

**Plan of Action 2014-2018
to Implement Priorities and Resolutions**

IN GENERAL

2015

DIALOGUE and YOUTH:

- Work on Resolution 3 at the Board Meeting: *Dialogue*
- Start a path for dialogue with youth (intergenerational dialogue) See *YOUTH working group*
- Dialogue with other Christian denominations
- Dialogue among member organisations
- Committees working in co-operation
- Each Region could share what they are doing
- Ecumenical moment of prayer encouraged
- Ecumenical prayer at 2015 Board meeting
- Prayer for DIALOGUE during the whole year
- Possible activity with ACISJF (which has a specific attention for young women) where this reality is present.

2016

DIALOGUE and FAMILY:

- Work on Resolution 1: *Family*
- Work on the conclusions of the Synod of the Family
- Promote family values
- Resolution 2: *Human Trafficking*. See *FAMILY working group*
- Resolution 4: *Addiction Prevention*. See *FAMILY working group*
- Committees working in co-operation
- Each Region could share what they are doing
- Prayer for FAMILY AND YOUTH during the whole year
- Ecumenical prayer at Board meeting focusing on these priorities
- Second meeting with suffering women coming from Middle East families

2017

DIALOGUE and meeting with SUFFERING WOMEN

- Resolution 5: *prevention and fight against corruption*. See *SUFFERING working group*
- Resolution 6: *right to have access to drinking water and sanitation*
- Support women, young women and Christian families in the Middle East
- Committees working in co-operation

- Each Region might share what they are doing
- Prayer for SUFFERING WOMEN during the whole year
- Ecumenical prayer at Board meeting focusing on these priorities

2018

- Focus on the next General Assembly
- Prayer against CORRUPTION and for GENERAL ASSEMBLY during the whole year
- Gather information from each Region on what actions were taken on the Resolutions

IN WORKING GROUPS

FAMILY WORKING GROUP

Resolutions to be considered: Human Trafficking and Addictions. The members decided to focus on these.

- 1) Go back to our local levels and to high level reports to compile a document concerning human trafficking (definition, resources, etc.) and another document on addictions (types of addictions, resources, etc.).
- 2) Ensure that these documents are disseminated widely through our website, information sources of our member organisations, and any other feasible means.
- 3) We could provide restroom cards or assist our member organisations to provide restroom cards that give an inspirational verse such as Live with Dignity and also provides the number of a local rescue organization.
- 4) Select one day per year, perhaps International Women's Day, and offer educational sessions at the grassroots level with useful material. Local sessions could include materials to hand out, testimonies, government officials, help organisations, etc.

TIMELINE:

1. The trafficking publication should take two years to prepare and then another year to disseminate. It will require much research to discover available materials and to get information that pertains to each country.
2. The addictions publication should take two years to prepare and then another year to disseminate. Again, it will require much research to discover available materials and to get information that pertains to each country.

Recommendation: see first *“Created in the image of God, treated like slaves....” Document on Human Trafficking (Caritas Internationalis and Pontifical Council for Immigrants)2015.*

YOUTH WORKING GROUP

Resolution to be considered: Dialogue. The members decided to focus on listening to young people, especially teenagers (but the age of “youth” could be considered from 13-30).

- 1) Look for best practices in our own countries (youths helping other youths).
- 2) We could organise a small meeting with youth to share these best practices and to listen to each other, to involve young people.
- 3) Promote sharing of best practices within countries and exchange with other countries.

Recommendation: see first *support and exchange programs that already exist*.

SUFFERING WORKING GROUP

Resolutions to be considered: Corruption and Access to Clean Water. The members decide to focus on highlighting the suffering of women as a consequence of corruption.

- 1) First year: establish a general overview of the current situation starting with the experiences from member organisations.
- 2) Second year: further analysis of the current situation by taking into account other actors or areas where women are also present and suffer because of corruption, namely Episcopal conferences, other organisations (faith or non-faith), and women in civil society.
- 3) Third year: drafting a document which will recount the information we will have collected from these women throughout the first two years.
- 4) Fourth year: present a short summary document which could be addressed to national and international politicians of different countries, in a special date (Anti-Corruption Day), to raise awareness of "the suffering of women related to corruption".

Recommendation: see first *everything that already exists on the International Anti-Corruption Day on the 9th December*.

IN COMMITTEES

STATUES AND PROCEDURES

- 1) To study and revise the translations of Statutes and Bylaws.
- 2) To study and revise the Job descriptions to bring them into compliance and agreement.
- 3) Explore the relationship between WUCWO and the French association of WUCWO.
- 4) Receive proposals to include in statutes and bylaws for the next General Assembly.

INTERNATIONAL

- 1) Make activities more known in international fora by drafting a leaflet that will go to the CIP for approval.
- 2) Coordinate the International Representatives.

- 3) Try to identify best practices at a local level and share them with the International Representatives taking into account the method of see - judge and act.
- 4) Research in order to be familiar with the language style used at the international level.
- 5) See how to disseminate the conclusions of the Synod on the Family at the international level (or any other important document from the Holy See)
- 6) The Africa Region will go on studying how WUCWO can be a part of the African Union.

FINANCE

- 1) Update the directory of member organizations regarding its members and dues.
- 2) Promote fundraising on WUCWO Day.
- 3) Organise initiatives within and outside of WUCWO to find additional resources.
- 4) Develop a draft format for detailed financial reports.
- 5) Examine the possibility of a solidarity fund for those who cannot afford to belong to WUCWO.

CIP

- 1) Update of the website.
- 2) Explore the possibility of an e-version of Women's Voice (for next 2 years).
- 3) Consider integrating on social networks (taking care of privacy and confidentiality).
- 4) Writing a newsletter (for example every 2 months) to be more update on WUCWO's day to day life.
- 5) Asked the Board to determine a budget for the CIP and advise to have a professional service for press conferences of the President General and WUCWO notes.
- 6) Spread the actions of WUCWO across the regions, and its work in our communities.

IN REGIONS

AFRICA

- Support Senegal in preparing for the 2018 General Assembly.
- The Regional Conference will take place in 2016 in Malawi
- Continue the work on human trafficking
- The Regional Vice President, Rosaline Nganku Menga (Cameroon), will be asked to continue to work on establishing WUCWO representation in the African Union.

ASIA - PACIFIC

- Fiji was proposed to hold the Regional Conference in 2016, as 2nd option it will be held during the Australian National Conference in 2017.
- They are working on the resolutions from Fatima and will start to work on the youth group suggestions.

EUROPE

- Send a communication to all member organisations in Europe to encourage work on the resolutions voted in Fatima.
- Try to expand membership in Europe.
- The Regional Conference may take place in either France or Hungary and it has not a date yet.

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

- Send a communication to the whole region to raise awareness of WUCWO priorities for the next 4 years.
- Promote Family and identify organisations working with youth to share best practices and focus on youth ministry.
- For corruption and human trafficking they will perhaps develop videos and have a conference on this at the start of 2017.

NORTH AMERICA

- Promote the resolutions adopted in our General Assembly in Fatima in our organisation members.
- Interreligious dialogue should be developed and aim to answer the call of Pope Francis to be "missionaries of mercy".
- North American Regional Conference will be held in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada in August 2016.