informal networking sessions.

Formal networking sessions are programmed in the late afternoons of 19 and 20 June. These sessions have been coordinated independently by the organisations and groups listed in the programme.

Informal networking sessions are encouraged to take place after dinner in Hall 2. Those who intend to host informal networking sessions should place their notice on the electronic notice board in Hall 1.

Every Human Has Rights Rally

This year we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, yet for many around the world human rights remain a dream. The rights to affordable food, safe shelter, liveable wages – and even the right to speak out against policies which deny these basic needs – are under threat. There will be a rally to support efforts to end global poverty and defend the freedoms to speak out against injustice.

CIVICUS Nelson Mandela Graça Machel Innovation Awards

The CIVICUS Nelson Mandela Graça Machel Innovation Awards are awarded for innovative ideas emerging from organisations or groups of participants at the CIVICUS World Assembly. These awards are in the form of seed funding of up to US$5,000 granted to outstanding project proposals for initiatives born out of 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.

BBC World Have Your Say – Broadcasting live from the CIVICUS World Assembly

The Sony Radio Academy Award winning BBC World Service radio show, World Have Your Say, will be broadcasting live from the CIVICUS World Assembly.

CIVICUS World Assembly delegates will have the opportunity to experience the radio show for themselves. World Have Your Say will be broadcasting live from the CIVICUS World Assembly in Glasgow. Delegates and listeners get to decide the agenda for each show by posting on their blog, e-mailing them or attending their editorial meetings during the World Assembly.

There will be four broadcasts during the World Assembly. The programme will broadcast live from the conference centre on Wednesday 18 June (for Youth Assembly delegates only) and Friday 20 June, and from BBC Radio Scotland's foyer just across the river from the conference centre on Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 June – all from 18h00-20h00 in the evening to an audience of 45 million around the world.

Break Out Sessions

For the first time in the history of World Assemblies, 10 break out sessions will be held on Friday 20 June to discuss the key issues that have been covered during the course of the World Assembly programme.

The purpose of the break out groups will be to have the delegates themselves come up with solutions or proposals for solving the problems/issues arising out of the discussions. Each group will have a speaker making opening remarks, a facilitator to guide the discussions, and a rapporteur.

The rapporteurs will produce a summary of the recommendations made by the group for resolving the issues, and all the rapporteur notes will form part of an 8th World Assembly statement/summary that will be posted on the WA website.

In addition, delegates will be asked to post onto the website very short personal statements on any current issue of their choice and these statements will also be put on the electronic message board daily. At the end of the WA there should be several hundred statements from delegates.

Learning Exchanges

On Thursday and Friday afternoon, delegates will be able to go on project visits in and around Glasgow and further afield. These project visits allow delegates and Scottish NGOs an opportunity to engage in dialogue about their work, mission and aims, and exchange experiences and learning.

During those visits, delegates will be able to engage with Scottish initiatives in similar fields of work, and forge lasting links, perhaps even find opportunities to develop new projects with local organisations and apply for a Nelson Mandela Graça Machel Innovation Award.

Delegates are asked to sign up to Learning Exchanges at the conference.

Delegates need to sign up for the visit of their choice prior to Friday morning. Signing up is quick and easy – simply visit the Learning Exchange desk in Hall 1. The number of places on each visit is limited, and you should book as soon as you have picked up your badge. We cannot guarantee that everyone will be able to book a place on their visit of choice.

Buses to the Learning Exchange Project Visits will leave the SECC front car park from 1pm on Thursday and Friday, except where indicated otherwise. Lunch will be served on the bus or visit, so please do not eat lunch before the visit! Please see the programme brochure for the visits on offer.

Civil Society Behind Bars

From a Syrian doctor to Iranian women's rights campaigners, World Assembly participants will hear the courageous stories of peaceful activists who have risked their freedom, and even their lives, to advocate for justice in their countries.

CIVICUS and Amnesty International have invited 15 civil society activists to speak at the World Assembly, who are unable to attend because they are currently detained or on trial for their work. Four of the activists were also campaigned for during last year's World Assembly, but continue to be held in detention. Happily, ten of those mentioned last year have since been released.

World Assembly delegates will receive a booklet of postcard petitions to be sent to various governments, urging the immediate and unconditional release of activists, as well as respect for civil society's freedoms of expression, assembly and association.

Delegates are invited to sign the postcards and drop them in the mailboxes in the Delegates' Lounge. More information about the cases is also available.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

The Civicalypso

The Civicalypso became something of a theme song at the 7th CIVICUS World Assembly. The calypso was presented as a surprise to the World Assembly by the Network of NGOS of Trinidad and Tobago for the Advancement of Women. The Civicalypso makes an impassioned plea for civil society to come together to help redress problems of poverty, discrimination, inequality and other social ills and celebrates CIVICUS as an alliance for the empowerment of citizens to be active partners with their governments to create a better world for all.

Composed and sung by Wayne Lee Sing and arranged by Roger Isreal, the song is based on the musical genre, the calypso - which comes out of a long tradition of satire and critical advocacy for social reform.

This year, delegates have a chance to become part of the Civicalypso choir under the guidance of singer/composer Wayne Lee Sing and Trinidad and Tobago Network director, Kris Rampersad. The Civicalypso will be performed at the Opening Ceremony and at the closing Gala Dinner. Delegates are encouraged to bring their musical instruments and join the Civicalypso choir performance at the gala dinner.

Wednesday 18 June

Registration • Hall 1 • 09h00 – 21h00

Plenary 1 • Hall 2 • 16h30 – 18h30

People, Participation & Power – We the people…

The panellists will bring to the discussion their experience in the civil society and development sectors, and how people can influence the decisions that affect their lives.

Speakers: **Anabel Cruz**; Chairperson, CIVICUS Board • **Ingrid Srinath**; Former Chief Executive Officer, Child Rights and You and Secretary General Elect, CIVICUS **Kumi Naidoo**; Secretary General, CIVICUS (Moderator) • **Rajiv Joshi**; Member of the Scottish Youth Parliament, Board member of CIVICUS • **Sharan Burrow**; President, International Trade Union Confederation
And special guests

Welcome Ceremony • Hall 2 • 19h30 – 21h00

Welcome Ceremony & CIVICUS Nelson Mandela – Graça Machel Innovation Awards

The official welcome to the CIVICUS World Assembly combined with the CIVICUS Nelson Mandela Graça Machel Innovation Awards to be presented after dinner.

The night will conclude with a performance of the Civicalypso by the composer Wayne Lee Sing

Speakers: **Alex Salmond**; First Minister, Scotland • **Bailie James Scanlon**; City of Glasgow • **Lord George Foulkes**; Member of the Scottish Parliament and chair of the Local Host Committee • **Marta Cumbi**; director for cooperation and advocacy, Federacion Development Communicaria, Mozambique and CIVICUS Board Member • **Martin Sime**; Chief Executive, SCVO and Co-Chair of the World Assembly Programme Committee • **Sir Clive Booth**; Big Lottery Fund

"[Y]ou must unite your constituents around a common cause and connect with them as human beings."
– James Kouzes & Barney Posner

Thursday 19 June

Mini Plenary 1 • Lomond • 09h00 – 10h30

Intelligent Funding Track
Financing for Development: Innovation and Reform

This mini-plenary will review the status of financing for development, and its recent innovations and challenges. While there are a lot of discussions around achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and their costs, are we being "intelligent" in allocating resources for long term and participatory or sustainable human development? Are we on the right track?

Speakers: **Alpha Bacar Barry**; Consultant on youth employment issues in Africa • **Bisi Adeleye-Fayemi**; Co-Founder and Executive Director, African Women's Development Fund (Moderator) • **Charles Mutasa**; Executive Director, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD) • **Elisa Peter**; Deputy Co-ordinator of the United Nations Non-governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS) • **Jazminda Lumang**, Executive Director, IBON Philippines • **Stephen Wallace**; Vice President, Policy Branch, Canadian International Development Agency and a member of the Aid Effectiveness Advisory Group

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Chen Guangcheng • China

Chen Guangcheng, a blind activist and self-trained legal advisor, has assisted local villagers in Linyi City, Shandong province in their attempt to sue local authorities for conducting a campaign of forced sterilisations and abortions in pursuit of birth quotas. Chen was sentenced to 4 years and 3 months in prison on 24 August 2006 on charges of "damaging public property and gathering people to block traffic."

"Non-violence is hard work. It is the willingness to sacrifice. It is the patience to win." – Cesar Chavez

Mini Plenary 2 • Alsh 2 • 09h00 – 10h30

Media Track

Joint challenges and responsibilities of civil society and media – what are our roles for People, Participation and Power?

The Mini-Plenary will identify civil society and media as partners in the mission of citizen participation. How can we work effectively to make sure that the voices of the powerless are heard? How can the decisions and policies of the powerful, governments and trans-national corporations be challenged based on the impact they have on people's lives and the environment?

Speakers: **Jan Bouke Wijbrandi**; Director of Campaigns, Oxfam Novib (Moderator) • **Joao Scarpelini**; National Representative Brazil, Peace Child International • **Karen Higgs**; Communications Manager, Association for Progressive Communications • **Paula Fray**; Regional Director, Inter Press Service, Africa • **Stephen King**; Director, BBC World Service Trust

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Ms Zeynab Peyghambarzadeh, Ms Marzieh Mortazi Langaroudi, Ms Nasrin Afzali, Ms Nahid Ja'fari, Ms Rezvan Moghaddam, Mr Amir Yaghoub-Ali, and Ms Parvin Ardalan • Iran

Ms. Zeynab Peyghambarzadeh, Ms. Marzieh Mortazi Langaroudi, Ms. Nasrin Afzali, Ms. Nahid Ja'fari, Ms. Rezvan Moghaddam, Mr. Amir Yaghoub-Ali, and Ms. Parvin Ardalan are women's human rights activists who have participated in the "One Million Signatures Campaign" demanding an end to discriminatory laws against women. All seven received suspended sentences between February and May 2008 ranging from 6 months to 2 years. All have been prosecuted under vaguely-worded laws on "security offences."

Members' activities

Members' Meeting • Lomond • 11h00 – 13h00

The annual CIVICUS Members' meeting is where the CIVICUS board reports to its members on the activities of the past year

What is CIVICUS Workshop • Katrine • 14h00- 16h00

The 'What is CIVICUS Workshop' is a way for members to learn more about CIVICUS Member Benefits and ask questions and provide feedback to CIVICUS Staff

CIVICUS Members' Cocktails • Hall 5 • 17h30–19h00

Members get a chance to share cocktails in an event that creates a space for them to socialise and engage in an informal setting with each other and CIVICUS staff

Special Interest Forums • Hall 2 • 19h30 – 21h00

Membership Staff will help convene Special Interest Forums to help members who are interested and doing work in specific areas to network. These networking sessions will link members together

Networking session

Big Lottery Fund • Carron 1 • 11h00 – 12h15

People, Power and Change

This session will cover the following areas:

- How do people, funders and states work together to bring about change?
- How do we identify, recognise, celebrate and replicate the human catalysts with the power to affect change?
- What do funders look for when funding projects and how important are the people delivering a project to securing funding?

Convenors: Big Lottery Fund

Lunch • Hall 2 • 12h30 – 14h30

ICNL-Cordaid Civil Liberties Prize

Award Ceremony to recognise scholarship on the legal and political environment for civil society, with a focus on civil liberties

"I regard class differences as contrary to justice and, in the last resort, based on force." – Albert Einstein

Learning Exchanges

New Lanark • 13h00 – 17h00

Leading for Local Regeneration

The New Lanark village first rose to fame when Robert Owen was mill manager from 1800-1825. Owen transformed life in New Lanark with ideas and opportunities which were at least a hundred years ahead of their time. Child labour and corporal punishment were abolished, and villagers were provided with decent homes, schools and evening classes, free health care and affordable food. The delegates will have a tour of the buildings, a ride on the Millennium Experience and spend time with people from various organisations discussing local regeneration.

Perth CVS • 13h00 – 17h00

The Walled Garden, Perth is a charitable project managed by Perth and Kinross Association of Voluntary Service. Set in the grounds of Murray Royal Hospital, Perth, the garden helps adults recovering from severe mental ill health by providing supported employment and training in lovely surroundings. As well as a garden, the project runs a cafe, craft studio and joinery, all offering items for sale. There is a paint recycling project, which provides a low cost alternative for charities, voluntary organisations and people on low incomes. Delegates will enjoy the journey some 60 miles north of Glasgow where they will have the opportunity to walk around the Victorian walled garden, talk to the various project managers and employees

Publication launch

Launch • Alsh 2 • 14h00 – 14h30

Joint CIVICUS-IAVE-UNV Publication Launch Event

Title of Publication:
Volunteering and Social Activism: Pathways for Participation in Human Development
Co-authors **Karena Cronin** and **Helene Perold** will be making introductory remarks. Come and hear statements from leaders of all three partner organisations • **Kumi Naidoo**, CIVICUS • **Rose Ekeleme**, IAVE • **Joyce Yu**, UNV

Workshops –

Workshop 1 • Alsh 1 • 14h30-16h30

Civil Society under Threat: Enhancing Security and Support

This inter-active workshop is designed to enable participants to identify threats to themselves and their organisations, including digital security issues and national repression, develop plans and strategies to protect themselves and thus strengthen civil society in countries where it is under threat.

Presenters: **Anne Rimmer**, Front Line • **Wojtek Bogusz**, Front Line • **Clare Doube**, CIVICUS

Workshop 2 • Alsh 2 • 14h00-16h00

Volunteering as Active Citizenship: Engaging Volunteers for Social Change

Conventional thinking has tended to associate volunteering with charity, direct services and philanthropy. However, the reality of volunteering is far more diverse. In fact, volunteers are oftentimes key agents of social change. This workshop will highlight the varied ways volunteer action contributes to social activism, while also exploring strategies for how to better harness the vast potential for volunteer involvement in social change

Presenters: **Karena Cronin**, CIVICUS and United Nations Volunteer (UNV) Programme, United States (Moderator) • **Leila Mucarsel**, Network of Youth Organisations of Mendoza, Argentina • **Paul Harris**, International Movement ATD Fourth World, France • **Samuel Kenaape**, Community Capacity Enhancement through Community Conversations, Botswana • **Henri Tiphagne**, People's Watch Tamilnadu, India

Translation: French, Spanish

Workshop 3 • Dochart 1 • 14h30-18h30

Teach-In on the Global Marshall Plan

Delegates will be trained in teaching how key single issues relate to an overarching set of global issues which reflect the interests of the global commons and world citizenship. Trainees will also be invited to help organise multi-stakeholder consultations on these topics in partnership with the Coalition for the Global Commons

Presenters: **Frithjof Finkbeiner** • **Helge Bork** • **James Quilligan** • **Todd Lorentz** • **Sumiko Tanaka** • **Peter Hesse** • **Kamran Mofid**

Workshop 4 • Boisdale 1 • 14h30-17h00

How can we enhance political will for participatory governance?

Although participatory governance initiatives offer important benefits, they often face initial resistance from public officials unfamiliar with such approaches. At this workshop, participants will have the opportunity to share experiences and learn from a highly experienced panel of practitioners about principal reasons for "political won't" and, most importantly, strategies and tools that have proved successful in enhancing "political will" for effective citizen participation.

Presenter: **Carmen Malena**, CIVICUS

Workshop 5 • Lomond • 14h30 - 16h30

Achieving the MDGs: Working Together to Accelerate Progress

UK Prime Minister Gordon Brown, speaking alongside the UN Secretary General, Ban Ki-Moon, launched the MDG Call to Action in July 2007. He stated that it is vital that individuals and groups

from all countries "come together to forge a new global alliance for peace and prosperity."

The Call to Action is about harnessing the combined efforts of governments, the private sector and civil society. This workshop will focus on building a common vision of how civil society and donors can act together to maximise their influence and create multi-stakeholder initiatives to accelerate progress towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals.

Presenters: **Irfan Mufti**; CIVICUS GCAP Manager • **Sarah Kline**; DFID Call to Action Team Leader • **Gavin McLellan**; Chair of GCAP Scotland.

Workshop 6 • Dochart 2 • 14h30 - 17h00

Shifting the Balance of Power – Social Contracts, Compacts and Frameworks for the Relationship between Civil Society and the State

This workshop will explore the opportunities for greater empowerment and participation as a result of structured frameworks for civil society relationships with government. Changes in society and citizens' expectations mean that governance is no longer seen as a process purely controlled by legislators or appointed public officials but that participation of citizens and civil society is seen as crucial in an open democracy. The principle that "Public office is a public trust" builds on the need to ensure mutual respect; Social Contracts are effective tools to ensure accountability of public officials to the citizens who elected them to office. Civil society receives a guarantee of participation in consultation or deliberation that will have a direct impact on the decision-making process.

Presenters: **Marcelo Castillo**; Instituto de Comunicación y Desarrollo (ICD) • **Emmanuel Areño C**; Iloilo Caucus of Development Non- Government Organisations, Inc. • **Oliver Henman**; National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) • **Jess Crocker**, NCVO, UK • **Beatriz Balian**, Universidad Católica (Argentina) • **Mario Quintana** (Nicaragua)

Translation: Spanish, English

Workshop 7 • Carron 2 • 14h30-18h30

Defensorías Ciudadanas para la Justicia y la Gobernanza Local

En diversos países de América Latina, las DEFENSORIAS CIUDADANAS de las personas, de las gentes, de las comunidades, comienzan a irrumpir con fuerza como nuevas alternativas y expresiones innovadoras, en el ámbito de la participación ciudadana, los derechos humanos , y el acceso a la justicia local. Ello comienza a manifestarse en especial, a nivel de territorios, comunas y gobiernos locales; por ende, estas experiencias tenderán cada vez más a dar mayor valor agregado, a los procesos de Gobernanza local

Presenters: **Sebastián Cox** • **Fernando Rodríguez** • **Carlos Constenla**

Translation: English

Workshop 8 • Carron 1 • 14h30-18h30

National Associations Engaging with Government: Challenges, Strategies and Guidelines

National Associations of NGOs and NPOs around the world provide and give a collective voice for civil society in their countries. They serve as key interlocutors with government and help to create a strong enabling environment for civil society organisations, democracy, the rights of citizen action and participation. Governments are increasingly recognising the rights of national associations as representatives of organised civil society to be consulted on issues affecting the sector and society at large. In practice, national associations' engagement with governments has taken on various forms and has met with varying levels of success

Presenters: **Pat Hanley**; ANGOA- New Zealand • **Stella Maebiru**; DES- Solomon Islands • **Anna Mazgal**; OFOP- Poland • **Fiona Talcott**; SCVO- Scotland • **Consuelo Castro**; CEMEFI – Mexico • **Analia Bettoni**; ANONG- Uruguay • **Raul Monte Domecq**; POJOAJU- Paraguay • **Meraj Khan**; NWFP Cabinet- Pakistan • **Richard Bennett**; former CEO of BOND

Workshop 9 • Leven • 14h30-18h30

Video Advocacy: Using moving image media in human rights documentation and advocacy

Video advocacy incorporates the tools of modern communication into human rights campaigns for accountability, participation and change. The workshop includes strategies for advocacy plans built around visual evidence, testimony and stories, and using video to target a range of international and domestic audiences, as well as introduces online advocacy via the WITNESS Hub

Presenters: **Chris Michael**; WITNESS
Sam Gregory; WITNESS

Workshop 10 • Boisdale 2 • 14h30-16h30

Southern civil society participation in the UN Human Rights Council (HRC)

The workshop intends to promote interactive discussion to increase awareness among civil society participants, especially those from the Global South, about the opportunities for advocacy at the United Nations Human Rights Council. The participants will be invited to think of innovative strategies for advocacy, both at the national and international level.

Presenters: **Camila Asano**; Conectas • **Maja Daruwala** Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative

Translation: French,Spanish

Formal Networking Sessions

Session 1 • Alsh 1 • 17h00 – 18h30

EU – Africa Strategic Partnership

The EU – Africa strategic partnership will influence every relationship between the two continents, including development and relief projects. This event will offer an opportunity to be informed about the strategy, meet representatives of the institutions which are leading on it, and discuss different ways in which civil society can get involved and maximise its impact.

Convenors: **ACEVO • Skillshare International**

Session 2 • Alsh 2 • 17h00 – 18h30

Call to Action for Decent Work

In March 2008, recognising that an important way out of poverty is for people to have access to decent work, CIVICUS has agreed to support the Call to Action for Decent Work. The Call to Action for Decent Work Decent Life is an international petition which rests on a basic premise that each person of working age has the right to freely chosen employment, to a fair wage, and to social protection. The session will be an interactive tour on the link between Decent Work creation and Poverty Eradication. It will include a photo exhibition on Decent Work, a short presentation of the petition followed by a video presentation and a session where participants will be asked to sign the Call to Action and send a photo message on the theme 'why decent work is important?' to main development aid donors and to the European Union.

Convenors: **Solidar**

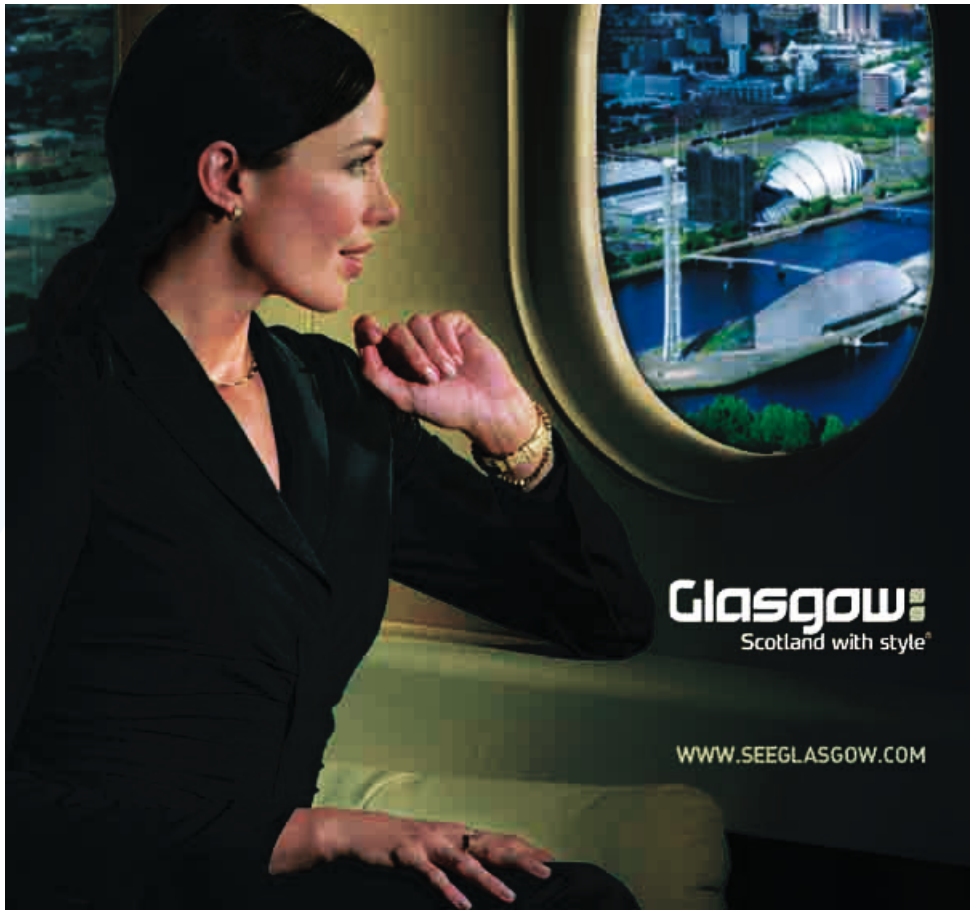
Session 3: • Boisdale 2 • 17h00 – 18h30

The New CSI Methodology

On the basis of the findings of the participatory evaluations conduct-

ed with all partner organisations, surveys and as well as commissioning an external evaluation, the Civil Society Index has completed the redesign of its Methodology 2003-2006 and will be presenting and discussing the new methodology for assessing the state of civil society worldwide. This methodology will be implemented in the next global phase of the CSI, starting in August 2008 by countries around the world. Federico Silva (Programme Officer, CSI, CIVICUS), a member of the redesign team, will be presenting and leading the discussion.

Convenors: Civil Society Index (CSI) Programme, **CIVICUS**



Session 4: • Dochart 2 • 18h00 – 19h00

Book launch: **From Poverty to Power and The Urgency of Now**

Published by Oxfam GB, these look at inequality and what individual citizens can do to help change the world for the better

Convenors: Oxfam GB

Session 5: • Katrine • 17h30 – 19h00

Legitimacy, Transparency and Accountability Consultative Session

This is a consultative meeting with interested stakeholders which includes academics, Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) and practitioners on the new phase of the Legitimacy, Transparency and Accountability (LTA) programme at CIVICUS. This is a three year project aimed at creating a community of best practices by enhancing CSO LTA structures through the instruments of advocacy, knowledge dissemination and, to a certain extent, capacity building. The project is aimed at providing regional groups which have wide membership with the necessary tools for assisting their constituencies on matters pertaining to LTA. This project has been in direct response to requests by CIVICUS members for CIVICUS to develop a project that would assist them in strengthening their LTA structures made in the previous phase

Convenors: Legitimacy, Transparency and Accountability (LTA) Programme; **CIVICUS**

Thursday Dinner • Hall 2 • 19h00- 21h00

Discussion: Accessing resources for civil society strengthening from multi-lateral institutions

Speakers: **Jeremy Nagoda**, International Coordination Officer, EuropeAid Co-operation Office • **John Clark**, Lead Social Development Specialist, East Africa Pacific region, World Bank

Film Screenings repeated on Friday at 20h30

Film 1 • Alsh • 20h30 – 22h00

Orange Revolution

Just after 2 a.m. on November 22, 2004, the call went out: "The time has come to defend your life and Ukraine. Your victory depends upon how many people are ready to say 'No' to this government, 'No' to a total falsification of the elections." Government-controlled media claimed victory for Viktor Yanukovych, the presidential candidate handpicked by the corrupt sitting president. But credible exit polls showed Viktor Yushchenko, the opposition candidate, had won. It was shocking enough that Yushchenko had been poisoned -- and nearly killed-- while on the campaign trail. When reports came in of blatant voter intimidation and damaged ballots, people were outraged.

In freezing temperatures, over one million citizens poured into the streets of Kyiv and took up residence there. They marched in protest and formed human barricades around government buildings, paralysing state functions. At night, rock bands energised the protesters. For 17 days, as many as a million ordinary citizens defied political corruption

and threats to democracy. When troops were ordered to break up the mobilisation with live ammunition, officers in two of Ukraine's uniformed services refused, averting a massacre. In dramatic televised Supreme Court proceedings, the fraud was proven and the justices called for new elections. In January 2005, the people of Ukraine poured into the streets again, this time to celebrate the inauguration of President Yushchenko.

Speaker: **Jack Duvall**, President of the International Centre on Non-violent Conflict

Film 2 • Boisdale • 20h30 – 22h00

House Warming Party (Dia De Festa)

Four women, each from impoverished and hard working childhoods in the fields, leave the countryside and move to the big city in search of a better life. After struggling on the streets of São Paulo, Brazil, they encountered each other and a social/political movement that gave them a strong reason to live. Today they are the leaders of the MSTC (Movement of the Homeless of the Centre of São Paulo). This documentary follows the simultaneous mass occupations of a number of empty buildings during one night ("a house-warming party") seen through the eyes of these women.

Speaker: **Pablo Georgieff**, Director

Friday 20 June

Plenary 2 • Lomond • 09h00 – 10h30

People engaging with Inter-governmental Organisations on an uneven playing field

This plenary will explore the influence of Inter-governmental Organisations (IGOs) and how their power affects the decision-making capacity of citizens at regional, national and local levels. Through a discussion of accountability and the impact of funding we will consider whether there is in fact a levelling of the playing field.

Speakers: **David Nussbaum**; Chief Executive Officer, World Wildlife Fund UK (Moderator) • **Douglas Alexander**, Secretary of State for International Development, United Kingdom • **Jose Miguel Insulza**; Secretary General, Organisation of American States • **Joyce Yu**; Deputy Chief Executive Officer, United Nations Volunteers • **Nyaradzai Gumbonzvanda**; Secretary General, World YWCA • **Shamina de Gonzaga**; Special Adviser on NGO Relations, Office of the President of the General Assembly, United Nations

Kamal al-Labwani • Syria

Kamal al-Labwani is a civil society activist, physician, artist and writer. He was arrested on arrival at Damascus airport on 8 November 2005, after several weeks in Europe and the USA. On 29 May 2006, he was charged with "weakening national morale" and "conspiring with a hostile nation to attack Syria", and sentenced to 12 years in prison, to which 3 years were recently added. Prior to serving a three year prison term, which he completed in September 2005, Kamal was a member of the organisation Civil Society Forum.

Break-out session 1 • Alsh 1 • 11h00 – 12h30

People, Participation & Power:

Structured organisations vs. informal networks: pros and cons

Opening Remarks: **David Robinson**; Society and Civil Policy Institute; New Zealand • **Sue Driver**; Changemakers Refugee Forum, New Zealand

Facilitator: **Tolekan Ismailova**; Citizens Against Corruption Movement

Break-out session 2 • Leven • 11h00 – 12h30

Participatory Governance:

Does participation mean co-option? Does it work, or is confrontation more effective to engender real change

Opening Remarks: **Henedina Abad**; Ateneo School of Government, Manila

Facilitator: **Carmen Malena**; CIVICUS

Break-out session 3 • Boisdale 1 • 11h00 – 12h30

Intelligent Funding

Do the intended beneficiaries of aid and philanthropy have rights?

Opening Remarks: **David Bonbright**; Keystone • **Bisi Adeleye-Fayemi**; African Women's Development Fund

Facilitator: **Steve Rochlin**, AccountAbility USA

Break-out session 4 • Boisdale 2 • 11h00 – 12h30

MDGs

CSO advocacy and citizen mobilisation for the MDGs

Opening Remarks: **Sylvia Borren**; GCAP Co-Chair

Facilitator: **Minar Pimple**; United Nations Millennium Campaign

Break-Out Session 5 • Carron 2 • 11h00 – 12h30

Aid Effectiveness

How can civil society make the Paris Declaration work for the poor?

Opening Remarks: **Jazminda Lumang-Buncan**; IBON Foundation • **Henri Valot**; CIVICUS

Facilitator: **Ezra Mbogori**, MWENGO

Break-Out Session 6 • Dochart 2 • 11h00 – 12h30

How should Civil Society Respond to threats to its Existence?

Civil society: freedom of assembly and expression

Opening Remarks: **Bahru Zewde**, Forum for Social Studies, Ethiopia • **Camilo Asano**; Conectas

Facilitator: **David Kalete**; Commonwealth Foundation

Break-Out Session 7 • Carron 1 • 11h00 – 12h30

Media

Old media and new media – using it to effect change

Opening Remarks: **Chris Michael**; WITNESS • **Karen Higgs**; APC

Facilitator: **John Perlman**, media consultant / journalist

Break-Out Session 8 • Dochart 1 • 11h00 – 12h30

Climate Change Adaptation

How can national governments empower vulnerable communities to adapt to the unavoidable impacts of climate change?

Opening Remarks: **Vicente García-Delgado**; CIVICUS UN representative

Facilitator: **Maja Daruwala**, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative

Break-Out Session 9 • Alsh 2 • 11h00 – 12h30

Youth

Making youth participation meaningful and real

Opening Remarks: **Alancay Morales Garro**; Kus Kura SC Indigenous NGO, Costa Rica

Facilitator: **Dinky Soliman**; Department of Social Welfare, Philippines

Break-Out Session 10 • Katrine • 11h00 – 12h30

Governance

Where are examples of real changes in power relations coming from governance initiatives and how can we build on them?"

Opening Remarks: **Rieky Stuart**, Gender At Work

Facilitator: **Clare Doube**, CIVICUS

"Power, however it has evolved, whatever its origins, will not be given up without a struggle." – William E. Gladstone

DFID Department for International Development

DFID, the Department for International Development: Working with Civil Society in the British Government's fight against world poverty.

One in six people in the world today, almost 1 billion people, live in poverty on less than one dollar a day. In an increasingly interdependent world, many problems – like conflict, crime, pollution and diseases such as HIV and AIDS – are caused or made worse by poverty. Civil Society has an important role in reducing poverty which complements the roles played by government and the private sector. Some of the areas where it can be most effective are:

- **Building voice and accountability** – Civil Society helps to build effective and accountable states and supports voices for change
- **Policy formulation** – Civil Society can have a crucial role to play. Particularly in fragile states by delivering services to the poor and developing new and innovative approaches to reducing poverty. It also has an important role to play in responding to humanitarian crises
- **Promoting awareness and understanding of development** – a strong UK development community is important for building public support for development, contributing to policy debates and holding the international community to account

As the leader of the British Government's efforts to combat the evils of world poverty, DFID has worked with and supported Civil Society for over 40 years.

For more information please check our website: **www.dfid.gov.uk**, or email our Public Enquiry Point **enquiry@dfid.gov.uk** or call them on **0845 300 4100**. Subscribe to our e-bulletin: **www.dfid.gov.uk/feedback** to receive regular updates on DFID's work.

Members' activities

What is CIVICUS Workshop • Katrine • 14h00- 16h00

The 'What is CIVICUS' Workshop is a way for members to learn more about CIVICUS Member Benefits, ask questions and provide feedback to CIVICUS Staff

Special Interest Forums • Hall 2 • 19h30 – 21h00

Membership Staff will help convene Special Interest Forums to help members who are interested and doing work in specific areas to network. These networking sessions will link members together

Learning Exchanges

Learning Exchange 1 • 13h00-17h00

Scottish Parliament

Scotland's new Parliament sits at the foot of Edinburgh's famous Royal Mile in front of the spectacular Holyrood Park and Salisbury Crags. Constructed from a mixture of steel, oak, and granite, the complex building has been hailed as one of the most innovative designs in Britain today. Delegates will enjoy the one hour journey to the east coast of Scotland, where they will take a tour of the Parliament building. They will see where Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs) meet to debate and decide on the issues that matter to the people of Scotland, and explore further into the building, to allow

views of the MSPs office block and historic Queensberry House. Delegates will have the opportunity to take part in a facilitated debate with speakers from the CIVICUS World Assembly and MSPs

Learning Exchange 2 • 13h00 – 17h00

The Living Library – woman to woman, Scotland through women's eyes.

Women of the World Assembly, come to a Living Library and meet women working for women's equality in Scotland.

Meet women who, acting as living books, will open pages and tell their stories about power and representation; women, economics and gender budgeting; violence against women; and women's history. They will share their knowledge and experience of working for women's equality in Scotland and listen and learn from you in return.

Learning Exchange 3 • 13h00 – 17h00

Norton Park

Norton Park is a hub of NGOs and community groups that share office space in this converted former school building. Norton Park was Edinburgh's first green building project. Delegates will be able to go on a tour of the building and meet a representative from the Albion Trust who bought and converted the building. Afterwards, delegates will meet with a number of organisations based in the building, to share experiences and learning.

Participating organisations include:-

- The Lothian Centre for Integrated Living (LCIL): LCIL is all about increasing the opportunities for Disabled People to take control over their own lives and to participate in society. If you are interested in Independent Living you would like to visit us!
- Shakti Women's Aid: Shakti is a voluntary organisation which offers support and information to all black minority ethnic women (over 16 years) and their children experiencing and/or fleeing from domestic abuse from their partners/husbands, ex-partners and/or other family members.

Walking Tours • 19h30-21h00

Black History Tour (10 delegates maximum) – The tour will open your eyes to Glasgow's black history by revealing the impact that the city's mercantile past had on the exploitation of people in Britain's "black" colonies and the impact it has had on Glasgow's prosperity.

Charles Rennie Macintosh Walk (10 delegates maximum) – The tour will show you the magnificient creations of world famous architect Charles Rennie Macintosh in Glasgow City. From exquisite works of art to wonderful architecture, there is something for all to see.

Historic Glasgow (10 delegates maximum) – Walk around ancient Glasgow and be enthralled by the story of Glasgow's past. All periods in Glasgow's development will be covered and all major landmarks passed along the way will be explained.

Victorian Glasgow (10 delegates maximum) – Come and marvel at Glasgow's splendid Victorian buildings. Enjoy our one hour tour as our guide escorts you around the city centre, pointing out to you the wonderful Victorian architecture and explaining the story behind it.

Women's Heritage Walk (10 delegates maximum) – A pioneering women's heritage event, developed by women historians based at Glasgow Women's Library, this walk reveals a hidden history of Glasgow's West End: pipe-smoking forewomen, revolting schoolmistresses, and the unique car made by and for women. An intriguing and inspiring insight into the hitherto unsung women who made the West End.

Workshops Friday 20 June

Workshop 1 • Lomond • 14h30- 16h00

CSI for Action

This engagement workshop will focus on civil society working on strengthening itself and on cross–sectoral engagement with the government, market and the media. Since the open call for the coming CSI phase was issued in the first quarter of 2008, we anticipate a large number of new and potential CSI partners joining us for this workshop. Employing a participatory approach, the workshop will utilize the wealth of experience that former and current partners as well as staff bring to the forum and will engage with potential new partners.

Presenters: **Emina Nuredinoska**; Macedonian Center for International Cooperation • **Dang Ngoc Dinh**; Vietnam Institute of Development Studies • **Harriet Namisi**; Development Network of Indigenous Voluntary Associations • **Beniam Gebrezghi**, CIVICUS • **Sue Le-Ba**; CIVICUS • **Amy Bartlett**; CIVICUS

Workshop 2 • Boisdale 1 • 14h30- 16h30

Empowering Civil Society through the Right to Information

This workshop will train World Assembly delegates in the importance of the Human Right access to information as a key tool to empower the participation of both organised and non organised civil society through the comparison of practical experiences and analysing its importance for different kinds of actors (Government, Corporations, Press, Non Governmental Organisations, Academic Institutions, etc.)

Presenters: **Reshmi Mitra**; Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative • **Juan Martín Carballo**; OAJNU • **Pablo Ignacio Bollati**; OAJNU • **Juan Martín Camusso**; OAJNU • **Ramiro Sonería**; OAJNU • **Noelia Negri**; OAJNU

Workshop 3 • Alsh 1 • 14h30-16h00

Women, Volunteer Participation and Power: Gender Mainstreaming in Programming

Through practical examples from the Sudan Combat Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) Project and the Lao PDR Gender-responsive Budgeting Initiative, explore how to programme gender mainstreaming through volunteerism in development projects. Successful gender mainstreamed projects result in increased participation, inclusion and empowerment of women. Participants will exchange approaches for incorporating a culturally sensitive, participatory gender focus throughout a project cycle

Presenters: **Mae Chao**; United Nations Volunteers • **Suad A. Uragi**; UNV volunteer • **Thor Erik Maeder**; UNV volunteer

Workshop 4 • Dochart 2 • 14h30-16h00

Climate Justice: organising for effective community action on climate change

This workshop aims to bring together all constituencies and individuals interested in exchanging ideas and exploring ways to organise for effective citizen action on climate change in two major respects: (a) civil society's role in climate change adaptation by vulnerable communities in poor regions, and (b) civil society's role in post-Kyoto treaty negotiations leading to a new climate change regulatory framework (Copenhagen, December 2009)

Presenters: **Viktor Kaisiepo**; Presidium Dewan Papua • **Vicente García-Delgado**; CIVICUS UN Representative • **Dominic Stucker**, Earth Charter Youth Initiative • **Dalia Mohamed Ahmad**, African Youth Initiative on Climate Change

Translation: French, Spanish

Workshop 5 • Carron 1 • 14h30 - 16h30

From Poverty to Power: How Active Citizens and Effective States Can Change the World

In June 2008, Oxfam International (OI) is publishing a book of this title (henceforward FP2P). The book will be a flagship publication for OI (the last such exercise was published in 1995) and takes a step back from Oxfam's more targeted campaigns and advocacy work in favour of a broader look at the development challenges of the next few years. Its central argument is that the best chances of achieving genuine development lie in a combination of active citizens and effective states. The main target audience for the book is 'leaders of tomorrow' – young people, students, activists etc. Since this audience coincides precisely with the delegates attending the WA, Oxfam is keen to present and lead a discussion on the book, whose core message is exactly that of the assembly

Presenter: **Ben Margolis**; Oxfam GB

Workshop 6 • Boisdale 2 • 14h30 - 16h30

Civil society: demanding and delivering accountability

Transparency can help to control power and to make those with power more accountable to different stakeholders. A group of organisations from Latin America and Spain will present the results of their joint work on how CSOs can both demand and take on accountability and transparency, and discuss and receive feedback for a new set of actions.

Presenters: **Anabel Cruz**; Instituto de Comunicación y Desarrollo (Uruguay) • **Guillermo Jorge**; UDESA, University of San Andres (Argentina) • **Patricia Álvarez**; Center for Civic Rights (Bolivia) • **Cecilia Dockendorff**; Fundación Soles (Chile) • **Addys Then Marte**; Alianza ONG (Dominican Republic) • **José Luis Espinoza**; CEPRODHEC (Honduras) • **Pau Vidal**; OTS, Observatorio del Tercer Sector (Spain) • **Analía Bettoni**; ANONG/ICD, Uruguay • **Tanya Lockwood**; Fundación Acceso (Costa Rica)
Translation: English, Spanish

Workshop 7 • Leven • 14h30 - 16h00

Growing Green: Take it Personally

Environmental and ecological responsibility is in. Al Gore was lauded as a good citizen who has contributed the most to public awareness on climate change. Although not all of us are in a position to act at this level, there is always something we all can do. It starts from taking the environment and everything that happens, personally, and paying attention to all the small messages we send daily by what we eat, wear, use and throw away. Therefore this workshop focuses on the power of an individual to make changes that have an impact on the world and to influence the way businesses, governments and nonprofits operate with his/her behaviour, attitude and civic participation. The workshop is dedicated to the memory of Anita Roddick, the founder of The Body Shop.

Presenter: **Kristina Mänd**; Network of Estonian Non-profit Organisations

Workshop 8 • Alsh 2 • 14h30 - 16h00

People, Participation and Power: Is Civil Society the Answer in the Middle East?

How is civil society being reinterpreted in the Middle East? Does it work in all cultures or must a culture be thoroughly 'westernised' for the society to acquire a 'civil' component? What are the most appropriate shapes and models for civil society in the Middle Eastern context?

Presenters: **Valli Yanni**; Consultant, Egypt • **Fouad Al Ibrahim**; The Gulf Centre for Political Studies, UK/Saudi Arabia • **Bayan Tabbara**; UN-ESWA, Lebanon • **Brigitte Chelebian**; Lawyer, Lebanon • **Jean Dib Hajj**; IMTI, The International Management and Training Institute, Lebanon

Workshop 9 • Carron 2• 14h30 - 16h00

Points of Entry: Reforming environmental governance through increased public access to decision-making

This interactive workshop presents findings from the Access Initiative's global report to help participants identify the current barriers to greater civil society participation in environmental decisions and provides teams with a number of tools that will help national coalitions develop advocacy strategies to address these barriers

Presenters: **Monika Kerdeman**; The Access Initiative (TAI)/ World Resources Institute (WRI) • **Joseph Foti**; Associate, The Access Initiative, World Resources Institute(USA) • **Augustine Njamnshi**; National Coordinator, The Access Initiative Cameroon • **Daniel Barragán**; Centro Ecuatoriano de Derecho Ambiental (CEDA)(Ecuador) • **Linda Shaffer**; The Access Initiative (TAI)/World Resources Institute (WRI)

Translation: French, Spanish

Workshop 10 • Dochart 1 • 14h30 - 16h00

Knowledge integration: the case of indigenous movements

The workshop addresses two main issues. Firstly, it presents the results of a study on external support to indigenous movements and the challenges external actors face.
Secondly, it discusses strategies and modalities of knowledge development, dissemination and application in order to improve policies and programmes targeted at the empowerment of indigenous people

Presenters: **Teyo van der Schoot**; Humanist Institute for Cooperation with Developing Countries (HIVOS) • **Xavier Albo**; Civil Society Building Knowledge Programme, Institute of Social Studies

Networking Sessions

Session 1 • Boisdale 1 • 17h00 – 18h30

Your opportunity to influence a key mechanism for holding companies to account

AccountAbility is currently revising the AA1000 Assurance Standard which aims to increase the credibility of organisations' sustainability reporting. Only through assurance can companies be held to account for what they report. This process ensures that CSR/Sustainability reporting can't be just a PR tool and helps highlight omissions and false statements regarding sustainability performance, and often leads to improvements in performance. AccountAbility is now reaching out to stakeholder groups that haven't been as well represented, including civil society. Civil Society has unique insights to contribute and AccountAbility wants to make as many groups as possible aware of the process and how to contribute.

Convenors: AccountAbility

Session 2 • Boisdale 2 • 17h00 – 18h30

Resources on Nonviolent Strategies and Civic Action

Whether locally or nationally, "people power and participation" can move citizens from apathy to hope, disengagement to action - to open civic space, create political will, and win rights and justice. During this networking session, civic activists and educators will share information about various issues.

There will also be a demonstration of the nonviolent strategy video game "A Force More Powerful". Complementary learning materials will be distributed, including a practical handbook entitled "Nonviolent Struggle: 50 Crucial Points," as well as several educational documentaries (DVDs), books and the nonviolent strategy video game. DVDs will be available in multiple languages, including English, French, Spanish and Arabic.

Convenors: **International Centre on Non-violent Conflict**

Session 3 • Carron 1 • 17h00 – 18h30

Not a project, nor a programme, but the whole Civil Society Sector

The Aga Khan Development Network's Civil Society Programme aims to make civil society impact on the quality of life of 8 countries of Asia and Africa. We would like to tell you what we are doing and ask for your comments and feedback on the work to date

Convenors: Aga Khan Foundation

Session 4 • Carron 2 • 17h00 – 18h30

Marginalisation of dissent

Freedom of speech, association and assembly are the foundation blocks of a healthy civil society. However, the findings from the Carnegie UK Trust Inquiry into the Future of Civil Society highlight the marginalisation of dissent as a key threat facing the future of civil society in the UK and globally. This special event will explore self-suppression on the part of civil society associations themselves.

Convenors: **Carnegie UK Trust**

Session 5 • Dochart 1 • 17h00 – 19h00

GCAP Open Forum for People's Voices against Poverty and Inequality

This forum will give participants a space to discuss and critique global campaigning processes and present ideas . There will be opportunities to discuss proposals for collaboration, coordination and joint action around global advocacy against poverty. As a result of this session, participants will come up with new ideas for programming around poverty and setting principles and guidelines for future campaigning

Convenors: GCAP

Session 6 • Leven • 17h00 – 18h30

Gender Networking session

This interactive networking session, organised by the CIVICUS Gender Team, provides an opportunity for those working on, or interested in, gender issues to come together and discuss current and crucial topics within gender and gender mainstreaming. This session will engage gender leaders and practitioners from around the globe, including CIVICUS members, staff and board members working on these issues.

Convenors: **CIVICUS Gender Task Team**

Saturday 21 June

Plenary 3 • Lomond • 09h00 – 10h30

Rethinking the role of the Corporate Sector: Trade, Development and Human Rights

This plenary will seek to rethink the role of the Corporate Sector. It is increasingly said that the Corporate Sector has a role to play in supporting fair international trade practices, promoting and defending human rights and supporting international development. Is this rethinking of the corporate sector a myth or reality?

Speakers: **Aisha Khatib**; Chair of the Civil Society Centre Committee, Canadian International Model, United Nations • **Gerd Leipold**, International Exec. Dir: Greenpeace International • **Hina Jilani**; United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders • **Mark Suzman**; Director of Policy and Advocacy, Global Development Program, Gates Foundation • **Pascal Lamy**; Director General, World Trade Organisation • **Sylvia Borren**; Former Executive Director, Oxfam Novib and Co-Chair Global Call to Action Against Poverty International Facilitation Team (Moderator) • **Ziad Abdul Samad**; Director, Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND)

Binayak Sen • India

Binayak Sen, a medical doctor and human rights defender, has been in prison since his arrest on 14 May 2007. He was investigating the use of extrajudicial executions by state police during a counter-terrorism campaign. He was charged under the Chhattisgarh State Public Security Act, which has been widely condemned as violating international law, for supporting unlawful activities of an armed underground movement.'

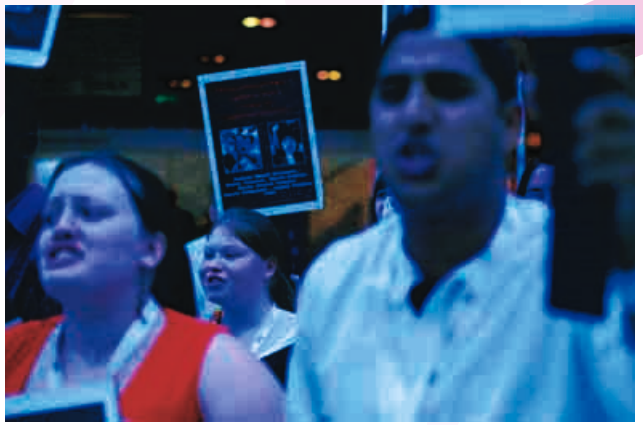
Rally • Kelvingrove Park • 10h30 – 12h30

Every Human Has Rights – March and Rally

Join us as we march from the SECC at 10h30 to Kelvingrove Park (about a 5-10 minute walk) where World Assembly delegates will rally with the Glasgow public and civil society. At 12h30 buses will take delegates back to the SECC for lunch.

To celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the rally will support efforts to end global poverty and defend the freedom to speak out against injustice.

There will be musical entertainment and information displays by local Non Governmental Organisations



Speakers: **Mary Robinson**; Director of the Ethical Globalisation Initiative (Former Prime Minister of Ireland and UN Human Rights Commissioner) • **Salil Shetty**; Director of the United Nations Millennium Campaign • **Alan Miller**; Chair of the Scottish Human Rights Commission • **Netsanet Demissie**; Ethiopian Anti-Poverty Campaigner • **Daniel Bekele**; Ethiopian Anti-Poverty Campaigner • **Kumi Naidoo**; Secretary General, CIVICUS (Moderator)

Lunch • Hall 2 • 12h30 – 14h30

Town Hall meeting on Trade Negotiation Process

Speaker: **Pascal Lamy**; Director General, World Trade Organization • **Aruna Rao**; Director and Co-Founder, Gender at Work and former CIVICUS Board Chairperson (Moderator)

°Plenary 4 • Lomond • 17h00 – 18h30

Amplifying Wisdom:
A Dialogue with the Elders

The Elders are a group of individuals known throughout the world for their courage and commitment to social justice. In an age of rising inequality and rising sea levels, the Elders are a source of wisdom and inspiration for our global village.

This interactive session will provide the Elders with an opportunity to challenge delegates to seek and create a more just world.

Speakers: **Desmond Tutu**; Archbishop Emeritus and a member of The Elders (via video message) • **Ela Bhatt**; Former member of Indian Parliament, Founder of Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA) and a member of The Elders • **Graça Machel**; (via video message) • **Ingrid Srinath**; Former Chief Executive Officer, Child Rights and You and Secretary General Elect, CIVICUS (Moderator) • **Janet Jobson**; National Youth Co-ordinator: Amnesty International - South Africa, Chair of the Youth Assembly Steering Committee • **Jimmy Carter**; Former President of the United States of America (via video message) • **Mary Robinson**; Chairperson of the Ethical Globalisation Initiative and a member of The Elders

Mutabar Tojiboyeva Uzbekistan

Mutabar Tojiboyeva, head of the Ardent Hearts group in the eastern city of Fergana of Uzbekistan was detained on 7 October 2005, following the unrest in Andijan. Mutabar was sentenced to 8 years in prison on 30 May 2006, on 13 charges. She is the 2008 winner of the prestigious Martin Ennals Award. She was released from prison conditionally on 2 June 2008 due to health reasons. While her remaining 6 years in prison have also been reduced, she will be forced to complete a 3 year suspended sentence.

Workshops Saturday 21 June

Workshop 1 • Boisdale 1 • 14h30–16h00

Between Local and Global: How Civil Society Networks Enable a Two-Way Process

This engagement workshop will bring together civil society practitioners, academics, leaders and members of civil society networks as well as donors and capacity building organisations to assess the role of civil society networks in enhancing the participation of ordinary citizens in decision making in both local and global arenas, and the challenges faced in that process.

Presenters: **Charles Buxton**; INTRAC • **Evans Gyampoh**; UNDP • **Inessa Frants**; NGO Institute for Development Cooperation • **Tolekan Ismailova**; Citizens against Corruption Movement • **Anara Moldosheva**; Independent Gender Expert

Workshop 2 • Alsh 1 • 14h30–16h00

People, Participation and Power: Power Tools

The 'power tools' workshop will enable delegates to engage with, use and provide critical feedback on the tools/approaches they use to increase their own power, influence and participation in decision-making processes. Participants will share successes and failures in countering power imbalances in positions, relationships and mechanisms to effect change

Presenters: **Soumounatha Keophilavong**; Carnegie UK Trust • **Nick Wilding**; Carnegie UK Trust • **Jo Rowlands**; Oxfam GB

Workshop 3 • Alsh 2 • 14h30–16h00

Practitioner-led Impact Assessment: Shifting the Paradigm

This workshop will build on the two previous CIVICUS World Assembly Workshops on Impact Assessment and will work out the steps required for a paradigm shift in making impact assessment in international development more practitioner-led, bottom-up, participative and led by local NGOs and communities.

In the context of the prevalent donor-driven, expert-led Impact Assessment systems dominating the current international development landscape (which tend to be bureaucratic, while serving the needs of the donor and frequently used as a mechanism to impose donor authority over the recipients without adding any value for them), this workshop will bring together experiences and best practices of institutional innovations among local practitioners in addressing questions of institutional power relations, flattening hierarchies, inclusion of multiple perspectives and voices etc. with the goal of making Impact Assessment a relevant tool for creating space for local learning, ownership and empowerment.

Presenters: **Anup Dash**; Professor, Utkal University, Orissa, India • **Ruchir Shah**; Policy Manager, Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations • **Delia Decoud**; Social Worker, Asociacion Civi Estudios y Proyectos, Argentina • **Ella Simpson**; Director, The Rock Trust, Scotland • **María Lucila Colombo**; President of the National Council for Women, Argentina

Translation: English, Spanish

Workshop 4 • Carron 1 • 14h30–16h00

Smart Techniques in Lobbying for Effective Legislation

For many non-profit organisations, the term 'lobbying' has negative connotations and solicits anxiety.

Some people are afraid to reach out to decision-makers because they seem distant, and sometimes organisations avoid lobbying altogether, out of fear of not reaching the desired results.

The goal of the session is to break down the concept of lobbying into its most functional components and provide participants with a more easily-understood, functional and effective definition of the term, accompanied by specific techniques and approaches to lobbying.

The session will look at lobbying as one of many types of activities as part of a larger advocacy effort/campaign.

We will distinguish the two concepts, and delineate between them. Moreover, the session will

look at lobbying from an informal as well as a formal perspective.

Presenters: **Arsen Stepanyan**; Counterpart International, Armenia • **Ara Nranyan**; Member of Parliament, Armenia • **Alex Sardar**; Counterpart International Armenia • **Lilit Mnatsakanyan**; Consumer Rights Protection NGO, Armenia

Workshop 5 • Dochart 1 • 14h30–16h00

Use of Mobile Phones for Civil Society Campaigns and Advocacy

This is a structured workshop designed for fifty CIVICUS World Assembly participants. The workshop aims to create awareness of the effective use of mobile phones as a support information and communication technology for campaigns and advocacy by civil society organisations globally

Presenters: **Christiana Charles-Iyoha**; Centre for Policy and Development, PolDeC • **Katrin Verclas**; Mobileactive.org • **Grace Avuaira**; Centre for Policy and Development (PolDeC)

Workshop 6 • Carron 2 • 14h30–16h00

Civil Society Advocacy on National and International Trade Issues: What Have We Learned?

This workshop aims to serve as a space for reflection on the factors for 'success' in advocacy on trade related issues based on sharing concrete experiences. During the first part of the workshop, the main lessons learned from the process of the Referendum in Costa Rica concerning a 'Free' Trade Agreement will be explained by representatives of the Fundacion Acceso and UnMundo para America Latina. During the second part of the workshop, representatives of the Fair Trade Advocacy Office and CIDIN/Radboud University will facilitate the exchange of experiences and strategies to overcome obstacles and challenges in different contexts. The workshop also aims to explore the linkages and synergies between advocacy efforts at local, national and international levels and the role that ICTs have played in allowing social movements to improve their advocacy against powerful propaganda machines.

Presenters: **Celina Del Felice**; Centre for International Development • **Hilary Jeune**; Fair Trade Advocacy Office • **Juan Carlos Mendoza García**; Fundación Acceso • **Erika Valverde**; UnMundo América Latina • **Carolina Flores Hine**; UnMundo América Latina • **Eva Carazo Vargas**; Movimiento de Agricultura Orgánica Costarricense

Translation: English, Spanish

Workshop 7 • Boisdale 2 • 14h30–16h00

Female Activism at the Crossroads in Latin America: Challenges in the Pursuit of Equality, Sustainable Development and Freedom

This is a study about challenges and solutions to female activism in different scenarios, showing 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, using globalisation as a tool to promote civil society development and to amplify the space within their respective societies and the international networks of support that bind together people of varied nations and cultures

Presenters: **Magdelivia Hidalgo**; Latin America Federation of Rural Women • **Johanna Perez** • **Elida Cecconi** • **Miriam Leyva**

Translation: English, Spanish

Workshop 8 • Lomond • 14h30–16h00

Mobilisation Methods and the MDGs

Throughout the world, citizen participation is increasingly vital to drive social change, particularly on the issue of poverty and achieving the MDGs. Occasionally, the political environment restricts the potential of civil society to engage; however, at other times participation doesn't lead to social change because civil society has misapplied the tools of engagement.This workshop will bring together a range of civil society activists who have used different

methodologies to mobilise for change. They will discuss the advantages and drawbacks of their approach, taking into account the diversity of spaces available for civil society participation.

Presenters: **Irfan Mufti** • **Ben Margolis** • **Christophe Zoungrana** • **Jiovanni Fuentes** • **Jose Juan dela Rosa** • **Chanos Ramos** • **Tasneem Athar**

Translation: English, Spanish

Workshop 9 • Dochart 2 • 14h30–16h00

Le Suivi participatif des impacts de la Stratégie de Réduction de la Pauvreté Quelques Pistes indicatives pour le suivi local

Les OSC n'ont pas des outils du suivi participatif. Cet atelier en quatre modules, ouvre des discussions sur : les Fondements conceptuels, la méthodologie et l'approche du « suivi-action » local, le Démantèlement des « usines à pauvreté » et l'identification des Indicateurs de suivi de la lutte contre l'appauvrissement

Presenters: **Assah Gustave** • **Falla Ensa-N'Dayma**; Civil Society Alternative Process of Sierra Leone (CSAP-SL) • **Erasme Bonaventure**; Réseau des Journalistes Béninois pour l'Eau et l'Assainissement

Translation: English, French

Workshop 10 • Leven • 14h30–16h00

Legal Empowerment of the Poor: The Role of Civil Society

Legal Empowerment of the Poor is a new global agenda aiming to reduce poverty by means of law. In this workshop we will explore the role and opportunities of civil society actors in preventing legal impoverishment and in fostering the legal empowerment of people living in poverty for their inclusion in development. Cases for discussion are welcome: bienvenidos@civisol.net

Presenters: **Adriana Ruiz-Restrepo**; Attorney and Adviser in Public Law and Civil Society • **Livi Betancourt**; CiViSOL • **Juan Sebastian Torres**; CiViSOL

Gala dinner • Hall 2 • 20h00 – 23h00

The Gala Dinner will feature Scottish Ceilidh music and dancing. The music is provided by any assortment of fiddle, flute, tin whistle, accordion and bodhrán. Dancing involves a set of four couples, with each pair facing another in a square or rectangular formation. Each couple exchanges position with the facing couple and also facing couples exchange partners, while all the time keeping in time with the beat of the music.

Another highlight of the evening will be a performance by the newly formed 'Civicalypso' choir which will be made up of delegates who have been rehearsing with the composer

Logistical Information

You have checked in at the registration desk and picked up your badge and delegate bag – **what next**?

1. Familiarise yourself

with the bus timetable and venue map.
If you have any questions, please visit the Information Desk in Hall 1.
Sign up for a Learning Exchange Project Visit. See page 10 for the visits on offer, or simply speak to a member of staff at the Learning Exchange desk. Signing up is quick and easy – simply visit the sign-up desk in Hall 1 and put your name down for the visit of your choice. The number of places on each visit is limited, and if you want to attend a visit, you should book as soon as you have picked up your badge. The desk will be open on Wednesday, 18th June, Thursday, 19th June, and close in the morning of Friday, 20th June.

2. Sign up for the Walking Tours

If you want to explore Glasgow and its various sites on foot, we have organised a number of Walking Tours in the evening of Friday, 20th June. The Tours are very popular and places are limited, so make sure that you reserve your place. The desk will close on Friday morning or when all tours are fully booked. (See page 25)

3. Sign up

for the BBC World Have Your Say Debate:
World Have Your Say, the BBC's global interactive programme is broadcasting live from the conference. You will decide the agenda by attending the open editorial meeting. The programme will broadcast live from the conference on Friday, 20 June and from BBC Radio Scotland's foyer just across the bridge on Thursday, 19 June – from 6-8 in the evening to an audience of 45 million around the world. To attend the broadcast on Friday, please note that you will have to pick up a free ticket upon registration on the first day of the conference at the Learning Exchange desk in Hall 1. Places are limited so make sure you get your ticket! Editorial meeting : in the Morar room on 20 June at 11.00am; Broadcast: in the Alsh 1 & 2 room on 20 June from 5pm

4. Sign up for a Break-Out Session

The purpose of the break-out sessions is to have the delegates come up with solutions or proposals for solving the problems/issues arising out of the discussions. Delegates can sign up for the break-out sessions at the Learning Exchange desk upon registration. See page 22

5. For bursary recipients:

Please visit the Bursary Desk in Hall 1 to hand in your receipts, and claim your petty cash. The bursary desk is open every day from 9am to 5pm, so if it's too busy, simply come back another time.

6. Familiarise yourself with ...

the programme, workshops, plenaries and mini-plenaries in the programme brochure. You do not need to sign up for any of these, but please note that you should be in the room on time. If a workshop is full, you may not be able to attend.

7. Familiarise yourself with ...

the opening and closing times of the internet cafe in Hall 5 (see page 36)

8. Mingle, make friends, have fun!

Safety

Scotland, like any other European country, is a relatively safe country and for visitors the likelihood of being a victim of crime is low. If the worst does happen, then the Scottish police are on the whole helpful, sympathetic and professional. They wear blue uniforms of various types depending on duties. Most wear chest guards and carry batons, though street officers do not normally carry guns.

As far as personal safety goes, it's generally possible to walk around Glasgow without fear of harassment or assault. Like all big cities it has its edgy districts and at pub closing time (usually 11pm, midnight or after midnight on the weekend), random alcohol-related violence can be commonplace in every British city centre – be careful and err on the side of caution late at night, when badly lit streets and drunken groups should be avoided. Avoid walking at night on your own. After public transport shuts down for the night, always use official/registered taxis.

If you wish to make an announcement or show a DVD on stage in Hall 2, please speak to the staff at the Information Desk in Hall 1. Please do not approach the stage technicians in Hall 2. There are limited slots available, and our staff will be able to assist you.

If you need assistance from a member of the CIVICUS World Assembly staff team, please make your way to the Delegate Lounge in Hall 1. Staff members are identifiable by their T-Shirts. If you are outside the conference centre, please call the staff offices on 0796 6464 853 from a UK phone, and 0044 (0) 796 6464 853 from an international phone.

Please make sure that you wear your badge at all times while in the conference premises.

Racism

Scotland prides itself on being a friendly country and welcoming to visitors. If you feel that you have been in any way discriminated against during your stay in Glasgow, please let us know! There are laws in place to help you and penalise those that have disadvantaged others because of their colour, culture, ethnic origin, sexuality or religion. The City of Glasgow has assured the organisers of the CIVICUS World Assembly that claims of discriminations will be followed up.

Just visit us in Hall 1 or call the offices on the numbers above if you have any concerns.

Important Emergency Service Numbers:
Ambulance, Fire, Police: call 999 (free call)

Internet Cafe

Opening and Closing Times:

Wednesday, 18th June: Limited internet stations are available in Hall 1. Please limit your use of the internet to 10 minutes.

Thursday, 19th June: A full internet cafe is available in Hall 5 from 9 am to 5.30 pm.

Support staff will be on site to assist with queries. Internet use is limited to 20 minutes. Delegates will receive a number when entering the internet cafe. You will then be able to access your station when it is unoccupied.

Friday, 20th June: A full internet cafe is available in Hall 5 from 9 am to 6 pm.

Support staff will be on site to assist with queries. Internet use is limited to 20 minutes. Delegates will receive a number when entering the internet cafe. You will then be able to access your station when it is unoccupied.

Saturday, 21st June: Limited internet stations are available in Hall 1. Please limit your use of the internet to 10 minutes. The internet stations will close at 6 pm.

Laptop users with built-in WIFI facilities can access the free WIFI anywhere in the conference venue.

North Glasgow Stress Centre will be providing delegates with the chance to take time out and receive a massage, reflexology and various other relaxation techniques. Please visit stand number 92 in Hall 5 to book a free treatment.

Catering and Menus

All lunches and dinners will be served in Hall 2 (next to the Delegate Lounge in Hall 1). For refreshment breaks, please see the schedule below. If you have any special dietary requirements of which you have alerted us before the conference, simply show your badge to the catering staff. *Vegan, Kosher, Halal & any other special dietary requirements – please speak to the catering staff

Wednesday, 18 June

10.30am: **Refreshments** • Hall 1
12.00noon: **Refreshments** • Hall 1
3.00pm: **Refreshments** • Hall 1
6.30pm: **Drinks** • Concourse outside Hall 1
7.30pm: **Dinner Buffet*** Turkey Bonne Femme served with Penne Pasta or Gnocchi Bonne Femme, and mixed Leaf Salad with Olive Oil and Vinegar Dressing; Plum Tomato and Pesto Salad; Crusty Bread; Fresh Fruit • Hall 2

Thursday, 19 June

10.30am – 11am: **Refreshments** • Hall 5
1pm – 2.30pm: **Lunch** * (*Please note: Lunch not for Learning Exchange visitors*) Chilli Con Carne with Rice or Vegetarian Chilli "Non"carne and Mixed Leaves with Olive Oil and Vinegar Dressing; Beef Tomato and Red Onion Salad; Crusty Bread; Fresh Fruit • Hall 2
4.30pm-5.00pm: **Refreshments** • Hall 5
7pm-9pm: **Dinner Buffet*** Lamb Rogan Josh with Steamed Rice and Chutney or Vegetarian Korma with Steamed Rice and Chutney and Mixed Leaves with Olive Oil and Vinegar Dressing; Spicy Onion Salad; Assorted Breads including Naan Bread; Fresh Fruit • Hall 2

Friday, 20 June

10.30am – 11am: **Refreshments** • Hall 5
12.30pm – 2.30pm: **Lunch** * (*Please note: Lunch not for Learning Exchange visitors*) Lasagne al Forno or Penne Pasta with Cherry Tomato, Courgette and Basil Butter and Mixed Leaves with Olive Oil and Vinegar Dressing; Crunchy Green Bean and Sweet Chilli Salad; Fresh Fruit • Hall 2
4pm-4.30pm: **Refreshments** • Hall 5
7pm-9pm: **Dinner Buffet*** Chicken Chow Mein with Prawn Crackers or Vegetable Medley in Black Bean Sauce and Egg Noodles with Prawn Crackers; Mixed Leaves with Olive Oil and Vinegar Dressing; Crusty Bread; Fresh Fruit • Hall 2

Saturday, 21st June

10.30am – 11am: **Refreshments** • Hall 2
12.30pm – 2.30pm: **Lunch** * Moroccan Lamb Hotpot with Cous Cous or Chargrilled Halloumi Cheese with Moroccan Cous Cous; Mixed Leaves with Olive Oil and Vinegar Dressing; Plum Tomato and Pesto Salad; Fresh Fruit • Hall 2
4pm-4.30pm: **Refreshments** • Hall 5
8pm-11pm: **Gala Dinner** *Starter:* Hummus and Chargrilled Vegetables Crostini with a Cucumber and Roquette Salad with Yoghurt and Mint Drizzle. *Main Course:* Supreme of Chicken filled with Sun Dried Tomato with Mushroom and Watercress Sauce. Dessert: Strawberry and Cream Sable with Summer Fruit Sauce; *or Starter*: Hummus and Chargrilled Vegetables Crostini with a Cucumber and Roquette Salad with Yoghurt and Mint Drizzle. *Main Course:* Zuchini and Leek Tart with Bernaise Sauce. *Dessert*: Strawberry and Cream Sable with Summer Fruit Sauce
Tea & Coffee • Hall 2

Bar

There is a cash bar in Hall 1 for alcoholic drinks and other soft drinks during the dinners. Beer on Thursday and Friday kindly sponsored by Scottish & Newcastle.

Bus Timetable

Please familarise yourself with the bus timetable below – free shuttle buses are available throughout the day, and for all evening activities. If you have any questions, please visit the Information Desk in Hall 1.

Hotel accommodation is located in two areas.

SECC hotels: Hotels within walking distance of SECC – City Inn Hotel and Crowne Plaza Hotel

City hotels: Hotels that require transport to and from SECC – Premier Travel Inn - Charing Cross Hotel • Premier Travel Inn - Argyle Street Hotel • Premier Travel Inn - George Square Hotel • Strathclyde University Campus for Bursary Delegates • Euro Hostel

Tuesday, 17 June 2008

Airport & Accommodation Shuttle
From 08.00 until 21.00
Pickup: Glasgow Airport. **Destination:** SECC hotels • City hotels

Wednesday, 18 June 2008

Airport & SECC Shuttle
From 08.00 until 20.00
Pickup: Glasgow Airport **Destination:** Conference and Exhibition Centre (SECC), Car Park • Crowne Plaza Hotel

SECC & Accommodation Shuttle
From 09.00 until 21.00
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** City hotels

Accommodation to SECC
15.30 and 16.00
Pickup: City hotels **Destination:** Conference and Exhibition Centre SECC, Car Park

SECC to Accommodation
21.30 and 22.00
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** City hotels

Thursday, 19 June

Accommodation to SECC
08.00 and 08.30
Pickup: City hotels **Destination:** Conference and Exhibition Centre SECC, Car Park

SECC & Accommodation Shuttle
11.00, 13.00 and 17.00
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** City hotels

SECC to Learning Exchanges
13.00
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** New Lanark • Glasgow City Centre • Perth

Learning Exchanges to SECC
17.00
Pickup: New Lanark • Glasgow City Centre • Perth
Destination: Conference and Exhibition Centre SECC, Car Park

SECC to Accommodation
20.00, 21.00, 22.00 and 22.30
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** City hotels

Friday, 20 June

Accommodation to SECC
08.00 and 08.30
Pickup: City hotels **Destination:** Conference and Exhibition Centre SECC, Car Park

SECC & Accommodation Shuttle
11.00, 13.00 and 17.00
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** City hotels

SECC to Learning Exchanges
13.00
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** Edinburgh Parliament • Edinburgh Norton Park • Glasgow City Centre

Learning Exchanges to SECC
17.00
Pickup: Edinburgh Parliament • Edinburgh Norton Park • Glasgow City Centre **Destination:** Conference and Exhibition Centre SECC, Car Park

SECC to Walking Tours
19.00
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** Glasgow City pick up points

Walking Tours to SECC
20.30
Pickup: Glasgow City pick up points **Destination:** Conference and Exhibition Centre SECC, Car Park

SECC to Accommodation
20.00, 21.00, 22.00 and 22.30
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** City hotels

Saturday, 21 June 2008

Accommodation to SECC
08.00 and 08.30
Pickup: City hotels **Destination:** Conference and Exhibition Centre SECC, Car Park

SECC & Accommodation Shuttle
11.00 and 17.00
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** City hotels

SECC to Accommodation
18.45
Pickup: SECC **Destination:** City hotels

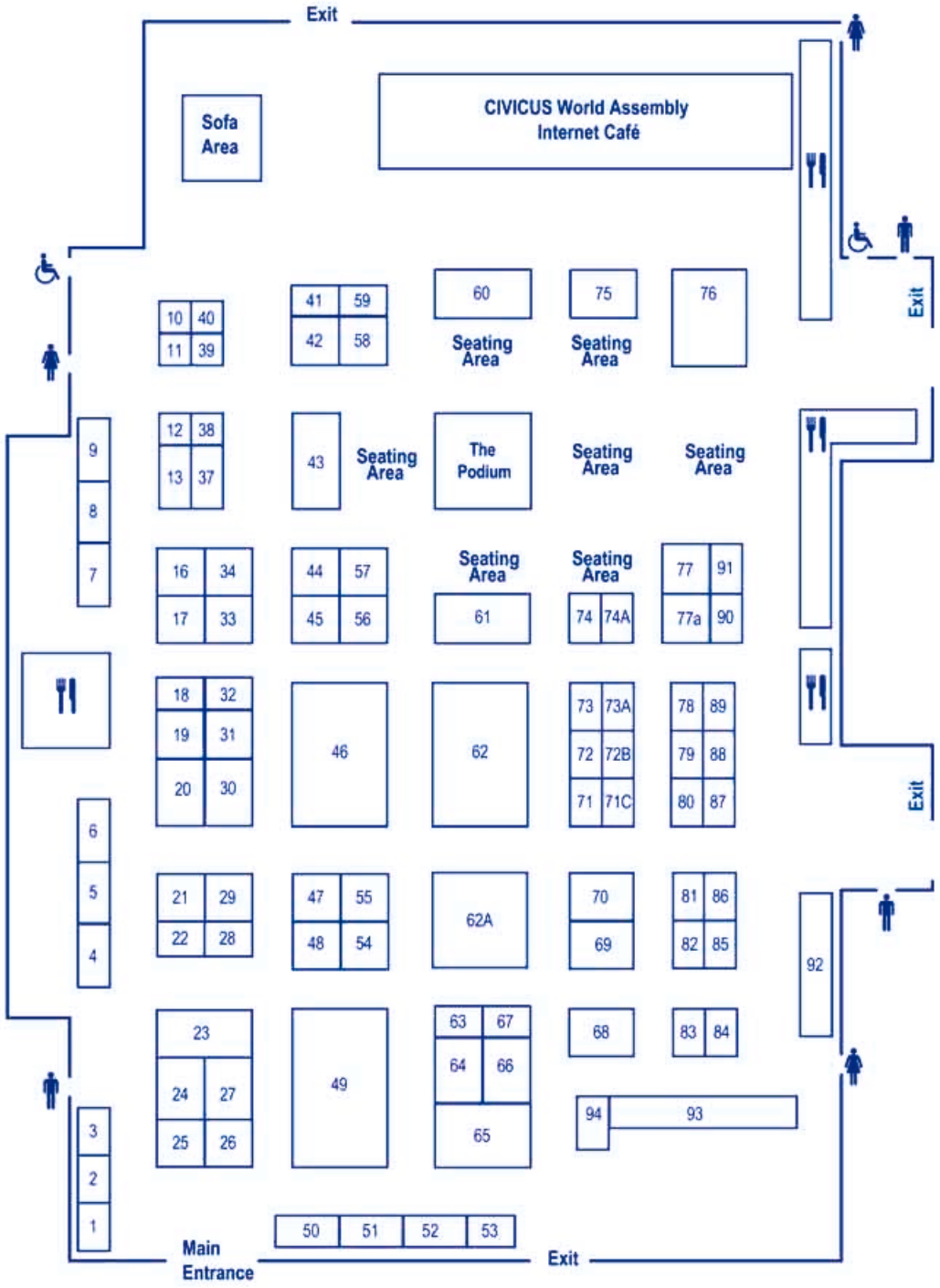
Accommodation to SECC for Gala Dinner
19.00 and 19.30
Pickup: City hotels **Destination:** Conference and Exhibition Centre SECC, Car Park

SECC to Accommodation
22.00, 22.30 and 23.00
Pickup: SECC • **Destination:** Hotels

Sunday, 22 June 2008

Accommodation & Airport Shuttle
08.00 to 21.00
Pickup: SECC hotels • City hotels
Destination: Glasgow Airport

Floorplan Hall 5



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Speakers, Contributors, Facilitators

Aisha Khatib; Chair of the Civil Society Centre Committee, Canadian International Model, United Nations

Aisha Kaitib has studied medicine, and is also extensively involved in international development projects. Her civic involvement started when she was 19 and set up the Al-Ikhwaan Youth Club in response to growing concerns about youth culture, drug use and gang mentality, which offered programmes of educational and preventative workshops and sporting and social events. More recently Aisha has worked in the urban slums of Pune in India to raise awareness and educate people about HIV and AIDS, including setting up an IV drug user rehabilitation and nutrition centre and helping with an orphan sponsorship programme. Aisha is also chair of the Civil Society Centre committee for CANIMUN (Canadian International Model United Nations), and a senior advisor to the bottled water company Earth Water International, in partnership with the UNHCR.

Alpha Bacar Barry; consultant on youth employment issues in Africa

Alpha Bacar Barry is a youth employment expert from Guinea, and the Guinea representative for Peace Child. He graduated in Information and Communication Sciences at Conakry University; set up the Guinean Young University Students Association (AJUG) in 2001 and the NGOs Forum for Good Governance in 2005, for which he organised several national conferences and meetings on democracy, human rights and governance. Alpha is a member of the Executive Committee of the National Programme on Governance and vice president of the African Youth Forum. He has been a journalist for the national TV station for the past 3 years. Alpha represented Guinea in several international events, including the 2nd and 3rd World Youth Congress, the World Summit on the Information Society and the World Summit on Sustainable Development. Alpha is presently a consultant for UNIDO in West Africa, setting up a sub-regional youth employment programme.

Anabel Cruz; Chair CIVICUS Board, Founder-Director, Instituto de Communicacion y Desarrollo (ICD)

Anabel Cruz is the Chair of the CIVICUS Board and the founding director of the Instituto de Comunicación y Desarrollo (ICD), a research centre and NGO capacity-building organisation based in Uruguay. Cruz has a long history of working to strengthen citizen participation in Uruguay and internationally. In the seventies, and as a consequence of the military dictatorships that prevailed in many countries in Latin America, Cruz went into exile for more than a decade. She has conducted extensive research into the role of civil society, particularly non-governmental organisations, in building democracy and citizenship and their participation in development processes in the Latin American post-dictatorship era. Cruz is an active member of ISTR (International Society for Third Sector Research) and part of its co-ordination structure in Latin America and the Caribbean. She is a founder of the National Association of NGOs in Uruguay and currently the Vice-Chair of the board of the Partnership for Transparency Fund (PTF), an international NGO that provides small grants to CSOs in developing countries to fight corruption.

Bisi Adeleye-Fayemi; Co-Founder and Executive Director, African Women's Development Fund

Bisi Adeleye-Fayemi, Executive Director of the African Women's Development Fund, is a social entrepreneur, a philanthropist and a feminist activist, and co-founder of the African Women's Development Fund, the first Africa-wide fundraising and grant-making organisation which promotes women's rights in Africa. Bisi is currently a board member of Resource Alliance (UK), a board member of the International Women's Health Coalition, an editorial board member of ALLIANCE journal, a SYNERGOS Senior Fellow, and an Adviser to the Global Fund for Women (USA) and MamaCash in The Netherlands. Other awards include the `Changing the face of Philanthropy' award given by the Women's Funding Network in the United States; an award from the Sigrid Rausing Trust (UK) for outstanding contributions to women's rights; the African Media Summit for Outstanding Contributions towards Projecting a Positive Image of Africa; and acting as a resource person to UNIFEM, UNDP, UN/ECA (Addis Ababa) and regional and international bodies.

Charles Mutasa; Executive Director, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)

Charles Mutasa is the Executive Director of the African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD). Prior to joining AFRODAD in 2001, he worked as a Researcher/Programme Officer with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Poverty Reduction project, and in government as a Health Statistician/Demographer with the Central Statistical bureau. He has a keen interest in development studies and issues pertaining to socio-economic justice in Africa, and has written, presented and published widely on the role of civil society role in African development. He is currently a member of the OECD Advisory Group on Aid Effectiveness and a board member of the Global Green Grants funds in international financial institutions. He holds a Master of Science degree in demography and a Bsc. (Honours) degree in Political Science and Administration.

Daniel Bekele; Manager Action Aid Ethiopia and Prisoner of Conscience

Daniel Bekele holds a Masters Degree in International Law (Distinction) from the University of Oxford, a Masters Degree in Development Studies and a Bachelors Degree in Law (LLB) from Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia. Daniel has

worked extensively with non-governmental/civil society organisations and international donor agencies focusing on human rights and good governance; promotion of services in democracy building; strengthening civil society; networking; enabling environments for CSOs; legal frameworks for CSOs and converging human rights and law with development initiatives.

David Nussbaum; Chief Executive Officer, World Wildlife Fund UK.

David Nussbaum became Chief Executive of WWF-UK in May 2007. David worked in venture capital and then in the manufacturing industry, latterly as Finance Director of Field Group plc, before joining Oxfam in 1997 as Finance Director and the Deputy Chief Executive. In 2000 he was seconded for six months to head up Oxfam's operations in India. In 2002 David joined Transparency International, the leading global anti-corruption organisation, as Chief Executive based in Berlin. Between 1991 and 2006, David was a non-executive director, and later Chair, of Traidcraft plc, and he is currently a non-executive director of Low Carbon Accelerator and of the fair trade organisation Shared Interest Society.

Desmond Tutu; Archbishop Emeritus and a member of The Elders (*Recorded video clip*)

Desmond Tutu began his working life as a teacher and decided to enter the ministry in 1961. He obtained a Bachelor of Divinity Honours and Master of Theology in London. In 1970 he moved to the University of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland in the Department of Theology, then became Associate Director of the Theological Education Fund of the World Council of Churches in the United Kingdom. Following the Soweto uprising in 1976, Tutu became General Secretary of the South African Council of Churches (SACC), and was soon an international figure in the anti-apartheid struggle. In 1984, his contribution to the cause of racial justice in South Africa was recognised when he received the Nobel Peace Prize. In 1987 he was elected as President of the All Africa Conference of Churches, a Fellow of Kings College, London and Chancellor of the University of the Western Cape. In 1995 President Nelson Mandela appointed Archbishop Tutu to chair South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission, the body set up to probe gross human rights violations under apartheid. He holds honorary degrees from Harvard, Oxford, Cambridge, Columbia, Yale, Emory, the Rühr, Kent, Aberdeen, Sydney, Fribourg (Switzerland), Cape Town, Witwatersrand and the University of South Africa. He has received many prizes and awards in addition to the Nobel Peace Prize, most notably the Order for Meritorious Service Award (Gold) presented by President Mandela, the Archbishop of Canterbury's Award for outstanding Service to the Anglican Communion, the Prix d'Athene (Onassis Foundation), the Family of Man Gold Medal Award, the Mexican Order of the Aztec Medal (Insignia Grade), the Martin Luther King Jr Non Violent Peace Prize and the Sydney Peace Prize. Archbishop Tutu is seen as a leading moral voice worldwide.

Diana Whitworth; Member of the Big Lottery Fund UK Board, Chair of the International Communities Committee

Diana Whitworth is co-director of Grandparents plus. She is a member of the Council of the Advertising Standards Authority, the patient and public representative on Connecting for Health's Service Implementation Board, a member of the NHS Service Delivery and Organisation R and D Board, and a trustee of Odyssey Trust, a pan-London drugs treatment charity. She was Chair of the External Reference Group for the National Service Framework for Long Term Conditions, which advised the government on standards of care for people with neurological conditions (2002-2005). She was Chief Executive of Carers UK (1999-2003), Head of Public Affairs at the National Consumer Council (1988-1999) and Senior Research and Development Officer at Citizens Advice (1980-1999). She is currently a member of the Big Lottery Fund UK Board and chair of the International Communities Committee.

Douglas Alexander, Secretary of State for International Development, United Kingdom

Douglas Alexander, Secretary of State for International Development, United Kingdom, was previously Secretary of State for Transport and Secretary of State for Scotland. He was Minister of State for Europe from May 2005 to May 2006, Minister for Trade, Investment and Foreign Affairs from September 2004 to April 2005 and Minister for e-Commerce and Competitiveness at the Department for Trade and Industry in June 2001. In May 2002 he moved to the Cabinet Office, becoming Minister for the Cabinet Office in June 2003 where, among other things, he led on the Government's better regulation agenda, public and civil service reform and e-government. Douglas Alexander was born in Glasgow in 1967 and educated in Scotland and Canada, going on to study at Edinburgh University and the University of Pennsylvania. He worked as a lawyer before entering Parliament in 1997.

Ela Bhatt; Former member of Indian Parliament, Founder of Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA) and a member of The Elders

Ela Bhatt is widely recognised as one of the world's most remarkable pioneers and entrepreneurial forces in grassroots development. Known as the "gentle revolutionary," she has dedicated her life to improving the lives of India's poorest and most oppressed women workers. In 1972, she founded the Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA); Sa-Dhan, the All India Association of Micro Finance Institutions in India; and the Indian School of Micro-finance for Women. She was a Member of the Indian Parliament and subsequently a Member of the Indian Planning Commission. She established and served as chair for Women's World Banking, the International Alliance of Home-based Workers (HomeNet), and Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing, Organizing (WIEGO). She also served as a trustee of the Rockefeller Foundation for a decade. She has received several awards, including the Ramon Magsaysay Award and the Right

Livelihood Award, George Meany-Lane Kirkland Human Rights Award, and Légion d'Honneur from France as well as honorary doctorates from Harvard, Yale, University of Natal and other academic institutions.

Elisa Peter; Deputy Co-ordinator of the United Nations Non-governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS)

Elisa Peter is the deputy co-ordinator of the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (NGLS), an inter-agency programme of the United Nations system, established in 1975 to promote constructive engagement of civil society organisations in the socio-economic agenda of the UN and to expand the policy space available for civil society in UN inter-governmental processes. Prior to joining NGLS, she worked as a policy analyst for the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations in Rome, where she authored a report on law enforcement in the forestry sector and contributed to the development of strategies to increase stakeholder participation in the work of the Forestry Department of the FAO. Before joining the UN system in 2004, she worked for more than 10 years as a campaigner for a wide range of non-governmental, non-profit organisations in Central and North America, Europe and Asia in the fields of sustainable development, environmental conservation and indigenous peoples rights. She lived in the Arctic for five years, leading an international network of grassroots organisations and indigenous peoples movements advocating for the sustainable use of natural resources in the circumpolar regions of the world, and contributed to the international WWF Ecoregion Programme for the conservation of the biological features and diversity of the Baltic sea region. She is a board member of several non-profit organisations and a guest lecturer at New York University on the role of NGOs in global governance. She holds a Masters Degree in environmental sciences from Imperial College in the U.K.

Gerd Leipold; International Executive Director Greenpeace International

Gerd Leipold was appointed Secretary General of Greenpeace International in June 2001, having worked for the organisation in various capacities for over 20 years. In the 1980s he was Executive Director of Greenpeace Germany, before running the international disarmament campaign from 1987-1992. In his role as Greenpeace's International Executive Director, Mr. Leipold leads the global organisation, overseeing all its activities. He has a PhD in Oceanography and worked as a research scientist for the Max Planck Institute for Meteorology in Hamburg on numerical ocean circulation models as part of the Institute's climate research, and at the Scripps Institute of Oceanography at the University of California.

Graça Machel; President, Foundation for Community Development (*Recorded video clip*)

Graça Simbine Machel has been a leading figure in the drive to empower women and children for nearly three decades, whether in conflict or in times of peace. In her role as educator, Ms Machel has been active at both the national and regional levels. She was President of UNESCO's National Commission in Mozambique; served on the international steering committee of the World Conference on Education for All; and in 1994 named Expert to Chair the Study on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children. Ms Machel is also one of the few female board members of the African Leadership Forum (ALF) and helped to establish its African Women's Forum. She is a member of FAS's Advisory Board. Beyond these commitments, she remains an active member of many organisations in Africa and throughout the world. In 1992, she was awarded the Laureate of Africa Prize for Leadership for the Sustainable End of Hunger by the Hunger Project. In 1995, she received the Nansen Medal in recognition of her contribution to the welfare of refugee children. Ms Machel was also given the Inter Press Service's International Achievement Award for helping children throughout the world. Graça Machel married former South African President Nelson Mandela in 1998. She is currently President of the Foundation for Community Development and Chairperson for the National Organization of Children of Mozambique, and is also an Elder.

Hina Jilani; United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders

Hina Jilani is a human rights lawyer and defender, and was the Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary General on Human Rights Defenders from 2000 to 2008. She has degrees from the Punjab University Law College and has been an advocate in the High Court of Pakistan since 1981, and the Supreme Court of Pakistan since 1992. With extensive experience in constitutional and human rights litigation in Pakistan, she has been involved in landmark cases that set the standard for human rights in Pakistan, especially on the rights of women, and international human rights law. Ms Jilani established the first women's law firm and legal aid centre in Pakistan in 1980, and is a founding member of the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan. She is extensively involved in a number of international bodies that work with human rights, and has written extensively on a range of rights-based issues. She has been awarded the Human Rights Monitor Award by Human Rights Watch and the Amnesty International Genetta Sagan Award for Women's Rights.

Ingrid Srinath; Former Chief Executive Officer, Child Rights and You and Secretary General Elect, CIVICUS

Jan Bouke Wijbrandi; Director of Campaigns, Oxfam Novib

Jan Bouke Wijbrandi was appointed director of the Campaigns Department at Oxfam Novib in 2001, which includes responsibility for the Policy Department. He has been working in development since 1986, and is a graduate of economics, specialising in agriculture, with broad experience in public education and fundraising. Prior to his appointment at Dutch Interchurch Aid in 1986, Jan Bouke was a post-graduate assistant at the Faculty of Economics at the Free University, researching the integration of Ethiopian

refugees in Sudan, and responsible for coaching students. In 1987 he was appointed Head of the Food Security unit of Dutch Interchurch Aid in Utrecht, responsible for the policy and implementation of the international food aid programme in developing countries. Interchurch Aid joined 13 other church organisations to become Churches in Action with Jan Bouke as director-secretary in 1995, responsible for developing the members' co-operation in public education and fundraising. In 1998 he joined Médecins sans Frontieres in Amsterdam, heading up the department of Communication and Fundraising. He is also on the board of the SHO and is the treasurer of Partos, a coalition representing the interests of Dutch development agencies.

Janet Jobson; National Youth Co-ordinator, Amnesty International - South Africa and Chair, Youth Assembly Steering Committee

Janet Jobson is currently studying towards an MPhil in Development Studies at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar. She is passionate about human rights activism and securing social justice. Her current interests stretch from corporate accountability to issues of violent crime and social cohesion. She has represented civil society organisations at various meetings of the United Nations. As a board member and National Youth Co-ordinator of Amnesty International South Africa, Janet participated in the AI International Council Meeting and Youth Assembly (2006). Janet's other passion – theatre – saw her producing the Vagina Monologues on various occasions, as well as co-authoring two plays for the Khulumani Support Group, a membership-based NGO for victims and survivors of apartheid gross human rights violations. Janet is a Mandela Rhodes Scholar (2006), and was the founding Chairperson of the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars, an initiative to promote commitment to education, leadership, reconciliation and social entrepreneurship in Africa.

Jazminda Lumang-Buncan; Executive Director, IBON

Jazminda Lumang-Buncan is the Executive Director of the IBON Foundation, Inc., an independent development institution established in 1978 that provides research, education, publication work and advocacy support on socio-economic issues in the Philippines and abroad. She has worked with IBON since 2003 and was previously at the Asia Pacific Research Network (APRN), a network of more than 50 major research NGOs in Asia-Pacific; and with the Reality of Aid, a global network that brings together more than 60 civil society networks around the world to monitor development co-operation and promote national and international policies for effective strategy for poverty eradication. She has also worked with Wellspring of Science and Technology, a Philippine-based NGO network specialising in sustainable agriculture and community-based renewable energy systems.

Jimmy Carter; Former President of the United States of America (*Recorded video clip*)

Jimmy Carter was born October 1, 1924, and became the thirty-ninth President of the United States, serving from 1977 to 1981, and the recipient of the 2002 Nobel Peace Prize. Prior to becoming president, Carter served two terms in the Georgia Senate and as the 76th Governor of Georgia, from 1971 to 1975. After leaving office, Carter founded with his wife Rosalynn the Carter Center, an institute to promote global health, democracy and human rights. He has traveled extensively to conduct peace negotiations and establish relief efforts; he is also a key figure in the Habitat for Humanity project. As of 2008, Carter is the second-oldest living president. Carter remains a well-known and widely respected international figure, and is a member of The Elders.

Joao Scarpelini; National Representative Brazil, Peace Child International

Joao Scarpelini is a 22-year old Brazilian-Italian working with youth empowerment and social change in different organisations since 1999. In 2002 he started working for Peace Child International (a British-based international organisation that aims to empower young people around the world). He is also a columnist for CAPRICHO magazine, a major Brazilian magazine specialising in youth issues in Brazil, and writes for three other international publications. He moderates the educational forum of the youth initiative from the Inter-American Development Bank and works as an independent consultant on youth strategy, specialising in youth and global issues. Having worked in 23 different countries in Latin America, Africa, Asia and Europe, Joao has acquired extensive experience in youth and social responsibility issues, sustainable and eco-friendly practices, education, international development, social engagement, volunteering and youth identity, self-esteem, sexuality, marketing strategies, technology and trends forecasting.

John Perlman; Radio Talk Show Host and South African Journalist

John Perlman is a long-time print, television and radio journalist from South Africa. He graduated from Wits University with a degree in History, African Politics and Southern Sotho, and has a higher diploma in journalism from City University, London. He currently hosts "Today with John Perlman" on Kaya FM Radio in Johannesburg, and has established the Dreamfields Project, to build soccer fields in South Africa's townships and rural areas and to provide children in those communities with football equipment.

Jose Miguel Insulza; Secretary General, Organisation of American States

José Miguel Insulza, Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS) since 2005 is a Chilean politician with a long record of public service. He has a law degree from the University of Chile, did post-graduate studies at the Latin American Social Sciences Faculty and has a master's degree in political science from the University of Michigan. Until 1973 he pursued an academic career in Chile. Following the coup that brought General Augusto Pinochet into power, Insulza went into exile for 15 years, first in Rome then Mexico, where he continued as an academic. He returned to Chile in 1988 and helped to lead a political movement towards democratic elections in 1990. A member of Chile's Socialist Party, Insulza served as Chilean Ambassador for International Co-operation, Director of Multilateral Economic Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Vice President of the International Co-operation Agency. He then became Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs and then Minister of Foreign Affairs. In 1999, he became Minister Secretary General of the Presidency, and the following year he became Minister of the Interior and Vice President of the Republic. When he left that post in May 2005, he had served as a government minister for more than a decade, the longest continuous tenure for a minister in Chilean history.

Joyce Yu; Deputy Chief Executive Officer, United Nations Volunteers

Joyce Yu is the Deputy Executive Co-ordinator of the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme. Before joining UNV, she served as the UN Resident Co-ordinator/UNDP Resident Representative from 2002 to 2006 in the UNDP Multi Country Office based in Samoa, responsible for several Pacific island countries. She also served as the Deputy Resident Representative with UNDP Malaysia and UNDP Jamaica and as a Programme Manager in the UNDP Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific in the Regional Programme Division. Ms Yu started her career in the UN in 1990, joining UNIFEM as a Programme Manager in the Asia Section. She has a long history of volunteering and activism at the grassroots level in human rights, particularly women's rights. From 1980 to 1984, she headed the Ms. Foundation for Women and the Free To Be Me Foundation for Children. Together with the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches, she co-ordinated a global campaign on peace and justice mobilising local churches. In 1984, she joined the UN Non-Governmental Liaison Service to encourage and support the participation of grassroots women's groups in the 1985 World Conference on Women, subsequently convening an international conference of women scholars and activists in 1990, sponsored by UNCTAD and UNIFEM, to bring attention to the impact of structural adjustment on women. She was born in Washington D.C. and holds a post-graduate degree from the University of Sussex's Institute of Development Studies in Brighton, England.

Karen Higgs; Communications Manager, Association for Progressive Communications

Karen Higgs is communications, media and promotions manager with the Association for Progressive Communications (APC), a worldwide civil society network founded in 1990 to promote the use of the internet for a more just world. Karen joined APC in 1999. Together with a small multilingual team, working virtually, she manages the APC.org website which provides key information on ICTs for development and social justice in English, French, Spanish and Portuguese. She is editor-in-chief of the APC News e-newsletter and since 2002 has co-ordinated two international awards - the APC Betinho Latin American and Hafkin Africa Communications Prizes. Karen is a board member for the Inter-American Institute on Disability and Inclusive Development (IIDI) and has lived in Latin America for more than fifteen years. She is presently based in Montevideo, Uruguay.

Kumi Naidoo; Secretary General, CIVICUS

Kumi Naidoo is the Secretary General of CIVICUS, the World Alliance for Citizen Participation. He holds a law degree from the University of Natal, and is a Rhodes Scholar with a D.Phil in Politics from Magdalen College, Oxford. He previously served in several leadership positions in the Adult Education Sector in South Africa, and has worked as a researcher, journalist, university lecturer, and youth counsellor, and was a member of the Commonwealth Foundation NGO Advisory Committee. Kumi was born in South Africa, but escaped from there in his 20s, only returning after the fall of apartheid, to head the South African Non-Government Organisation Coalition (SANGOCO). He played a key role in South Africa's transition to democracy through his involvement in the Independent Electoral Commission in 1994. Kumi sits on a number of international boards and advisory bodies and has written extensively on a wide range of development issues.

Mark Suzman; Director of Policy and Advocacy, Global Development Program, Gates Foundation

Mark Suzman is a South African national who serves as the Director of Policy and Advocacy for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Global Development Programme. From 2005 to 2007, he was the senior adviser for Policy and Strategic Communications in the Office of the Secretary General at the United Nations. From 2000 to 2005, Mr. Suzman served within the United Nations Development Programme as policy director in the Office of the Administrator. Prior to the U.N., he was a correspondent for the Financial Times in Johannesburg, London, and Washington, D.C. Mr. Suzman holds a doctorate in International Relations from Oxford University, where he was a Rhodes Scholar. He earned his bachelor's degree (summa cum laude) from Harvard University.

Mary Robinson; Chairperson of the Ethical Globalization Initiative and a member of The Elders

Mary Robinson is the President of Realizing Rights: The Ethical Globalization Initiative. She served as United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights from 1997 to 2002 and as President of Ireland from 1990-1997. She is a member of the Elders; Chair of the Council of Women World Leaders; and Vice President of the Club of Madrid. She chairs the International Board of the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED) and the Fund for Global Human Rights. She is chair of the GAVI Fund Executive Committee and Vice-chair of the GAVI Fund Board. She is Honorary President of Oxfam International and is Patron of the International Community of Women Living with AIDS (ICW); a professor of practice at Columbia University; a member of the Advisory Board of the Earth Institute; an Extraordinary Professor at the University of Pretoria in South Africa; and Chancellor of Dublin University.

Netsanet Demissie; Director Organisation of Social Justice Ethiopia and Prisoner of Conscience

Netsanet Demissie obtained a Bachelors Degree in Law (LLB) from Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia, and started his career working as an Assistant Judge at the Federal First Instance Court of Ethiopia, where he developed a strong interest in human rights application. In 2003 he established the Organization for Social Justice in Ethiopia (OSJE), a non-governmental organisation promoting Human rights, Democracy, and Access to Justice. He has worked closely with civil society organisations, government agencies, the international diplomatic community, donor agencies and international organisations focusing on areas of human rights, good governance, democracy building (more specifically election monitoring) and public interest litigation.

Nyaradzai Gumbonzvanda; Secretary General, World YWCA

Nyaradzai Gumbonzvanda is the Secretary General of the World YWCA. She holds a Masters in Private Law with specialisation in Constitutional Property Law from the University of South Africa; a post-graduate Diploma in Conflict Resolution from Uppsala University, Sweden; a law degree from the University of Zimbabwe and a Certificate in Gender and Development from Bossey Institute, Switzerland. She is a UN Staff College Professional Facilitator and Resource Person for the UN Common Country Assessment and United Nations Development Assistance Frameworks and Rights Based Approach to Programming. She has over ten years of experience with the United Nations, where she served as Regional Director for the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) in Eastern Africa, human rights officer with UNICEF as well as national child rights advisor in Liberia and Zimbabwe respectively. She has worked in the women's rights movement on issues of constitutionalism, inheritance, property and land rights, and in post-conflict situations in Africa, including the Protocol on Sexual and Gender Based Violence and the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and People's Rights. She serves on the advisory Board for the African Centre for Women and ICTs, and recently founded the Rozaria Memorial Trust (RMT), a charity organisation established in honour of her late mother who died a role model in her community in Murewa, Zimbabwe. She was awarded a life membership by Maendeleo Ya Wanawake, a grassroots organisation with over 4 million members in recognition of her support for women's empowerment. She has written extensively and is also a poet.

Pascal Lamy; Director-General of the World Trade Organization (WTO) since September 2005.

Pascal Lamy was appointed Director-General of the World Trade Organization by its Members in May 2005. He holds degrees from the Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales (HEC), from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques (IEP) and from the Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA). He began his career in the French civil service at the Inspection Générale des Finances and at the Treasury, then became an adviser to the

"It has long been recognized that an essential element in protecting human rights was a widespread knowledge among the population of what their rights are and how they can be defended."

— Boutros Boutros-Ghali

Finance Minister Jacques Delors, and subsequently to Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy. In Brussels from 1985 to 1994, Pascal Lamy was chief of staff for the President of the European Commission, Jacques Delors. In 1994 he led the team tasked with rescuing the French bank, Credit Lyonnais, and later became CEO of the bank until its privatisation in 1999. Between 1999 and 2004, Pascal Lamy was Commissioner for Trade at the European Commission under Romano Prodi. He was briefly president of "Notre Europe", a think tank working on European integration, as associate Professor at the l'Institut d'études politiques in Paris and as advisor to Poul Nyrup Rasmussen when president of the European Socialist Party.

Paula Fray; Regional Director, Inter Press Service, Africa

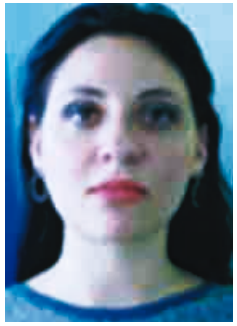
Paula Fray, Regional Director, IPS Africa, has worked in media for over 22 years, the last four in media training and development. She is currently the Regional Director for IPS Africa, with management responsibilities for the news service and related media and communication projects in Africa. Prior to joining IPS, she founded and managed Paula Fray & Associates, a media training organisation focused on training reporters and newsroom managers. Since 2004, she has trained IPS journalists to report on SADC, microfinance and desertification issues in Africa. Paula is the founder and convenor of the annual Narrative Journalism Conference in South Africa. An award-winning journalist who rose to become the first female editor of the Saturday Star newspaper in South Africa, Paula was also executive news editor of The Star newspaper in Johannesburg. She has edited the IPS flagship newspaper Terra Viva in Bamako, Nairobi and Glasgow. Paula graduated with a BJourn degree from Rhodes University and has a Woman and Law Certificate from UNISA. A recipient of the prestigious Nieman Fellowship at Harvard University, she currently serves on the Nieman Foundation Advisory Board.

Rajiv Joshi; Member of the Scottish Youth Parliament, Board member of CIVICUS and Vice Chair of Young Scot

Rajiv Joshi holds an Honours degree in Economics from Strathclyde Business School, and has been extensively engaged in civil society activism. In 2007 he was elected by civil society organisations around the world to be a Director of CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation where he serves as the youngest ever board member. In 2005 he was elected Chair of the Scottish Youth Parliament where he served two terms representing young people across Scotland. Currently Vice-Chair of Young Scot, Rajiv has been appointed to the Scotland committee of the Equality and Human Rights Commission, Director of the Centre for Scottish Public Policy and a Senior Adviser to the British Council. Rajiv is also actively involved in GCAP Scotland.

Salil Shetty; Director, United Nations Millennium Campaign

Salil Shetty joined the United Nations in October 2003 as Director of the Millennium Campaign after two decades as a recognised civil society leader. In the last four years he has played a central role in building up the global advocacy campaign for the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in over 50 countries. This powerful anti-poverty campaign is a unique global partnership between the UN and social movements, faith groups, NGOs, local authorities, parliamentarians and the media, calling for greater accountability from governments in the fight against hunger, disease and illiteracy. Prior to joining the UN, he headed ActionAid, a leading international development NGO; where he worked initially in field programmes in South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa and then in fundraising and advocacy programmes in Europe and the United States. He serves on the boards of the Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, The Overseas Development Institute, London, and the Agence France-Presse Foundation, Paris and is a Member of the Advisory Council of the American-Indian Foundation, New York. He is also a member of the Strategic Planning Group for Amnesty International. Mr. Shetty earned a Master of Science in Social Policy and Planning degree with distinction from the London School of Economics and has a Masters in Business Administration from the Indian Institute of Management in Ahmedabad.



Shamina de Gonzaga; Special Adviser on NGO Relations, Office of the President of the General Assembly, United Nations

Shamina de Gonzaga is the Special Adviser on NGO Relations, Office of the President of the General Assembly, United Nations. She represents the Fundación Cultural Baur, a Mexico-based NGO focusing on human rights education; is a Vice-Chair of the NGO/DPI Executive Committee; and Special Adviser on NGO relations in the Office of the President of the General Assembly. She has facilitated the involvement of civil society in various high level meetings of the General Assembly including on HIV/AIDS, International Migration and Development, Least Developed Countries, and Interreligious and Intercultural Understanding and Co-operation for Peace. In 2001 Shamina initiated the youth committee for the DPI/NGO Conference. She has served as NGO representative to the UN since 1996 and was a participant in the 1990 Children's Summit. She received Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from the University of Pennsylvania in 2003 and is fluent in English, French and Spanish.

Sharan Burrow; President, International Trade Union Confederation

Sharan Burrow became the second woman to be elected President of the Australian Council of Trade Unions (ACTU) in 2000. In 2006 she was elected President

of the International Trade Union Confederation, which represents 168 million workers in 154 countries and territories and has 307 national affiliates. In December 2004, Sharan became the first woman president of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, which joined with the World Confederation of Labour to form the ITUC in November 2006. Sharan comes from a family with a long history of involvement in unions and the struggle to improve the lives of working people. Sharan qualified as a teacher and has been active in education unions all her working life. She is currently President of the International Centre for Trade Union Rights, a member of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organisation and a member of the Stakeholder Council of the Global Reporting Initiative. As part of her ILO responsibilities, Sharan chairs the Workers' Group of the Sub-Committee on Multinational Enterprises.

Stephen King; Director, BBC World Service Trust

Stephen King was appointed as Director of the BBC World Service Trust in 2001. The Trust was created by BBC World Service in 1999 to promote development through the innovative use of media and to build media expertise in developing countries and countries in transition. The Trust has grown in the past five years to become one of the leading organisations working to strengthen the media in developing countries and countries in transition. It works in more than 40 countries and employs 600 staff worldwide engaged in programme production, training and policy and research work. Prior to this position, Stephen worked for more than 15 years with the media, international policy bodies and development agencies in Asia, Africa and in North America. He was previously executive director of the International Council on Social Welfare (ICSW) a network of non-governmental organisations working worldwide to promote social development. He has worked closely with the UN in New York and their regional headquarters in Africa, Asia and Latin America on policy development issues relating to the UN's World Summit on Social Development, and with the World Bank and regional inter-governmental bodies on social policy issues. He was also regional representative for HelpAge International, a UK NGO working with older people and their communities. He is a board member of a number of international development agencies and is a regular contributor to the media on international media and development issues. He graduated from SOAS, University of London with an MA in Oriental and African History.

Stephen Wallace; Vice President Policy Branch, Canadian International Development Agency and a member of the Aid Effectiveness Advisory Group

Stephen Wallace is the Chair of the OECD-DAC Advisory Group on Civil Society and Aid Effectiveness. A graduate of the University of Ottawa, Stephen Wallace has focused much of his 30-year career on development and international affairs. Early work with non-governmental organisations, including long-term postings in Nigeria and Lesotho led to his appointment with the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) in 1984. Assignments in Africa, the Americas and multilateral affairs preceded his secondment in 1994 to the Special Joint Committee of Parliament Reviewing Canadian Foreign Policy. In recent years, he assumed special CIDA responsibility for the conflict areas of Bosnia and Kosovo, led development policy for Africa and the Middle East, and worked for the Treasury Board as Assistant Secretary for Government Operations. He was appointed CIDA Vice-President of Policy in 2005, and assumed responsibility for an expanded CIDA Afghanistan Task Force in March 2007.

Sylvia Borren; Former Executive Director, Oxfam Novib and Co-Chair Global Call to Action Against Poverty International Facilitation Team

Sylvia Borren is the former Executive Director of Oxfam Novib. She also serves as Co-Chair of the Global Call to Action Against Poverty International Facilitation Team. She chairs the New Dialogue (a Dutch platform of civil society organisations) and co-founded the NSF (Dutch Social Forum). From 1995 to 2004 she was a member of the board of governors of one of the largest mental health services in The Netherlands, and before that worked as a trainer and organisational consultant at the foundation "De Beuk", specialised in Civil Society and Government Consultancy. She joined the Civil Servants Trade Union and the national board of the COC, the Dutch Lesbian and Gay organisation. She helped build the International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA) and was active in the global women's movement. She is regularly invited at national and international level as a speaker and participant on issues of development, transformational leadership, active citizenship and civil society. She holds a B.A. in Education and Religious Studies, and an MA in Education.

"It was never the people who complained of the universality of human rights, nor did the people consider human rights as a Western or Northern imposition. It was often their leaders who did so."

— Mr Kofi Annan

Detailed Programme 8th CIVICUS World Assembly 18 – 21 June 2008

Wednesday 18 June 2008		
09h00 – 21h00	**Registration**	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) Hall 1. Delegates who are sponsored through the World Assembly bursary fund, please proceed to the Bursary Desk
09h00 – 16h00	**AGNA Meeting**	Leven, SECC – See page 7
09h00 – 16h00	**Participatory Governance Conference**	Caledonia University, See Page 7
09h00 – 18h00	**CIVICUS Youth Assembly**	SECC – See Page 5
16h30 – 18h30	**Opening Plenary** – People, Participation & Power – we the people…	SECC Hall 2 – See Page 12
19h30 – 21h00	**Welcome Ceremony** and **CIVICUS Nelson Mandela – Graça Machel Innovation Awards**	SECC Hall 2 – See Page 12
Thursday 19 June 2008		
09h00 – 19h00	**Registration**	SECC Hall 1. Delegates who are sponsored through the World Assembly bursary fund, please proceed to the Bursary Desk
09h00 – 10h30	**Mini Plenary 1:** Financing for Development: Innovation and Reform (Intelligent Funding Track)	SECC Lomond Suite – See Page 13
09h00 – 10h30	**Mini Plenary 2:** Joint challenges and responsibilities of civil society and media – what are our roles for People, Participation and Power? (Media Track)	SECC Alsh 2 – See Page 14
10h30 – 11h00	**Tea Break**	SECC Hall 5
11h00 – 12h30	**CIVICUS Members' Meeting**	SECC Lomond – See Page 15
11h00 – 12h30	**Big Lottery Fund Networking Session**	SECC Carron 1 – See Page 15
12h30 – 14h00	**Lunch**	SECC Hall 2
13h00 – 17h00	**Learning Exchanges**	Various project visits. Book your place at the Information and Registration desk in Hall 1. (Spaces are limited) – See Page 16. Delegates will receive a packed lunch. Please see programme insert for bus timetable.
14h30 – 16h30	**Workshops**	SECC – See Page 17
16h30 – 17h00	**Tea Break**	SECC Hall 5
17h00 – 18h30	**Formal Networking Session**	SECC – See Page 19
17h30 – 19h00	**CIVICUS Members' Cocktails**	SECC Hall 5 – See Page 15
18h00 – 20h00	**BBC World Have Your Say Live Broadcast**	BBC Scotland – See Page 10 Book your place at the Information and Registration desk in Hall 1. (Spaces are limited) Transport will be provided
19h00 – 21h00	**Dinner** and **Informal Networking**	SECC Hall 2. Please see programme insert for bus timetable to leave SECC
20h30 – 22h00	**Film Screenings**	SECC Alsh & Boisdale – See Page 21 Please see programme insert for bus timetable

Friday 20 June 2008		
08h00 – 18h00	**Registration**	SECC Hall 1. Delegates who are sponsored through the World Assembly bursary fund, please proceed to the Bursary Desk
09h00 – 10h30	**Plenary 2:** People engaging with Inter-Governmental Organisations on an uneven playing field	SECC Lomond Suite – See Page 22
09h00 – 09h30	**BBC World Have Your Say Editorial Meeting**	SECC Morar – See Page 10
10h30 – 11h00	**Tea Break**	SECC Hall 5
11h00 – 12h30	**Break-Out Sessions**	Various venues in SECC – See Page 22
11h00 – 17h00	**Learning Exchanges** (including Parliament)	Various project visits. Book your place at the Information and Registration desk in Hall 1. (Spaces are limited) - See Pages 24. Delegates will receive a packed lunch. Please see programme insert for bus timetable
12h30 – 14h00	**Lunch**	SECC Hall 2
14h30 – 16h30	**Workshops**	Various venues in SECC – See Page 26
16h30 – 17h00	**Tea Break**	SECC Hall 5
17h00 – 18h30	**Formal Networking Sessions**	SECC – See Page 28
17h00 – 18h00	**Civicalypso Choir Practice**	SECC Hall 2 – See page 11
18h00 – 20h00	**BBC World Have Your Say Live Broadcast**	SECC Alsh – See Page 10. Book your place at the Information and Registration desk in Hall 1. (Spaces are limited)
19h00 – 21h00	**Dinner** & **Informal Networking**	SECC Hall 2
20h30 – 22h00	**Film Screenings**	SECC Alsh & Boisdale – See Page 21. Please see programme insert for bus timetable
Saturday 21 June 2008		
09h00 – 16h00	**Registration**	SECC Hall 1. Delegates who are sponsored through the World Assembly bursary fund, please proceed to the Bursary Desk
09h00 – 10h30	**Plenary 3:** Rethinking the role of the Corporate Sector: Trade, Development and Human Rights	SECC Lomond Suite – See Page 30
10h30 – 11h00	**Tea Break**	SECC Hall 2
10h30 – 12h30	**Every Human Has Rights Rally**	Kelvingrove Park – See page 30. Delegates will walk to the park (5-10 min walk. Transport back to the SECC will be provided
12h30 – 14h00	**Lunch**	SECC Hall 2
14h30 – 16h30	**Workshops**	Various venues in SECC – See Page 32
16h30 – 17h00	**Tea Break**	SECC Hall 2
17h00 – 18h30	**Plenary 4:** Amplifying Wisdom: A Dialogue with the Elders	SECC Lomond Suite – See Page 31
20h00 – 23h00	**Gala Dinner**	SECC Hall 2 – See Page 34

Message from the Local Host Committee

George Foulkes

Welcome to the third and final CIVICUS Assembly to be held in Glasgow. Glasgow was chosen as the 'lucky' location to initiate a sequence of three successive annual CIVICUS Assemblies.

This daring innovation has, I think, been a wholehearted success thanks to three essential elements.

First the ambition and vision of the CIVICUS Board and staff in taking what was clearly a risk.

Then the hard work and dedication of the staff of SCVO and CIVICUS and the supporting bodies in turning the vision into reality.

But also the dedication and commitment of delegates from every corner of the world in fulfilling all the expectations of all those who took the risk and prepared the programme.

The Host Committee are proud to have played our part in this.

Representing all sections of Civil Society in Scotland our task was to help to ensure a warm welcome and events running smoothly, as well as to help raise the funds to make it possible.

On the funding front we are particularly grateful to the Scottish Executive, the Department for International Development and the Big Lottery Fund who gave early and generous commitments, without which we could never have proceeded.

Also, the way in which the Big Lottery Fund have used the Assembly to develop and progress the Intelligent Funding concept is just one example of the innovation arising from the events.

Over the first two years, and I am sure it will be even more so in the Final Assembly of the trilogy, I have seen great new collaboration develop, friendships flourish and ideas emerge.

Memories of the procession in plastic ponchos through Scottish showers to the opening ceremony, of British Ministers and international civil servants responding to powerful challenges and Juan Somavia regaling hundreds in the ancient surroundings of the Glasgow Transport Museum are a few of dozens of images which will last in collective memories for quite a while.

The rapport which developed between SCVO and CIVICUS, between the Host & Programme Committees and among the delegates from 120 nations have, to me, exemplified the spirit of Glasgow 2006-8 which I hope will provide a lasting legacy for CIVICUS.

Scottish Civil Society has been proud to participate in hosting this unique experiment, and the outreach through the learning exchanges and the overlap of the Gathering have been an invaluable and unforgettable benefit to us.

My personal thanks go to too many to mention them all individually but particularly to Anabel Cruz and Martin Sime, the Joint Chairs of the World Assembly Programme Committee, to Kumi Naidoo, and to Lucy and her staff at SCVO who did the work for the Host Committee, particularly Eva and Cathie, the stalwarts, who made my task so easy.

Thanks for Everything.
Lord George Foulkes

Message from Martin Sime

Martin Sime

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

So this is it – the third and final year of the CIVICUS World Assembly in Glasgow! On behalf of the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) and our whole staff team, I would like to thank you for three fantastic and engaging years. Hosting the Assemblies 2006 – 2008 has been an amazing experience for SCVO and for Scotland's civil society, and the impact this event has created will be felt for a long time to come.

When SCVO bid to host the events in Glasgow for three years, we already knew CIVICUS and the World Assemblies very well, and members of SCVO's staff had actively participated in CIVICUS' programmes and all previous World Assemblies. We therefore had a good understanding of the needs and expectations of CIVICUS and its partner organisations around the world. From the outset we realised the potential that running the Assembly in parallel to our own national conference "the gathering" would have both from a logistical and programmatic point of view. Over these last three years, we have been able to foster a number of new cooperations between Scottish organisations and their international counterparts. That these have been recognised by the Nelson Mandela/Graca Machel Innovation Awards just shows how wonderfully the synergies we envisaged have worked in reality.

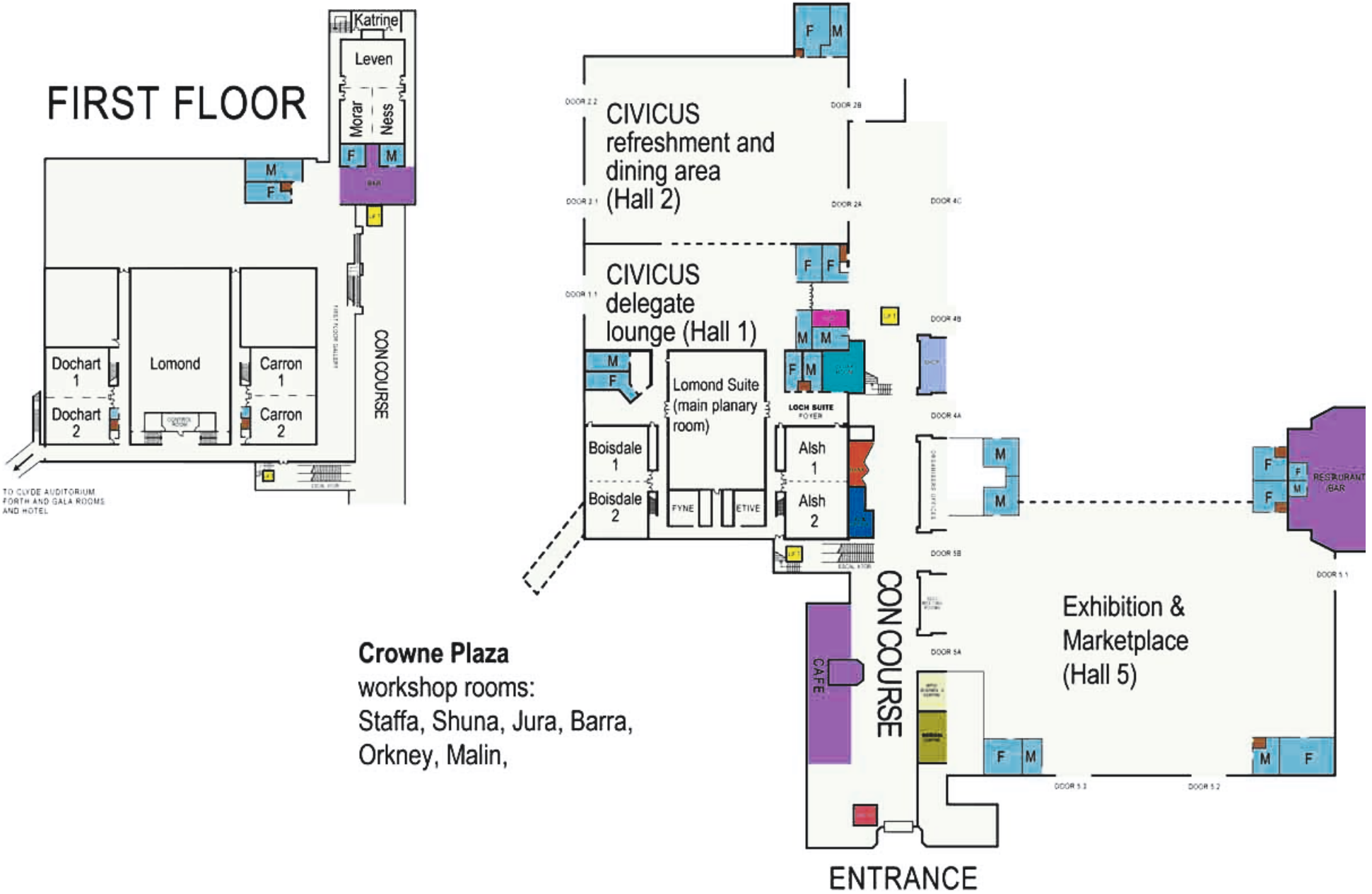
SCVO is determined to continue to foster these links, and to maximise the learning from the Assemblies. I think it is fair to say that hosting the World Assemblies has strengthened Scotland's and Glasgow's civil society, and our thinking about civil society as a concept. We now have a much better understanding of the issues that international civil society faces every day. On the other hand, we have seen how much we who work in non-profit organisations can learn from each other about things like organisational development, relations with government, membership activities and many other fields that the Assemblies have successfully covered.

A great thank you of course has to go to our partners in CIVICUS. I am personally very proud of the way the partnership between our two organisations has evolved and matured over the past four years that we have been working together on this project. I think it is fair to say that the collaboration has been beneficial to both organisations. The success of this partnership shows in the steady growth of the importance and participative nature of the CIVICUS World Assembly for global civil society over the last three years. Just looking at this year's exciting and challenging programme of activities that is on offer, I am confident that this final Assembly in Glasgow will bring together the discussions of the last three years, and have a lasting legacy on the future of the development of global civil society.

Finally, I am looking forward to seeing you again, at the next Assembly, in some other part of the world.

Martin Sime
Chief Executive, Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations

Map of venue



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