

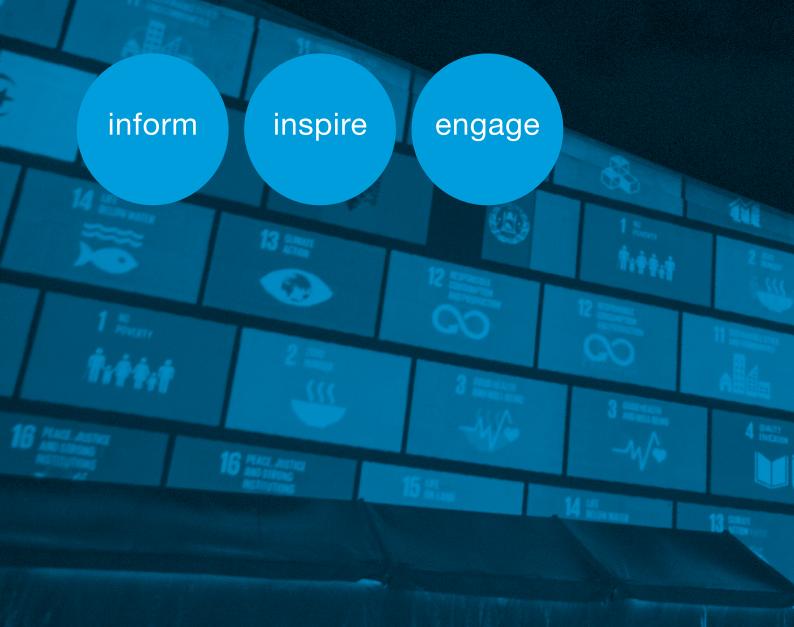
United Nations Association of Australia NSW Division

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We inform, inspire and engage all Australians about the critical work, goals and values of the United Nations to create a safer, fairer and more sustainable world. We operate at a State level to achieve positive change in support of the Charter, aims and ideals of the United Nations and play a critical role in connecting Australians with the United Nations."



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# PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD

Throughout the year, growth and diversity were key themes that complemented our continuing journey of modernisation and professionalisation. We focused on broadening our scope, improving our standard operational procedures, updating communications and marketing procedures and on the diversification of our programs and events. We refined and extended our institutional and community collaboration and forged new strategic alliances. To extend our reach, working committees were also established and I worked closely with the UNAA National Board to align our National Programs with United Nations initiatives locally.

I am fortunate to work with a team that is focused on making us stronger and whose dedication is second to none. Our work and campaigns have been built on promoting the UN and incorporating the UN's purpose, principles and values into our events and campaigns, aligning events with specific United Nations Days and the Sustainable Developments Goals. We launched a Model UN Program in conjunction with UN Youth and UNAA Young Professionals and contributed to the production of UNAA timely submissions to Government and the appointment of UNAA Goodwill Ambassadors. In December, we commence the 70th anniversary of the United Nations Universal of Declaration of Human Rights. It is an opportunity as a society to reflect on and review Australia's role in embracing the 30 Articles enshrined in the Declaration.

It has been a privilege to represent UNAA at a wide range of events and ceremonies and work towards strengthening relationships. In the year ahead, I look forward to continuing to work with you at our grassroots level to help create a better world for all in the wonderful spirit of humanitarian mateship.

Thank you.

Patricia Jenkings.

Dr Patricia Jenkings BA (Hons) PhD (USYD) President

United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) United Nations Association of Australia National Board Member

# **A YEAR IN** REVIEW

In 2017/18, UNAA NSW has successfully organised numerous events and commemorations in concert with the United Nations calendar



WORLD **INDIGENOUS** DAY

Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts



WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY

**Baker McKenzie** 



VOLUNTEER **IMPACT DAY** 

Deloitte



UNITED NATIONS **DAY WREATH** LAYING CEREMONY

Cenotaph Martin Place



UNITED NATIONS DAY GALA LUNCHEON

Parliament House



INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S **DAY FUNCTION** 

Government House



**SUSTAINABLE** DEVELOPMENT GOALS: WORDS TO **ACTION EVENT** 

Servcorp

VOLUNTEER BRIEFING

Servcorp



WOMEN'S DAY

**Baker McKenzie** 



INTERNATIONAL INTERNATIONAL HUMAN **RIGHTS DAY** 

Cabramatta

# EVENTS



#### WORLD INDIGENOUS DAY SYDNEY MECHANICS' SCHOOL OF ARTS

#### 26 AUGUST 2017

The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples was held from 1pm to 4pm at the Sydney Mechanics School of Arts in Sydney. The theme for 2017 was the 10th Anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2007-2017). Mrs Weekes read out the statement and theme for 2017 from the United Nations Secretary General in New York. The acknowledgement of country was done by Glen Doyle, who also played didgeridoo, danced and told his life story. Waverley Councillor Dominic Wykanek talked about the current climate of Aboriginal affairs in Australia, particularly the increase in the number of working in councils across the country. Chilean born ceramist and artist Cecilia Castro from the Sydney College of the Arts gave a fascinating account of growing up in Chile, then coming to Australia to study and live. The DVD 'Walk as One' about Aborigines from Australia travelling to Bolivia to meet indigenous peoples there, and learn about their challenges and struggles was also played. The last words of the day were said by Rosa Chao, Co-ordinator of Yuqui-Yuracare Indigenous communities, Cochabamba, Bolivia. "I beleive that worldwide movement for the protection of indigenous rights, is something that has to be achieved."





### WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY BAKER MCKENZIE, SYDNEY

#### 16 AUGUST 2017

A twilight cocktail reception was held at the offices of Baker McKenzie to mark the occasion of World Humanitarian Day. This event was attended by approximately 60 guests and was held in collaboration with the Australian Red Cross. Dr Paul Byleveld (ARC Humanitarian worker) provided the keynote address.





# VOLUNTEER IMPACT DAY DELOITTE, SYDNEY

**19 NOVEMBER 2017** 

This was a highly successful event involving over 40 volunteers from Deloitte who met with several members of our Executive team for a full day, to provide assistance for broad range of topics. Following a brief presentation on the goals and objectives of UNAA, various project teams were formed to address topics such as membership growth, United Nations Day event options, a Model UN Conference and Annual Reporting.





#### UNITED NATIONS DAY WREATH LAYING CEREMONY CENOTAPH MARTIN PLACE, SYDNEY

#### 24 OCTOBER 2017

In keeping with tradition, the Ceremony was held at the Cenotaph in Martin Place, Sydney, with Mr Geoffrey Little, the Master of Ceremonies. This occasion marked his 25th year of service. The Ceremony was held to pay homage to all serving and formerly serving members of our local and international civil service, military and police services, who have given their lives for the maintenance of peace within the various peacekeeping theatres of the UN globally.

The Ceremony took place in the presence of the Distinguished Guests of Honour, His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd) Governor of New South Wales, Mrs Linda Hurley and Michael Smith Major General AO (Ret'd) National President United Nations Association of Australia. The Ceremony was well attended by some 200 Members of the Diplomatic Corps, Senior Service Officers and Representatives of a range of Community Organisations as well as the general public.



Dr Patricia Jenkings and distinguished guests







The UNAA NSW Executive in attendance



### UNITED NATIONS DAY GALA LUNCHEON **PARLIAMENT HOUSE, SYDNEY**

#### **24 OCTOBER 2017**

The event was held in Strangers Dining Room in Parliament House, with over 100 guests in attendance. The Guest of Honour was Mr Michael Legge AM (National President of the Australian Red Cross), who received the UN Day Honours on behalf of his organisation. The presentation of the UN Day Honours was made by National President, Maj Gen (Ret) Michael Smith AM, who also provided a brief address regarding the achievements and future of UNAA.

Mr Mark Coure MP was the Parliamentary host and Dr Patricia Jenkings welcomed special guests and made closing remarks. A highlight of the event was the donation and subsequent auction of a private Sydney Harbour boat cruise charter, which ultimately attracted a final bid of \$5,000.



### INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY FUNCTION GOVERNMENT HOUSE, SYDNEY 20 NOVEMBER 2017

The Viceroy hosted the United Nations Universal Children's Day Reception at Government House. The Reception was an opportunity to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide and improving children's welfare.

Over 130 guests were invited from civil society, including state government ministers, and religious ministers, international and national non-government organisations, universities, judiciary, local government and philanthropists. Representatives of a range of children's organisations were also present.









INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY FREEDOM PLAZA, CABRAMATTA

#### **10 DECEMBER 2017**

This significant occasion in the United Nations calendar is celebrated by the Vietnamese Community in Australia annually. In 2017, UNAA NSW was offered a stall in Cabramatta where we raised awareness about our organisation and its work, and engaged with the local community. Dr Patricia Jenkings also addressed the audience of community members and public dignitaries present. It was an enjoyable day of entertainment and dialogue.









## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS: WORDS TO ACTION EVENT SERVCORP, SYDNEY

#### 27 FEBRUARY 2018

The UNAA National SDG Program has expanded over the past year with our deep commitment to educate, inspire and engage all Australians in relation to the SDGs and clear mandate to increase support needed to help create a safer, fairer and more sustainable world. The Program continues to be managed nationally by Patricia Garcia AO and operates out of the New South Wales Division.

In February, The Rev Hon Dr Lyn Arnold AO, UNAA's first SDG Goodwill Ambassador, delivered a keynote address at our Forum the "Sustainable Development Goals: Words to Action" that took place to explore the future of our people and planet. He was joined by two other keynote speakers, former CEO of World Vision (Australia), Dr Jane Fulton (Energy Transition Advisor) and Ryan Neelam (DFAT Deputy State Director NSW). More recently, the National Board endorsed the appointment of Mr David Macintosh AM to help promote the UNAA's efforts in advancing the SDGs with a special focus on SDG 14 – Life Below Water. In the year ahead, there will continue to be much more work done to advance this Program with the aim to reach over 2 million individuals in Australia by 2020 within the education, community, government and business sectors.



### **VOLUNTEER BRIEFING** SERVCORP, SYDNEY

#### **27 FEBRUARY 2018**

UNAA NSW welcomed our new volunteers with an introduction to the UNAA and the work we do in NSW. The volunteers heard the insights of the immediate past UNAA NSW President, Kel Gleeson, who shared his experience both working with the United Nations overseas and as part of the UNAA in NSW. The evening was a great success and many of the new volunteers have already been involved in organising and assisting with UNAA NSW events.





### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BAKER MCKENZIE

7 MARCH 2018

Our International Women's Day event provided an in-depth discussion around accelerating female progress and working toward achieving Sustainable Development Goal #5: Gender Equality. A panel of eight exceptional women with a diverse range of perspectives explored where the corporate, academic, non-profit, sporting and arts sectors are trail-blazing for gender equality and, conversely, where they are underperforming. These powerhouse women inspired and equipped guests with various strategies to employ in striving towards the common goal of gender equality. The panel discussion was followed by networking over refreshments.



# 2017/18 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

#### UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA NEW SOUTH WALES DIVISION INC.

# PATRON:

His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd) Governor of New South Wales

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Role	Name	Attendance
President	Dr Patricia Jenkings	100%
Vice-President	Mr Paul Malliate	100%
Vice-President Emeritus	Esq Kenneth Weekes	70%
Secretary	Mr Jesse Park	100%
Treasurer	Mr Paul Malliate	100%
Immediate Past President	Mr Kel Gleeson	10%
Public Officer	Mrs Weekes	70%
Committee Members		
Director of Marketing and Communications	Dr Ruby Campbell	70%
Director of Operations	Dr Peter Thang Ha	60%
UN Youth NSW Representative	Mr Gregory Hunter	60%
Director of Volunteering	Ms Maggie Kesaris	30%
Event Lead - UN Day Cenotaph Ceremony	Mr Geoffrey Little	20%
Event Lead – World Indigenous Day	Ms Judy MacGregor	40%
Director of Strategic Partnerships	Mr David Macintosh AM	70%
Co-Manager of Merchandise	Mr Ramzy Mansour	50%
Director of Strategy, Risk and Governance	Mr Alexander Maron	50%
Co-Manager of Merchandise, Lead for Community Programs	Mr Lindsay Mell	80%
Co-Director of Membership	Ms Nicole Petrilli	20%
Co-Director of Membership	Ms Jean Santos	30%
Director of Institutional Relationships	Mr Alexander Weilsmann	90%
UNAA NSW Young Professionals Representative	Mr Ben Woltmann	40%

# BRANCH CONVENERS:

Blue Mountains: Mr Franklin Scarf Central Coast: Ms Audrey McDonald Hunter: Ms Martina Bowen <sup>Neace</sup> peace peac Meace peace peace

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# OVERVIEW PORTFOLIO ACTIVITIES 2017/18

## STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

The Strategic Partnerships portfolio has focused on improving the value proposition of UNAA NSW and connecting with organisations such as corporates to expand the activities and profile of our organisation. It has become evident over the past year that Sustainable Development goals 1 to 17 hold the key to developing long term strategic partnerships. Corporations can see the value for their organisations being aligned with specific SDG's and we are currently working with over ten actual and prospective partnerships. The work of our President, Directors, members and volunteers has been amazing with skill sets and dedication that will provide UNAA NSW and its partners with valuable and significant benefits.

### **NSTITUTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS**

The Institutional Relationships portfolio recognises the need for UNAA NSW to identify, develop and maintain relationships with civil society, including governments, parliaments, institutions and corporations. The Director of Institutional Relationships collaborates, promotes and improves the reputation UNAA NSW, and achieves the outcomes of the United Nations.

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The portfolio provided protocol expertise and liaison between UNAA NSW and the NSW Governor in his role as UNAA NSW Vice-Regal Patron, including managing the arrangements for the United Nations Universal Childrens' Day Vice-Regal Reception at Government House; engaged with the NSW Diplomatic Corps to

encourage their participation at the annual United Nations Day Wreath Laying Ceremony; commenced dialogue with a university to establish the UNAA NSW humanitarian scholarship; invited the Australian Human Rights Commission to engage in an exchange of ideas to promote the Commission in the lead up to/and including 2018 Human Rights Day and 70th anniversary of the United Nations Universal of Declaration of Human Rights; promoted and represented UNAA NSW at commemorations organised by the War Widows Guild of Australia, Returned and Services League of Australia, Remembrance Driveway Committee and Saint Mary's Cathedral, and others.

### MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Marketing and Communications portfolio has successfully promoted UNAA NSW events over the past year through beautifully-designed flyers, the UNAA NSW website, newsletters to members and posts on social media such as Facebook and LinkedIn. The portfolio has grown through enlisting the support of a number of talented interns. We thank Samantha Morrison, Emma Sheridan, Benjamin Cant, Joshua Karras, Sarah Wakeley and Diego Mogollon for their dedicated assistance.

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Our ever-intrepid Learning Life Journey as UNAA NSW Community Project group participants throughout this year tended to segue into our Continental Philosophy Group (CPG) theme - together with its pertinent significance, relevance, resonance and implications. This theme comprised a substantial contemporary review of the considerable contribution to embryonic global intellectual cooperation of legendary French metaphysician, Henri-Louis Bergson. Bergson's efforts, with others, through the auspices of the League of Nations, culminated in the evolution of what is now UNESCO, and contributed to the eventual realisation of the UN Declaration of Human Rights in 1948. Through Bergson's metaphysical process, whereby 'lived experience' culminated over time through 'pure perception', we recognised the essence of our collective Learning Life Journey. This process and context provides the basis for an interactive engaged global ethos, realised through an inclusive yet interpersonal perspective, through which our contemporary Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) could acquire enriched profound substance and momentum. Consistent with our many years of research to date, achieved through our Community

Project interface, or intrinsic communal connection, our UNAA (NSW) Project Backgrounder Sessions have proceeded purposefully so far, as in 2017, through a session convened in February 2018, with another scheduled for 25 August.

# **OPERATIONS**

The UNAA NSW office is now located in Glebe, along with all of our archives and merchandise. Individual and group UNAA email accounts have been organised, and can be easily created and changed. UNAA NSW Executive now have business cards to allow them to network and to promote the organisation with greater professionalism and efficiency. The UNAA NSW website continues to develop. Over the next year, organising and improving the website is one of the goals of the operations portfolio.

# **> PUBLIC OFFICER**

In 2017/18, the Public Officer, with the assistance of the Vice-President Emeritus, organised the relocation of UNAA NSW from Chippendale to a new office in Glebe. Over the past year, supporting the interests of non-email members and assisting in the management of membership was a priority. One major task during this period was the review of the UNAA NSW constitution. In this process, the constitutions of a number of UNAA branches were considered and compared to our own constitution. In relation to organisational administration, contact with Department of Fair Trading (NSW) was maintained.

# MEMBERSHIP

UNAA NSW members remain central to the success of our events, programs and activities. The organisation has over 270 active members. Members are first to hear about UNAA NSW events and activities, and have access to member only privileges and discounted tickets. The organisation continues to expand its programs, events and activities to improve the value to members and increase impact in the community. Membership application can be completed at https://unaansw. tidyhq.com/public/membership\_levels.



Dr Patricia Jenkings, Mr Lindsay Mell and Mr Jesse Park at Vesak Day 2018, Bankstown

# **VOLUNTEERING**

UNAA NSW volunteers, including Committee Members, remain crucial to the success of the organisation and assist us in increasing public awareness of UNAA NSW and of the SDGs. If you would like to become a UNAA volunteer, please contact the Director of Volunteering at maggie. kesaris@unaa.org.au. UNAA NSW volunteers have assisted in the running of a number of events such as United Nations Day 2017, and have assisted Executive Committee members to accomplish the organisation's goals. With the introduction of the volunteering portfolio and the formalisation of a sign-up process, the involvement of volunteers will increase over the next year.

# **>** INTERNSHIPS

The Volunteering portfolio has introduced a formal sign-up process for interns. Like volunteers, interns have assisted the Executive Committee in their accomplishment of tasks and in the organisation of events, including marketing and communications and the organisation of 2018 United Nations Day. Notably, the Marketing and Communications portfolio has recruited interns to assist its operations throughout the year, and Fay Teh and Trisha Shastri have worked under the Vice-President to organise United Nations Day 2018. Interns remain crucial to our activities as they bring valuable skills and experience to the table.

# UN YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

In 2017/18, UN Youth NSW and UNAA NSW have constructed a positive relationship through the position of UN Youth NSW Representative to the UNAA NSW Executive Committee. A Model United Nations Conference (MUNC) program is an ongoing joint initiative which began in late 2017. Over the next year, this relationship will continue to develop and grow, bringing our organisations closer together.

### UNAA YOUNG PROFESSIONALS REPRESENTATIVE

UNAA NSW is the natural avenue for UNAA NSW Young Professionals to progress as they advance their careers and development. The ongoing membership and observance of our Board is integral to building transition opportunities and life-long engagement for our members. Events that suit both demographics have been cross-promoted and enable a wider network for members to become engaged and develop themselves and their careers. The position of UNAA Young Professionals NSW Representative to the UNAA NSW Executive Committee is an important and valuable one. More about the Young Professionals network can be found here https://www.unaa.org.au/unaa-nswvoung-professionals-network/.

### MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE (MUNC) PROGRAM

In collaboration with UNAA Young Professionals NSW and UN Youth NSW, UNAA NSW has developed a MUNC Program targeted at professionals working in a range of different organisations from corporations to government departments.

The program aims to use Model United Nations debating to provide professional development opportunities to organisations, improve the negotiation and leadership skills of employees, and to promote the SDGs and the work of the United Nations. The program has been developed and will be implemented in a number of organisations and further refined during 2018/19.

# BRANCH REPORTS

# CENTRAL COAST BRANCH REPORT

The NSW Central Coast Branch is actively involved in a number of concerns and policies covered by the UN, including the environment and sustainability, refugees, women's rights, workers and union rights, education, employment, homelessness and other issues. UNAA (NSW) Central Coast Branch is registered as a community group with the local Central Coast Council.

# HUNTER BRANCH REPORT

The Annual General Meeting was held in May 2017 and all members continued to hold their positions. Professor Tony Travaglione from the Law faculty of the University of Newcastle was elected to be the Chairman for the year of 2017/18. United Nations Day was held on the 23rd October 2017 and was a successful event. Awabakal Tribal members welcomed guests to country, and Professor Tim Roberts from the Tim Farrell Institute for the Environment gave speech about environmental sustainability. The event was held in the Newcastle Council Building due to inclement weather. The Newcastle Grammar School Band provided musical accompaniment for the commemoration. They were presented with certificates of appreciation. The NSW Multicultural Performance Group, who provided Chinese dancers and a Qigong demonstration, also gave entertaining performances.

# BLUE MOUNTAINS BRANCH REPORT

As part of the UNAA NSW commitment to achieve the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, the organisation has continued to maintain a practical demonstration of urban permaculture at the UNAA NSW office in Katoomba. This food-forest garden has been cultivated to inspire similar to be emulated on home blocks everywhere. Amidst a variety of 22 healthy and abundantly yielding fruit and nut trees, organisation seasonally assists in the growing of numerous herbs, vegetables and medicinal plants that are regularly harvested. The group participated in the inaugural, Edible Garden Festival and Trail which saw over 80 people visit the garden. The group also committed to the Sense of Humus composting strategy, and compost all available bio-degradable material to breed earth worms and make humus-soil. The group's compost bins are made from 100% recycled plastics. We hope to inspire others to introduce such bins into their homes.



# UNAA NSW PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ON THE 65TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOREA WAR ARMISTICE 2018

Since the establishment of the United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission on 27 July 1953 to supervise the Korean Armistice Agreement, there was to be a complete cessation of hostilities of the Korean War until a final peaceful settlement.

Unfortunately, regretfully and unsettlingly, lasting peace has not been achieved on the Korean peninsula. Importantly, nor has peace been achieved for the people on that peninsula and the Korean diaspora - of which there are about 100,000 people who identify as being from Korea and reside in New South Wales.

The Korean War which spanned the years 1950 to 1953, claimed millions of lives, it involved over 20 nations and nearly led to a Third World War.

We acknowledge the millions of innocent people including children killed by this avoidable atrocity on the Korean peninsula.

We acknowledge the widows of war in Australia and those on the Korean peninsula.

We acknowledge the veterans of the Australian defence forces and Korea, with particular reference to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

As we lead toward the 70th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights in which Australia had a leading role, it is an opportunity as a society to reflect upon and review Australia's role in embracing the Articles enshrined in the Declaration - the inalienable human rights for all peoples.

As citizens of Australia or as citizens of other countries we have an honoured duty to uphold the spirit of the legacy of remembrance and embrace what is true, what is right and what is just - peace.

#### Dr Patricia Jenkings PhD BA (Hons) (USYD)

President, United Nations Association Australia (NSW) National Board Member, United Nations Association of Australia



#### UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA



### OUR GEOPOLITICAL CONTEXT

The United Nations is the preeminent legitimate international organisation established to preserve the rules-based international order.

The next five years will be crucial for Australia and the international community. In an increasingly complex world peace and security will remain fragile, challenged by a multitude of conflicts; climate change; the threat of interstate, cyber and nuclear wars; the continuing reality of terrorism and international crime; and the mass displacement and movement of millions of people. Ensuring human rights for all, and achieving the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030 will be an enormous challenge for Australia and the world.

In this environment, an effective and agile United Nations will be vital for the future of Australia and our planet.



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# OUR FIVE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

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Over the next five years and within available resources the UNAA will strive to implement the following five priorities:

Deliver high quality national programs and events

Develop and implement a credible international program as a member of the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA)

Conduct education and undertake research to inform Australians about the United Nations and to provide timely policy advice to the Australian Government and WFUNA

Sustainably grow the UNAA's reach and resources through strong partnerships, a network of valued and committed volunteers and interns, and dedicated professional staff

Ensure good governance, a collaborative culture, effective communications, and streamlined administration across the UNAA

# GOAL ONE

DELIVER HIGH QUALITY NATIONAL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

#### **OUR KEY CHALLENGES**

To deliver high quality national

 > Be recognised as a centre of excellence for our existing national programs: peace and security;

**OUR GOALS** 

the SDGs

> Ensure gender and indigenous equality throughout our programs

human rights; climate change; and

> Establish other relevant high quality programs

> Develop a national training program to fill gaps and prepare personnel to work with and in the UN system

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programs

Develop a 'UN speakers series' throughout Australia

**Develop and provide niche training** 

> Enhance knowledge of contemporary challenges and reforms in the UN system > Host and facilitate public seminars with visiting UN dignitaries and other subject matter experts

**IMPLEMENTATION** 

> Progressively transition all national

enterprises managed by professional

programs to self-funding social

> Maximise partnership with

Government, other relevant

organisations and the business

> Design and conduct specific

fee-paying courses

> Resource and grow our national

staff

community

programs

 Appoint UNAA Goodwill
 Ambassadors and spokespersons on specific thematic issues

#### 1.4

To increase our existing national presence and content quality to inform and attract public interest and support  Ensure common nationwide messaging for major activities and events

> Defragment and grow our social media audience by 15% per annum

> Extend our reach across regional Australia > Develop a nationally coordinated approach with Divisions, Young Professionals, National Programs, Academic Network, Status of Women's Network, and UN Youth Australia.

> Appoint and optimise use of our Goodwill Ambassadors

# GOAL TWO

DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A CREDIBLE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM AS A MEMBER OF THE WORLD FEDERATION OF UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATIONS (WFUNA)

OUR KEY CHALLENGES	OUR GOALS	IMPLEMENTATION
2.1 To be a highly regarded member of the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA)	> Be an influential contributing member of WFUNA	<ul> <li>Contribute to, promote and where possible participate in WFUNA programs and activities</li> <li>Conduct UN training courses and study tours</li> </ul>
2.2 To participate and contribute to UN international forums and events	> Be able to provide a credible Australian NGO perspective on key UN policies and issues	<ul> <li>&gt; Secure membership of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)</li> <li>&gt; Attend and contribute to important international UN activities on a case-by-case basis, with priority on achievement of the SDGs</li> </ul>
2.3 To strengthen relations with countries through participation in mutually beneficial UN activities	> Collaborate globally with other UN Associations, UN agencies and other pro-UN organisations	<ul> <li>&gt; Join and contribute to UN fora, such as the International Forum for the Challenges of Peace Operations</li> <li>&gt; Actively seek opportunities to represent Australia, including through Track 2 diplomatic negotiations</li> </ul>
2.4 To partner with countries to establish and/or strengthen UN Associations and progress important issues with the UN	> Prioritise our efforts in the Indo- Pacific on specific issues of mutual concern	<ul> <li>Strengthen our partnership with UNA-New Zealand and seek opportunities to work jointly</li> <li>Establish partnership projects with Indo-Pacific countries and other WFUNA partners</li> <li>Develop a robust Pacific Partnership Program to assist smaller nations in the South Pacific</li> </ul>

# GOAL THREE

CONDUCT EDUCATION AND UNDERTAKE RESEARCH TO INFORM AUSTRALIANS ABOUT THE UNITED NATIONS AND TO PROVIDE TIMELY POLICY ADVICE TO THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT AND WFUNA

OUR KEY CHALLENGES	OUR GOALS	IMPLEMENTATION
3.1 To provide quality education about the UN	<ul> <li>Increase knowledge of the UN system through education departments, secondary schools</li> </ul>	> UNAA Divisions to establish strong linkages with Education Ministers and Departments
	<ul> <li>Extend the successful Model UN Conference (MUNC) program in Australian schools</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>UNAA Divisions to extend the MUNC program in partnership with UN Youth Australia</li> </ul>
	> Develop and conduct model UN parliaments in tertiary institutions	> UNAA Divisions to extend their reach through Universities and TAFEs
3.2 To be the 'go to' organisation in Australia on matters concerning the UN, and Australia's UN	> Be a 'research-led' organisation to enhance our reputation and impact through the provision of timely and well-founded reports and advice	<ul> <li>Strengthen our Academic Network to provide research and policy advice</li> <li>Work towards establishing a</li> </ul>
involvement	> Provide quality research and timely policy advice	UN Centre of Excellence between the UNAA and a major Australian
	<ul> <li>Provide informative background and policy papers on key UN initiatives</li> </ul>	University > Help strengthen the Federal UN Parliamentary Group
	<ul> <li>Provide timely media releases on important UN issues</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ensure liaison with Federal and State/Territory parliaments,</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Partner with relevant organisations to produce reports</li> </ul>	governments, departments and agencies
	> Convene roundtables on topical issues	<ul> <li>Work closely with the UN Information Centre, UNHCR Regional Office, and other local UN bodies</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Collaborate with WFUNA to produce relevant information and position papers</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Appoint and utilise our Goodwill Ambassadors to promote the UN's position</li> </ul>
3.3	> Redirect resources and effort to	> Issue timely policy statements
To be agile and able to respond quickly to opportunities	deal with emerging/critical issues	and media releases on critical and emerging issues
3.4	> Assemble records to publish an oral and written record of the UNAA	> Establish a National Board Sub-
To record the history and achievements of the UNAA	orar and written record of the UNAA	committee to progress the UNAA History Project

# GOAL FOUR

SUSTAINABLY GROW THE UNAA'S REACH AND RESOURCES THROUGH STRONG PARTNERSHIPS, A NETWORK OF VALUED AND COMMITTED VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNS, AND DEDICATED PROFESSIONAL STAFF

OUR KEY CHALLENGES	OUR GOALS	IMPLEMENTATION		
4.1	> Grow our individual annual paid membership base by at least 20%			
To strengthen our partnerships, membership and supporter base	annually	> Establish a UN Alumni		
		> Extend and grow partnerships with relevant NGOs, business and the education sector		
4.2	> Recognise that the organisation is historically a volunteer-based	> Engage valuable volunteers and interns and acknowledge their		
To attract, nurture and recognise our volunteers and interns	organisation	contributions		
4.3	> Encourage and enable	Include professional development in the annual budget forecast		
To help develop our professional staff, directors and volunteers	professional development within resource constraints			
4.4	> Progressively diversify and increase annual operating revenue to	> Develop and implement a national fundraising plan		
To raise sufficient funds,	at least \$5m	<ul> <li>Continue using an auspicing</li> </ul>		
sponsorship and in-kind support to achieve our priorities	> Attract and retain more donors	priorities > Attract and retain more donors partnership unti	partnership until direct-listed Type 1 DGR status is achieved	
		> Develop our fundraising culture		
4.5	> Deliver strategically aligned high- quality programs and activities	> Submit professional grant applications and fully acquit funds		
To maintain and increase funding grants from government (Federal, State/Territory and Local) and	quality programs and activities	applications and fully acquit funds		

foundations

# GOAL FIVE

ENSURE GOOD GOVERNANCE, EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, STREAMLINED ADMINISTRATION AND COLLABORATIVE FUNDRAISING

#### **OUR KEY CHALLENGES**

#### **OUR GOALS**

#### 5.1

To ensure National Board members fully understand their responsibilities and are able to make decisions that promote and protect the UNAA's reputation > National Board members are fully committed to effectively govern the UNAA and achieve our priorities

#### IMPLEMENTATION

> Ensure succession planning to identify Directors with the necessary skills and commitment, ensuring gender balance

> Convene the National Board at least four times per annum (in addition to the AGM)

> Establish National Board Subcommittees to monitor progress and ensure good governance

#### 5.2

To ensure the UNAA is properly resourced in priority areas that support impact and is properly structured to fulfil its mission > Review and transition the UNAA's operating model to optimise national effectiveness and teamwork to achieve our charitable purpose

> Demonstrate efficiency and economies of scale

> Reduce duplication and unnecessary overheads by adopting common systems

> Employ professional staff with delegated authority

> By 2020, produce a single UN AA Annual Report that highlights the work of the entire UNAA

> By 2020, adopt a common financial system aligned with the Australian financial year; a single CRM database; common insurance policies; a single national newsletter; a single UNAA website; and optimised social media reach

#### 5.3

To ensure that National Board members fulfil their fiduciary responsibilities and are compliant with legislative requirements

#### 5.4

To evaluate our performance and progress

> Operate transparently and lawfully

> The National Board monitors progress through its Subcommittees

> Monitor and evaluate our performance > Collaboratively design, develop and implement a robust reporting regime that allows the organisation to monitor and evaluate its performance

> The UNAA National Board monitors progress against this Strategic Plan and reviews the Plan annually



# SUSTAINABLE GEALS DEVELOPMENT GEALS 17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

# 1 Poverty

**GOAL 1** End poverty in all its forms everywhere



# GOAL 6

GOAL 7

Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

# 2 ZERO HUNGER

### GOAL 2

End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

Ensure healthy lives and promote wellbeing for all,



DECENT WORK AND

ECONOMIC GROWTH

INDUSTRY, INNOVATION

AND INFRASTRUCTURI

#### Ensure access to affordable, reliabl

affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

### GOAL 8

Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

## GOAL 9

Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

### GOAL 10

Reduce inequality within and among countries



# GOAL 4

**GOAL 3** 

to all ages

Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all



# GOAL 5

Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls





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# 4 QUALITY EDUCATION

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#### **GOAL 11**

Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable



#### **GOAL 12**

Ensure sustainable Consumption and production patterns



### GOAL 13

Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts\*



#### **GOAL 14**

Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development



#### **GOAL 15**

Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss



# 17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

# societies for sustainable development, provide ad

**GOAL 16** 

development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions for all levels

Promote peaceful and inclusive

# GOAL 17

Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development.

\*Acknowledge that the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change is the primary international, intergovernmental forum for negotiating the global response to climate change.

# ABOUT THE GOALS

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development came into force globally on 1 January 2016. The Goals aim to mobilise efforts to end all forms of poverty, fight inequalities and tackle climate change, while ensuring that no one is left behind.

Unanimously adopted by the UN's 193 Member States (UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES/70/1), the SDGs apply to all countries and recognise that social, economic, and environmental factors, as well as peace, justice and effective institutions, are interconnected and vital for sustainable development.

# HOW DO THEY WORK?

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals and 169 targets are monitored and reviewed using a set of global indicators.

While countries have primary responsibility for review and follow up, everyone has a contribution to make to= the success of the Goals – including you!

## WANT TO LEARN MORE?

- > www.unaa.org.au
- SDGs information page www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment
- Sustainable Development Knowledge Platform sustainabledevelopment.un.org
- General Assembly Resolution Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development undocs.org/A/RES/70/1

# FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

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#### Income and Expenditure Statement For the Year Ended 30 June 2018

Note	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Income Memberships General donations/grants Miscellaneous Events Interest received Surplus/(Deficit) from luncheon Miscellaneous income UNAA Conference	6,967 18,100 6,800 410 3,115 3,109  38,501	7,596 7,500 - 138 (5,390) 2,423 (3,214) 9,053
<b>Expenditure</b> Venue hire General administration Fees and Federal levy Other expenses	631 606 2,611 3,613	6,241 2,907 1,998 3,849
	7,461	14,995
Current year surplus/(deficit)	31,040	(5,942)
Transfer Peace Program to National Office Current year surplus/(deficit) after transfer of peace Program		(5,942)
Retained surplus at the beginning of the year	19,029	24,971
Retained surplus at the end of the year	50,069	19,029

#### Assets and Liabilities Statement As At 30 June 2018

	Note	2018	2017
		\$	\$
Assets			
Current Assets Cash at bank	2	59,569	26,029
Total Current Assets		59,569	26,029
Total Assets		59,569	26,029
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade Creditors Income In Advance	3 4	2,500 7,000	- 7,000
Total Current Liabilities		9,500	7,000
Total Liabilities		9,500	7,000
Net Assets		50,069	19,029
Members Funds Retained surplus		50,069	19,029
Total Members Funds		50,069	19,029

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30 June 2018

#### Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

#### a) Revenue and Other Income

Interest revenue is recognised using effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the association obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

#### b) Accounts Payable and Other Payables

Accounts payables and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting year for goods and services received by the association during the reporting year that remain unpaid. The balances are recognised as a current liability and the amounts are normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Note 2: Cash at bank		
Cash at bank – # 2734 28122520	59,569	26,029
Note 3: Trade Creditors		
Trade Creditors	2,500	
Note 4: Income in advance		
Grants received in advance	7,000	7,000

#### Note 5: Contingent Liability

At balance date there are no contingent liabilities.

#### **Statement By Treasurer**

# Annual Statements Give True and Fair View of Financial Position and Performance

I, Paul Malliate being the Treasurer of United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) Inc, certify that-

The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) Inc during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 30 June 2018.

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PAUL/MALLIATE Treasurer

Dated at Sydney this /94 day of July 2018

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (\$000)	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
Membership Income	7.6	8.0	7.6	7.0
Donations/Grants	3.9	3.1	7.5	18.1
Surplus/(Deficit)	8.1	2.4	5.9	31.0
Cash Balance	35.4	22.5	26.0	59.6
Net Assets	33.4	25.0	19.0	50.1

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Independent Auditor's Report to the members of United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) Inc. For the Year Ended 30 June 2018

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report Opinion

We have audited the financial report of United Nations Association of Australia (NSW Division) Inc., which comprises, the assets and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2018, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certification by the treasurer on the annual financial statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Association.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial position United Nations Association of Australia (NSW Division) Inc. as at 30 June 2018 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 and Associations Incorporation Regulation 2016.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Emphasis of Matter- Basis of Accounting**

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the association to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (2009) and Associations Incorporation Regulation 2016. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this paragraph.

#### **Responsibilities of the Board for the Financial Report**

The Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (2009) and Associations Incorporation Regulation 2016, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Independent Auditor's Report to the members of United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) Inc. For the Year Ended 30 June 2018

In preparing the financial report, the Board is responsible for assessing the association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material, if individually or in the aggregate, they could be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Board's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the association to cease to continue as a going concern.

Independent Auditor's Report to the members of United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) Inc. For the Year Ended 30 June 2018

 Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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A. J. SPRATT Director

Dated at Sydney this 19th day of July 2018.

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