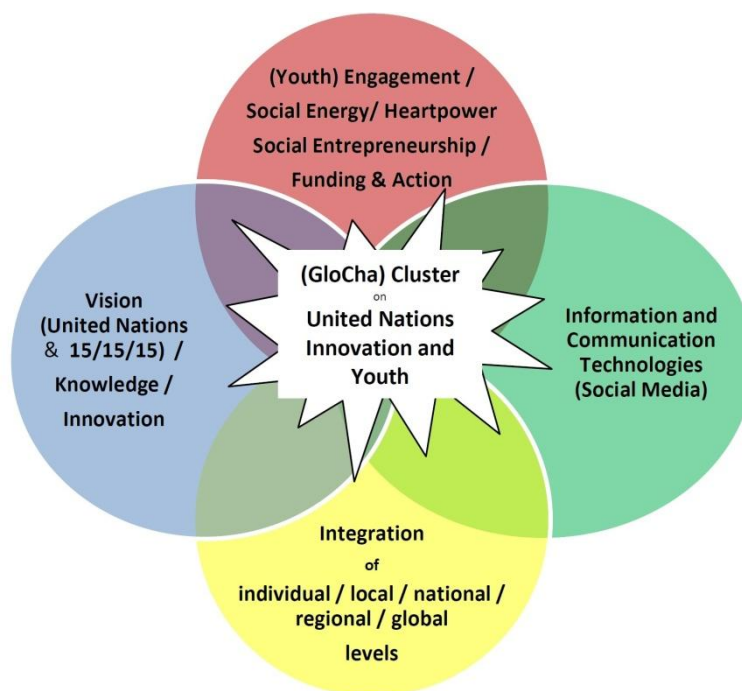


Invitation

How to Institutionalize, Finance and Monitor Multistakeholder Action for the Future We Want?

**Exploratory meeting at Vienna International Center (VIC) for the formation of
an Issues Cluster on United Nations, Innovation and Youth¹**



Graph: Global Challenges (GloCha) Cluster on United Nations, Innovation and Youth guiding the processes of aligning intellectual and financial resources and action of global civil society with vision, goals and work of United Nations system in the context of 15/15/15 Rio+20 Voluntary Commitment

Date: 26th of February 2013 , 3 – 5 PM

Venue: Vienna International Centre (VIC), Wagramer Str. 5, Vienna,
Room G 05-41 (UNIS Vienna Seminar Room)

(Note: a UN Ground pass is needed for admission to VIC premises; Participants without ground pass need to register before Monday 25 February 2013 12.00h CET by sending an email to office@glocha.info)

Web-broadcasting: Ustream <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/iaai---151515---gymc>

Organizer:

- **International Association for the Advancement of Innovative Approaches to Global Challenges IAAI**, Klagenfurt am Wörthersee/Austria www.glocha.info
- **Academic Council on the United Nations System, ACUNS** www.acuns.org - Vienna Liaison Office

¹ Note: an official inquiry regarding the authorization to use the name „United Nations Issues Cluster on Innovation and Youth“ has been sent by IAAI to United Nations Office for Legal Affairs in New York 4 February 2013 - Decision pending (as of 15 February 2013).

Background:

In June 2012 global civil society adopted at **Rio+20 UN Conference on Sustainable Development** – based on an open and transparent process led by IAAI and Rio+20 Issues Cluster on Innovation (please find links to more info below) – the so called **'15/15/15 Rio+20 UN Civil Society Resource Mobilization Partnership Voluntary Commitment'** which states that **“Global civil society on the one hand commits at Rio+20 to mobilize 15 billion Euros and 15 million volunteers by the year 2015 for UN led sustainable development efforts and on the other hand requests new forms of participation in global SD governance.”**

15/15/15 Implementation Strategy Development Workshops in [New York](#) (September 2012) and [Vienna](#) (October 2012) identified the need for a **multistakeholder partnership governance structure** and the development of appropriate **information and communication technologies** as key **preconditions for 15/15/15 Voluntary Commitment implementation.**

Thus at the workshop 26th of February 2013 at Vienna International Center we will discuss how Civil Society, Business, national, regional and local public authorities and UN agencies can join forces for a new Intergenerational Multistakeholder “Resource Mobilization Partnership” and “Knowledge & Innovation Partnership” structure – the proposed **GloCha Cluster on United Nations, Innovation and Youth** - for the implementation of ‘15/15/15 Rio+20 UN Civil Society Resource Mobilization Partnership Voluntary Commitment’ in the context of Rio+20 Outcome implementation, Sustainable Energy for All Office Vienna, Strengthening of ECOSOC, Strengthening of UNEP and post 2015 development agenda.

Agenda:

Welcome

Tour de Table

Introduction (20 minutes):

Genesis: Rio+20 Issues Cluster on Innovation, Rio+20 Global Youth Music Contest & Rio+20 15/15/15 UN Civil Society Resource Mobilization Partnership Voluntary Commitment

Outline: Global Challenges (GloCha) Cluster on Innovation and Youth as multistakeholder and pluri-agency “Resource Mobilization Partnership” and “Knowledge & Innovation Partnership” for the promotion of civil society resource mobilization and civic engagement towards The Future We Want:

Discussion: *Cooperation Potentials in the field of Innovation and Intergenerational Cooperation with Vienna based UN agencies (e.g. SE4All, UNIDO, IAEA, CTBTO, Office of UNOV DG, UNODC, UNEP, UNESCO National Commission ..), other UN agencies, programs and initiatives (like e.g. UNAOc, WFUNA, UN Volunteers and UN Global Education First initiative) and national, regional and local public authorities in Austria and Central Europe (bmeia, Kärnten/Koroška/Carinthia, CEI, RCC,..)*

- Social Energy/Heartpower: Cooperation regarding Next round of Global Youth Music Contest
- Conceptual Innovation for Financing: 'glo-cal public goods' Market Formation (framing sustainable development efforts as supply of glo-cal public goods with specified value vectors (private good/service, local public good, global public good, etc.) and matching it with glo-cal public goods demand side including philanthropic giving, Official Development Assistance, Climate finance, some taxes, etc.);
- Multilevel Governance: Global Challenges Centers as institutional innovation facilitating globally connected local level multistakeholder partnerships for SE4All/Sustainable Development which function also as Glo-cal public goods market place & quality assurance & knowledge hubs

- Mass Mobilization: Development of Innovative engagement tools (e.g. Global Challenges Urban Games -> organizing competitions among local communities/cities regarding their SE4All/SD efforts)
- Resource Mobilization: Global Challenges Foundation 501c3 public charity New York, 15/15/15 Resource Mobilization Potentials and Resource Absorption Potentials of Vienna based UN agencies
- Information and Communication Technologies (ICT): development of 15/15/15 resource management ICT tools for the management (localization, documentation, evaluation, monitoring) of voluntary commitments related to sustainable Energy/Sustainable development in areas that are not covered by existing progress monitoring system yet (e.g. focusing on Global Citizens, local communities, etc.) with a focus on compatibility with UN system Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system (-> some kind of Umoja+ resource management platform to be developed by Lakeside ICT Cluster on Sustainability and Governance Innovation in Klagenfurt am Wörthersee)
- Global leadership: Annual Conference on United Nations, Innovation and Youth to be held at Vienna International Center

Background Info:

The main civil society pillars of proposed Cluster on United Nations, Innovation and Youth in Austria are:

- International Association for the Advancement of Innovative Approaches to Global Challenges (IAAI) and
- Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS) Vienna Liaison office

“International Association for the Advancement of Innovative Approaches to Global Challenges IAAI”

www.glocha.info - is a not-for profit civil society organization, which has been established under Austrian law of associations by an international group of scientists, science managers and futures studies experts in April 2007. IAAI main **objective** is to explore and promote **systemic innovation** regarding **resource mobilization of global civil society for effective global governance** in support of the work of **United Nation System**.

IAAI @ UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20)

IAAI played a leadership role in global civil society participation in UN system in the fields of **“Innovation”**, **“Youth Participation”** and **“Innovative Resource Mobilization for sustainable development”** in the context of **UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20)** by

- Leading the **“Rio+20 Issues Cluster on Innovation”**
- Organizing **“Rio+20 Global Youth Music Contest”** and
- Adopting the so called **“15/15/15 UN - Civil Society Resource Mobilization Partnership Voluntary Commitment”** which states that:

“Global civil society on the one hand commits at Rio+20 to mobilize 15 billion Euros and 15 million volunteers by the year 2015 for UN led sustainable development efforts and on the other hand requests new forms of participation in global SD governance.”



Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS) and its Vienna Liaison Office:

The Academic Council on the United Nations System exists to **stimulate, support, and disseminate research, analysis on the United Nations, multilateralism, and international organization**. ACUNS also promotes teaching on these topics, as well as dialogue and mutual understanding across and between the academic and practitioner communities.

ACUNS Liaison Office Vienna under the leadership of Mr. Michael Platzer is extraordinary active in striving to bridge the academic with the practical world by organizing an annual conference conference with the UN Vienna-based organizations, a regional academy with universities from several Central European universities etc.

Some Relevant Events - Highlights

Joint workshop of IAAI and ACUNS Vienna Liaison Office on **“Engaging Global Citizens in Sustainable Development Governance: Human Rights and Human Responsibilities”** at **ACUNS Annual Meeting 2011** in Waterloo/Ontario (Canada) June 3rd 2011

<http://uncsd2012.org/index.php?page=view&nr=126&type=230&menu=39>

Informal Strategy Development Workshop **“Thematic Priority ‘Innovation and Youth’: Key to Success at Rio+20?!”**, 23 Jan 2012, UN Church Center, 777 UN Plaza (44th & 1st Av) NY,

<http://uncsd2012.org/index.php?page=view&nr=506&type=13&menu=23> – videos:
<http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL65BD9E294639C41D>

Informal Workshop **Building The Resource Base for Civil Society Participation in post Rio+20 UN system**, 25 Sept 2012, New York

<http://www.glocha.info/index.php/latest-news/203-wsresourcescso participationunny>



Strategy Development Workshop **Global Civil Society Resource Mobilization Alliance & Global Forum on Innovative Resource Mobilization for Education and Science**, 23 October 2012, Vienna International Centre (in coop with ACUNS Vienna and UNIS Vienna) <http://www.glocha.info/index.php/latest-news/204-wsremaandgfirmsvienna23oct2012>



IAAI presented as partner of **United Nations Alliance of Civilizations plural+ Video Festival**, 6 Dec 2012, New York <http://pluralplus.unaoc.org/>



"Kärnten/Koroška und die Welt" Empfang - Sprejem - Networking Reception 2012, 19 December 2012, Klagenfurt (aiming at identifying and networking local global affairs experts/UN issues experts in Carinthia) <http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL07aAmDA8jk07640J6TkqRniOCZHaQcmL> and preparing the ground for the establishment of a **Lakeside ICT Cluster on Sustainability and Governance Innovation in Klagenfurt am Wörthersee** (more info: video of presentation at Innovation Congress 2012 in Villach <http://www.innovationskongress.at/lccms/00255/E-Miroslav-Polzer.htm?VER=120907082036&MID=251&LANG=ger> & <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MLggub0qB5Q>)



2013 ACUNS Vienna UN Conference "Have the United Nations Agencies Adapted to the 21st Century?", Vienna International Center, January 9 to 11, 2013, <http://acuns.org/2013-vienna-un-conference/> & <http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/28346414> (Introductory session with governance innovation focused keynote by ACUNS chair Abiodun Williams, 1h:15min ff)

Links to Further reading:

- IAAI input to **Rio+20 Zero Draft Outcome document consultation** "PEOPLE POWER & Rio+20 - Mobilizing Civil Society for Sustainable Development and Strong United Nations"
http://www.uncsd2012.org/content/documents/105IAAI_Input_CompilationdocumentRio20vers3_Oct30.pdf
- **Rio+20 Informal Issues Brief** "Innovation for Sustainable Development" <http://uncsd.iisd.org/news/rio20-issues-cluster-on-innovation-produces-brief-on-innovation-for-sustainable-development/>
- **151515 info** <http://uncsd.iisd.org/news/rio20-issues-cluster-on-innovation-produces-brief-on-innovation-for-sustainable-development/> & [http://www.glocha.info/attachments/article/206/151515presentationReMA_StrategyWorkshopViennaOct2012 .pdf](http://www.glocha.info/attachments/article/206/151515presentationReMA_StrategyWorkshopViennaOct2012.pdf)
- **Major Groups's comments on section III through V of Zero Draft of Rio+20 Outcome document**, (received by 29 February, 2012) – (Note: there are 5 references to 15/15/15 initiative in this document which has been communicated to the official Rio+20 negotiation process by Major Group NGOs!)
<http://www.uncsd2012.org/rio20/content/documents/465Zerodraft%20-%20FINAL%20VERSION%20-%20March%2005.pdf>
- **Rio+20 The Future we want outcome document**
<http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/futurewewant.html>
- **Guidelines on Cooperation between the United Nations and the Business Sector**
<http://business.un.org/en/assets/83f0a197-b3b8-41ba-8843-d8c5b5d59fe1.pdf>
- **Strengthening of ECOSOC** <http://www.un.org/en/ecosoc/about/strengtheningofecosoc.shtml>
- **UN System wide Action Plan on Youth** <http://social.un.org/index/Youth.aspx>
- Strengthening of cooperation of **Central European Initiative and UN system**
<http://www.cei.int/content/un-cei-cooperation-draft-resolution-adopted-consensus-67th-session-general-assembly>)
- **Sustainable Energy for All Office Vienna** <http://www.bmeia.gv.at/en/foreign-ministry/news/press-releases/2012/wien-wird-sitz-neuen-uno-bueros-fuer-nachhaltige-energie.html>
- **UN Alliance of Civilizations Annual Forum 2013** in Vienna <http://www.vienna5unaoc.org/> & UNAOc plural+ Video Festival <http://pluralplus.unaoc.org/>



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