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The campaign portrays survivors as key actors in the fight against human trafficking and focusses on the crucial role they play in establishing effective measures to prevent this crime, identify and rescue victims and support them on their road to rehabilitation.  As Presentation People we stand in support of the United Nation’s invitation to people of every nation to do all in their power to STOP this violence against human beings.  Once again with one voice we lift our minds and hearts to St. Josephine Bakhita. May her inspiration guide us in our desire and action to be part of bringing an end to this violence. | |  | | *Close your eyes and imagine one person held in captivity…a woman, man, child, teenage girl/boy…*  *Look into this person’s eyes, what do you see, how do you feel? What can you imagine that he/she would say to you? How do you respond?*  *Can you hold this person in your heart as a friend for the month of July? Praying with, listening to, offering the care of Nano, and being the compassion of Jesus?* | | *Spirituality and Charism Committee Presentation Sisters, Terry Abraham, Maria Lazzaro, & Dorothy Scesny* | | Icon written by Br. Claude Lane of Mount Angel Abbey | | [Click here for a copy of this month’s reflection](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sdUmJoKP4NHWyoMXEXiiulsD0a3aaIeG/view?usp=sharing) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Programme Action Leader Update** | |  | | **“Tell me, I’ll forget; Show me, I may remember; but involve me, and I’ll understand.”***~ Proverb* | | June started off with an inspirational gathering of Presentation People during our IPA Webinar: “Called to Respond: Sharing Together the IPA Challenges & Opportunities in the COVID-19 Era”. It was amazing to see over 130 Presentation People in attendance from Australia, Canada, Dominica, Ecuador, India, Ireland, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Thailand, UK, USA, Zambia, and Zimbabwe! Nano Nagle’s spirit was alive and well as people joined in the early hours of the morning to late into the night. The IPA Team thanks all those who were able to attend and contribute to our engaging conversation!  As IPA continues towards the 8th IPA Assembly in September 2022, our IPA Justice Contacts will begin to help us gather evidence on Presentation People are responding in the priority action areas set forth at the 7th IPA Assembly. These three priority foci are: women and children, care of the Earth, and indigenous and tribal people. | |  | | In the table above, you will see your Justice Contact Representative listed into a “Priority Action Group”. They will be meeting as individual groups every 4-6 weeks to gather information and evidence of how Presentation People are working towards honouring and advancing the rights of their particular foci. The next meetings for the priority action groups are as follows:   * 9 July: Indigenous and Tribal People * 15 July: Women and Children * 22 July: Care of Earth   If a Justice Contact is in a particular group, they still will be able to contribute to other priority action groups. The groups will be reaching out to other Justice Contacts and Presentation People to give a holistic response of IPA’s involvement. Feel free to reach out to your justice contact or myself if you have any questions or input for a priority action group.  A special thank you to Billie Greenwood, Dubuque, Iowa, USA; Jancy Selvaraj PBVM, Thailand; and Lynne Crilley PBVM, Australia, who spoke to the progress in these three areas at our IPA Webinar! I am proud of IPA and the ministry of Presentation People happening across the globe.  Please send continue to send updates on your ministry and photos of your Presentation celebrations to [ipaprogactionleader@gmail.com](mailto:ipaprogactionleader@gmail.com). | | In peace and gratitude,  *Mary Therese Krueger, PBVM IPA Programme Action Leader* | | [Click here for a PDF of this update.](https://drive.google.com/file/d/16lwMOt42LhZS24VDT9ZH3_6Uhz5n8V8L/view?usp=sharing) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **IPA NGO Representative Update** | |  | | Dear friends,  The High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) annual meeting, that takes place every July, is the core UN platform for follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals. The theme for the 2021 United Nations HLPF is “Sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic that promotes the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development: building an inclusive and effective path for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development”.  The COVID-19 pandemic has an important impact on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, undermining decades of development efforts. With the pandemic still raging in many parts of the world, the degree to which the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) have been knocked further off track is not yet fully known. As the Secretary-General’s report on progress towards the SDGs shows, it is clear that the pandemic has already had a very significant impact in a number of areas, undermining decades of development efforts. The HLPF will review the situation regarding all SDGs and discuss in depth Sustainable Development Goals 1 on no poverty, 2 on zero hunger, 3 on good health and well-being, 8 on decent work and economic growth, 10 on reduced inequalities, 12 on responsible consumption and production, 13 on climate action, 16 on peace, justice and strong institutions, and 17 on partnerships and their interlinkages with each other and with other SDGs.  The HLPF sessions will take place from Tuesday, 6 July to Thursday, 15 July 2021 under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). This includes the three-day Ministerial meeting of the forum to be held from 13 to 15 July as part of the High-level Segment of the Council. The last day of the ECOSOC High-Level Segment, will be held on Friday, 16 July, following the conclusion of the HLPF.  All meetings of the 2021 HLPF and High-level Segment of ECOSOC will be broadcast on UN WebTV (<http://webtv.un.org/>), Facebook (@UNwebTV), and YouTube: (@UNwebTV). It is important to try and watch these meetings, as much as possible, so as to be able to follow what your country officially states at the UN level and compare it with what the government actually says or does within the country level. It might be some discrepancies there.  You can find the tentative programme of the HLPF (as of June 24, 2021) [here](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/275642021_HLPF_PROGRAMME.pdf).  As part of its follow-up and review mechanisms, the 2030 Agenda encourages member states to “conduct regular and inclusive reviews of progress at the national and sub-national levels, which are country-led and country-driven”. These Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) are expected to serve as a basis for the regular reviews by the HLPF. The VNRs aim to facilitate the sharing of experiences, including successes, challenges and lessons learned, with a view to accelerating the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. The VNRs also seek to strengthen policies and institutions of governments and to mobilize multi-stakeholder support and partnerships for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. From 12 to 15 July 2021, the HLPF will hear presentations of Voluntary National Reviews by 43 countries.  This year, three countries (Bolivia, Thailand and Zimbabwe) where the IPA has a presence at, will present their Voluntary National Reviews.  The dates for the three IPA countries with Voluntary National Reviews presentations are the following:   * Thailand, Wednesday July 14th, 2021 (10:30 am-1:00 pm NYT) * Bolivia, Wednesday July 14th, 2021 (10:30 am-1:00 pm NYT) * Zimbabwe, Thursday July 15th, 2021 (9:00 am-1:00 pm NYT)   More information on VNRs is available at: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/vnrs/>.  For the main messages from the 2021 Voluntary National Reviews presented by each Member-State, please click [here](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/27613Compilation_of_main_messages_for_the_2021_VNR.pdf).  The 2021 HLPF will also be used as an opportunity to share information about new and ambitious SDG acceleration actions and initiatives by participating States, including the VNR countries, the UN system and other stakeholders, as was done at the 2019 SDG Summit and the 2020 HLPF. New Acceleration Actions can be submitted on UN DESA’s online SDG Acceleration Actions platform which collects and shares information about such new voluntary initiatives. Read more about the SDG Acceleration Actions [here](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgactions).  As in previous years, a number of high-profile Special Events will be held in collaboration with key UN partners and other actors, to galvanize the engagement of key sectors of society around SDG implementation and build their ownership and engagement with the 2030 Agenda. The Special Events planned for 2021 include: the SDG Learning, Training and Practice workshop series; an event with higher education institutions and universities; a Local and Regional Governments Forum; an event with Chief Sustainability Officers and other private sector champions; and the SDGs in Action Film Festival. More details and how to register are available [here](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf/2021#programme).  A series of VNR Labs will also be convened on the margins of the 2021 HLPF, to provide an informal platform for experience sharing and reflection on the Voluntary National Review process. Access the VNR Labs flyer [here](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/27862VNR_Labs_Flyer_2021.pdf) for further details on the dates, registration and themes of the 17 VNR Labs. Some Labs will deepen the discussion on the VNR of specific countries while others will address themes cutting across several VNRs.  In addition, the HLPF secretariat has released the schedule of side events that will take place virtually on the margins of the HLPF. Details are available [here](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/280782021_HLPF_Tentative_programme_of_side_events.pdf).  I remain at your disposal if you require any further information or help.  Stay safe everyone!!  Respectfully,  *Dr. Despoina Afroditi Milaki IPA NGO Representative at the UN* | | [Click here for a PDF of this update.](https://drive.google.com/file/d/13nnfa8UtGJxgAmxgy_PYL4VuOcz_DW8j/view?usp=sharing) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **IPA Webinar** | | [Called to Respond: Sharing Together the IPA Challenges & Opportunities in the COVID-19 Era](https://youtu.be/ZdBbIqKELvA) | | Click the image above to watch the IPA Webinar on 1 June, 2021 | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Elimination of Violence Against Women & Children Booklet**  **Respond - Advocate - Prevent** | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **IPA Matters** | |  | | [Click here to read](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rfulnyTOEMfSCvFabsqmhmTn27mZBcKy/view?usp=sharing) the 2nd Edition of IPA Matters from the IPA Executive Director, Ann Marie Quinn, PBVM | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Grassroots Updates** | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Justice Contact Feature** | |  | | We thank Sister Pushpa Lalitha Anthonyumuthu, PBVM as she completed her time as Justice Contact. Sister Libania Fernandes, PBVM is the new Justice Contact for the North India Province. | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [Click here to read the Canticle of Mother Earth prepared by four Presentation Novices in India with with Terry Abraham, PBVM and Brigit Mathew, PBVM](https://pbvm.org/canticle-of-mother-earth/) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Our Journey Towards Justice** | |  | | Dubuque Presentation Justice Promoters Team share their “Journey Toward Justice” for the month of June.  [Click here for the PDF](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SL_sbTdGIHlu6VBImyd304-U78GyOu0Q/view?usp=sharing) & [Click here to learn more](https://dbqpbvms.org/justice/) on how the Dubuque Justice Promoters are working towards the IPA UN Advocacy Focus of the “Elimination of Violence Against Women and Children”. | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [Click here to read about how Anne McNamara, PBVM is supporting Roma Families in Eastern Slovakia in this time of COVID-19](https://pbvm.org/supporting-roma-families-in-eastern-slovakia-in-this-time-of-covid-19/) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Season of Creation Guide: 2021 Celebration Guide - A Home for All?** | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Women in Birmingham…Hope Projects and Presentation Sisters**  *Sister Catherine O’Neill, PBVM - Nechells, Birmingham* | |  | | “Through collaborating with Hope Projects we, Presentation Sisters, are offering life, friendship and protection to women who have experienced unbelievable violence and cruelty” [Read more here](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Y_lk3RmYEdlQygax6a9J6GFEI8HYhwtn/view?usp=sharing) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [Click here to read about Presentation People Planting Trees in the Philippines](https://pbvm.org/tree-planting-in-the-philippines/) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **IPA Countries at the High Level Political Forum**  Brian O’Toole, Ireland and UK Justice Contact has built a small Website that concerns only the IPA Countries who will be presenting their Voluntary National Reviews at the High Level Political Forum. This site gives you an account of all the IPA countries and how they are performing on their SDGs. As the High Level Political Forum Progresses he will add to the site.  [Click here to view the website](https://sites.google.com/view/ipa-hlpf-2021/home?authuser=2) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Environmental Day in Pakistan** | |  | | A prayer service was conducted in Presentation Convent High School Rawalpindi Pakistan, led by Sr. Rehana and coordinators for Environmental Day on 5 June, 2021. | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | Brian O’Toole - IPA Justice Contact for Ireland and the UK is presenting at an webinar which will be overview of the Universal Periodic Review process of the UN Human Rights Council and our joint submission to the **UPR of Ireland** to which you added your signatures of support. | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Advocacy Leadership Training**  “The *Advocacy Leadership Training*is designed to give young adults (ages 18 - 39) the tools, the experience, and the network to be effective advocates for social justice and the common good. As a program of the Columban Center for Advocacy and Outreach (CCAO), the primary advocacy goals are the creation of an ecologically sustainable society and the implementation of humane US/MX border policy.” [Learn more here](https://columbancenter.org/fellows) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Moving Forward with the Laudato Si' Action Platform** | | [Moving Forward With LSAP EN](https://youtu.be/CNR7lFpwp1s) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | [Dr. Sylvia Earle | UN World Oceans Day 2021](https://youtu.be/Xkmnz9wh7V4) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [Human Rights Council Starts Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on Trafficking in Persons and Concludes Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27233&LangID=E) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | [Brave Girl Rising](https://youtu.be/05Rp8YEMe9M) | | “Filmed in one of the largest refugee camps in the world, Brave Girl Rising tells how a courageous girl named Nasro, inspired by the magical dreams of her mother and the sisterhood of her friends, succeeds in getting the education she deserves.” [Learn more here](https://girlrising.org/brave/film/?mc_cid=8e6ab696c8&mc_eid=9f53bbeaa7) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Upcoming Webinars** | | **7 July** - “Breaking the Cycle of Poverty and Hunger: Our Asks” (NGO Committee for Social Development) - [Register here](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ZzxcGx4tQhyrhllJAtQMtQ) & [Flyer](https://drive.google.com/file/d/18gzZIEW4bNWrkdt7o5uatoQhXDOMal2F/view?usp=sharing)  **8 July** - “A Steeper Climb to Achieve SDG10: Grassroots Views on Resilient Recovery Post COVID-19” (NGO Committee for Social Development) - [Register here](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pbSBswqtQHCUnx-fXAc1eg) & [Flyer](https://drive.google.com/file/d/18gzZIEW4bNWrkdt7o5uatoQhXDOMal2F/view?usp=sharing)  **14 July** - “UPR Process and Presentation of Our Joint Submission Webinar” (ERI, IPA, and OLA Justice Desk team) - [Register here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd1d9HGg9Bys-sC6e3R5qLVzind80v2w6CXwYVW4ijGQ7Pdvg/viewform)  **15 July**- “World Youth Skills Day 2021: Reimagining Youth Skills Post-Pandemic” (UNESCO, ILO and the Office of the Secretary-General’s Envoy on Youth) - [Register here](https://ilo-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_07LEcQPwTx6OFlrUWdu38g?timezone_id=America%2FChicago)  **17 July** - “Sustainable Food Systems, Food Justice and the effects of Climate Change” (GCCM) - [Register here](https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAldOivpjIqG9LyuHoqmda4cV4e84xifYWP)  Online Course - “Counter Trafficking in Humanitarian Settings” (International Organization for Migration)**-**[Register here](https://www.ecampus.iom.int/enrol/index.php?id=79)  Online Course - “Trafficking in Persons: Protection and Assistance to Victims” (International Organization for Migration) - [Register here](https://www.ecampus.iom.int/enrol/index.php?id=58) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | **Upcoming Dates** | | **6-15 July** - [High Level Political Forum](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf/2021#programme)  **11 July**-[World Population Day](https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-population-day)  **14 July**- [Thailand & Bolivia Voluntary National Review](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/vnrs/)  **15 July** - [Zimbabwe Voluntary National Review](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/vnrs/)  **15 July** - [World Youth Skills Day](https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-youth-skills-day)  **18 July** - [Nelson Mandela International Day](http://www.un.org/en/events/mandeladay/)  **30 July**- [International Day of Friendship](https://www.un.org/en/observances/friendship-day)  **30 July** - [World Day against Trafficking in Persons](https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-human-trafficking-day) | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | [Facebook icon](https://www.facebook.com/internationalpresentationassociation) | [Twitter icon](https://twitter.com/IPA_UN) | [Website icon](http://internationalpresentationassociation.org/) | | | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | *Copyright (C) 2021 International Presentation Association. 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