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Présentation

Dear IGI Chairman;
Dear general secretary;
Distinguished delegates IGI from different countries;
Distinguished guests;

Allow me to glorify the Lord God who has enabled us to reach this assembly 2012. Since 2009 we are in connection with the Nairobi office and London for actions in the fight against corruption and promoting good governance in Africa. I must say that as a young organization, IGI has changed significantly.

This meeting is a good opportunity each year to present the actions on the ground. Our ideal is to encourage companies to live in governance based on the Christian faith with good practices in daily life.

Therefore, while remaining a human scale, IGI is gaining experience in the sub-region of the Great Lakes in general and South Kivu in particular where she wants to be a center of reference in the field of good governance, human rights and peace.

I started from those who have installed IGI DRC, near Martin ZADIG and other members. We are a dynamic team, because during the period 2009 to 2012 we have stock with a strong impact on the targets we had.

In this respect, I thank the London office and the General Secretary in Nairobi, for their efforts in maintaining activities in the DRC, Cameroon, Kenya, and the launching of other activities in South Sudan, Nigeria and Rwanda.

IGI PROGRAM In DRC

Complying with the constitutional charter of IGI and guidelines of the General Secretary in Nairobi, IGI has developed a set of programs that contribute to the promotion of good governance in the DRC. These are distributed as follows:

I. FIGHT CORRUPTION PROGRAM

This program is essential to the activities undertaken in the DRC, particularly in South Kivu.

Achievement.

During the year 2012 we completed the project activities the fight against corruption and violence in universities/ Bukavu. This project took six months to nine universities and was financially supported by the Swiss Cooperation.

In view of field activities, we believe that the impact was realy. We installed five committees of struggle against corruption in universities and academic authorities strongly encourage this awareness.

Although the project ended, we get feed back monitoring of our focal points in universities. This encourages us greatly.

Sugestions

We would like to share this project will continue in the theater and cinema. This can be done in partnership with some medium such TV5, UNESCO and other structures interested in culture and education, as it was revealed that corruption affects both the universities and secondary schools of our country.

We would also like to exchange experience with colleagues from Cameroon who made an achievement at the University of Buea and Yaounde.

II . GOVERNANCE AND DEMOCRACY PROGRAM.

We analyze local problems and propose actions that can make a difference. In 2010 we conducted two seminars to encourage the participation of women in the electoral process in the DRC. Since then, we take into account the gender aspect in our actions.

The electoral section of the UN Mission in Congo (MONUSCO), the Independent National Electoral Commission (CENI) and the civil society have been strongly involved in these actions. The reports are available on our website, which I encourage members to consult and give suggestions.

Current actions.

To strengthen this program, IGI takes part in various discuss on governance in the DRC. Thus we speak of participatory budgeting, transparency in government revenue in South Kivu.

We even invite our approach to providing close large institutions such DAI (Development Alternatives Incorporated) which is an organization that works currently in DRC.

Prospect

The direction of IGI DRC would like to experiment CTAs done in Kenya. We consulted the initiative Sakwa sent to our office and found it very interesting. When working at a crossroads, we would like to be built this.

I also think that other countries present at the meeting will benefit from the experience of Kenya initiated the project locally.

II. PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

All efforts made by IGI can not be possible without peace. Thus, a project document building youth movements' non violent peace building and local governance in the city of Bukavu is ready. We seek a partner for financing. Martin ZADIG who sends you salutation, work with other members about this.

Some people do not know maybe, but in the Great Lakes region has ethnic realities that often result in serious wars. We can give war example of Rwanda in 1994, Burundi , Uganda and DRC currently. In all these conflicts, young people are manipulated by warlords.

Promotion of education for peace made by IGI is a good initiative as it is that IGI community members concerned with economic development and social cohesion.

LOBBY ET IGI VISIBILITY ACTIONS.

We thank the London office to update the website and especially IGI various reports. Thanks to this site, we consult the reports of colleagues from Cameroon, Kenya and England.

We encourage Paul in this initiative. Recently, we welcomed other members Mike Fernando, Mc Alister and others to support the team. This will push advanced initiatives.

The desire for the office of the DRC is to see it become dynamic website with information not only more diverse operating activities IGI but also topics.

FUNDRAISING.

On the fundraising we believe that there is still much to do. We ask individual Country Directors to multiply contacts with the European Union; the United Nations, churches and international organizations to see how they can contribute by become funders, partners or members.

Thus, we encourage strategics meetings between Sakwa, Paul, Barry, Martin, Stephen, Jonathan, Mc Alister to see the extent to which actions can be undertaken to mobilize funds.

IGI is not a rich organization, and it is clear that the London Office will not know bear all costs for each country.

Similarly, visits can be made by the General Secretary in each country to ensure the progress of activities.

REMERCIEMENTS.

Mr Paul, thank you for all the support made to IGI. We strongly encourage your involvement. I hope to see you in one of the activities in Nairobi again or in Drc.

Mr Sakwa, God continues to strengthen you. The task of coordinating the actions in Africa is not easy. Thank you also for actions in the CTAs we continually receive information through news letter.

Mr Todd Barry, thank you for your administrative and financial coordination.

Mr Stephen, thank you for the shares in the universities of Cameroon, for participation in Brazil with Transparency International. Still take courage.

I Thanks again all delegate for your presence in this meeting and wish you a pleasant stay in Nairobi.

Bukavu, le 29th December 2012

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