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## **1. Mijoro Mandroso (MiMa)**

**Special, 2018**

### **I. Introduction**

We received notice that our regional platform of civil society organizations Mijoro Mandroso Diana Madagascar, now named Mijoro Mandroso (MiMa) Madagascar, had been awarded special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, a status that we had asked for and so much hoped for. All the 31,973 members, without exception were very happy. That includes the individual members and 150 entities, such as associations of young people, of professional bodies, of women, of persons with disabilities, trade unions and professional associations in Madagascar, in Mayotte (France), in La Réunion (France), in Martinique (France), in the Comoros, in Guinea, in Cameroon, in Johannesburg (South Africa) and in Metropolitan France. We are proud of this status because we now have free access to the United Nations itself, whether at Headquarters or in Geneva or Vienna, or anywhere in the world where United Nations meetings are held. Indeed, the rights and privileges granted to our organization open many opportunities in all fields.

#### **Aims of the organization**

To participate in the promotion of and respect for human rights in Madagascar, in line with the Sustainable Development Goals;

To participate in national and international efforts to reduce greenhouse gas or carbon emissions and to minimize the negative impacts of climate change with a view to a well calculated energy transition in favour of sustainable environmental protection;

To participate in activities to promote sustainable development.

#### **Significant changes in the organization**

Audiences have been held with most of the diplomatic corps of the international community in Madagascar, as follows:

- Audience with the Swiss ambassador to Madagascar, His Excellency Philippe Brandt: <https://mail.yahoo.com/m/folders/2/messages/AALaF-EpfjxeWz82HgW08CBktXQ>
- Audience with the ambassador of the Republic of South Africa to Madagascar, Her Excellency Maud Dlomo: <https://mail.yahoo.com/m/folders/2/messages/ACJi2AtvoQ4uWz835QqewM-459A>
- Audience with the French ambassador to Antananarivo, received by his first counsellor Mr. Bruno Asseray: <https://mail.yahoo.com/m/folders/2/messages/AAzGwLt5SnqbW3akYwkvkAVbFac>
- Audience with the ambassador of the Kingdom of Morocco to Madagascar, His Excellency Mohammed Benjilany: <https://mail.yahoo.com/m/folders/2/messages/ACbGWQw6CeaFW3ak-Q7NEJJiJM0>
- Audience with the German ambassador to Madagascar, received by his Cooperation Officer, Jens Busma: <https://mail.yahoo.com/m/folders/2/messages/AOSqJacIRJ4dW3vGcwmNUFGyTQc>

### Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

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### Participation in meetings of the United Nations

First meeting of non-governmental organizations accredited to the Council, 22 June 2018:

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Stockholm+50 meeting, on 2 and 3 June 2022, in Stockholm:

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### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

Our organization had no opportunities to cooperate with the main bodies, subsidiary bodies, specialized agencies or the United Nations System at the national level in Madagascar during the term of Violet Kakyomya, see below:

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However, the new Resident Coordinator, His Excellency Issa Sanogo, is different, open and wise. He can bring positive change given all the obstacles of the past.

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

Participation in the Council's efforts to increase the number of non-governmental organizations to be accredited each year, our organization has developed a project to establish a new structure for civil society bodies in Madagascar. After structuring them legally, Mi.Ma will assist them in obtaining consultative status. We are waiting for financial support through the Council for the United Nations Development Programme in Madagascar: <https://esango.un.org/civilsociety/viewDocument.do?code=55325477&profileCode=659338>

## **2. Mouvement alternatives citoyennes**

### **Special, 2018**

#### **Introduction**

Mouvement alternatives citoyennes is an association dedicated to sustainable, equitable and participatory sociodemocratic development. It aims to help to mobilize society to encourage people to participate in the process of transformation and construction of the rule of law, democracy and equality. Its headquarters is in the city

of Fez in Morocco and it is a national non-governmental organization that operates throughout the country.

### **Aims of the organization**

The organization aims to strengthen the norms of equality, citizenship and democracy in the social and economic fields. Its approach is to consult with the various actors involved in its field of action through activities based on the formulation of political alternatives in the area of political, economic and social rights.

### **Significant changes in the organization**

In 2018, directly after it was granted consultative status with the Council, the association launched a strategic planning process to develop a road map to address strategic challenges, avail itself of necessary resources and provide a strategic management framework.

### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

- Contribution, in partnership with the Adala association, to the preparation of the midterm parallel report of the universal periodic review that was presented at the forty-third session of the Human Rights Council held in Geneva from 24 February to 20 March 2020;
- Participation in Rabat in a training session organized by the National Human Rights Council and the United Nations Population Fund, on 24 and 25 November 2021, on the theme of the participation of young people in the universal periodic review;
- Participation in an exchange and sharing workshop organized by the interministerial human rights delegation, on 12 April 2022, in the context of regional meetings devoted to the preparation of the national report;
- Contribution, in partnership with the Adala association, to the preparation of the parallel report of the universal periodic review on the issues of freedom of expression, media and the press;
- Contribution to the preparation of the parallel report on the situation of human rights in Morocco of the Civil Society Council to Combat All Forms of Discrimination;
- Contribution to the preparation of the parallel report of an associative network of young beneficiaries of the support and assistance of the National Human Rights Council.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

- Participation in Marrakech on 10 and 11 December 2018 at the Global Forum on Migration and Development;
- Participation on Thursday, 21 November 2019 in the guidance webinar for non-governmental organizations that have recently acquired consultative status with the Council;
- Participation on Monday, 4 May 2020 in the informal virtual briefing for non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council facilitated by H.E. Susan Eckey, Ambassador for the Council;

- Participation in the workshop on the Morocco universal periodic review in 2022 – methodology and reporting process – organized on Thursday, 3 March 2022 by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights;
- Participation in the Economic and Social Council Youth Forum held on 19 and 20 April 2022 in a virtual format.

#### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

- Reflection workshop with the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, organized for civil society on 14 June 2019 at the Bouregreg Convention Centre in Salé;
- Participation in United Nations Development Programme activities at the Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy webinar on 25 February 2021;
- Reflection workshop held at the headquarters of the organization in Fez on 17 December 2020 in collaboration with the Morocco Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the representative of the Regional Human Rights Commission (Fez – Meknès region) on the prospects of work on issues of migration;
- Consultation workshop on 24 and 25 March 2022 in Rabat with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and its partners on multi-year planning for the period 2023–2025.

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

The association participated in the work of the parallel global forum organized by the Peoples' Global Action on Migration, Development and Human Rights on 8 and 9 December 2018 at an international conference in Marrakech on the theme of equal rights for all and everywhere.

### **3. Mouvement panafricain jeunes pour la reconstruction, la réforme et la révolution culturelle au Tchad et en Afrique**

#### **Special, 2018**

##### **Introduction**

Our youth organization, established in 2014 and accredited in 2018, is an organization committed to good governance, the promotion of culture and the protection of the environment. Headquartered in Ndjamena, Chad, it continuously grows and initiates innovative projects aimed at development and change in Chad and Africa.

##### **Aims of the organization**

The aims and objectives of our organization are the promotion of good governance, culture, youth, education and environmental protection. We defend and promote human rights, participate in the revitalization of our education system, build our youth through training and promote peace and social cohesion in our country. We are highly involved in culture and in environmental protection.

**Significant changes in the organization**

We have reorganized our office and established more senior positions and expanded our premises. We have entered into important collaborations with three large organizations with which we have worked on a number of products. We have welcomed a significant number of members and membership grew from 200 to 500. We established three regional branches in three of the country's major cities, namely Moundou, Abéché and Sarh.

**Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

Unfortunately, after several requests, we have not entered into partnerships with United Nations bodies in our country. Owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), we have not been able to participate in conferences or other efforts. In the future we hope to be relevant attendees at all meetings and to be ready for any eventuality.

**Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

We still have not had access to badges, unfortunately and, owing to COVID-19, travel was impossible; we intend to be present in the future.

**Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

After several requests for partnership and collaboration with United Nations bodies in our country we have not received positive responses. We continue to wait.

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

Several initiatives have been carried out relating to, inter alia, water supply, environmental protection, education for all, participation for poverty reduction through entrepreneurial training for young people and women, combating inequality and health and wellbeing awareness.

## **4. New Vision International**

**Special, 2018****Introduction**

New Vision International (NVI) is a non-profit, humanitarian, non-governmental organization (NGO) comprising five volunteer staff with a strong faith and passion for excellence in charitable activities geared towards community development. It was established in 1994 in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the former Republic of Zaire, and was accredited to the Council in April 2018. NVI assures and spreads happiness and returns hope to the destitute and the abandoned because, for NVI, the right to happiness is a universal right. We contribute to positive change in poor communities. NVI funds come from membership fees, 85 per cent of which are funded by Bernard Male Nyembo, the founder and president. Between 2018 and 2020, NVI received \$9,850 from the patronage fund of Geneva Industrial Services in Switzerland. Despite the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, which badly affected the West, our collaborators in the Democratic Republic of the Congo have been working to consolidate our achievements in the commune of Kalambayi, in the province of Kasai Oriental, such as our partners in women's associations, including the Mbuji-Mayi women's cooperative.

### **Aims of the organization**

NVI is a learning organization that is action-oriented. Its mission stems from its ethical commitment, namely to combat poverty at its roots, by sharing, engendering and sowing hope and happiness. In pursuit of its holistic commitment, NVI constructs its architecture on two pillars: #1. Education, the cornerstone of progress. NVI believes that the future of a country depends on how well it prepares its youth for the challenges ahead. NVI gives and returns hope to less fortunate and financially deprived children so that they can have access to a good education. #2. Capacity-building for women and the promotion of investments from an ethical perspective. NVI works primarily with women and the diaspora. For this purpose we build functional partnerships. We conduct our projects with a view to revisiting aid through the promotion of ethical investments with technology providers and persons of interest. NVI is a learning organization that is action-oriented. NVI seeks synergies and builds constructive partnerships for human and environmental progress. Our architecture, our profile and our goal are particularly innovative. In this process, the focus is on risk, evaluation and the assessment of projects and results. To do this, NVI pays special attention to risk, project evaluation and results obtained. In this regard, 10 per cent of the budget is allocated to that area.

### **Significant changes in the organization**

We were established in 1994 with the objective of aiding displaced populations in Zaire. To that end, we launched an informal structure named Construisons (Let's Build). Owing to the quasi civil war, in 1997 we moved our activities to the United States of America and changed our name to New Vision International. We redefined our mission as follows: "To participate actively in the development process of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, by focusing on equal opportunities in education, and to combat poverty by encouraging woman and supporting ethical investment in production and in food security, drinking water, energy, infrastructure, banking and finance." In 2000, NVI moved its headquarters to Geneva to participate in United Nations events on global problems, with a focus on the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The Kinshasa office coordinates activities in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. In 2011, NVI rewrote its mission, as follows: "To cultivate awareness with the aim of combating poverty through job creation geared towards the food industry, health care, energy and water." Thus, starting in 2011, NVI gradually changed its nature to become a fully social NGO and plans to become financially self-sufficient by 2030. Its activities will no longer depend on the benevolence of volunteers.

### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

NVI is in the process of launching a development bank that will primarily finance women entrepreneurs, NGOs and other associations pursuing the equal opportunity goals of the United Nations. Boldness to convert niches into opportunities. The project attacks the problem at its root: the immediate financing of feasible projects to combat unemployment and illegal immigration. The priority is to support women's entrepreneurship. The intention is to become an important business bank for the agricultural industry (agribusiness)". NVI follows the model of the bourgmestre Frederic-Guillaume Raiffeisen who created the Raiffeisen bank during the crisis of 1888–1903. Fortune favours the bold, a formula to which we should add creative imagination. We polish this aura through continuing education. Those who do not move, do not notice their chains. Rosa Luxembourg. NVI emphasizes risk as the primary lever for success. This appetite for risk is conditioned by flair and realism: never run with a basket of eggs carried by a single individual. This wisdom advocates a mixed portfolio to achieve good rates of return. In addition to this, altruism and realism: NVI canvasses the social strata that can convince their relatives.

Simultaneously create productive alliances. There is strength in numbers. But it is important to choose your partners according to rigorous criteria. NVI builds relationships that lead to growth. Let us work together on possible solutions in order to keep promises and achieve expected results.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

NVI attended all the events to which it was invited by the NGO Liaison Office at the United Nations Office at Geneva and the United Nations Library in Geneva and United Nations Conference on Trade and Development events and those organized by the Economic Commission for Europe where we are accredited as public-private partnership experts. Every year we participate in conferences and parallel events whose themes align with our philosophy: social development, combating poverty and exclusion, international trade and ethical wealth creation. Owing to the lockdown as a result of COVID-19, in 2021 NVI participated in only one online event (webinar): the future-of-government disruptive debates organized by the World Bank Group on 29 September 2021. How will Governments be more productive. In 2020, NVI was in the Democratic Republic of the Congo but it proactively participated in five conferences and parallel events. The same was the case in 2019. In 2018, NVI was present at 33 meetings. See the attached lists.

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

NVI combats poverty and illiteracy in rural communities by building the capacity of cooperatives and women entrepreneurs. In line with the above, on 16 January 2020, NVI wrote to Lidiya Grigoreva of the NGO Unit requesting to talk with Tatiana Valovaya, the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva, regarding assistance for NVI in finding partners to launch a development bank (see copy of the letter). As part of its ethical commitment to fighting evil at its roots, NVI cooperates with the United Nations in education, support for women, the environment (reforestation in Kasai province) and clean water. NVI monitors and focuses on functional United Nations structures involved in community development.

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

Our achievements in the Democratic Republic of the Congo support, inter alia, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Project #I: Drinking water. Goal 6: Clean water and sanitation. NVI channeled water from a spring in a steep valley, a 45-minute walk, to Mugnyanga, a village of 250 inhabitants in the Beena district of Ilunga (1,203 inhabitants), in the Mwa area of Kagnyuka (5,000 inhabitants), in the commune of Kalambayi (700,000 inhabitants), province of Kasai Oriental (7 to 10 million inhabitants) in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Clean and accessible water in Mugnyanga improves the quality of life and is the primary means of preventing pandemics. Project #II: Construction of a school in the village of Mugnyanga. Goal 4: Quality education for all. The goal is to enroll 100 children each year. In addition, NVI has built a bamboo shelter with a tin roof in the village of Mugnyanga to coordinate the activities of young mothers. The immediate effects can be summarized as the creation of 10 jobs and the settling of 420 families, instead of them going to overpopulated cities and increasing poverty and facing the consequences of unemployment, namely drugs, prostitution, banditry and illegal immigration. NVI has assisted these families to develop their communities and improve the quality of life.

## 5. Observatoire national pour les droits de l'électeur

**Special, 2018**

### **Introduction**

The Observatoire national pour les droits de l'électeur is a non-governmental organization that has been in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council since 2018.

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Type of organization: Non-governmental organization.

Languages: Arabic - English - French

### **Aims of the organization**

Defence of voter rights and monitoring of elected bodies;

- Promotion of basic rights and dissemination of the culture of human rights and democracy;
- Evaluation of public policy and good governance;
- Electoral observation and evaluation.

### **Significant changes in the organization**

- The organization has worked to broaden its base by attracting new members.
- During the last four years, the Observatoire national pour les droits de l'électeur has applied concrete methods to affirm its presence on the national stage in Morocco through a number of worthwhile and voluntary activities that take into account the general principles of the United Nations.
- The organization has succeeded in establishing partnerships with official national and international bodies.

### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

During the period from 2018 to 2022, the organization worked in the following areas:

- Annual reports on parliamentary work;
- Electoral observation and training of report writers on how to report on the electoral process;
- Training and capacity-building in the area of skills and techniques related to oversight of elected bodies;
- Submission of memorandums and communications that express the vision and viewpoint of the organization on legislative bodies, parties and components of Government. Seminars:
- Follow-up on the implementation of the recommendations of the universal periodic review mechanism and strategic planning in the field of human rights – Rabat, Tuesday, 20 February 2018, at the Institut Supérieur de la Magistrature;
- Round table: The National Plan for Democracy and Human Rights: challenges and constraints of activation, held on Saturday, 8 December 2018, in Rabat in

partnership with the German Konrad-Adenauer Foundation and in cooperation with the Geneva Academy of Human Rights;

- The New Development Model: Crossed Bets – Friday, 26 April 2019, at the Ibis Agdal Hotel in Rabat.
- Study Day on the theme: “Justice is a national mechanism for the protection of human rights” – Friday, 28 June 2019, in partnership with the Ministry of Justice at the Higher Institute of the Judiciary, Rabat;
- “Morocco and the rule of law, what future?”, in partnership with the German Konrad Adenauer Foundation, on Friday, 20 December 2019. The organization organized a Idriss Benzekri Human Rights University session on the theme “Interaction with the United Nations human rights mechanisms is a key entry point for the protection and promotion of human rights at the national level”, in partnership with the Ministry of Human Rights and with the support of the National Human Rights Council and the German Konrad Adenauer Foundation, in Tangier in 2019;
- The organization held a training session on the theme of “Skills and techniques for reporting to United Nations human rights mechanisms: the case of the Human Rights Committee” in Agadir, from 11 to 14 November 2021.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

Our organization has not been able to attend United Nations meetings for several reasons, the main one being the epidemiological situation that the world has been facing. The organization has committed to preparing a plan that takes all these circumstances into account, in the hope of participating in future meetings.

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

Our organization did not participate significantly in the work of the Council and its subsidiary bodies, as the focus was on the activities mentioned above. Our organization has also been able to contribute more to the implementation of United Nations programmes through the aforementioned activities, despite the funding and support difficulties the organization is facing. However, the organization was able to submit its parallel report to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in the framework of the universal periodic review for the forty-first session of the Human Rights Council, held from 7 to 18 November 2022.

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

No activities were specified.

## **6. Organisation internationale pour l’avancement politique des Africaines**

### **Special, 2018**

#### **Introduction**

The Organisation internationale pour l’avancement politique des Africaines (OIAPA) is incorporated under the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act under business number 854880-3.

The mission of OIAPA is: (A) to recruit and train African women to encourage them to participate in the electoral processes of their respective countries, to train

them in the whole electoral process and to support them using the financial and logistical means at the disposal of OIAPA; (B) to partner with local and global organizations and associations with the same objectives to promote democracy, with the participation of men and women, that specifically aims to eradicate all forms of violence against women, whether domestic, physical or psychological; (C) to initiate and participate in forums or training sessions led by organizations targeting the health and well-being of women and children in developing countries; (D) to be in a position to be accredited to observe elections anywhere in the world.

### **Aims of the organization**

OIAPA wishes to excel and engage with others to be a partner of choice for African women interested in participating more in the electoral process and ultimately in running for office, as well as with local, regional, territorial and international authorities, dedicated to the equitable promotion of women in politics. OIAPA promotes a team of local partners who contribute to the sustainable development of the organization, always keeping in mind our mission and values of equity, transparency, professionalism and respect. In order to achieve our objectives, OIAPA encourages men and women to become members of the organization by paying an annual fee set by its board members and it applies for subsidies and grants from Governments and public, para-public and private organizations.

### **Significant changes in the organization**

OIAPA has slightly amended its objectives to reflect the daily reality of African women. Our organization has amended its statute to include such humanitarian aspects as help for underprivileged children, literacy and drinking water, as well as the development of ecologically responsible agriculture. OIAPA is clearly committed to working in concert and collaborating with local associations, such as the Regroupement des Associations des Femmes Ressortissantes de tout Horizon in Cameroon and the Association Nationale Intercommunautaire pour l'Autonomisation des Femmes in Senegal. OIAPA has appointed two additional directors and our board has expanded from five to seven members. The bylaws have been amended. OIAPA has expanded its scope to the Congo and Gabon and has signed a memorandum of understanding with AJEAH (a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council) in Togo.

### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

In 2019, representatives of OIAPA had the privilege of being granted a booth at the sixty-eighth United Nations Civil Society Conference in Salt Lake City in the United States. This presence enabled OIAPA to promote our organization, attend several roundtables and conferences (Rotary and others), hold many meetings and become a member of and make contacts with other global organizations present at the event. The activities and photos are on the site of OIAPA.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

The pandemic disrupted our plans because our local partners are in Africa and because an uninterrupted internet connection is basically a rare commodity in this part of the world; apart from physical participation, there are not many options.

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

We submitted several projects; unfortunately to our great surprise none of them were selected, which we regret. Only one document sent in 2019 was selected. We hope that in the future our cooperation will be more visible.

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

The organization has contributed to awareness-raising campaigns against malaria through the distribution of treated mosquito nets to 2,000 women and children in Cameroon. It has organized round tables for women and young people to raise awareness of sexually transmitted diseases (HIV and others) in Cameroon and has organized an awareness-raising campaign against the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), distributed COVID-19 kits and made food donations to women and internally displaced persons. OIAPA distributed school supplies to disadvantaged children and organized forums.

**7. Organisation sociale des missionnaires pour l'éducation des enfants démunis****Special, 2018****Introduction**

The Organisation sociale des missionnaires pour l'éducation des enfants démunis is a non-profit social organization. The organization was founded in July 2006 and its domicile is located at 447, Mahotièrè 58, Carrefour Port-au-Prince, Haiti. email:[omeed.group@yahoo.fr](mailto:omeed.group@yahoo.fr). Its mission is to enable sustainable development and to work in partnership with other national and international organizations.

**Aims of the organization**

Our goal is to help children who are educationally and socially deprived and to establish a healthy environment to enable children to develop fully. Our objective:

1. Establish modern educational institutions and computer facilities;
2. Organize and prepare literacy plans for adults aged 18 to 35;
3. Reduce the illiteracy rate of 43 per cent by 2030.

**Significant changes in the organization**

The most important change for us right now is the fact that we are working on the human rights situation so that United Nations officials can have new information on the current lives of Haitians.

Since 1986, the country has been starting to face difficult moments in terms of security. We are also working on the current political situation in the country, because our mission is to strive towards global and sustainable stability in the country and to promote preparations to work as an observer in the organization of the upcoming elections in the country.

**Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

The Organisation sociale des missionnaires pour l'éducation des enfants démunis is a non-profit organization open to partnerships. In this regard, our organization will be able to contribute in the following three areas:

1. Supporting other organizations to obtain consultative status with the United Nations;
2. Actively participating in meetings organized by the United Nations and carrying out censuses in the event of natural disasters;

3. Engaging dynamically in the economic and social mission of the United Nations to enable sustainable development in the economy and in infrastructure.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

Our organization is very much interested in participating in United Nations meetings but unfortunately the official representative of the organization does not have a visa. Owing to this situation the organization seems inactive in terms of meetings but we expect that to be resolved.

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

Our organization is ready to cooperate with any United Nations body in line with its mission. Indeed, we are able to carry out any project in collaboration with a United Nations organization. In particular, we are able to cooperate with all bodies working in the following areas:

1. Agriculture,
2. Health care,
3. Education,
4. Human rights,
5. Monitoring,
6. Electoral and other.

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

Several projects have been developed so that our goal can be achieved in the next millennium. For example: A project to sink an artesian well has been prepared for the inhabitants of the department of Nippes. It was submitted to the Ministry of the Interior and local authorities to provide the population with a drinking water supply.

A project for the construction of a community school, entitled Institution Communautaire de Carrefour (Carrefour Community Institution), was prepared to provide a brand new school in the Carrefour Commune of the Department of l'Ouest, to provide education for poor children and to support parents who lack financial resources. This large project clearly has a *raison d'être*, because to build a country we need elites, to have elites we need men, to have men we need education, to have education we need schools. Therefore, to achieve our millennial goal we realize that it is more than necessary to create sustainable developments within our community.

A community bakery project has been set up as essential support for the inhabitants of small settlements in Nippes who were left with nothing after the tragedy of the earthquake of 14 August 2021. The intention with this project was to recapitalize the inhabitants and rebuild the infrastructure of the commune.

## **8. Oui pour une enfance noble**

### **Special, 2018**

#### **Introduction**

The association Oui pour une enfance noble, abbreviated as OPEN Mali, is the main humanitarian youth association in Mali, founded in 2002 in Bamako by six high school students aged 15 to 16.

### **Aims of the organization**

Its areas of action are children's education, health, the promotion of good citizenship, emergency aid, the promotion of human rights and culture, women's empowerment and governance.

Our vision:

- All Malians, especially the youngest, can live in dignity and have the means to build their future.

Our values:

- Altruism: we serve the poorest and defend them;
- Equality for all;
- Justice in complete impartiality;
- Professionalism.

### **Significant changes in the organization**

The association signed a framework agreement with the Government of the Republic of Mali on 25 June 2019, allowing it to become a non-governmental organization and to work throughout Mali, with the exception of the Kidal area. OPEN Mali was also chosen on 6 December 2022 to be a member of the fourth Permanent Assembly of the Economic, Social and Cultural Council of the African Union. Also, the OPEN Mali representative to the African Union Economic, Social and Cultural Council was elected on 8 December 2022 to serve as Chair of the Political Affairs Committee of the institution. In addition, OPEN Mali is currently reviewing its various instruments (statutes and internal rules of procedure).

### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

In July 2019, OPEN Mali submitted a report to the United Nations Economic and Social Council on the theme of Education for Empowerment at the high-level political forum on sustainable development.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

OPEN Mali has participated in numerous meetings organized by the Council in New York and Geneva.

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

Unfortunately, we are still unable to collaborate with other United Nations bodies on the national level.

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

OPEN Mali has carried out many activities over the past few years geared towards the Millennium Development Goals and Sustainable Development Goals. In 2019, we implemented a project to support the empowerment of women and girls and the promotion of gender equality in the commune of Koula. It aimed to strengthen women's community participation in local development and to reduce gender inequalities. The project has enabled:

- Building the capacity of 100 rural women;
- Keeping 60 girls in school;

- Facilitating the participation of 10 women in decision-making bodies. In addition, from 2018 to 2021 we enrolled 3,500 children in difficult circumstances each year. To raise the awareness of climate change, we organized a large conference in Bamako with a Malian international expert, Mr. Hussein Alfa Nafo, in 2019. The organization has carried out a number of other initiatives in the framework of the Millennium Development Goals and Sustainable Development Goals.

## **9. Partage et action en synergie pour le développement**

### **Special, 2018**

#### **Introduction**

Partage et action en synergie pour le développement (PASYD) is a non-governmental organization established in January 2001 that works to improve the living conditions of poor populations in Togo and in Africa through the promotion of internally focused, inclusive and sustainable economic and social development. It conducts its activities throughout Togo. It promotes youth employment, good citizenship, governance, community development and participatory democracy.

#### **Aims of the organization**

The mission of PASYD is to construct, in conjunction with poor people, models of economic and social organization capable of combating poverty as effectively as possible through capacity-building and support for self-help initiatives conducted among vulnerable populations, including women and youth. Its five main objectives are: (i) to promote the establishment and development of small and medium-sized enterprises to help create jobs and increase the income of poor communities; (ii) to support rural and urban communities in the implementation of social projects necessary for the well-being of their populations; (iii) to educate populations to take ownership of development ideals and to participate actively; (iv) to promote sustainable management of the environment; and (v) to promote good governance, social justice, good citizenship, gender equity and peace. Its means of action are: (i) information/awareness-raising; (ii) capacity-building; (iii) technical support.

#### **Significant changes in the organization**

There have been no significant changes.

#### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

PASYD supports the United Nations in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals and 2030 Agenda in Togo. Its work aims to strengthen stakeholder engagement in the implementation of development effectiveness principles. Specifically, it conducts activities in the areas of awareness-raising and organization and capacity-building of civil society, and organizes forums for dialogue between stakeholders to ensure the effectiveness of the agenda to accelerate the Sustainable Development Goals in accordance with the goal of the 2019 high-level summit.

#### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

A PASYD representative participated in the United Nations System Staff College online course on policy coherence for sustainable development (Bonn, Germany 1 October to 2 November 2018) and in the online training on corruption in

the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (23 April to 24 May 2019).

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

Interaction with the United Nations Development Programme for effective development cooperation and the promotion of democracy and citizen participation.

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

PASYD has contributed to the Sustainable Development Goals through the following actions:

- Goal 4.2: Construction of three early childhood centres in Togo.
- Goal 4.4: Training for more than 600 young people in entrepreneurship and the establishment of and support for 356 micro- and small enterprises, 107 of which were established by women.
- Goal 16.7: Development of citizenship education on civic and political rights of citizens for peace and non-violence with 300 public opinion leaders and outreach to more than 500,000 people through 16 radio and television programmes and 5 caravans in 2020.
- Goal 17.14: Promotion of the coherence and effectiveness of public development policies, mainly in Togo, in accordance with the principles of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation.
- Goal 17.16: Establishment of a framework to engage and mobilize civil society organizations and other stakeholders in order to implement development effectiveness principles in Togo.
- Goal 17.17: Advocacy for an enabling environment for civil society organizations and for the effectiveness of the State-civil society partnership in Togo.

PASYD would have been able to carry out more activities in support of the United Nations if its financial capacity had not been affected by the effects of the coronavirus disease health crisis.

## **10. Partenariat français pour l'eau**

### **Special, 2018**

#### **Introduction**

The Partenariat français pour l'eau (PFE) is the benchmark platform for French public and private stakeholders in the field of water. It is active internationally. For the past 15 years, it has been advocating internationally for water to be a priority in sustainable development policies and has also promoted exchanges of French know-how and that of other countries. PFE currently has about 200 members, grouped into the following 6 categories:

- The State and its public institutions;
- Non-governmental organizations, associations and foundations;
- Local authorities and parliamentary groups;
- Economic actors;

- Research and training institutions;
- French and foreign individuals.

Together, PFE members develop common messages shared by all the above categories and disseminate them in forums such as the United Nations, the European Union, the Union for the Mediterranean or during events such as climate conventions, the World Water Forums or the World Water Weeks.

### **Aims of the organization**

Our mission:

1. To develop and promote common messages and disseminate the know-how of PFE members in different priority themes in European and international events, forums and networks;
2. To support various strategic objectives in these locations;
3. To establish a place for forward-looking reflection and the exchange of information, experience and know-how;
4. To establish a multi-actor entry point for applications to European and international bodies;
5. To contribute to the inclusion of water in the priorities of the European and international political agenda, by promoting the main principles of integrated water resource management;
6. To contribute to improving public awareness of water issues, in particular by promoting media coverage of European and international issues. PFE develops its advocacy and strategies through dedicated thematic working groups.

### **Significant changes in the organization**

Since 2018, PFE has welcomed about 40 new members and has appointed a new chair and director. The current chair is Marie-Hélène Aubert and the director is Marie-Laure Vercambre.

### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

- One of the structural working groups of PFE focuses on the 2030 Agenda in general and on freshwater-related targets in particular.
- Another PFE working group concentrates on the link between the water cycle and climate change. PFE and its members together consider how to mitigate climate change through their activities. They learn from each other, promoting solutions internationally and highlighting the importance of the water sector in curbing and adapting to climate change.
- Another working group focuses on biodiversity and nature-based solutions in the water sector. PFE sounds the alarm about the fragility of aquatic biodiversity and promotes underutilized solutions.
- Another working group is dedicated to access to drinking water and hygiene and sanitation in situations of crisis and fragility.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

- High-level political forums on sustainable development
- Conferences of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

- Conferences of the Parties to the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity
- Conferences of the Parties and other meetings of the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes of the Economic Commission for Europe
- Global water, sanitation and hygiene cluster of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

UN-Water; the Department of Economic and Social Affairs; the Economic Commission for Europe Water Convention Secretariat; the United Nations Children's Fund; the World Health Organization; the World Meteorological Organization; the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs; the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change; and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

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

PFE and its members share knowledge and deepen their understanding of the 2030 Agenda targets and learn from each other through their initiatives to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. They also advocate, on the international level, to mobilize all stakeholders to achieve the Goals. PFE participates in multiple conferences and events to promote the 2030 Agenda and its systematic approach and to highlight the importance of water-related targets. It also participates in international technical consultations on the water-related targets and indicators in the 2030 Agenda. Finally, it participated in the preparation of the French road map for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda and is one of the main actors identified by the French Government for everything related to the targets of the 2030 Agenda concerning water. With its author, PFE has launched an application named <https://water4allsdgs.org/>.

## **11. Peace Brigades International Switzerland**

### **Special, 2014**

#### **Introduction**

Peace Brigades International Switzerland (PBI) is an organization that provides protective support for human rights defenders in conflict areas in Guatemala, Colombia, Honduras, Mexico, Kenya, Indonesia and Nicaragua.

#### **Aims of the organization**

PBI works to protect human rights defenders who are under threat. To ensure their protection, PBI volunteers provide protective physical accompaniment. PBI also conducts human rights advocacy, communications and capacity-building work at the international level.

#### **Significant changes in the organization**

There have been no significant changes.

## **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

PBI contributes to the organization of the work of the United Nations by offering protective accompaniment to threatened human rights defenders who are committed to access to justice, the right to a healthy environment, the right to water and the right to land. In addition to physically accompanying human rights defenders, PBI engages in human rights advocacy, awareness-raising, capacity-building and fundraising.

## **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

All the activities listed below took place in Geneva. A PBI representative actively participated in the thirty-seventh, thirty-eighth, thirty-ninth, fortieth, forty-first, forty-second, forty-third, forty-fourth and forty-fifth sessions of the United Nations Human Rights Council by making or sponsoring 34 oral statements between 2018 and 2020 in general debates or interactive dialogues of the Council related to human rights situations in the countries where PBI works.

- 2018: During the thirty-seventh session of the Human Rights Council, PBI also co-organized two side-events on Guatemala (16 March) and Colombia (15 March). During the thirty-ninth session of the Human Rights Council, PBI co-organized two side-events on the universal periodic review of Mexico (18 September) and on the situation of defenders in Mexico (20 September). PBI also submitted, in collaboration with another organization, a written contribution on Mexico for the Mexico universal periodic review (September 2018).
- 2019: During the fortieth session of the Human Rights Council, PBI co-organized a side-event on human rights defenders in Colombia (5 March). PBI also co-organized a side-event on the Mexico universal periodic review (13 March). During the forty-second session of the Human Rights Council, PBI co-organized a side-event on human rights in Colombia (13 September). PBI also co-organized two sessions during the eighth and ninth sessions of the annual Forum on Business and Human Rights (26 November 2019 and 16 November 2020).

## **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

PBI has facilitated spaces for dialogue between human rights defenders and the staff of different United Nations mechanisms in Geneva and in the field (during the visit of the Special Rapporteur on environmental defenders to Colombia in 2018 and during the academic visit of the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions to Kenya in 2020).

In 2019 and 2020, the organization collaborated with the United Nations Working Group on business and human rights to organize sessions on preventing attacks against human rights defenders and Indigenous peoples at the annual Forum on Business and Human Rights.

Between 2018 and 2021, PBI met regularly with representatives of the following special procedures mandates: human rights defenders, Indigenous peoples, freedom of expression, rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association, violence against women, enforced disappearances, extrajudicial executions, right to water, healthy environment, right to adequate housing and right to food. PBI also met with desk officers from the Americas Section of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and desk officers for Kenya and Indonesia.

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

By committing itself to the protection of threatened defenders, Peace Brigades International Switzerland contributes to the achievement of Goal 16 of the Sustainable Development Goals. Indeed, the work of human rights activists who fight for access to justice and other issues is a step towards more peaceful and inclusive societies. Moreover, a large number of the human rights defenders accompanied by PBI are committed to the protection of the environment and access to land and water, which directly contributes to the achievement of Goals 15 and 2. Finally, the particular attention paid by PBI to the protection and capacity-building of women activists contributes to the achievement of Goal 5.

**12. Playdoo (Côte d'Ivoire)****Special, 2010****Introduction**

The non-governmental organization Playdoo (Côte d'Ivoire) is one of the first civil society organizations in Côte d'Ivoire to have obtained consultative status with the Economic and Social Council. In the more than 10 years that it has held this prestigious status, the organization has been able to take advantage of many United Nations opportunities, while contributing to United Nations activities. The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the collaborative actions undertaken by Playdoo over the past four years.

**Aims of the organization**

The organization aims to promote, defend and protect human rights and gender equality and to promote sustainable development, good governance, democracy, a culture of peace, solidarity and social action.

In the strategy governing its intervention, the organization relies on two pillars:

Pillar 1: Sustainable development and solidarity

Pillar 2: Governance, human rights and peace

**Significant changes in the organization**

Changes have occurred at the organization since 2018 at the structural and programmatic levels. In terms of structural change, the organization now has a board of directors (strategic decision-making and governance oversight body) and an executive board (to implement the action plan and conduct activities).

**Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

The contribution of the organization to United Nations activities consisted particularly of participation in different workshops and panels initiated by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Abidjan and Dabou.

**Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

The organization participates in meetings organized by United Nations agencies in Côte d'Ivoire. The various meetings have been on the following themes:

- Realizing the Sustainable Development Goals;
- The consolidation of democracy through peaceful elections;

- The promotion and protection of human rights, including women's rights.

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

During the period 2018–2021, the organization cooperated with United Nations bodies, including UNDP and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-WOMEN). With UNDP, the organization participated in three specific activities:

1. In December 2019, before the general elections in Côte d'Ivoire, the organization held a five-day training workshop on electoral engineering for 45 participants from 15 civil society organizations. This workshop was funded by UNDP.
2. In July 2019, a team from the organization participated in a conflict assessment and prevention mission in 31 regions of Côte d'Ivoire. This activity, which was led by the National Human Rights Council, was subsidized by UNDP and was held over 10 days. The organization produced the report for the Gbéké region which covered the localities of Bouaké, Béoumi and Sakassou.
3. From October to December 2018, the organization was actively involved in the implementation of an awareness-raising project for peaceful local elections, a project carried out by the Coordination of Women of Côte d'Ivoire for Elections/Post-crisis Reconstruction, led by the organization. This project was funded by UNDP. The organization has been collaborating since May 2022 with UN-WOMEN on an innovative and sustainable activity that focuses on the promotion of the Women's Parliament, as an advocacy initiative for empowerment (social and political), representation, leadership and equality through the endogenous, national and technological mobilization of women. After the pilot phase of the aforementioned Women's Parliament project in four localities (Divo, Gagnoa, Soubré and San-Pédro), with a grant from the National Endowment for Democracy, UN-WOMEN support has consisted of recognition and mobilization at the national level. The main goal is to promote gender-sensitive participatory and inclusive democracy through lobbying by members of the Women's Parliament of members of parliament and senators so that in accordance with the Constitution, which recognizes gender equality, all laws adopted and all parliamentary oversight of public policies take the gender dimension into account.

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

In order to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, the organization is leading an initiative called Forum-Chantier African. Volunteering Youth for 2030 Goals (African Youth '30). Falling within the framework of the Decade for Action on the Sustainable Development Goals and linked to the Youth 2030 initiative launched by the United Nations Secretary-General, the Forum-Chantier African Youth '30 is organized by a consortium of nine civil society organizations.

## **13. Presse emblème campagne**

### **Special, 2010**

#### **Introduction**

Presse emblème campagne (PEC) is a non-governmental organization in special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council since 2010.

The organization, based in Geneva, was founded in June 2004 under Swiss law and is recognized as a non-governmental organization by the authorities of the Canton of Geneva. It is active in the areas of human rights, human safety and conflict resolution. It conducts activities worldwide.

#### **Aims of the organization**

The goal of PEC is to defend the safety of journalists around the world and to enhance their protection in areas affected by armed conflict and internal violence. It regularly documents violations of international treaties and of humanitarian law (Geneva Conventions) related to the work of the media and intervenes at the diplomatic level with Governments and international organizations to ensure they are enforced and to combat impunity. It advocates for independent investigations to establish facts.

#### **Significant changes in the organization**

There have been no significant changes.

#### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

PEC participated in all regular sessions of the Human Rights Council. It also contributed to the follow-up of the action plan drawn up by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the safety of journalists and impunity as well as to the work on the subject by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

#### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

PEC participated in all sessions of the Human Rights Council in the period from 2018 to 2021. At each session PEC presented several oral statements on various agenda items (some of them remotely in line with the current regulations owing to the coronavirus disease) within the framework of general debates and interactive dialogues.

#### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

PEC has alerted United Nations bodies in New York and Geneva to the killings or persecution of journalists and documented the most egregious abuses in its communiqués and reports. It cooperated with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in the implementation of the Human Rights Council and General Assembly resolutions on the safety of journalists.

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

No initiatives were specified.

### **14. Public Eye, Verein auf der Grundlage der Erklärung von Bern, Bern**

#### **Special, 2018**

##### **Introduction**

Public Eye, Verein auf der Grundlage der Erklärung von Bern, Bern takes a critical look at the impact of Switzerland and its business sector on economically disadvantaged countries. Through investigation, advocacy and campaigning, we

denounce injustice that has its cause in Switzerland and demand respect for human rights around the world. With the support of its 28,000 members, Public Eye, Verein auf der Grundlage der Erklärung von Bern, Bern works here for a more just world.

### **Aims of the organization**

The objectives of Public Eye, Verein auf der Grundlage der Erklärung von Bern, Bern are:

To ensure that Swiss companies respect human rights, labour laws and environmental standards, not only at home but also abroad.

To ensure that Swiss companies are held accountable in Switzerland in the event of violations.

To ensure that victims of human rights violations by Swiss companies abroad can seek redress in Switzerland.

To ensure that the Swiss authorities establish a clear and binding legal framework for this purpose.

To ensure that Switzerland combats the resource curse in order to allow the population of producing countries to benefit from the wealth of their natural resources.

To ensure that the political and judicial authorities combat corruption, embezzlement and tax evasion so that Switzerland is no longer a refuge for people who have acquired their wealth illicitly.

To ensure that public goods are not privatized, and that essential goods are not patented but rather shared for the public good.

To ensure that consumption in Switzerland is not based on exploitation and that resources are preserved for future generations.

To ensure that Switzerland commits itself within the international community to the respect for human rights, fair working conditions and greater social justice.

### **Significant changes in the organization**

There have been no significant changes.

### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

Public Eye, Verein auf der Grundlage der Erklärung von Bern, Bern is committed in Switzerland and internationally to the implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Peasants and Other People Working in Rural Areas.

The organization has contributed to the implementation of the objectives of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management and the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade.

Through its various activities, the organization has committed itself to human rights, the right to development, the right to health and the right to food in developing countries.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

The organization participated in the various sessions of the Human Rights Council in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.

It also participated in the World Health Assemblies of the World Health Organization in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.

The organization participated in the Conferences of the Parties of the Rotterdam, Stockholm, and Basel Conventions, as well as in the meetings of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management between 2018 and 2021.

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

The organization has cooperated with the special procedures of the Human Rights Council in preparing reports, drafting statements, and sending letters of allegation related to the health and environmental impacts of pesticides and access to seeds in developing countries.

Public Eye, Verein auf der Grundlage der Erklärung von Bern, Bern organized side events in Geneva with the participation of representatives of United Nations agencies and bodies.

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

The organization has been involved in an initiative to suspend intellectual property rights for vaccines and drugs to prevent and treat the coronavirus disease in order to promote access to medicines and vaccines in the poorest countries, thereby supporting the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 3 on health.

The organization has also undertaken an initiative to support the elimination of the most hazardous pesticides in agriculture and the prohibition of the export of banned pesticides, in order to protect the environment and human health in developing countries and to support the achievement of Goal 3 on health.

The organization has been advocating for Switzerland to finally take measures to combat corruption and money-laundering, which deprive countries in the South of resources for their development, thus promoting Goal 1 on poverty and Goal 10 on inequality.

The organization is committed to the rights of small farmers and their right to conserve, exchange and sell seed, in order to support the achievement of Goal 2 on hunger.

## **15. Réseau des organisations féminines d'Afrique francophone**

### **Special, 2014**

#### **Introduction**

There have been no changes.

#### **Aims of the organization**

Our goals and objectives have not changed.

### **Significant changes in the organization**

Since 2015, we have made a significant contribution to the establishment of a women's fund called Xoeze (the Fund for Francophone Women) which became operational in 2019. We have transferred most of our strategic plan and theory of change to Xoeze and have carried out many of the activities in our strategic plan, called Women at the Top, in collaboration with this new fund. The Director of the organization and President of Xoeze was nominated by the Francophone Network for Gender Equality, of which the organization is a member, to sit on the Multi-Stakeholder Steering Committee of the Generation Equality Forum where she has made a significant contribution to the Generation Equality process and its Action Coalitions.

### **Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations**

In collaboration with Xoeze, we have initiated and implemented various activities that promote the rights of women, young women, persons with disabilities and Indigenous people. We continue to support this young fund financially and technically because we believe it will help to facilitate our work and that of thousands of women's organizations and institutions.

In collaboration with Xoeze, we launched the I am committed to Generation Equality campaign, which enabled the direct mobilization of more than 1,500 organizations in 12 countries through national advocacy groups and secured 127 commitments to the Generation Equality Forum and its coalitions. On 29 June 2021, we jointly organized a session as a countdown event for the Generation Equality Forum. This event (I am committed to Generation Equality!) served as the culmination of the first phase of our campaign. We organized a parallel session at the sixty-third session of the Commission on the Status of Women entitled "Francophone activists let's claim our rights to quality social services" on 15 March 2019 from 10.30 a.m. to noon. We had planned sessions at the sixty-fourth session of the Commission on the Status of Women in March 2020, on "The Francophone Women's Movement and the Beijing+25 Process" which had to be postponed due to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) health crisis. We held the session virtually at the sixty-fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women in collaboration with other partners. We also contribute to various initiatives to increase funding to francophone organizations.

### **Participation in meetings of the United Nations**

We participated, through our representatives, in different United Nations events but less so than in previous years owing to the COVID-19 crisis, which led to the postponement of many meetings and the restriction of access to the United Nations. Those events were the sixty-third, sixty-fifth and sixty-sixth sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women and the Generation Equality Forum in Mexico City in March 2021 and in Paris from June 30 to 2 July 2021.

### **Cooperation with United Nations bodies**

In Togo we have cooperated directly with the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the West and Central Africa Regional Office of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women in New York. We have worked indirectly with many bodies in the 12 countries where the "I am committed" campaign has been conducted in collaboration with our partners.

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

We support the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in collaboration with the Xoesse Fund by working to mobilize and redistribute financing to organizations working on the ground in countries and communities to implement Goals 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 17. Although we operate at the micro and meso levels with limited means, we have nevertheless managed to provide more than \$206,218 to support 58 initiatives operated by more than 30 organizations and we will continue to expand initiatives and support to organizations until the goals are reached in 2030 or after that point.

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