

Globalization

GLOBALIZATION WORKSHOP
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Globalization is a process of interaction & integration among the people, companies, & governments of different nations; a process driven by international trade & investment & aided by information technology.

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PARTICIPANTS DEFINE GLOBALIZATION IN RELATIONSHIP TO PEACE

Globalization

Peace, Understanding & Justice

Double Edged boundaries (+-)

Relationships of grassroots program and affect on macro

Horizontal & Vertical

Respect other cultures / Cultural imperialism > Understanding & Awareness

No peace without justice

Economic objectives connected to peace, understanding & justice

Exploitation of the vulnerable

Fighting poverty, education & health

Recognition of complexity

Agree & disagreements

Peaceful Globalization (from below grassroots)

Also environment and transportation

WHAT DO WE ALREADY KNOW IS GOING ON IN GLOBALIZATION IN TERMS OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS, SUCCESSES, AND BREAKTHROUGHS AROUND THE WORLD?

Accomplishments, etc.

Corporations

Offset programs

International teaming

Amnesty International

World Health Organization

Fellowship of Reconciliation

NGOs – 4,300 registered

Fair Trade

Veterans for Peace

Study Tours

Simplicity Circles

World Social Forums

World Council of Churches

Greenpeace

Non-violent International Accompaniment

Peace Corps

Pastors for Peace

UNNGO Forums

People to People

Micro Finance Loans

Gramean Bank

Bank of the South

World Bank

IMF

Restorative Justice

Diversity/Intercultural Training

Ending Hunger

Education

UNESCO

International Fellowship of the Least Coin

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Eco-tourism

Global Philanthropy

Oprah, Bill Gates, Ted Turner

Musical Concerts

Public/Private Partnerships

Friendship Force International

UNMDG

Technology

Internet

Transnational use of Internet

Women's Conferences

Women's World Conference

Open Borders

1999 Protests in Seattle – WTO (non-violent)

Military Watch Withdrawal

Organizations

DWB

Mediators Without Borders

Global Facilitators Service Corp

Women's Common Ground

Alternative Media

Documentaries

VISION FOCUS QUESTION: AS PEACE RELATES TO GLOBILIZATION WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO SEE IN PLACE BY THE YEAR 2010?

Vision Statements

- Advance global economic and gender equity
- Create a peace culture in place of a corporate/military culture for the benefit of the planet
- Redistribute wealth, value gender equality and preserve all creation
- Globalize peace efforts that uphold justice and accountability and respects cultural & social economics and environmental concerns.

CURRENT REALITY

Strengths

Personal Accountability

Well traveled & some language skills

Faith

Humor

Worked International Programs

Community

“Just Be” – listen and then think and do

Courage to be creative

Web-weaver

Communication

Networking (national & grassroots)

Organization

Systems

Project Management

Creative

Circle organizer

Organizing skills

Spiritual Center

Hope

Belief that a better world is possible

Space facilitating

Writing

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Write Letters
Speaking skills
Global view
Critical thinking
Social weaver
PhD in psychology and experience as a change agent
Creative problem solving
Facilitator/mediator
Solution finder
Innovative Problem Solver
Compassion
Passion
I care
Empathy
Commitment & Drive
Willing to read and obtain knowledge about problem
Research
Extensive knowledge of the world
Understanding of the issues
Practical thinking
Committed to women's rights
Speaking out
Public Speaking
I am a resource person
I am an educator
I am an organizer
Time & money
Fundraising
Accessible
Organic gardening

Weaknesses

Fear
Too many concerns (lack of focus)
Judgmental
Time – competing priorities
Low priority
Energy waning
Stuff
Doubt
Time Management (over-committed)
Bog down in details
Media
Complacency
Scattered
Easily Irritated
Disorganized
Limits on time & money (esp. family & friends)
Feeling overwhelmed
Distraction of daily life
Shy
Limited Resources
Often feel powerless
Verbal communications
Impatience
Refrain or think too much before acting

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Benefits

Empowerment
Tolerance
Survival of the species & planet
Peace
Self Actualization
Sustainability
Health
Knowledge
Understanding
Awareness
Courage
Humility
Love
Caring valued
Gratitude
Play
Justice
Safety
Self-Esteem
Improved planet climate
Equity
Celebration
Co-create

Dangers

Entitlement
Charge of being Communist
Dogmatic
Conformity
Exploitation
Starting a war
Threat to Establishment
Unexpected consequences
Ridicule
“Do Gooders”
CIA
Discover women don't do it any better
Challenge to find resources
Exhaustion
Marxism
Burnout
Self Righteousness
Corruption
Tyranny of the majority

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS FOCUS QUESTION: AS WE LOOK AT THE 2010 VISION AND THE CURRENT REALITY, WHAT ACTIONS DO WE RECOMMEND BE DONE IN THE NEXT 12-18 MONTHS?

Visions and Actions

Globalize peace efforts that uphold justice & accountability and respects cultural & social, economic & environmental concerns.

Electric cars
Cost/benefit analysis of peace, e.g. eco-tourism, reallocating war expenses, reduction health care costs
US sign UN declarations: CEDAW, Kyoto, etc.
Establish Dept. of Peace
Write to Congress

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- Elect leaders to support this
- Organize mock meeting of Dept. of Peace
- Educate people on Dept. of Peace
- Elect only leaders who have a vision of how to make the world work for everyone
 - Peace caucus/create
 - Train leaders for peace/justice
 - Train voters to look for these leaders
- Awareness building about global warming and climate changes
- Resources, books, websites and NGOS
- Education on people's rights
- Enforce the Geneva Convention on Torture and UN resolutions
- Enforce UN treaties (Nuclear Proliferation Treaty, CTBT, nuclear treaties)
- Global justice system
- Develop model of balance: eco/culture/environmental drivers
- Holistic view
- US apologize to the world
- US & Israel sign UN agreements
- Redefine peace & security

Advance Global Economic & Gender Equity

- Develop a communication plan for NGOs/NPOs to cooperate
- Define Gender & Economic equity
- Establish gender education (women's studies, transgender topics, etc.)
- 50%/50% gender representation in government
- Establish peace education
- Cancel debt for debtor nations
- Universalize labor laws
- Eliminate harmful subsidies in wealthy nations
- Gender equity regardless of religious practices
- Safe and effective and inexpensive family planning
- Find NGOs from UNIFEM & UNESCO or UNICEF (www.un.org)
- Global virtual collaboration
- Start Blogs – send money, volunteer for NGOs
- United Nations Millennium Development goals (UNMDGs)
- Define & practice fair share of wealth
- Micro loans for women
- Advance education for girls

Redistribute Wealth, Value Gender Equality, Preserve All Creation

- For power nations, focus on education & job equity
- Develop goals for NGOs and UNMDGs
- Safe, inexpensive, reliable family planning
- Dialogue
- Education & books and websites
- Long term planning for stakeholders
- Global Accountability for Corporations
- Trade Agreements reflect gender & environmental issues
- Global citizenship
- Define redistribution of wealth
- Define gender equality
- Earthen building
- Equally valued decision-makers: men, women and children
- Support & fund microfinance
- No CEO should make more than 100 times the lowest paid worker, and limit bonuses
- Establish international living wage and work hours
- Exploring eco-feminist frameworks, e.g. vegetarianism

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Create a peace culture in place of a corporate/military culture for the benefit of the planet

Know thine enemy: recognize harmful effects of corporate and military cultures
Reward caring and care-taking economically
Support public transportation
Eradicate “civil rights” for corporations, change corporate law
Democratize corporations/companies
Support alternative products & services
Create & connect Traveling With Turtle and like peace circle groups
Legislate environmental protection, e.g. Recycling,
Legislate all-green vehicles and building codes
Investigate issues
Recycling (support, institute)
Strengthen environmental sanctions through boycotts
Include environmental protection in all trade deals, make retroactive
Formulate/execute plan to increase awareness
Provide alternatives
Sustainable/renewable green bld/energy
Support local farming
Promotion of alternative media to share truths
Establish accepted definitions of peace culture
Create a culture of peace versus a culture of war
Peaceful and non-violence education
Start conflict resolution/peace classes from kindergarten through high school and college
Cross cultural training to build tolerance and understanding
Training for peace advocates in cross cultural education
Remove economic tax incentives and increase taxes for corporations producing arms
Family planning
Unprivatize prison system (put back in government control)

SUGGESTED RESOURCES

The Irresistible Revolution by Shane Claiborn

The High Cost of Low Prices

Life & Debt

Blessed Unrest by Paul Hawken (the good stuff happening today – hopeful)

The Traveling T-Shirt

www.globalization101.org (com?)

Women, Power and the Biology of Peace by Judith Hand

Caring Economics by Riane Eisler

Confessions of an Economic Hitman by John Perkins

Doing Democracy by Bill Moyers

World Café

www.cyberschoolbus.org

www.theribbon.org (a peace art project of disarmament, care of the earth and peace)