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

**Ideas, Opportunities and Tools  
for stakeholders' action**



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## **This presentation includes:**

- UNV's vision of volunteerism
- History re-cap
- mile stone legislation and events
- accomplishments
- IYV+10 rationale and tools
- the road ahead



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“...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”



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# 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



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# 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



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# IYV+10 2011



**International Year of Volunteers**  
10th anniversary  
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...)



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# 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





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# 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](#)



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# 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 !!!**



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# Tools

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

## Global, national and local events

On **December 5<sup>th</sup> 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](http://worldvolunteerweb.org)

Focus on volunteerism during **UN Days**

**National actors** all over the world will brand campaigns and actions in the frame of IYV+10

**European Year** of Volunteering 2011

Around **December 5<sup>th</sup> 2011** two GA plenary meetings

**Exhibition** on the theme “Volunteers of the World



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**Merci!**  
**Gracias!**  
**Thank you!**