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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Irina Bokova

Director-General of UNESCO



Irina Bokova, born on 12 July 1952 in Sofia (Bulgaria), has been the Director-General of UNESCO since 15 November 2009, and was reelected for a second term in 2013. She is the first woman and the first Eastern European to lead the Organization.

Having graduated from Moscow State Institute of International Relations, Irina Bokova was a Fellow at the University of Maryland (Washington) and followed an executive program at the John F. Kennedy School of Government (Harvard University). She began her career at the United Nations Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria. Appointed in charge of political and legal

affairs at the Permanent Mission of Bulgaria to the United Nations in New York, she was a member of the Bulgarian Delegation to the UN World Conferences on Women in Copenhagen, Nairobi and Beijing. She was elected twice as Member of Parliament and she served as the Government's first Secretary of European integration. Irina Bokova was Minister for Foreign Affairs a.i., as well as Ambassador of Bulgaria to France, Monaco and UNESCO and Personal Representative of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria to the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie.

As Director-General of UNESCO, Irina Bokova is actively engaged in international efforts to advance quality education for all, gender equality, the protection of the world's cultural heritage as a humanitarian imperative and security issue to strengthen the foundations for lasting peace. She actively promotes culture as a driver for development, along with science diplomacy and cooperation. She spearheads global awareness and campaigns to counter youth radicalization and prevent violent extremism, hate speech and discrimination, starting with action through education. Irina Bokova is leading UNESCO as a global advocate for the safety of journalists and freedom of expression.

Irina Bokova is co-Vice-Chair of the Broadband Commission and chair of the UN High Level Committee on Management. She also served as Executive Secretary of the Steering Committee of the UN Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative (GEFI, 2011-2015). She is on the Forbes List of the world's most influential women for 2016. Irina Bokova has received state distinctions from countries across the world and is Doctor honoris causa of leading universities. In addition to her mother tongue, she speaks English, French, Spanish and Russian.

H.E. Faisal bin Abdulrahman bin Muaammar

Secretary General of the King Abdulaziz Center for National Dialogue



H.E. Faisal bin Muaammar has devoted his life to bringing together people of different religions and cultures, through dialogue. He is an Advisor to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, he serves as Secretary General of two dialogue institutes: the King Abdul Aziz Center for National Dialogue (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia) and the KAICIID Dialogue Centre (Vienna, Austria), and is also Supervisor General of Riyadh's King Abdulaziz Public Library.

Driven by a passion to empower young people to be engaged and contributing citizens, Mr bin Muaammar serves on the Board of the UNESCO Institute of Lifelong Learning and the World Scout Foundation.

Beyond his institutional roles, Mr bin Muaammar has served at the upper echelons of government, as Deputy of the National Guard Educational & Cultural Affairs and as Vice Minister of Education. His work at the National Guard saw him spearhead a successful literacy campaign for National Guard personnel and their families, for which the organization was awarded the 1999 Global Literacy Award by the International Council for Adult Education.

Mr bin Muaammar is also an active board member of the Forum for Promoting Peace in Muslim Societies.

Getachew Engida

Deputy Director-General of UNESCO



Mr Engida has spent the last 20 years leading and managing international organizations advancing the cause of poverty eradication, peace building and, sustainable development. He has extensively worked on rural and agricultural developments, water and climate challenges, education, sciences, technology and innovation, intercultural dialogue and cultural diversity, communication and information with emphasis on freedom of expression and the free flow information on and offline as well as good governance. Mr Engida brings to the international public service a broad range of leadership and management skills from his academic background and rich experiences in the private sector. Mr Engida is a specialist in change

management, good governance and transformative leadership in diverse international setting. Mr Engida has travelled widely in public speaking and leadership engagements at international conferences on peace and sustainable development issues and conferred with political leaders, policy makers, international, regional and national non-governmental organizations, the private sector academia and civil society. Mr. Engida joined UNESCO as Deputy Assistant Director-General for Administration and Comptroller in June 2004. He has

served as Deputy Director-General since July 2010, and from January 2014, has taken on the added responsibility of managing the Communication and Information Programme of UNESCO. He also serves in a number of not-for-profit international boards.

H.E. Mr Ibrahim Albalawi

Ambassador, Permanent Delegate of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to UNESCO



Ibrahim ALBALAWI has begun his post as the Ambassador of Saudi Arabia since May 2017 up till now. He has a PHD degree in the science of language, University of Rouen (March 2000). Prior to joining UNESCO, he occupied the post of Cultural Advisor at the Saudi Cultural Office in Paris (2012-2016) and Adviser to the Ministry of Higher Education (Directorate General of Planning and Statistics). Previously, he was a University Professor at the Faculty of Languages and Translation, University of King Saud, Riyadh. In 2009 he was a visiting Professor, University of Rouen. His vocation and love for the language sciences lead him to approach the field of translation. He became a member of the scientific

committee of the King Abdullah International Award for translation. His vocation also led him to become a founder and editor of several journals and magazines such as: *Synergies Monde Arabe* (Revue de didactologie des langues- cultures), "Essentiel de Maqalid" magazine, Saudi Cultural Bureau, Paris, the University Magazine (Faculty of Languages and Translation-King Saud University), the journal *Linguistica communication* (Morocco). He was also a member of the scientific council for the French language. He is also a Former Member of the Scientific Council for the French Language in the official translation department of the Committee of Experts at the Council of Ministers. He was a member of the Scientific Council of the GERFLINT (Study and Research Group for French as an international language).

Nada Al-Nashif

Assistant Director-General, Social and Human Sciences Sector, UNESCO



Nada Al-Nashif took up her duties as Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences at UNESCO on 16 February 2015.

She is the holder of a BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics (1987) from Balliol, Oxford University and a Master's in Public Policy (1991) from the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

Prior to joining UNESCO, she served (2007-2014) as Assistant Director-General/Regional Director of the International Labour Organization's Regional Office for Arab

States, based in Beirut, Lebanon. Previously she worked at UNDP, where she started her UN career in 1991, serving in Libya (1992-1995), Lebanon (2000-2004), Iraq (2003) and at Headquarters in New York (1995-2000, 2005-2006).

As a development economist and practitioner, she serves in an advisory capacity on several boards, notably the Boards of Trustees of Birzeit University and the Human Development NGO, Taawon.

Fahad bin Sultan Alsultan

Deputy of the King Abdulaziz Center for National Dialogue



Fahad bin Sultan Alsultan is the holder of a BA in History from the King Saud University in Riyadh; a Master's in Leadership and Human Resources Development from the University of Western Michigan, USA; and a PHD in Sociology of Education from the University of Pittsburgh, USA.

Currently Deputy Secretary General of the King Abdul Aziz Centre for National Dialogue in Riyadh, Fahad bin Sultan Alsultan has occupied various positions. He has worked as a Professor of Educational Sociology and Anthropology at the King Saud University, as the Executive Director and Chairman of the Supervisory Committee of Encyclopaedia and also as the General Supervisor of the 'Salam'

Intercultural Exchange Programme.

Apart from this rich experience, he is the author of various books and articles related to educational sociology, volunteerism, development and intercultural dialogue.

Olivier Adam

Executive Coordinator of the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme



Olivier Adam (France) took up his appointment as the Executive Coordinator of the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme on 2 January 2017.

Mr Adam Olivier joined UNV after having served with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) as Deputy Regional Director and Deputy Assistant Administrator of the Regional Bureau for Europe, Commonwealth of Independent States (2014-2016). Prior to this, Olivier served in different capacities with UNDP (1990-2014), including as Manager of the Bratislava Regional Centre, UN Resident Coordinator/Resident Representative in the Ukraine, Head of Global Fund Partnership, Deputy Resident Representative in Argentina,

Assistant Resident Representative in Haiti and Deputy Director, Programme of Assistance to the Palestinian People. He started his career in the UN system as Junior Professional Officer with the United Nations Capital Development Fund (1987-1990).

Olivier holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, a Master in Economics from the London School of Economics and Political Science and is a graduate of the Paris Institute of Political Studies (Sciences-Po).

John Geoghegan

Director of the World Scout Foundation



Following a career with the International Red Cross and Red Crescent in which, following five years as Director of International Red Cross and Red Crescent Youth, Mr Geoghegan later led the European Red Cross/Red Crescent Operations in Europe - during the Balkan conflict, the break-up of the Soviet Union and the aftermath of the Chernobyl disaster, and which later brought him to Vietnam dealing with disaster relief, rehabilitation and long term effects of the Vietnam War, including establishing a Vietnam/American Red Cross response to the effects of Agent Orange. John joined the World Scout Foundation in September 2001. With the WSF, where he works with the Honorary Chairman HM the King of Sweden and a board of global leaders, he has helped more young people throughout the world to do amazing things in their communities through project support, in particular through an initiative with the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, His Majesty the King of Saudi Arabia, called "Messengers of Peace" which to date has inspired 25 million scouts in 120 countries to work for peace and harmony in their local communities and beyond. This programme sets "Dialogue" as a central skill for these young leaders to use in their work, drawing heavily from the approaches developed by the National Dialogue in Saudi Arabia. It has resulted in over 760 million hours of community service logged on line since 2013. Mr Geoghegan's experience with intercultural and interfaith dialogue started in 1976 when, as a South of Ireland Catholic Scout, he worked with Northern Ireland Protestant Scouts and started an initiative to bring scouts from two sides of the religious divide in Belfast together in a cross-border programme.

WORKSHOP TRAINERS



Ronni Abergel

Denmark

The Human Library Workshop



Ronni Abergel is a 43-year old journalist from Denmark. He got a diploma in Marketing and Communication at the Copenhagen Business College and completed a Bachelor in Journalism at the Syddansk University in 2012. Mr Abergel is the founder and director of the Human Library Organization in 2000 in Denmark. He is used to facilitating human libraries and animating TED talks on the subject.

Growing up in Copenhagen, Mr Abergel said he got involved with the wrong crowd. He would get into fights both in school and on the streets. In 1989, when he was 15, he decided to escape and he moved to New Milford, Connecticut for a year as a foreign exchange student. He returned to Copenhagen

in 1990 feeling a greater respect for those different than him. After finishing school in 1993, he and his friends started Stop The Violence, an organization that raised violence awareness. His work eventually led him to create the Human Library Organization.

Mr Abergel considers that, "if we could make people sit down with a group attached to a certain stigma they don't like or even know about for that matter, we could diminish violence».

<http://humanlibrary.org/contact-human-library>

Xicu Colomar Martín

Spain

Sport against violence Workshop



Born in Ibiza, Spain. Since he was a child, sport played a huge role in his personal and professional career. In 2006 he moved to Madrid to train at the High-Performance Center with the national athletics team. In 2010 he received a scholarship by Kansas State University and moved to USA. There he completed his first degree with a Bachelor on Physical Science in 2012 and returned to Europe. He then completed his second degree in Architecture in 2017, at the Technical University of Madrid. Because of being involved with the Spanish Athletic Federation, he started participating at international events related to youth leadership and sport.

In 2012, he did an internship at UNESCO Sport Sector where his engagement in this field increased exponentially. Since 2013 he worked for several national and international organizations like the Spanish Athletic Federation, European Athletics, Spanish Anti-Doping Agency, Spanish Olympic Committee, European Athlete-Student Network, European Non-Governmental Organization, etc. Xicu has participated in over 100 events, in 30 different countries. Using sport as an international language

and a tool for education, he has planned and delivered over 200 initiatives that used sports values to foster a positive impact in society.

Zeina Daccache

Lebanon

Drama therapy workshop



MA Clinical Psychology, Registered Drama Therapist (NADTA), Board Certified Trainer (NADTA), Founder of Catharsis- Lebanese Center for Drama Therapy

Zeina, through the NPO she founded in 2007, Catharsis-Lebanese Center for Drama Therapy, brought the innovative tools of drama therapy to Lebanon. In 2009, she produced the theatre production "12 Angry Lebanese" with inmates of Roumieh Prison. This pioneering production as well as the documentary that emerged from the process received international acclaim and led to the implementation of Law 463 in 2009 (the reduction of sentences for good behavior). In 2011, she created the play "Scheherazade in Baabda", with women inmates of Baabda prison where they shared their personal stories in an attempt to heal their wounds and hold up a mirror to Lebanese society about the oppression of women. Her 2nd feature documentary "Scheherazade's Diary" wins 10 international awards.

She also produced and directed theatre plays that lobbied also for policy change, with Migrant Domestic Workers (Shebaik Lebaik, 2014) and residents in psychiatric hospitals (From the Bottom of my brain, 2013).

Moreover, she offers individual therapy at her private practice clinic and she works with corporations who wish to increase the productivity of their staff, and enhance their interpersonal and communication skills.

She is recipient of many awards given for her distinguished contributions to the field of social initiatives and services.

MASTERS OF CEREMONY



Bastian Küntzel

Germany



Specialized in communication and management with a focus on their intercultural dimensions, Bastian has been involved in the training field since 1998, having started as a volunteer in an international youth organization, studied Intercultural Communication and Adult Education and now work globally with clients such as the United Nations and Google. He plans and organizes training, is an innovative facilitator, trainer and coach that creatively pushes the boundaries of mainstream approaches to learning.

<http://www.incontro-training.org>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h7UF6Kf7Ts0>

Nadine Lyamouri-Bajja

France/Morocco



Nadine Lyamouri-Bajja is an intercultural psychologist and international trainer/ consultant. She worked with migrants and refugees for Doctors of the World, UNICEF and the Red Cross in various countries. From 2006-2011, she was an educational advisor for the Youth Directorate of the Council of Europe. Nowadays, Nadine is a co-manager and co-founder of the Intercultural Institute of Systemic Competences (IICoS). She offers various training courses around intercultural learning, inter-religious dialogue, conflict and stress management. She is specialized in psychotraumatology and teaches intercultural competences in various universities and

institutes in France, Germany and Belgium.

www.iicos.org

VOLUNTEERS' SELF PRESENTATION



Mai ABDEL AZEEZ

Egypt



Student at the Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University in her fourth year ; following courses of management of domestic and international crisis and political media.

She interned at Al Watan newspaper, attended workshops on the culture of dialogue and on coexistence. As a student she was the Delegate at CMLC «Cabinet and Local Council Model» at Cairo University, the Academic Committee Head at MUNW «Model Of United Nation For Women», and the

Academic Committee Head at MUS «Model Of UNESCO Simulation.

She attended a conference of the world Dr. Mustafa El Sayed in the celebration of Engineer Day at Al-Azhar University Conference of the current Secretary of the United Nations at Cairo University.

Fatma Zahra ABDERRAHIM

Algeria

Education/communication



HR language instructor at BMS (Sonatach, HESS, Petronas) a petroleum company. She is from English Literature and Civilizations background. She is also an independent reporter, a founder of the first online radio broadcasting for youth in Algeria, a voice over person and an SDG advocate. She is a young activist in the national and international arena and a young leader working for Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) achievement. She won the best press corp delegate award of Algeria model united nations 2016 in the committee

of disarmament and international security.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzni-mZxAOY&feature=youtu.be>

Jean-Yves ABECASSIS

France

Migrants and refugees



He has joined "SOS Méditerranée France", as a volunteer, in September 2015, a few months after the European Union has decided to stop "Mare Nostrum", the search and rescue operation of Italian Navy in the Mediterranean.

He is a board member, in charge of interventions in schools and universities. He is one of the spokesperson of the association.

He worked for social security organizations, at first as an organization consultant, then as a financials risks audit department manager, finally as a director. From the 1990s, he contributed to the development of health networks between family medical providers, healthcare institutions and medical social workers in order to improve the coordination of care. He worked as well for a Regional Health Agency (Provence Alpes Côte d'Azur), in charge of the Hospitals Management Department. He lives in Marseille (France).

Fatmeh ABDULLATIF

Palestine

Social inclusion/education



Works as a projects coordinator at Jerusalem Women centre, managing a project to enhance youth rights in the city. She lives in Jerusalem, which still suffers from many cultural, social, economic and environmental problems, which spread an atmosphere of frustration among people there. She participated in several training courses and received six certificates from several institutions in Jerusalem and the West Bank, and followed a training field.

Amna AHMED MOHAMED ELHASSAN OMER

Sudan



She holds a bachelor degree in civil engineering, Khartoum University and a master's degree in Integrated Water Resources Management from Cologne University of Applied Sciences, Germany. Amna is currently working as a researcher at the Water Research Center, Khartoum University. As Amna believes that the future of Sudan depends on the water sector, she has a strong motivation to change the map of Sudan's water supply and sanitation. Amna is the Founder and the President of the Sudan Youth

Parliament for Water, where she is working to develop, support and promote the potential of young people to contribute achieving the Sustainable Development Goal in Sudan, and also advocating for youth participation in the water related decisions making processes and discussions. She is also a Co-founder & Director of Operations Department of an international nonprofit organization called Young Water Solutions, aimed at empowering young leaders providing them the tools to carry out water and sanitation projects in their communities.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h0_Bll7wcrq&feature=youtu.be

Khoolud ALAMRI

Saudi Arabia

Maya AL ARAB

Lebanon

Education



29 years old Lebanese, volunteering since 2001 in Makassed Volunteering unit. Maya participated in different workshops about team building, communication skills, leadership and participated in several social initiatives such as the merging program, orphans, and infirmary. She is now a leader in the Massaked volunteering unit and is responsible of community services inside Makassed schools.

Naif ALBAIZ

Saudi Arabia

Education, Art



Administration director at Mezaah for Exhibitions and Conferences. Trainee in several programs: 1) Trainee in the Saudi young leaders exchange program (SYLEP): a one month of training courses on leadership skills in Washington D.C and Blacksburg VA (USA); a program Administered by the U.S Department of state. 2) Trainee at "Atheeb holding company", in HR and Administration affairs. 4) Trainee at the King Abdulaziz Center for National Dialogue, in the project management department. 5) Participant-trainee in the United

Nations in Riyadh office (participation with H.H-princess Lian bint Faisal AL-Saud in the Low-income neighborhoods development project). 6) Participant member of Riyadh day in New York, with Arriyadh development authority in Riyadh day in New York fair exhibition in the U.N headquarters in New York.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MbZfAaqvBXM&feature=youtu.be>

AHMED ALLOUCH

Tunisia

Social inclusion



He works as an Adviser at the Tunisian People's Representative Assembly (Parliament) since 2009. Active in Civil Society through many NGOs, founder and current vice president of "Youth Without Borders-Tunisia". He coordinates several national and regional programs and projects, especially in Youth and Women field. He is a specialist in Youth empowerment, Civic Participation, Volunteering, Women empowerment, Elections field and sport management. He is also a National and International Election Observer. Ahmed holds a Master Degree in Management "The Company and the European market", a Specialized Master Degree "Management of Associations and NGOs", an Executive Master in Sports Organization Management and a Bachelor's degree in Management. In addition, he participated in the first International Youth Conference on "Volunteering and Dialogue" organized in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia in 2013.

Abdullah ALJUMAH

Saudi Arabia



Saudi bestselling author of the book "Tales of a Saudi in Europe", lecturer in law and explorer. Al Jumah's influence in Arabic travel literature and social media made him one of the most influential Arabs under the age of 40, according to Arabian Business. He visited over 100 countries and is a frequent participant in regional and international conferences on youth empowerment, volunteering and media

Aisha Aljahdali

Saudi Arabia

Sarah AL GHAZOU

Jordan

Social inclusion



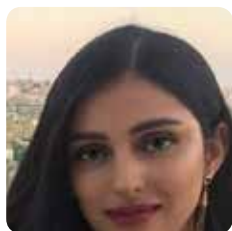
Sarah Al Ghazou is a Jordan based, Youth Peer Network Coordinator in the United Nations Fund for Population Country Office, where she manages the network on a national level to promote healthy life styles among youth and raise their awareness on Sexual Reproductive Health Rights. She graduated from Jordan University of Science and Technology, with a bachelor's degree in English for Special Purposes (ESP). She has been a social activist since 2008 where she volunteered and worked in different Jordanian

NGOs and participated in European Union youth ex-change programs, seminars, trainings and voluntary programs. Sarah developed a strong sense of devotion for the youth humanitarian and development field. This passion changed her career path from the business sector after graduation to becoming a national youth development specialist in a regional project with the United Nations Volunteers to continue her career in the youth development path.

Israa AL MADHADA

Jordan

Social inclusion



Human Resources Team Leader at Mercy Corps - Jordan. She graduated from Geneva Business School with a degree in International Management. I read novels and play sport a lot .
<https://www.linkedin.com/in/isra-madadha-6a120944/>

Abdullah ALOBAID

Saudi Arabia



He currently works in finance. He enjoys reading, writing, and sculping. He has participated in local Art exhibitions, and has published two books in Arabic (a novel and a short story). Currently working on his third novel.

Sana Hamad A ALORF

Saudi Arabia

Abdullah ALQAHTANI

Saudi Arabia

Yasir ALSAAD

Iraq

Social inclusion



24 years old, living in Kufa city-Najaf governorate Iraq. A dentist graduated from dental school university of Kufa in 2016. He studied public policy in university of Massachusetts Amherst by exchange program called IYLEP. Co-founder and chairperson of Moja (NGO and voluntary team)

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/x6kuu1neyvlyuw/Video%207-20-17%2C%203%2004%2034%20AM.mov?dl=0>

Sultan ALSHAMMARI

Saudi Arabia



A young member of the municipal council of his small town, and a training specialist working in the private sector, who believes in team work, spreading awareness, and empowering youth initiatives and their involvement in the development cycle. His favorite quote is (what you are doing today; will identify your place tomorrow).

Mosalam ALSHAMARI



Saudi Arabia

Communication

<https://youtu.be/Kcxuk3q1bZ0>

Ghassan ALSHIEKH IBRAHIM

Palestine

Social inclusion/education



Palestinian Youth activist, currently a master's student specializing in conflict development and conflict at the Arab American University. Also works as a trainer in the capacity building of marginalized youth and marginalized groups living in areas far from government and cultural care. He also works as a volunteer in training and coordinating youth and social programs which aims to build youth leadership and provide humanitarian and intellectual work to the Palestinian community to create a condition of development and young leaders able to participate, innovate, actors and contribute in decision-making. Through his community work in the Friends of the Community Vision Foundation and with youth groups and being in direct contact with the youth, he seeks to spread ideas and a renewed culture of training programs, workshops and youth camps, in addition to building and expanding the work with a youth group in various regions of Palestine.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LjN2uQDTLoE&feature=youtu.be>

Najla ALSURAYYI

Saudi Arabia



26 years old, volunteering at KACND as initiatives Supervisor and Public Relations Coordinator.

Graduated from USA in political science major.

Amjad ALSUWAILEM

Saudi Arabia



Intern at the Permanent Delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to UNESCO.

After graduating from king Saud University in field of French language, she started working at princess Nourah University as interpreter and trainer. She got an internship at UNESCO with the permanent delegation of Saudi Arabia to UNESCO.

Eman AMDAN

Palestine

Education



Currently a master student at the University of Leeds studying Global Innovation Management. She co-founded and volunteers at ESNAD initiative that aims to Empower Palestinian Youth to become the agents of change in Palestine through innovative educational programs that promote the culture of civic engagement and volunteerism among youth, my job responsibilities included fundraising, project management and training. She also worked with Mercy Corps international as youth consultant working with TEVT institutions. Her active role in both youth and business led her to participate in events regionally and internationally and to lead delegations and fellowships in many conferences such "UNESCO World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development", and the "She Entrepreneurs" program organized by the Swedish Institute and MENA.

Aboudi ANASS

Morocco

Education



Anass Aboudi has an academic background in mathematics, media, marketing and communication and is also a coach trainer in leadership and neuro-linguistic programs. He has collaborated to projects of the UNESCO Associated Schools Project Network, and headed Moroccan civil society organisations linked to technologies, youth and development. He has been Secretary-General of the Moroccan Centre for Studies on gender equality and public policy and also chief financial officer of the Moroccan Education Forum. He is currently Chief of the Documentation and Production Unit at the General Inspection of educational affairs at the Ministry of National Education and Professional Training.

Omar BADR

Lebanon



A political science student and avid activist. He has participated extensively in several peace-building initiatives around Lebanon including organizing marathons, supporting education in refugee camps, campaigning for the preservation of public spaces, and advocating for human rights. Currently, he is working on a project that promotes social cohesion and unity among different communities in Lebanon and training to become a Red Cross first responder.

Sara BALGHONAIM

Saudi Arabia

Communication

Sara Balghonaim is a communications professional and aspiring filmmaker. Most recently, she handled media-related projects for Alwaleed Philanthropies, including managing and executing the first of its kind conference on “the evolving role of women in Saudi Arabia”. She has interned in Marketing & Communications at Boston Ballet, Boston Children’s Hospital, and The Walk for Hunger. In 2014, Sara produced «Takalamy», a socially driven campaign which involved a series of interviews to encourage dialogue amongst Saudi women. Sara volunteered at the Saudi National Festival for Culture & Heritage in 2015 and joined in 2016 the Saudi Arabian Scouts Association. She also worked as a TV Producer at JWT and starred in Munukeer, a short Saudi film (nominated in Cannes Film Festival and Dubai Film Festival). Ultimately, Sara hopes to give a voice to Saudi female filmmakers, and to encourage storytelling by women, in order to shed light on the societal taboos that need to be addressed in order for society to truly move toward a more equitable future.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UPzK-7gwGBE>

Kymerly BAYS

US working in South Sudan

Communication



United Nations Volunteer serving as a Communications Officer with the United Nations Development Programme in South Sudan. Kymerly helped launch the first-ever UNDP Youth Innovation Challenge for Peace, which drew more than 120 proposals from young South Sudanese citizens for creative youth-led peace initiatives. Covering UNDP projects and programmes, Kymerly focuses on multi-media storytelling, including youth and women entrepreneurship

trainings, youth-led community ICT initiatives, and engagement with university students through peace discussions and the Sustainable Development Goals. She is also the co-chair of the United Nations Communications Group in South Sudan, representing over 20 agencies, funds, and programs. She is a graduate of Temple University and native of California, USA.

Houda BENYAKHLEF

Morocco

Art and Culture



<https://youtu.be/Q-sEwdbCQkw>

Mohamed BENZAIED

Tunisia

Communication



Alaa CHEBIB ABI RAAD

Lebanon

Education/communication



Computer teacher since 10 years and an activist in civil society. He is also a digital advocacy and social media project manager at association Nabad for development, which empowers youth in Bekaa on different stages of development through promoting their abilities in participating in civil political and social life by using social media in an effective and positive way. Recently he has been a member in youth global citizenship network in the Arab states.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LMzJ1oWx6aABah>

Ayak CHOL

Sud Soudan

Social Inclusion



Young activist, Ayak grew up in Ethiopia, in Soudan and in Kenya, as she couldn't live in her home country because of the war. Today she is a feminist, doctor, poet and activist.

FATOUMATA COULIBALY

Ivory Coast

Social inclusion

Laureate of the "If I were.." photo and video contest



Care Giver, graduate in Medical and social science and Scout member in Ivory Coast. Actively involved in accompanying children in their education with the Non-Governmental Organization JADE. She is hoping to become a nurse in order to support women in the north of Ivory Coast.

<https://youtu.be/Pn-eH6NH1A>

Feng DING

China



Aspiring international civil servant currently working as Project Coordinator on Peacebuilding and Conflict Resolution in UNESCO Office in Beirut. Holding a BA on International Relations from the College of Wooster, USA, he developed an early interest in international work on youth, peacebuilding and humanitarian relief. In 2015, Ding Feng worked with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) during the height of the refugee and migrant crisis. In 2016, he joined the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Office to the United Nations, where he participated in the 71st Session of the UN General Assembly, and followed the UN Summit for Refugees and Migrants 2016. Believing youth are agents of change, Ding Feng has supported multiple projects that focus on promoting the voice of youth around the world. He wishes that youth around the world across all sectors could be given a major role in taking the lead to achieve the 2030 Sustainable Agenda.

Ahmad DIREYA

Palestine

Art/Communication



Palestinian initiator who works in the community development field. He has a bachelor's degree in Political Science from Al-Quds University and is currently studying a master in Organizational Development. He earned many awards such as the ideal volunteer price in Palestine in 2010 and Arab thought youth ambassador in Palestine 2012-2013. He also participated in many international conferences and training in many countries such as Emirates, Jordan, Tunisia, Denmark and Spain. All of these meetings aimed to enhance the cooperation and dialogue spirit on both Arab and world level. He hopes -through his projects- to improve the quality of the provided services for citizens through raising citizens' awareness of their rights and duties and teaching them how to claim those rights.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qrh4LizlN6Y>

Adeola DIYA

NIGERIA

Sports



24-year-old Sport for Development and Peace Advocate. She has been able to educate and demonstrate the impact of using sport to promote peace and achieve the SDGs through both online and offline engagement to over 800 young people in the last two years. In 2015, she interned in an Organization (Paradigm Initiative Nigeria) where she facilitated life skills and youth development lessons for young people between ages 15-19 on the L.I.F.E program. In the last two years, her Organization (SPYD) in partnership with Life Torch's platform launched a Mentorship program "Ajegunle Footballers Educational Program" AFEP in one of the notorious slums of Lagos in Nigeria, which aims to encourage and educate young athletes on the importance of education while participating in sport. Also, via her work as an African Regional Representative for the Commonwealth Youth Sport for Development and Peace Network, she carries out educational awareness and Public forums to educate young people and organizations on the impact of sport in addressing Development issues. In addition, she is a programme manager at Sport for Peace and Youth Development initiative (SPYD) where she implements and develops projects that ensure social inclusion, promote positive life and social skills among young people through the use of Sport.

<https://youtu.be/Qx51CDzURYI>

Sherif ELBADALY

Egypt

Social inclusion/education



Egyptian chemist, working in oil and gas field and researcher in environmental studies. He is active in the civil society sector especially in tolerance and intercultural dialogue.

<https://youtu.be/J6sLHStaBG4>

Nada EL FEITURI

Libya

Cultural Heritage and Art



Nada Elfeituri is a 26-year old architect, blogger and civic activist from Benghazi, Libya. She is currently part of the executive committee of the Libyan Institute of Architects, focusing on the needs of young architects, and volunteers her spare time to Benghazi's civil society. Nada has always had a passion for the intersection between civic development and the built environment, and advocates for the active involvement of local communities in the design and rehabilitation of the city. She is also a Georgetown MEPI alumna and she is an active member of the NET-MED Youth Project.

Tony EL MIR

Lebanon

Education/Communication



Currently working as an operation manager at a YMCA in Lebanon, a youth focused organization, which runs numerous programs for youth such as: Early Childhood Education (Social & Financial Education), Economic Empowerment for Women & Youth, Vocational Training & Skills Development, Health Awareness and Medical Support, Environment Watchdogs of Lebanon Natural Reserves, and finally Developing Youth Fundamental Skills. He graduated as a double major student from the National Pedagogic Institute for Technical Education in «Computer Science/Software Engineering» and «Finance». His first work on the field was with the Middle East Council of Churches (MECC), in which he was the financial officer for Inter-Church Network for Development and Relief (ICNDR) who implemented a multi-million relief and rehabilitation program in the south of Lebanon. He worked with MECC for 7 years and with ICNDR for 9 years. He volunteered for many NGOs working in early childhood education, health care & education for stateless children. He also volunteered in human rights based organization in which he prepared and participated in numerous training and seminars in the MENA region, on human rights and in particular migrant workers' rights. Finally, this experience drove him to work with YMCA of Lebanon.

Elham FAKHRO

Bahrein

Social inclusion/education



Elham Fakhro is a Lecturer in Law at NYU Abu-Dhabi and doctoral candidate at St Antony's College, University of Oxford. She previously acted as a Researcher with Georgetown University, the International Institute for Strategic Studies, and the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry.

Monica FIGUEROA ARIAS

Colombia

Social inclusion/Education



Colombian Constitutional Lawyer, living in Pasto (south of Colombia). She has been part of the Scout Movement for about 15 years. Since 2013, she has participated in various international events related to leadership, social impact initiatives, youth involvement among others. She currently coordinates the Interamerican Youth Network and also lead a project called Books for All. It aims to inspire Scouts to collect books and distribute them to their local and vulnerable communities. So far, the project has provided over 50,000

books to more than 200 local libraries in Latin America.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lcoGnuecKD0&feature=youtu.be>

Ismail FOLARANMI ODETOLA

Nigeria

Laureate of the "If I were.." photo and video contest



Creative entrepreneur with an expertise in different art fields, which range from print, design, digital and traditional advertising, branding, writing, editing, presentation, radio production and Digital photography. He works specifically in Documentary, on daily life and society, landscape, abstract and conceptual photography. Moving from one place to another to take pictures of people's daily lifestyle is one aspect of photography he loves the most. His hobbies are playing football, reading, taking picture, travelling, meeting new people and writing.

Katia GRUETTER

Switzerland working in Lao PDR

Communication



Master's degree in English, International Law and Gender Studies at the University of Zurich. Currently working as, a Communications and Aid Effectiveness Officer with the Public Information Unit of the UNRCO in Lao PDR, focusing on communicating the work of the UN and UNDP to development partners and, most importantly, the people of Lao PDR. <https://youtu.be/9yBUprgAmT8>

Mohsen GUL

Pakistan



Mohsen is an enterprising researcher. He holds a master's in environmental management and is currently pursuing his doctoral degree in environmental geography at the University of Nottingham, UK. Having worked in the development sector for over 5 years, Mohsen is a staunch advocate of North-South equity and collaboration. He firmly believes that Sustainable Development Goals with the agenda of 'leaving no one behind' call for rethinking the approaches of the MDG era that left youth out of the process, recognizing the value

of channelizing global youth as the 'driver of change and knowledge creation in both Global North and South'. He has also served as a youth member on UNDP's panel for development of National Human Development Report 2016 in Pakistan.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adlqe8YbVZg>

Bisam GYAWALI

Nepal



24 year old, currently working as a Youth Programme Officer at UNDP in Nepal as a National UNV. Bachelor Graduate of Public Health from Nobel College, Pokhara University, Nepal. He has 2 and a half years of experience in the youth sector and 5 years in volunteering. He has been working extensively in the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) since its adoption, in different districts of Nepal. As a UNDP staff, he works to connect young people with the UN system and to give them a

platform for their ideas to get acknowledged. His previous professional experiences include working in Leadership and Governance, Media and Communication, Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights, Peace building and others.

Breech HASHER HARANI

Philippines

Laureate of the "If I were.." photo and video contest



Independent filmmaker and photographer from Compostela Valley, Philippines. He graduated with a Degree in Arts Major in Mass Communication at the Holy Cross of Davao College. In 2013, he started creating short video contents and founded Alexandrite Pictures, a film collective studio that tackles global issues through visual narrative. In 2014, His short comedy video "This is my World" was one of the 5 international winners of TIME Magazine's Video Contest. In 2015, his short animated film about Migration and Social

Inclusion won the International Jury Award, UNTV Award and CHINH India Award at the UNAOC Plural+ Youth Video Festival in New York. In 2016, he was one of the invited presenters during the UNAOC 7th Global Forum in Baku, Azerbaijan. His short video about Climate Change also won the Best Animation Award during the Film4Climate Competition. Aside from making films, he also creates photography projects and has won several photo awards: the World Food Programme's Family Meal Photo Award in Brussels, and the World Wildlife Photo Competition. Recently, his Philippine-Pakistan film collaboration "My Story" about xenophobia and religious discrimination won the Jury Award of the International Citizen Media Award in Germany.

Sandunika HASANGANI

Sri Lanka living in Japan

Laureate of the "If I were.." photo and video contest



BA in International Relations, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (2013) MA in International Cooperation Studies, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan (2016).

PhD candidate, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan. Research interests: the relationship between reconciliation and development policy variations. She also conducted research on ethnicity and identity of Muslim community in Sri Lanka. Apart from the Japanese Government Full Scholarship for master's and doctoral studies (2014-2019),

she has received several national and international awards for her writings/research papers including Eisaku Sato Award of Excellence in 2015. She is a published creative writer, a columnist and has been short listed as 'Youth in Academia' by the United Nations-Sri Lanka in 2014.

QABAS HASSAN

Iraq



Qabas Hassan, 22 years old, holds a BA degree in English language and literature. She is a volunteer and a passionate artist which painting and handmade art works. She is a youth volunteer since 2013 and has worked with Moja youth team which is now an NGO. She participated in "Lylep", an exchange program since 2012.

Jean HATTEM

Lebanon

Laureate of the "If I were.." photo and video contest



Studied audiovisual in Beirut and graduated in 2011. He lived in Qatar for a short period then came back to Lebanon where he started working with many NGOs as a videographer and filmmaker in the development field. In parallel, he works on personal video projects that are related to the collective memory.

Yara HIJAZI

Lebanon

Social inclusion



23 years old, born in Saida, South District of Lebanon. She is currently a project officer and environmentalist at Development for People and Nature Association. I also underwent an Education for Sustainable Development workshop that helped me start awareness sessions for environmental Clubs at schools in Saida. She graduated with a degree of a BS in Environmental Science. Environmental Science is about the outer environment and the people, and by understanding people and balancing their needs and

nature's needs, we can help achieve sustainability.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l5sjvSljYI>

Hussam HUSSEIN

Jordan



Member of the Water Security Research Centre and of the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research at UEA since 2012, he is currently a Visiting Fellow and External Research Associate of the School of International Development, and is a Research Associate at the American University of Beirut (AUB) in Lebanon since 2017. Hussam has working experience from the European Parliament, the Italian Embassy in Amman, the NGO Friends of the Earth Middle East, the London Middle East Institute, and from the World Bank, Washington DC. At the World Bank, Hussam worked on the Starting a Business indicator of the Doing Business report 2012 and 2013. After his studies in international relations at the University of Trieste (Gorizia), at SOAS, and at the College of Europe, Hussam has successfully defended his PhD thesis at the School of International Development at the University of East Anglia. His PhD thesis focused on water scarcity discourses and transboundary water governance in the case of Jordan.

Mohammed IBRAHIM

Egypt

Social inclusion/education



Founder of Think Tank Development Solutions; a social venture acting as a knowledge hub for social development innovations introduced by young people. Mohamed joined the community development field in 2002, working for and collaborating with many local, international and governmental organizations; Ministry of Youth and Sports, Ashoka Arab World, UNDP, Information and Decision Support Center, Ministry of Social Solidarity, UNICEF, British Council, GIZ, Danish Egyptian Dialogue Institute and UNESCO. Mohamed's expertise includes civic engagement and participation, dialogue, social accountability, debating skills, outreach and communication, youth development, and youth economic empowerment. Mohamed holds a Master's Degree in Public Policy from School of Global Affairs and Public Policy/American University in Cairo. In 2014 Mohamed was chosen as one of the «Pioneers of Egypt», receiving the Social Entrepreneurship Award from Synergos Foundation for his efforts in creative youth civic engagement. In 2015 he received the "Graduate Honors Assembly Award", for outstanding graduate academic achievement from School of Global Affairs and Public Policy/American University in Cairo. Mohamed was invited as a Speaker in several global events such as the "Hammamet Conference" (Tunisia, 2014) and "IANYS 9th Global Conference on the National Youth Service" (Bibliotheca Alexandrina, 2010).

Eduardo JAVIER LARIOS

Mexico

Education/Communication



Currently studying Communications. He has been participating in different activities, most of them with social-cultural topics, mainly the city of Morelia. In 2013, he took part in the "Young People building peace and intercultural dialogue through advocacy and cooperation" organized by the Alliance of European Voluntary Organisation, in Tallinn, Estonia. In May 2013, he was appointed to win the prize "Merit Young people" of the city of Morelia.

<https://youtu.be/ovGA-tgUPog>

Hammam JURAIED

Saudi Arabia

Social inclusion



Executive GM of Ekhaa Orphans Foundation since Dec 2015, where he managed to have 10 branches around the kingdom taking care of 2055 orphans. During 2011 to 2015, he was the Manager of Princess Al Anood Center for Youth Development which aims to promote youth voluntarism and enhance their contribution in the society. Before, for three years, he was the director of the youth committee in King Abdul-Aziz Center for National dialogue. His main work focuses on empowering youth through promoting a culture of dialogue. He produced three documentary movies for different Youth groups on subjects such as having positive impact and change on the society as well as voluntary work. He participated in many international and national conferences and is a member of several organizations such as the Saudi youth Strategic Plan Council and AL Ghad Forum, which is the first forum in the Kingdom on youth issues. He is also a member of the National Center for youth studies. Hammam studied NPO-NGO Management and Media Advocacy.

<https://youtu.be/gOXfjK9zHWk>

Mwenya KABENSE

Zambia

Social inclusion/Education



Mwenya Kabense 24, born and raised in the capital city of Lusaka in Zambia from a family of five children. Studied Psychology at the University of Zambia. During his time there, was elected as President of the University of Zambia Psychology Association and volunteered as a counselling assistant in his final year at Chisomo-Drop In Center. Worked with the association to encourage more students to enroll as volunteers at the Center in different capacities. Went on to volunteer for child-care at Kayula Cancer

Childhood Foundation and today works as Human Resource Officer for Herocean Group.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zrgci0zVsXA>

Timothy KALDAS

USA

Education/ Communication



Timothy Kaldas is the Director of Communications at the Munathara Initiative. He is a non-resident fellow at the Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy (TIMEP) focusing on political analysis. His research interests include transitional politics in Egypt, regime survival strategies, and US-Egyptian relations. Beyond Egypt, his research examines the social and political history of sectarianism in Iraq, US policy towards the Arab-Israeli conflict, and discrimination against Muslim Europeans, particularly in France. He also a visiting professor of professor of politics at Nile University in Cairo. His commentary and analysis has been featured on CNN, France 24, BBC World, Radio France International, Al Jazeera English, and Mada Masr. He was a contributing photographer for "The Road to Tahrir," a photobook documenting the early days of the Egyptian uprising in 2011, and he contributed a chapter to Looming Shadows: Migration and Integration at a Time of Upheaval on the politics and history surrounding discrimination against French Muslim citizens. Mr. Kaldas holds an MA in Arab Studies from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2sXmFc5WWWU&feature=youtu.be>

<https://twitter.com/tekaldas>

Karim KATTAN

France/Palestine

Culture/education



Karim Kattan is a writer and researcher based in France and Palestine who publishes in French and in English. He is currently working on the image of the desert in novels of the post-colonial era. He is the founder of el-Atlat, an international artists and writers' residency in Jericho, Palestine.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rCSXobozK14>

Abdulhamed KHAIRALDDIN

Saudi Arabia

Social inclusion/education



Abdulhamed khairaldin Dental intern, chairman of multiple college events and conferences, patch leader for five years, KANCD youth representative, department of state alumni, dental triage director, chairman of dental emergency in al hajj season.

<https://youtu.be/t7HDM3zy5wU>

Abdullah KHURAYEF

Saudi Arabia



Famous translator in the region. His goal is to enrich Arabic contents. His dream is building language bridges around the world to enrich them via Arabic content. He achieved to get over 1M followers on Twitter by translating English valuable videos to Arabic.

Edgar KILIBA

Tanzania

Communication



National UN youth volunteer in Tanzania. He currently manages the One UN Tanzania website and social media accounts. His role mainly involves finding creative ways to convey the UNs work to Tanzanians and to also engage youth to be more actively involved in Tanzanian development. He is 24 years old and has lived in multiple countries (e.g. the US, UK, Mozambique & South Africa). He completed two university degrees in Johannesburg, South Africa and will obtain his masters in a few months.

<https://youtu.be/yHNPkRmvtqw>

Khadija MAALEJ

Tunisia

Social inclusion/art



25-year-old Tunisian social and cultural activist, who advocates for youth development and cultural exchange. Khadija is currently working as a project manager at the international institute of debate. Recently, she got her master degree in professional business communication. Khadija Maalej has taken part in youth leadership programs and attended several national and international conferences, fellowships and training, on Youth advocacy, sustainable development and social entrepreneurship, peace building and self-development in Tunisia, France, Netherlands, Qatar and Morocco. Khadija is an active member in different organizations that promote youth participation, decision-making, leadership, civic engagement and self-development and peace.

<https://youtu.be/UoPwfDdLYw>

Nyokase MADISE

Malawi

Education/Art



Malawian, Pan African, feminist, youth leader, ARTivist, culture academic and performance artist. She has been a part of various local and international entities that promote the welfare of the girl child, the welfare and self-expression of at-risk youths, youth participation in community development, transparency in local government, celebration of cultural heritage, creative entrepreneurship, peacebuilding and student Academic Freedom, in both the public and private sector. Currently, she is part of

the lead cast of a Malawian youth media brand known as Zathu (zathu.mw), which aims to inspire young Malawian boys and girls to work together to create a stronger future for themselves and their communities despite existing gender disparities and various social challenges. She is also a volunteer member of Pan-African youth organizations such as Music Unites Africa, Africans Rising and PAYnCOP. She is also currently working towards obtaining a scholarship to pursue a Master's Degree in Ethnomusicology, and I aspire to be my country's Minister of Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture someday.

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=fDyO3UGNXBw>

Oscar MAMANI GONZALES

Bolivia

Social inclusion/communication



Social communicator from Santa Cruz, Bolivia,, and a volunteer for 10 years in various organizations. In 2014, he volunteered for a campaign "DO NOT LEAVE", implemented by the UNV in the city of La Paz: a campaign on social inclusion of vulnerable groups such as children and teenagers, Persons with disabilities, the elderly, women and the LGBT community. He currently supports the participation of civil society and youth in public management to promote transparency and the fight against corruption in

municipalities.

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/oscar-mamani-gonzales-210b4657/?ppe=1>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Y5pMpa13XM&feature=youtu.be>

Mireille MADDAH

Lebanon

Social inclusion/communication



Mireille Maddah, a Lebanese double-graduate in both International Affairs and English Literature from the American University of Science & Technology (AUST). Currently, she is the acting director for management bureau of the International Youth Federation (IYF), as well as, a master's candidate & scholar with the Rondine Cittadella della Pace in Italy. She is a contributing writer to NewPeople, a Thomas Merton Center publication; and to Women's Republic, an online platform for all women awareness and

expression on women's rights and topics.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f4u9hEvyR_Q

Camila MERCEDES DELGADO MONICO

El Salvador living in Kuala Lumpur

Education/communication



22 years old, currently pursuing a Bachelor Degree in Graphic Design, working as an intern in social media with the Digital Engagement team in the Communications and External Relations department of the World Scout Bureau, based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Scout since her 8 years old, she participated in several events, during which she trained as a leader with values and life-skills to also start volunteering at different levels, national and international, on different topics: youth engagement and participation,

communications and media, emergency relief, education, and others. As a volunteer she participated in various projects like: music and art as a way to spread a Peace Message, Youth leadership trainings to strengthen youth participation and empowerment, promote animal care through protection law and support for animal refugees, school camps for youth in danger of gang violence or familiar violence, and more.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S2x__-sceYQ&feature=youtu.be

Eliane PAULE MEUBEUKUI



Eliane Paule MeubeuKui has knowledge in communication for development, citizen monitoring of public policy, advocacy, and human rights and peace education. She has over 8 years of experience working on issues and initiatives related to youth. In 2013, she was an instructor at the Peacekeeping School

in Bamako. Her local action generates impactful results and supports a number of local, regional, and global advocacy actions to advance youth causes. In 2009 she founded the AFJD Association (Action for the Development of Women, the Poor, and Young Inmates). Its mission is to contribute to the well-being of children, women, and youth by implementing programs and actions for their development. Eliane Paule holds a degree in Organizational Communication with a concentration in Political Science from University of Douala.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=00NU8tfsBwM&t=17s>

Shahad NAGRO

Saudi Arabia

Social inclusion/Education



Developed and conceptualized crowdsourcing programs that reached over 10 million and engaged over 2 million users including Qomrah Program. She has a Post Graduate Diploma in Strategic Management from UCD College of Business, Dublin. She got the Honor degree in Bachelor of Business Administration, Banking Finance from Dar Al-Hekma University, Jeddah. She was the Saudi Youth Ambassador at the G20 Youth Summit. She is the Founding Chair and Former President of Makkah Youth Council For

Development. Certified Human-Centered Designer (Design Thinking) from IDEO.

<https://youtu.be/li5Tn7UAXo0>

Daiana NEL

Argentina

Social inclusion/Education



25-year-old, with a bachelor degree in Education sciences at Buenos Aires University. She is a member of the research team in education at the Buenos Aires university She works for the social development ministry of Argentina as a social coordinator of two programmes which work with children in socially vulnerable situations. Both programs are based on formation, entrepreneurship and the arts. She has been a scout since her 8 years old, and has been part of numerous working teams, development local, national and international education programs. She is currently an educator in her city, and a member of the world scout committee, having the role of youth adviser.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R9Wy-XSOvrs&feature=youtu.be>

Melina NUÑEZ

Uruguay



Visual and plastic art graduate at the Montevideo National Institute of fine arts. Volunteering experience: animator of a group of teenagers living in a disadvantaged area, in several Youth centers in Uruguay. She conducted Art workshops with teenagers: in Montevideo and in France. She participated in the 5th Forum of Young Ambassadors of the Francophonie in the Americas at the Francophonie Center of the Americas, University of Montreal. She speaks several languages: Spanish, native speaker French, fluent English, fluent Greek, basic.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cQ4mptCq5pk>

Abdulrahman QATOMAH

Saudi Arabia

Education



26 years old born and raised in the city of Abha. Medical School Graduate. Currently a medical resident at KFSH-RC. Passionate about voluntary work, helping people, and saving lives. A poet, story writer. He used to work with a team interested in film making and worked as Preparation Programmer for a short series talking about my city with the same team. He graduated as the 2nd among my patch of 2016 with a degree of honor.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RCQ4lhDNr3k&feature=youtu.be>

Apoorv OM

India

Social inclusion/education



Apoorv Om, painter, hearing impaired, 21 years old student of B.Arch, School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi. He attended the Navy Children School and obtained a Yoga course certificate in MDNIY, New Delhi. He participated in many Conferences and has met many UN representatives and international personalities. H.E Mr. Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary General has received him for a meeting and accepted his artwork at the Peace Palace, The Hague in 2016. The President of the ICJ invited him for the "70th

Anniversary celebration of the International Court of Justice" at the Peace Palace, The Hague in 2016. He also painted a portrait HE Ms. Irina Bokova, UNESCO Director General, and realized a 2D model of UNESCO building on April, 2017 at UNESCO

Headquarters in Paris. He learned to paint portraits by himself. For the past years, he has been promoting peace and dignity in the world through Yoga, Art & Craft and moral teaching to children and uneducated persons.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i3VFlcWs9bE>

Tariq OLAIMY

Bahrein

Social inclusion



Co-founder of 3BL Associates, which is a people + planet strategy consultancy and think-do- tank that was established to reimagine a more regenerative Middle East, and to accelerate global sustainable development. As a climate activist, he is a founding national coordinator of the Arab Youth Climate Movement, present in 17 countries. As an educator and an Ubuntu Peer Peace Coach, Tariq is also the only youth co-chair of UNESCO's Global Action Programme on Education for Sustainable Development partner network. Tariq was named as one of 10 Muslim men worldwide who are shaping the world by Mvslim.com, and recognized by GreenBiz and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development, as one of their 2017 «30 under 30» leaders for breaking new ground in sustainability innovation. Tariq founded the "Public Planet Partnerships" framework, which allows business, public servants, changemakers, innovators, and scientists to consider new ways of working and collaborating with Natural Capital. As a health and wellbeing advocate, he co-founded of Diabetes.bh, an award winning online community platform for diabetes in Bahrain. Tariq is a World Economic Global Shaper, holds a BSc. in Investment and Financial Risk Management from Cass Business School London, graduated from the Singularity University Executive Program, and is among the first 100 people in the world to complete a specialization in the field of Biomimicry.

<https://youtu.be/S5psRhCx8es>

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/tariqalolaimy/?ppe=1>

Suliman OSMAN

Sudan

Social inclusion/education



Committed community activist. Currently working for the Federal Ministry of Youth & Sport. Participates in executing humanitarian efforts implemented by youth locally and internationally to exchange knowledge and experiences. He participated in "The Nile Basin Countries Conference" in Cairo and in "The African Youth Summit" in Ethiopia. In addition to that, he works within Khartoum State. He has contributed in the development of the local community in places such as Sennar state through the National Youth

without Borders organization.

<https://youtu.be/XeRrxGv4Mk>

Ghazoua OUERGH EP SAADA

Tunisia living in the US

Development



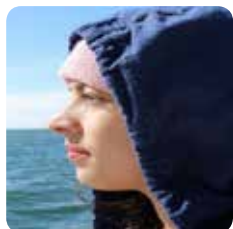
29 years old. She was a United Nations Volunteers for 3 years from 2013 to 2016 and cofounded the Tunisian Youth Forum that is a network of 11 CSOs. She has been working in UNDP since 2016

Gisela PEREZ FERNANDEZ

Mexico

Migrants and refugees/ Laureate of the "If I were..."

photo and video contest



Graduated in Engineering in Business Management from the "Instituto Tecnológico de Puebla", Mexico. She founded "Mundo con Iniciativa" (2010) to motivate and implement change. She developed a program of sensibilization and "sense of belonging" with students at her university and, and became an active member of the Executive Committee of Alumni Society of the Instituto Tecnológico de Puebla - C.E.S.A. (Comité Ejecutivo de la Sociedad de Alumnos). She also produces media content and is currently the

producer of Zone of Peace radio, aiming at developing peace journalism to create change and improve media content. She is also co directing the project "help them to arrive" through which she raises awareness locally on migrants and social cohesion, campaigns to supply shelters and support centers in the country, and produces video and documentary reports on the issue.

Soukaina RACHIDI

Morocco-US, living in UAE

Social inclusion/Education



UAE-based Moroccan-American blogger and aspiring book author who believes that entrepreneurship, community building and global citizenship are key to promoting youth empowerment and sustainable growth in the MENA region. Through her writing, and blog and book she hopes to help youth and communities in the region reclaim their narrative, to promote harmony, inclusion, growth and sustainability for all.

Samar ROUSHDY

Egypt

Social inclusion



Works as a Youth Policy Coordinator at the League of Arab States. Currently doing a Master on Gender and Development. Samar Roushdy worked in different NGOs on Human Rights Advocacy and Policy Development; she was also one of the founders of simulation Model at her University.

Lorenzo ROVELLI

Switzerland working in Haiti

Social inclusion/education



MSc degree in Chemistry in Lausanne, researcher in University College Dublin (UCD) and a consultant for renewable energy companies and Swiss NGO Solafrica. He joined the UCD Volunteers Overseas in 2015 and traveled to Gros-Morne, Haiti as a volunteer to evaluate an IT literacy project on solar panels in schools. He then joined UNFPA Haiti in March 2016 as Youth Development Officer, where he contributed in reinforcing the Youth programme of the country office, through resource mobilization, and preparation of strategic documents, but also through implementation of projects and activities targeting the most vulnerable adolescent and young boys and girls in the country. Through these projects and activities he is working hand in hand with the government of Haiti, several partner NGOs and youth grassroots organizations to reach out to the most disadvantaged adolescents and young boys and girls and inform them on issues related to sexual and reproductive health, family planning, gender-based violence and to empower them through a better access to healthcare service, a better knowledge of their rights and a reinforcement of youth platforms as true agents of positive social change and as a strong voice advocating for the rights of young people and adolescents in Haiti.

Youssra SAAB

Lebanon

Social inclusion/education



Holds a BA in pre-school education and a master's in business administration in social work. She started volunteering in 2005 as a member of the Lebanese red cross-youth department- she then became an official trainer. She also volunteered in different local nonprofit organization. In 2016, she became part of GAPMIL and represented Lebanon in MIL conference in Sao Paolo. She started her professional career as an educator in private schools then switched to work with local association, where she became a special educator for kids between 9 and 17 years old with low economic conditions, living in a very poor area, and facing social, emotional and intellectual difficulties. In this association, she specialized in child protection and studied the impact of social media on teenagers, and she implemented many workshop and awareness sessions for kids, youth, parents and teachers in different locations in Lebanon. In 2017, she started working with the community leaders and the community based approach organization in an NGO. <https://youtu.be/Uu-bIMoLkrA>

Sanaa SABAH

Iraq



30 years old. Holds a master in political of science from the University of Baghdad, from 2013. She teaches human rights and democracy in the college of Administration and economic and is currently employed in the ministry of youth and sport. She has a certification from the Canadian college as a trainer.

Ahmed SALIH

Sudan

Social inclusion



26 years old marketer working in a private company in Sudan. Scout member since 2005. Accordingly, he participated in many scouting local and international events. He developed high interests in volunteering and took major roles in many projects aimed at giving back to his community.

https://youtu.be/YJT_SdJnKU

Sofia SAVONEN

Finland

Education/communication



Politics and International Relations student at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland. Active volunteer in Scouts, operating at the European level. Areas of expertise in the World Organization of the Scout Movement in Europe: the Structured Dialogue between youth and decision-makers, and Messengers of Peace: an initiative that promotes and financially supports values like peace and integration. Also involved in a Finnish Scouting project that circles around making the non-formal education that Scouts

offer accessible to all. Outside Scouting, she has done volunteering especially at her university, mostly with societies supporting refugees.

Nadine SAYEGH

US-Lebanon



Nadine is a researcher and journalist covering the Middle East from a social, political and cultural lens. She is a graduate from SOAS, University of London, with an MA in Media and the Middle East. She has worked in the UAE, Lebanon and Jordan as well as the UK. She has written for a number of titles including: TRT World, Middle East Eye, The Arab Weekly, MIT Pan-Arab Technology Review, in addition to several others. She has worked with deVere Group, ITP Publishing, and UNRWA. Her current work is within the field of Human Security with a focus on Countering Violent Extremism at the WANA Institute in Jordan. Throughout she has interviewed a number of prominent academics as well as leaders of grassroots initiatives. She spent much of her time in Lebanon in the Shatila refugee camp and engaged with the children, some of whom were Palestinian refugees fleeing from Syria. She also had the opportunity to interview Leila Khaled a prominent figure in the Palestinian Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

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Thinzar SHUNLEI YI

Myanmar

Social Inclusion



25 Youth advocate and youth expert from Yangon, Myanmar with a B.Ed Degree in 2013 from Yangon University of Education. She is one of organizers of International Peace Day Celebrations 2013 and 2014 in nation-wide level inviting Peace Ministers and delivered CSOs' Demands for Peace in Myanmar. She co-organized first-ever Myanmar Youth Forum in 2012 and again in 2016 for the development of national youth policy in Myanmar. She also organized South East Asian Youth Forum (ASEAN Youth Forum) in 2014. She also involved in the international campaign called #MyFriend, an innovative campaign to promote friendship among the diverse community through social media targeting young people. She mainly advocates for the law reform to root out the military administration in local level as Advocacy Coordinator at Action Committee for Democracy Development (ACDD). She was nominated for N-Peace Award in 2015 for Peace Generation Category. She was honored as one of ten youth awardees for "Emerging Young Leaders Award" 2016 by U.S Department of States in 2016 for her efforts on positive social transformation. She conducted many volunteering events and youth development trainings, seminars, workshops relating with volunteerism, governance and education. She was invited as a youth speaker in several national, regional and international events.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nMUFodpQnho&t=28s>

Suntharak SOTHY

Cambodia living in China

Laureate of the "If I were.." photo and video contest



Currently enrolled at the Shanghai University of International Business and Economics under the Chinese Government Scholarship Program (CSC), majoring in the bachelor degree of International Economics and Trade. Mr. Sothy attended various events, workshops and summits across the globe: the United States of America and China business relations' workshop held at the Duke University in South Carolina during July 2015; The 'Global Peace Building & Social development' summit which was held in the city of

Kenitra, Morocco. He also participated in the World Bank group youth summit entitled 'Rethinking Education for the new millennium held at the World Bank Headquarters, Washington DC in November 2016. Mr. Sothy has various hobbies, which include photography, badminton and travelling.

Sherin TAHBOUB

Egypt

Communication



23 years old. She studied Arabic literature At Ain Shams University in Cairo, Egypt. She has experience in poetry, music, and radio broadcast and contributed to several local initiatives such as the «Arab Youth Festival» a cultural heritage festival at Cairo University and the "Arabic Symposium on social intervention approaches for integration of vulnerable youth groups" in Tunisia.

https://youtu.be/kg03CY_gDug

Nacer TAYEB

Algeria

Education



Nacer Tayeb is currently working in Investment Banking/ Private Equity at Tell Group. Previously, Nacer co-founded Al-Majd Consulting, which specialized in offering Management and Strategy Consulting Services to SMEs seeking ISO Accreditations. He has also been very active both locally and with numerous associations and NGOs, including the United Nations, The European Commission, The Arab League, and The Clinton Foundation. Nacer holds a Bachelor's Degree in Control and Robotics from the

Institute of Electrical Engineering (Ex-Inelec) and a Master's in Public Administration from Montana State University (Fulbright Scholarship). Nacer also received the Excellence in Education Award from President Bouteflika of Algeria.

Andreas TZEKAS

Greece

Refugees and Migration



Currently studying Finance in Thessaloniki, Greece. As a student, he went through many interesting experiences and met great people by getting involved in different initiatives and projects. He organized the first TEDx event in his university, became an intern at European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN), took active part at TEDxCERN and represented Greek National Youth Council at the European Youth Forum. One of the biggest experiences so far in his life have been offered by Scouting, the movement that he joined since he was 6. After refugee crises reached Greece, he engaged in mitigation activities through his National Scout Association around the country. He spent 3 days on Greek island of Kos offering support to both refugee adults and children and produced a short video showcasing his unforgettable experience. His support continued in refugees' camp from his hometown Larisa and Thessaloniki by helping authorities delivering food and other firsthand necessities for people in need.

Sulaiman VESAL

Afghanistan living in Germany



Laureate of the "If I were..." photo and video contest
PhD degree in Computer Science in Friedrich Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg in Germany. Received a full scholarship by DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst) in 2016. Research area: Machine Learning, Medical Image Processing and Deep learning. I have completed my Master degree through receiving a full scholarship by SARRC organization in Computer Science in 2013 in Delhi, India. In between after post-graduation, I worked with several national and international organization in Afghanistan such UNDP, IRD and USAID. Photography is one of my passions that since years I am doing it.

Tijana VUJADINOVIC

Serbia

Communication/journalism



Currently HR/UNV Support officer at UNDP, positioning volunteerism as a credible solution for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and strengthening the knowledge base on volunteerism through deepening research, measurement and convening volunteer involving organizations (VIOs) and civil society organizations (CSOs). She volunteered for years at AIESEC, the biggest student run organization, in Denmark. She also worked as an administrative assistant in the Ministry of Foreign affairs

in Denmark and was a personal assistant to a head of mission. As a journalist, she worked at the Daily Newspaper Pravda and Radio Belgrade.

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Marie Louise YCOSSIE

Ivory Coast

Education, communication



National coordinator of Messenger of Peace Program for Ivorian federation of scouting. Her team conducts a lot of community projects like awareness campaigns for Messenger of Peace leaders, project gift of smile for children's with cancer, planting the trees (one scout, one tree). She is also the co-founder of Hope By Sport foundation to help children with education through sport.

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Zhuoling YOU

China-Based in Paris

Education/communication



MA in Cultural Management of Universidad de Santiago de Compostela (Spain) and MA in education of Sun Yat-sen University (China). Zhuoling Lu is working as a Project Assistant in the Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (based in UNESCO House). Supporting the ideology of Global Citizenship, Zhuoling is actively involved in the civic engagement. She was in charge of a volunteering program in the village of Leprosy (China), raised voices in the World Forum for Democracy (France), coordinated street actions for climate

justice (Belgium), initiated intercultural activities in the schools and museums (Spain) etc.

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**Assistant Secretary-General for
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Ms Amal Al Moallimi is General Secretary Assistance for Women's issues at the King Abdulaziz Center for National Dialogue, Riyadh. She is also a board member in the Saudi Human Rights Commission. Her interests are in dialogue, human rights and cultural / social issues. She is one of the three women who supervised the municipality elections 2016 in which Saudi females participated for the first time as candidates and voters. She has also chaired the jury for Prince Nayef Award for Saudi Distinguished Women 2017. On the International level, MS, al-moallimi is a Master Trainer for dialogue skills in the UNESCO and the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM). She is also an honoree Ambassador & a Spoke person for the United Refugee Green Council (URGC).

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Scout Leader, Certified Trainer in human development and workshops to creative of youth initiatives. Supervisor of the Ambassadors of Humanity Dialogue program, which held in cooperation with the University of Edinburgh in Scotland, Member of the youth intellectual leaders in the Middle East and North Africa program which held in Japan 2016. Member of Friends of Society group that includes intellectual figures that address extremism. Participated in many international conferences about Youth and Volunteering

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Alexis BISANUKULI HULIRO

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Mr Bisasukuli Huliro Alexis is a national of Rwanda , born 17 April 1964. Prior to joining the United Nations Volunteers Programme (UNV), he served as the Deputy Head of the Liaison Office of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) to the African Union (AU) in Addis Ababa/Ethiopia (January 2014- March 2017) and previously, as Capacity Development Specialist ([January 2010 -June 2011) and subsequently, Officer-in-Charge of the Capacity Development , Knowledge Management & Innovation Practice Team in the UNDP Regional Service Center for West and Central Africa (June 2011- December 2013) consecutively based in Dakar /

Senegal and Addis Ababa/ Ethiopia. Mr. Bisasukuli Huliro Alexis has also occupied Policy & Programme Development and Management positions in International Non-Government Organizations (Care Australia , Tearfund, American Refugee Committee (ARC) ,Voluntary Service Overseas-VSO- and, Child Fund International).

Mr Bisasukuli Huliro Alexis completed a BA in Public Administration from the National University of Rwanda (1993) and an MA in Development Studies (specialization in Public Policy & Management) from the International Institute of Social Studies of the Erasmus University Rotterdam (The Hague, Netherlands, 2004). He is married and father of three children.

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Pierre ARLAUD

Representative, External Relations



Pierre Arlaud is building his career between international organizations and NGOs. He has directed several non-profit structures acting in European and international projects. Currently, as vice-president of the Philedon Foundation, he contributes to funding actors of positive change in Europe. Formerly, he spent 3 years in implementing international programs and activities in organizations such as the OECD or European Commission. He also chaired the UNESCO Joint programmatic commission on Youth between 2009 and 2012. In 2013, he is awarded Face of the Year by the European Commission for its contribution in the emergence of the civic-tech sector in France. In 2014, he is awarded

the European Citizen prize by the European Parliament for its achievement in a successful large citizenship campaign. He is also volunteering since 2009 for the World Organisation of the Scout Movement as external relations leader for international organizations, fellow youth organizations and private partners. He aims at fostering public policies on youth as well as developing opportunities for the 50 million scouts.

He finally lectures international investment law at Paris 13 University, speaks 4 languages, has two master degrees in law and has 31 years old

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Michael Worbs is committed to UNESCO's mandate in the fields of Education, the Sciences, Culture, and Communication and Information. He was elected as Chairperson of the Executive Board for a mandate from 2015 to 2017. Equally, he is the Representative of Germany to the Board. From 2012 to 2016 he was Ambassador and Permanent Delegate of Germany to UNESCO. He has previous experience with the organization: from 1997 to 2001 he was Deputy Permanent Delegate of Germany to UNESCO. He gained particular experience in the FA Commission and was involved in the reform of UNESCO. He participated in the elaboration of the 2001 Convention on the Protection

of the Underwater Cultural Heritage and led the German Delegation during the final meeting of Governmental Experts on the Draft Convention. Michael Worbs was born on 14 September 1950 in Ulm (Germany). He studied Political Science, History and German Literature in Frankfurt/Main and Berlin and completed Advanced Studies of Comparative Literature in Berlin, Vienna, Paris and Rome. In 1980, he received a doctorate from the Technical University of Berlin (supervisor: Walter Höllerer). He has published several books and articles on Literature and Psychoanalysis, Arts and Literature of the Fin de Siècle, Literary History of Rome and Media Policy.

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