GLOBAL AGENDA FOR SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
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OVERVIEW

In the previous report I have given an overview on the current two processes of the Global Agenda: (1) Completing theme 4 in 2020 of the 2010-2020 Global Agenda, and (2) embarking on developing the Global Agenda for the next ten years, 2020-2030. I include an update (see below Guidance on regional reports on the fourth pillar) as received from David Jones, the coordinator of the 2010-2020 Global Agenda. Angie Yuen and I will represent IASSW on the Global Task Force for the 2020-2030 Global Agenda (see separate document attached).

I also include below the names of the Global Coordination Group and the Regional Coordinators so that you can connect with them in your regions to ensure that you (social work educators) participate in concluding the 2010-2020 Global Agenda and planning the 2020-2030 Global Agenda. The respective regional coordinators will soon reach out to the three bodies in the regions to start planning for the fourth report on S*trengthening recognition of the importance of human relationships.* It is important that you encourage IASSW members to engage in compiling your 2020 Regional Report for inclusion in the final 2020 Global Report. I will also attach in two separate documents, the time table for the report submission as well as the Consultation and Decision document on the 2020-2030 Global Agenda. Abye Tassé will be the 2020-2030 Global Agenda coordinator.

The presidents have collectively decided on the content of the documents that will go on the respective organisations' websites.

GUIDANCE ON REGIONAL REPORTS ON THE FOURTH PILLAR

Tripartite commitment
The three global organisations are committed to working together on the following parallel processes:

1. Publication in 2020 of a final report on the 2010 Global Agenda process focusing on the fourth pillar - *strengthening recognition of the importance of human relationships*. The report will include some reflections on the decade and evaluation of the process. See also the timetable.
2. Consultation on the Global Agenda 2020-2030 – content and structure – see separate guidance.

Themes and structure for the 2020 Regional Reports
The fourth pillar of The Agenda focuses on *strengthening recognition of the importance of human relationships.* The scope of the report will cover all relationships in which social workers engage, including with clients/service users, communities and community groups, colleagues, managers and agencies, local and national politicians, etc. The requirement is to focus on the RELATIONSHIP – how that is formed and sustained, skills and knowledge involved, objectives and outcomes, etc.

The global report will set this theme in the **context of the 4 pillars** which are inter-linked. The Global Steering Group is keen to encourage an **analytical approach** to the individual submissions and regional reports, including analysis of the wider context of social work and social development, illustrated by but not limited to case studies.

The following questions and sections were proposed for the 2018 reports and are recommended for 2020:

1. What are the main/key/core social problems affecting your country/region now and how can these be improved by improved human relationships?
2. What in your professional view are the essential policies that will effectively address these problems? Where do relationships need to improve?
3. What do people (clients, service users, citizens, beneficiaries) with whom you work want to see improved?
4. Who are the actors/stakeholders/partnerships currently involved in addressing these issues and who should be involved?
5. What are people doing about these problems? What is the evidence that social work and social development interventions are having a social, economic and/or political impact?
5.1 Statistical evidence – quantitative - what are the indicators of the progress and what are they telling you?
5.2 What are people doing about it – qualitative – what are the examples of good practice – not only new projects or practice models but also evidence from mainstream/core practice?

Note that the above is a guideline which regions can use to develop their own framework for their regional reports.

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