

About IAAI

“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 seat is in **Klagenfurt am Wörthersee** (Austria). Furthermore IAAI operates a liaison office at International Center for Promotion of Enterprises (ICPE) www.icpe.si in **Ljubljana/Slovenia** and builds on a strong **global network of partner organizations** (especially Youth organizations) and academic institutions (like e.g. ACUNS). In 2012 IAAI took first steps towards establishing a **501 c3 public charity** in New York.



IAAI members at IAAI General Assembly September 15 2011 in Klagenfurt am Wörthersee/Austria

In order to **catalyze local action** in the context of **global sustainable development efforts**, IAAI strategies and initiatives (e.g. “Global Challenges Centers”, “Global Challenges World Cup”, “Global Challenges Urban Games”) are designed towards generating and highlighting **individual** and **local/regional added value** (glo-cal public goods provision, fun, edutainment, societal recognition etc.) as byproduct and **stimulus in collaborative resource mobilization** for **globally coordinated** sustainable development efforts.

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.”

Recent Events - Highlights

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-wsresourcescsoptionationunny>



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-wsremaandfirmesvienna23oct2012>



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)

Plans in the Year 2013 and beyond

- Preparations for a MoU on Strategic Cooperation with the **Vienna Office of Sustainable Energy for All initiative** <http://www.sustainableenergyforall.org/>
- **Rio+20 Issues Cluster on Innovation follow-up** -> SE4All Issues Cluster on Innovation? or/and work with other UN agencies/programs, academia (e.g. ACUNS) and civil society (especially global youth organizations) on establishing an »UN Innovation Group«
- Conceptual Innovation: ‘**glo-cal public goods**’ **Market Formation** (framing SE4All/SD 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.);
- **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 (IAAI has received several Expressions of Interest for establishing pilot Global Challenges Centers in Southeast European countries and has also partners for potential pilots in West African and other target countries of SE4All)
- **Global Challenges Urban Games** -> organizing competitions among local communities/cities regarding their SE4All/SD efforts



- Implementation of Rio+20 **15/15/15 UN Civil Society Resource Mobilization Partnership Commitment** (see info above)
- next rounds of **Global Youth Music Contest** in connection with above listed initiatives,
- ‘**Teaching the UN**’ event and **UNIS UN Career Workshop** in Klagenfurt
- Coop with **Green Industry Platform** <http://www.greenindustryplatform.org/>
- development of **Web 2.0 Information and Communication Technology** applications for the **management** (localization, documentation, evaluation) 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.)
- Establishing links with cutting edge **European ICT Research and Technology Development** efforts like e.g. EU project **FuturICT** <http://www.futurict.eu/> (‘Innovational Accelerator’, ‘socio-inspired ICT’, ‘Global Participatory Platform’, ...) building on FuturICT Node Austria/Slovenia <http://www.complex-systems.meduniwien.ac.at/FuturICTAustria/> (IIASA, University of Klagenfurt, Lakeside Labs, Institut Jožef Stefan Ljubljana, etc.)
- Creating synergies with “**Global Futures Intelligence System**” of Millennium Project <http://www.millennium-project.org/millennium/CIS.html>

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