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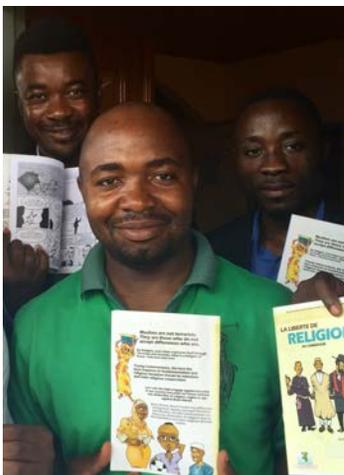
Abiodun Rufus Unegbu is a youth and human rights activist with over 13 years of experience in youth-development programming garnered from volunteering as a peer educator on adolescent reproductive health for international and local groups, including Family Health International and Community Life Project, Nigeria. She is currently serving as the Executive Director and co-founder of ***“Leadership Initiative for Youth Empowerment”***, where she designs and implements youth development programmes on Human Rights, Sexual and Reproductive Health and peace-building for youths and grassroots communities. Her current responsibilities include project management, fundraising, community mobilization, advocacy and networking. Abiodun loves

traveling, reading and enjoys music.

Bijeys Ranjit is one of the founder members of **SAATH** and has served in its Board of Directors. He has a Masters degree in Liberal Studies from The University of Findlay, Ohio. He has participated and worked with a Global leadership Program “Up With People” travelling around the world with international youth from 21 nations for 2 years involving in an international community impact projects, host family living, intercultural interaction. Currently, Bijeys is working as Director of Development and Administration at



SAATH, overseeing its annual development plan and managing its overall office operations and administration. Bijeys loves to travel, trek and involve in adventure activities.



François Amougou is the YSF project coordinator of **Approches locales pour le développement durable (ALDED)**, the youth organization he cofounded in 2007 with his friend. As the general coordinator of this organization, he leads ALDED’s work, which focuses on human rights, fight against corruption and promotion of youth participation in development. About this training, hopes to meet other coordinators and share his experience in project management with them, specifically concerning the YSF project. He would like to see what are their difficulties and eventually their lessons learned. François, aged 35, is from Yaounde, Cameroon, and is an agricultural engineer by profession. He is the first child among three children of his family. François is married since 2013 and his wife and him have three children: two daughters and a boy.

Mathelda Christy N Titihalawa is the project coordinator for "Gen Peace: We are the change!", a student lead peacebuilding training implemented by **InDev** in 8 provinces of Indonesia. She was a SUSI (Study of United States Institute on Religious Pluralism and American Democracy) Fellow, a 5 weeks' program on religious pluralism in USA during 2013. Upon her return, she has been actively involved in nonviolent related activities and joined InDev to support the Non Violent Study Circles program and its alumni network in Ambon. She has represented InDev in different trainings and forums relating to diversity issues including the Pluralism Management School in Jogjakarta.



Muqimi Muborak is a trainer with **Cultural Educational Center for Girls Tomiris**. She started to work with the organizations in 2012. Her responsibilities include the organization of educational activities, facilitating discussion meetings of girls clubs, round tables, forums, seminars, trainings and conducting of field research (focus group and interviews). She also actively work as a youth trainer of gender issues and the rights of women and leads youth research groups in Kulob city. The main goal of her professional work has been and continues to be to encourage leadership skills in youth, especially among young girls. Muborak is very interested to represent her country, the organization and the project and enhance cooperation towards intercultural youth education and formation of intercultural dialogue among youth. Muborak is currently pursuing a Masters degree in the area of Economics and Management at Kulob State University in Tajikistan.

Niaz Muhammad was born in a small village of Hyderabad district and is a founding member of **Sindh Community Foundation**. His experience focuses on youth mobilization, awareness and training on various social issues including, human rights, active citizenship, peace , good governance, SRHR and environment justice. A senior member of the organization, he has managed a number of projects on youth engagement and youth development: "Strengthening Participation Leadership Promoting Protecting Rights Democracy in Sindh, Pakistan" (supported by Foundation for the Future); Youth network for peace and development and young artists network; ASK Focal Person District Matiari in a project titled "Access , Services and Knowledge" (supported by Channan Development Association CDA). Niaz was the project manager for "Peace Through Young Artists" supported by UNAOC Youth Solidarity Fund. Niaz is very committed to development of youth in Sindh province of Pakistan.





Samina Khan is a project coordinator with **Organization for Community Development**. She has been working with diverse youth of Southern Punjab for the past three years. Working with these dissimilar youth has been a great experience for her, as she considers it a challenge to bring youth together on one platform for their country's progress, social cohesion and harmony. Colliding with this myth, she is proud to have successfully managed five projects and more than 150 events with diverse youth, academia, electronic and print media, including most vulnerable and at-risk rural and semi-rural communities, religious minorities, people with disabilities, elderly persons, civil society organizations, networks and Legal Fraternity. She works with groups who work proactively on interfaith harmony, peacebuilding, security and good governance in the communities of Punjab. The province is very sensitive due to the ethnic and racial issues in Pakistan but Samina can proudly share that having worked with more than 1,800 diverse youth in my network has contributed to a changed way of thinking. Samina is currently pursuing her Masters leading to a PhD in Human Resource Management.

Samuel Poumai Being brought up in a conflict region, Manipur-North East India, where there is strong existence of ethnic clashes, militarization and insurgency, motivated Samuel to work for peace. Since 2010, he works as the trainer in Peace Education with **STEP Trust**, an NGO based in Delhi and working mostly in Delhi, Kashmir and Manipur, the later two states declared as the "disturbed area" in India. He conducts trainings for youth, children and teachers in conflict transformation, critical inquiry and non-violence in at-risk communities. Apart from training, he also advocate with educational institutions and civil society organisations in promoting Peace Education in India.



Wise Nzikie Ngasa is the Founder and Executive Director of **Action Foundation**, (www.afcig.org), a youth-led civil society organization devoted to supporting Cameroonian youths to take action for change. His work has gained recognition globally. He is amongst others, a 2014 USAID/IYF Social Entrepreneur Transforming (SET) Africa Fellow, finalist of the 2012 Commonwealth Youth Development Awards, and Cameroon representative at the 2014 MINDS Governance Conference, in Kigali Rwanda. He is holder of degrees and certificates in Project Management, Accounting and Social Accountability and completed a Masters in Education, Health Promotion and International Development at the UCL Institute of Education, London in August 2014.

TRAINERS AND SPEAKERS



Ms. Andrea J. Rogers is an international practitioner with more than sixteen years of NGO, CBO, NPO and philanthropy experience, with a focus on Africa and organizational development. As a consultant she partners with organizations to improve their systems, engage in strategic thinking and planning, board and leadership development, coaching and training. Ms. Rogers enjoys designing and monitoring programs, facilitating peer learning sessions and assisting organizations and leaders to do their best work. Andrea has served as a Regional Program Officer for Southern Africa at the Synergos Institute providing capacity building and technical services to grantmakers in Mozambique, South Africa and Zimbabwe. As Senior Program Officer for Africa at AJWS, she designated grant funding to NGOs in health, youth, education, human rights activism and sustainable livelihoods. Ms. Rogers has taught consulting and program management at New York University Wagner Graduate School of Public Service. She has a Masters of Public and International Affairs and Economic and Social Development (MPIA/ESD) degree from the University of Pittsburgh and holds a Bachelors of Science in Foreign Service from Georgetown University.

Mr. Emmanuel Trépanier is a senior international social development consultant specialized in gender equality and human rights. He currently leads the Gender Equality Practice at Universal Management Group in Montreal, Canada. Over the last thirteen years, he gained experience in gender analysis, strategic gender planning and gender mainstreaming, results-based management (RBM), monitoring and evaluation (M&E), research, workshop facilitation, training and project development. He has been involved with a number of local, national and international organizations (CARE International, ARTICLE 19 Christian Aid, Plan International, the Association for Women's Rights in Development). Mandates for DFID, EC, AfDB, the Rockefeller Foundation, the World Bank and several UN agencies (UN Women, UNICEF, UNAIDS, WFP, UNAOC) have taken him to West Africa, South East Asia, Latin America, Europe and the Middle East. He has worked on issues such as education sector reform, private sector engagement, freedom of expression, science and technology, water and sanitation, aid effectiveness and has a particular interest for gender mainstreaming, pay equity and masculinities. Emmanuel holds a M.A. in Gender and Development from the Institute of Development Studies and a B.A. (Hons.) in International Development Studies from the University of Toronto. He is a Board Member of Girls Action Foundation and a member of the Canadian Evaluation Society.





Ms. Ipsita Sarkar is a professional Communications and Graphic designer with ten years experience. She has worked with clients such as the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the International Labour Organization (ILO), the International Organization for Migration (IOM), Save the Children and other NGOs. She has also worked with various private companies and overseas clients and project on branding, reports, catalogues, posters, brochures and communication strategy. Ipsita believes in effective design of communication products. She enjoys supporting organizations in achieving well-designed communication that

can help disseminate knowledge to all project partners and stakeholders in a compelling and powerful manner as well as aid in future financing and policy planning.

Ms. Natalie Forcier is the Managing Partner of Forcier, a research consulting firm providing high-quality research services to donor governments, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector in countries throughout Africa. Before founding the company in South Sudan in 2011, she founded the Youth LEAD Project in Cairo, Egypt, which was graciously supported by the UNAOC Youth Solidarity Fund in 2009. Natalie has also worked at the Centre for Migration & Refugee Studies at the American University in Cairo, CARE, and the Population Council. Her company, Forcier, has conducted more than 300 research projects throughout Africa and employs more than 250 staff across eight country offices.



In the past five years, the company has grown from a single person to a USAID contractor and has achieved corporate membership in ESOMAR, the world research organization. Natalie holds a B.A. in International Affairs from the George Washington University as well as a M.A. in International Human Rights Law and Graduate Diploma in Forced Migration & Refugee Studies from the American University in Cairo.

Wanjala Wafula is the Founder and Executive Director of the Coexist Initiative, a multi-global award winning Kenyan NGO working across Kenya and the entire East Africa region as well as parts of Southern Africa. The organization works to promote gender transformation, human rights and social justice by targeting and working with men, boys and communities. Established in 2005, Coexist has quickly established itself as a pioneer in promoting gender transformation, and advancing human rights by targeting men and boys as its key cluster. Coexist has won numerous international awards, including the UNAOC BMW Group Intercultural Innovation Award, and been identified by experts in the field as one of the most effective organization's working to end violence against women and girls by addressing negative socialization processes, negative cultural practices, stereotypes and masculinities. This year, Coexist's work has also been selected by UN agencies, including UNHCR, as examples of best practice and its materials translated into many languages across the world. Wanjala is a senior partner at Mululu Consultants and a co-founder and co-chair of the Kenya National Men's Alliance for Gender Justice.



Wouter Coussement holds extensive experience in partnerships building, resource mobilization and fundraising for the United Nations and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). He worked as partnerships advisor in UNDP's Bureau for External Relations on resource mobilization for the organization's regular budget, as Team Leader in the Partnerships and Management Support Unit of the UNDP Country Office in Ethiopia and as Policy coordination officer at the United Nations Office to the European Union. Wouter has provided numerous training sessions on working with the European Union, on fundraising and resource mobilization for UN colleagues in Africa and Europe and for volunteers in the framework of the UN Volunteers program. Wouter holds Masters Degrees in Literature and EU Politics as well as a teaching degree from universities in Belgium and Poland. He is fluent in Dutch, French and English.