Marking the International Year of Volunteers tenth anniversary (IYV+10)

Ideas, Opportunities and Tools for stakeholders’ action
This presentation includes:

- UNV’s vision of volunteerism
- History re-cap
- Milestone legislation and events
- Accomplishments
- IYV+10 rationale and tools
- The road ahead
“…Volunteerism is a powerful force that engages people in tackling development challenges. That’s why UNV promotes volunteerism throughout the world as a way to contribute to peace and development”
International Year of Volunteers 2001

- UN General Assembly proclaimed 2001 as the International Year of Volunteers in recognition of the valuable contribution of voluntary action in addressing global issues.

- UNV designated as the focal point for the Year’s preparation, implementation and follow-up.
IYV Summary Accomplishments

- 123 national committees
- Large numbers of stakeholders through internet at all levels (World Volunteer Web)
- By end of 2001, measures to enhance the infrastructure for volunteerism
- Res 57/106 (26 Nov 2002) GA reaffirmed the important role of volunteerism to meet the MDGs
- In 2005 and again in 2008, the SG has reported on follow-up to IYV
IYV+10 2011

- Enhance and expand results of IYV
- Deepen and broaden importance of volunteerism
- Develop national strategies
- Raise issues related to local, national, regional context
- Showcase volunteerism for peace and development in different thematic areas (health, environment, human rights…)
- Showcase diversity of volunteerism (types of schemes, volunteer profiles…)
- UNV as focal point, stakeholders (inter-governmental, private, civil society…)
Why?

IYV+10 is a chance

- To share a common vision
- To raise volunteerism on the development agenda
- To build more sustainable partnerships
- To strengthen cohesion between COTs and national actors
- To bring different volunteer involving organisations and volunteer managing entities together on a neutral ground
- To define national volunteer agendas
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IYV Four Objectives

Enhance volunteerism in all its forms in terms of:

• **Recognition:** acknowledge value of volunteerism and relation to MDGs
• **Facilitation:** ensure volunteer opportunities for diverse people
• **Networking:** strengthen partnerships, exchange experiences
• **Promotion:** promote inclusive and representative volunteerism
IYV+10 Consultative Meeting Oct 2009

- More than 40 diverse stakeholders attended
- Meeting report and record
- Global Plan of Action

Reference documents produced:
- Global Call for Action
- Vision Statement
Global Plan of Action and Countries

- Need for National Plans of Action
- National multi-stakeholder committees for coordination
- Working on Field Support ideas…

National Ownership !!!
Tools

- [Worldvolunteerweb.org](http://Worldvolunteerweb.org)
- Knowledge Platform (KP)
- [Onlinevolunteering.org](http://Onlinevolunteering.org)
- Guidance notes for stakeholders
- [Opportunities for Action document](http://Opportunities for Action document)
- [IYV News Flashes](http://IYV News Flashes), internal and external social networking tools
Global, national and local events

On December 5\textsuperscript{th} 2010 IYV+10 Launch with IVD as entry point

In March 2011 Summit on volunteerism and MDGs in New York.

A number of events by stakeholders all over the world. A calendar of events is available on worldvolunteerweb.org

Focus on volunteerism during \textbf{UN Days}

\textbf{National actors} all over the world will brand campaigns and actions in the frame of IYV+10

\textbf{European Year} of Volunteering 2011

Around December 5\textsuperscript{th} 2011 two GA plenary meetings

\textbf{Exhibition} on the theme “Volunteers of the World”
Merci!
Gracias!
Thank you!