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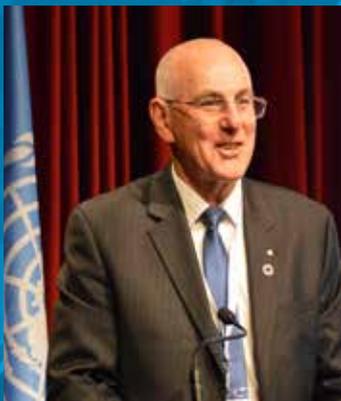
“Fear is driving the decisions of many people around the world...It is time to reconstruct relations between people and leaders — national and international; time for leaders to listen and show that they care, about their own people and about the global stability and solidarity on which we all depend. And it is time for the United Nations to do the same: to recognize its shortcomings and to reform the way it works.”

*– Antonio Guterres,
UN Secretary General*

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NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S REPORT



In attending some of the many UNAA events around our country and reading the growing number of high-quality UNAA reports and submissions, I have been constantly inspired by the commitment and dedication of our members and supporters, almost all of whom are volunteers.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to our *Strategic Plan 2018-2023* which is now guiding the UNAA's progress. The development of the Strategic Plan was a fully collaborative and consultative process, and I particularly thank our Board members for their leadership and commitment in agreeing to the goals that best unite and guide our diverse organisation. I would like to also acknowledge our growing band of Goodwill Ambassadors who willingly share their expertise and time to promote the UN's vital work, thereby enhancing the UNAA's reputation and relevance.

The UNAA is continuing its modernisation through increased membership, the development of funded national programs, an increased commitment to developing our international program in collaboration with the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA), increasing and strengthening our partnerships, and by improving our national communications. These initiatives are better enabling us to increase the revenue that is essential for us to fulfil our mission: *to 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.* With funding through DFAT the achievement of our mission will be further enhanced through our establishment of a UN Alumni Network which will better connect Australians working with and for the United Nations.

In an increasingly unstable world the rules-based international order is under threat and the natural environment under extreme pressure. Australia's commitment to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030 is a national priority, but currently Australia is falling further behind in our international standing. More than ever, the United Nations requires Australia's continuing support, and Australia's national security and sustainability will be strengthened by a greater Australian commitment to the United Nations. As a civil society organisation the UNAA has an important role to play in garnering this support from all sectors of the Australian community.

I would like to thank my fellow Directors and Program Managers for their continuing support and commitment. I particularly welcome Lachlan Hunter as our newly appointed National Executive Director, and acknowledge the exceptional work of his predecessor, Matthew Kronborg, who laboured hard for almost four years to lay the foundations for the UNAA's modernisation.

In moving forward under my watch, the UNAA will continue to *think globally, plan nationally and act locally*, and the National Board will continue to focus on ensuring good governance and increasing resource attribution.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael G Smith AO".

Major General (Ret'd) Michael G Smith AO
UNAA National President



> NATIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In May 2018, I was delighted to accept the position of UNAA National Executive Director. I would firstly like to acknowledge and thank my predecessor Matthew Kronborg for his leadership of the UNAA over the past four years. Matthew was responsible for many fantastic initiatives including supporting the modernisation and professionalisation of the organisation and development of the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan.

I have been involved with the UNAA for several years, including as a Board member in NSW and prior to that, President of the Young Professionals in the ACT. I was honoured to take on the National Executive Director role and drive growth of the excellent programs, events and activities I had previously been involved with. Our activities are closely aligned with my personal values. I believe my professional experience, particularly my time working in Indigenous Affairs and on remote communities, for Chief Executive Women, on Norfolk Island Reform, and in immigration detention, have given me an insight into some of the significant challenges which face Australians today. These include reducing inequalities, achieving gender equality, improving outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and offering protection to refugees and asylum seekers. These issues relate directly to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and are key pillars of the UNAA's work.

In my short time as Executive Director, I have overseen many exciting developments, partnerships and events within our organisation. These activities would not be possible without the unwavering commitment of the UNAA's incredible volunteers and employees, who continue to dedicate their time and passion to assist us in achieving goals that benefit society. This Annual Report showcases a range of exciting and informative public diplomacy events which took place in 2017-2018 and highlights the hard work of the National Office, our Divisions, the Young Professional Network and UN Youth. Undoubtedly our largest national event this financial year was the National Conference on UN Peacekeeping. The Conference featured quality speakers from Australia and further abroad, including the key note address from former Foreign Minister, the Hon. Julie Bishop MP. The Conference highlighted the challenges of contemporary peace

operations, and the important connection between conflict prevention, peacekeeping, and peacebuilding.

Looking ahead, the next conference will be the UNAA World Oceans Conference in June 2019. This will be another excellent opportunity to raise awareness of the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG14 Life Below Water and issues such as protection of the Great Barrier Reef, plastics and the food chain, and climate change and the Pacific.

With the support of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade the UNAA's calendar of over 150 quality events per year has continued to inform, inspire and engage Australians across business, governments, business, schools and universities about the SDGs and the UN's broader goal to create a safer, fairer and more sustainable world. DFAT remains UNAA's primary sponsor and our partner for many events and I'd like to thank in particular, the former Minister for Foreign Affairs, The Hon Julie Bishop MP. Minister Bishop has not only been a great supporter of the UNAA, but also a strong role model across more than a decade as Foreign Minister.

Over the next 12 months, the UNAA will continue to expand its reach and ensure long term sustainability through scaling our high-quality National Programs, Model UN Conferences, study tours, activities and events. In October, I will be attending the 42nd WFUNA Plenary Assembly in the Dominican Republic, which provides an opportunity to work with other United Nations Associations and in particular build on work to support United Nations Associations in smaller island states in our region.

There is still much work to be done and there are considerable challenges ahead. I am sure that, thanks to the continued efforts of our volunteers, Goodwill Ambassadors, Board of Directors and paid staff, the next financial year will be another very successful one.

Lachlan Hunter
National Executive Director



▶ UNAA ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS





INCREASING OUR REACH AND IMPACT:



Thinking Globally,
Planning Nationally,
Acting Locally



Re-orientating the federation to become program-driven and more academically rigorous through the development of social enterprises



Strengthening our affiliations and partnerships



Improving governance, structure, strategy, internal engagement, communications, talent-flows and fundraising diversification



Producing thought leadership and submissions to influence public policy



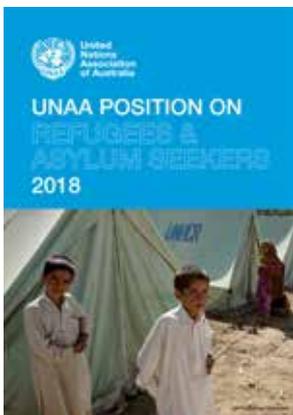
Growing National Programs on the SDGs, Human Rights, Climate and Peace



> UNAA SUBMISSIONS & PUBLICATIONS

The UNAA has published several policy position and discussion papers in the last financial year on important topics.

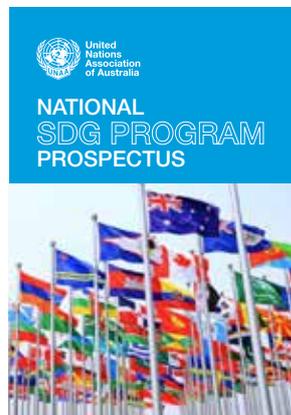
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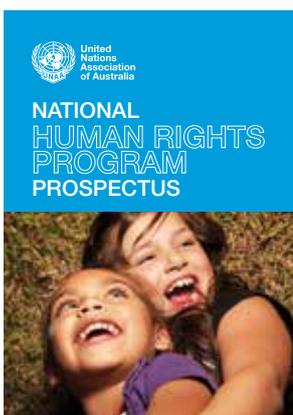
UNAA Position on Refugees and Asylum Seekers 2018



UNAA Climate Change Discussion Paper 2018



UNAA SDG National Program Prospectus



UNAA Human Rights National Program Prospectus



UNAA Strategic Plan 2018-2023



UNAA National Conference Report 2017

These papers can be found on our website at unaa.org.au

> GOODWILL AMBASSADORS

The UNAA Goodwill Ambassadors are eminent persons in their field and represent the UNAA at events and media activities. This includes building partnerships with other organisations, promoting the work of the UN through social media and attracting donor support.



EMERITUS PROFESSOR RAMESH THAKUR UNAA GOODWILL AMBASSADOR FOR NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION AND DISARMAMENT

Professor Ramesh Thakur is Director of the Centre for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament (CNND) in the Crawford School, The Australian National University and co-Convenor of the Asia-Pacific Leadership Network for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament (APLN). He was formerly Senior Vice-Rector of the United Nations University and UN Assistant Secretary-General. Professor Thakur was a Commissioner and a principal author of *The Responsibility to Protect*, and has written over 50 books, including *The United Nations, Peace and Security: From Collective Security to the Responsibility to Protect*.



HON. DR. LYNN ARNOLD AO UNAA GOODWILL AMBASSADOR FOR THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Dr. Lynn Arnold AO is former Premier of South Australia and former CEO of World Vision Australia. Prior to his appointment as Premier in 1992, Dr. Arnold worked in Labor government for 11 years. He has extensive experience working with World Vision, having also served as Senior Director for World Vision International and World Vision's Regional Vice-President for Asia and the Pacific. A long time member of the UNAA SA, Dr. Arnold has held the positions of State President in South Australia and National Vice-President. Dr. Arnold is also former CEO of Anglicare SA, which works in the areas of aged care, families, vulnerable people, housing and economic participation. He was awarded the Order of Australia in 2004 for his services to Australia through the South Australian Parliament and internationally through development and humanitarian aid assistance. In 2013, he was ordained Deacon in the Anglican Church and since 2014 has been serving as a Priest in Adelaide.



HON. DR. ROBYN LAYTON AO QC
UNAA GOODWILL AMBASSADOR FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

The Hon. Dr. Layton has been a champion of social justice and rights for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, refugees, women and children. She is a former Judge of the Supreme Court of South Australia and was the first Australian to be appointed as a member of International Labour Organization (ILO) Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations, and its first female Chair. This Committee of international jurists monitors government practices on international labour standards world-wide. Dr. Layton also worked on the landmark Child Protection Review into South Australia and is an expert in judicial education on labour standards and issues concerning children in court. In 2012, she was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) for services to the law and judiciary, as an advocate for Indigenous, refugee and children’s rights. In the same year, she was named ‘South Australian of the Year’ for her social justice advocacy. Dr. Layton is a Consultant for the Asian Development Bank and is currently working on a project on Legal Literacy for Women in Pakistan.



MS. ERIKA FELLER
UNAA GOODWILL AMBASSADOR FOR GLOBAL PEOPLE MOVEMENT, REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS

From 2005 to 2013, Ms. Feller held the post of Assistant High Commissioner (Protection), one of the four top management positions of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, carrying the United Nations grade of Assistant Secretary-General. Her professional career has included 14 years and three international postings with the Australian diplomatic service, followed by 26 years with UNHCR, both in Geneva and the field. As the High Commissioner’s Representative in Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei, she concurrently served as UNHCR’s Regional Coordinator for Status Determination for the Indo-Chinese refugee outflow. Ms. Feller was also Director of the Department of International Protection. She is currently serving as a Professorial Fellow with the University of Melbourne’s School of Government. Her recent work is on regional refugee protection and the reduction of statelessness.



MS. GRACE FORREST
UNAA GOODWILL AMBASSADOR FOR ANTI-SLAVERY

Grace is a Founding Director of the Walk Free Foundation, an international human rights group with an objective to end modern slavery. Underpinned by research, the Walk Free Foundation uses direct engagement with business, government, faiths, and grassroots intervention to drive systems to change from the top down and ground up. Grace has spent extensive time working in South East Asia and the Middle East, using photography and storytelling to share the stories of survivors of modern slavery, with a current focus on refugee communities. She is also a Director of the Minderoo Foundation, recently joined the Board of the Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue and previously worked at the Legatum Institute as a research analyst on global people movement.



MR. DAVID MACINTOSH AM
UNAA GOODWILL AMBASSADOR FOR SDG 14 LIFE BELOW WATER

David Macintosh has been involved with the ocean and marine life for the past 50 years through Surf Life Saving, conservation and Outrigger Canoe paddling throughout Australia and the Pacific. David was awarded a Member of the Order of Australia for services to Business, Medical, Philanthropy and Surf Life Saving in 2011, and the National Medal for Surf Life Saving in 2014. David has a long history working in senior management and director roles in the Transport Industry in Australia and in Europe, and in the Construction and Property Industry in Australia. He is currently the Vice President of the Australian Respiratory Council.



MS. LEANNE SMITH
UNAA GOODWILL AMBASSADOR FOR SDG 16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

Leanne Smith is an international human rights lawyer by training. She has worked for the Australian Human Rights Commission, in the international NGO sector and as an Australian diplomat with DFAT. She has worked on UN Peacekeeping Operations in Southeast Asia, Africa, the Balkans and Afghanistan, and most recently as Chief of Policy and Best Practices for UN Peacekeeping Operations. As a consequence, she has more than 20 years' experience in policy development and international peace and security. She is currently Director of the Whitlam Institute.



Never before have we had such an awareness of what we are doing to the planet, and never before have we had the power to do something about it” - DAVID ATTENBOROUGH





> UNAA STUDY TOUR TO GENEVA – MAY 2018

In May 2018, the UNAA conducted its inaugural tour to the UN in Geneva. Involving a small group of Australian young professionals, tertiary students and NGO leaders, the tour was led by Carlisle Richardson, former Ambassador of St Kitts and Nevis to the UN and a former UN Economic Affairs Officer.

After a week of meetings with Geneva-based UN officials, representatives of UN related organisations and NGOs, the group was exhausted but inspired. In addition to meeting with representatives of the UN Office in Geneva, the group met with representatives from the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the International Labour Organisation (ILO), the World Health Organisation (WHO), the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (UNHCR) and the Australian Mission to the UN and World Trade Organisation.

The group also toured the Palais des Nations, the UN's Geneva headquarters, and sat in on the 78th Session of the Committee on the Rights of the Child in the historic Palais Wilson, former home to the League of Nations.

Group member Alicia Mathews said the tour was “a life changing experience to see firsthand the workings of the United Nations and their role in supporting peace, wellbeing and human rights for all”. Alicia said she would recommend future tours to “anyone with an interest in the values of the United Nations and a strong interest in learning what you can do to be a good global citizen”.



> PUBLIC EVENTS

Over the year the UNAA delivered over 150 events to inform, inspire and engage all Australians regarding the work, goals and values of the UN to create a safer, fairer and more sustainable world. These are a cross section of examples.



UN MEDIA AWARDS

SDG 16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: Victorian Division

DATE: October 2017

LOCATION: Melbourne

Each year since 1979, UNAA Victoria has acknowledged UN Day by awarding Australian journalists and media organisations who have excelled in their promotion of human rights and issues. The national awards seek to promote understanding about humanitarian and social justice issues by recognising those in the Australian media whose contributions stimulate public awareness and understanding. Entries are invited from journalists, editors and producers across print, TV, Radio, online and photojournalism.

In 2017, the Media Awards were a key feature of the organisation's work to promote achievement of the SDGs. Each category addressed one or more of the Goals. The presentation dinner was held at the Arts Centre on Friday 27 October 27, with some 150 guests in attendance. Special Guest Speaker for the evening was Emeritus Professor Gillian Triggs, with awards given out by other special guests including Alistair McEwin, Disability Discrimination Commissioner, Fiona Patten, MLC and City of Melbourne Councillor Cathy Oke.

Awards were given out to acknowledge work which promoted the rights of people with disability, children and Indigenous peoples, and issues such as gender equality and social cohesion. The Awards were sponsored by Cbus, the Scanlon Foundation and the Australian Multicultural Foundation and the Federal Government, through the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.



13 CLIMATE ACTION



FILM SCREENING AND PANEL DISCUSSION

SDG 13 - CLIMATE ACTION, SDG 17 – PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

TEAM: Victorian Division

DATE: February 2018

LOCATION: Melbourne

In partnership with the Transitions Film Festival and the UNAA Victoria Young Professionals, the Victorian Division presented a special screening of Guardians of the Earth, a fly on the wall look at the negotiations that led to the historic Paris Climate Agreement. This event was presented to raise awareness of SDG 13 Climate Action and SDG 17 Partnerships for the Goals. The sold out film screening at Melbourne's Cinema Nova was followed by a panel discussion which included Dr Adam Bumpus, Senior Research Fellow, Melbourne University; Deb Hart, Author and Activist; Caroline Lambert, Climate and Environment Counsellor, EU Delegation to Australia and Graham Hunter, Coordinator, UNAA Climate Change program. Participants discussed the Trump administration's attitude to the Agreement; the lack of progress on an agreed emissions target in Australia and the need for governments, civil society, industry and community to work together if we are to bring the Paris Agreement into effect.

16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS



PEACEKEEPERS MARCH AND CEREMONY

SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: Queensland Division

DATE: June 2018

LOCATION: Brisbane

This special event attracted people who served as UN Peacekeepers, representatives of countries where Australia has undertaken 62 missions, networks, young people, and members of the public interested in peace processes. The People's March went from King George Square to the Shrine of Remembrance. At the end of the march, everyone gathered for a Peacekeepers Ceremony to enjoy music, stories from special people, and remembrance wishes from others. The morning finished with networking with tea and scones provided by the Queensland Country Women's Association. A video of the march can be viewed on the UNAA website.





More than two thirds of refugees come from just five countries. Significant positive developments in just one of them could open up the possibility of solutions for millions of people”

- FILIPPO GRANDI, UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES



COMMUNITY SDG AWARDS

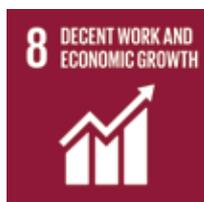
ALL SDGs

TEAM: Queensland Division

DATE: 11 December 2017

LOCATION: Brisbane

The inaugural Community SDG Awards were presented over a lunch, to those who have worked tirelessly towards the UN’s goals for world development over the last few decades.



COMMUNITY EDUCATION ON MODERN SLAVERY

SDG 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

TEAM: Queensland Division

DATE: 16 December 2017 - 30 April 2018

LOCATION: James Cook University, Cairns

This program was run by UNAAQ during the federal inquiry into modern slavery. UNAAQ held a series of workshops on Modern Slavery in Queensland to teach participants about the early indicators of modern slavery and human trafficking in our own communities in Australia.



UN DAY GALA

SDG 11 - SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

TEAM: Western Australia Division

DATE: October 2017

LOCATION: Perth

The event recognised the Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development, as well as Australia’s appointment to the UN Human Rights Council. There were 250 attendees and addresses were given by UNAAWA President Dr Lennon, The Governor of Western Australia and the Deputy Premier. The Inaugural UNAAWA awards were presented in the categories of Human Rights, Environment, Women, Teachers and Volunteers.

UN DAY GALA EVE 26 OCT 2018

SAVE THE DATE
Come and join us for an evening of celebration!

DETAILS
 DATE: Friday 26th October 2018
 TIME: 6pm - 8.30pm
 VENUE: Perth Town Hall
 DRESS: Smart or traditional attire
 TICKETS: Inclusive of refreshments and entertainment
 REGISTRATION: Registration opens 12th July 2018
 CONTACT: 08 9211 7020 or office@unaaq.wa.gov.au

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW
 Contact us about an opportunity to sponsor this event and partner with the United Nations Association WA Division

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WOMEN IN STEM

SDG 5 - GENDER EQUALITY
TEAM: Western Australia Division
DATE: February 2018
LOCATION: Perth

Edith Cowan University and the UNNAWA hosted a networking and panel event dedicated to gender equality champions in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and medicine (STEMM) on February 22nd 2018 in Perth. This event was a celebration of industry professionals, ECU women in STEMM and male champions for change. Senior and academic staff and alumnae shared their journeys, achievements and insights. Frank discussions were held on what it will take to achieve gender equality in STEMM, and how initiatives such as the Edith Cowan Athena SWAN Advancement Scheme are addressing some of the barriers women and gender diverse groups face when progressing their careers.



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

SDG 5 - GENDER EQUALITY
TEAM: New South Wales & Northern Territory Divisions
DATE: March 2018
LOCATION: Sydney & Darwin

UNAA NSW division held an event for International Women's Day, which involved an in-depth discussion on accelerating female progress and working toward achieving SDG 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 trailblazing 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. UNAA NT also held a Multicultural Lunch in Darwin and partnered with the City of Darwin and NT Government to organise the International Women's Day Walk and Celebration, which was attended by over 4000 people.





INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN’S DAY FUNCTION

SDG 10 – REDUCED INEQUALITIES

TEAM: New South Wales Division

DATE: November 2017

LOCATION: Sydney

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.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS: WORDS TO ACTION EVENT

SDG 14 – LIFE BELOW WATER

TEAM: New South Wales Division

DATE: February 2018

LOCATION: Sydney

The UNAA National SDG Program has expanded over the past year and continues to be managed nationally by Patricia Garcia AO and operated out of the NSW 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 work done to advance this Program with the aim to reach over 2 million Australians by 2020.



Mr David Macintosh AM, Dr Patricia Jenkins, Mr Gregory Hunter and Mr Paul Malliate with keynote speakers



Attendees mingle at the SDG event

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE WORLD'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

SDG 10 – REDUCED INEQUALITIES

TEAM: New South Wales Division

DATE: August 2017

LOCATION: Sydney

The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples was held on 26 August 2017 at the Sydney Mechanics School of Arts. 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 UN 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 working in councils across the country. Chilean-born ceramist and artist Cecilia Castro from the Sydney College of Arts gave a fascinating account of growing up in Chile, then coming to Australia to study and live.



Dr Patricia Jenkins with guests



Glen Doyle performs an indigenous dance



*Let us pick up our books and our pens,
they are the most powerful weapons”*

- MALALA YOUSAFZAI, ACTIVIST



UNITED NATIONS WREATHLAYING CEREMONY

SDG 16 – PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: New South Wales Division

DATE: October 2017

LOCATION: Sydney

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 current and former 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 UNAA. 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.



WORLD REFUGEE DAY

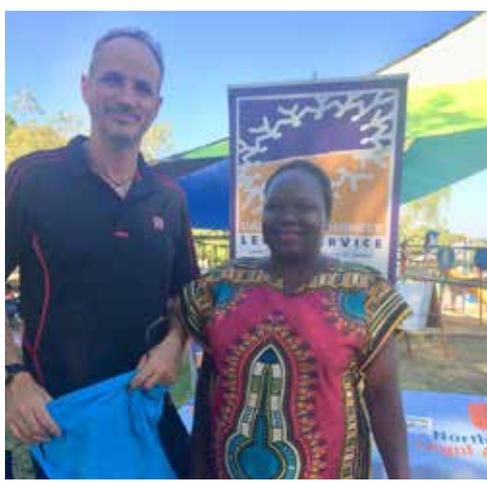
SDG 10 - REDUCED INEQUALITIES

TEAM: Northern Territory Division

DATE: June 2018

LOCATION: Darwin

In partnership with Melaleuca Refugee Centre and Multicultural Council of NT, UNAANT participated in the World Refugee Day event including providing all new citizens on the day with a SDG Badge and bookmark. Over 1,000 attended the event including the Lord Mayor.





HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVITIES

SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: Northern Territory Division

DATE: November – December 2017

LOCATION: Darwin

The 23rd 'Rights on Show' Human Rights Art Award and Exhibition celebrated the 2017 UN Year of Sustainable Tourism, with over 100 artists entering their human rights artworks. Dino Hodge was granted a NT Human Rights Award 2017 for his work with the LGBTIQ community in the NT. UNAA NT also had a stall on International Human Rights.



UN DAY OF PEACE

SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: South Australia Division

DATE: September 2017

LOCATION: Adelaide

Each year the UN International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21 September. On this occasion last year, UNAA SA division partnered with St Peter's Anglican Cathedral to host a day of prayers, reflection and candle-lighting. A multi-faith service was held in the evening and was attended by the Governor of South Australia.



INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: South Australia Division

DATE: December 2017

LOCATION: Adelaide

UNAA SA Division partnered with the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre at the University of South Australia and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (SA) to host an event for International Human Rights Day on December 7, 2017. Jacinta Thompson, Executive Director of the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre welcomed keynote speaker and UN Goodwill Ambassador Prof Ramesh Thakur, who spoke on "Building Nuclear Peace: Deterrents, Disarmament and the UN Ban Treaty". A discussion involving members of the audience followed this talk, moderated by former SA Premier Rev. Lynn Arnold concluded the event with his own comments on the current situation, leaving the audience keen to know what more can be done to achieve full disarmament.



THE RISE OF NEW SPACE ENDEAVOURS IN AUSTRALIA

SDG 9 - INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

TEAM: South Australia Division

DATE: June 2018

LOCATION: Adelaide

This UNAA initiative was presented in partnership with The Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre at the Allan Scott Auditorium, UniSA City West Campus on Thursday 28 June. The audience of more than 300 were informed, inspired and engaged in a passionate presentation by Flavia Tata Nardini, CEO, Fleet Space Technologies, on how new space technologies are changing industries in Australia and around the world. A podcast of the event is available on The Hawke Centre website.



A HARVEST FOR OUR FUTURE EVENT

SDG 2 - ZERO HUNGER, SDG 12 - RESPONSIBLE PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION

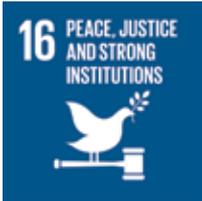
TEAM: South Australia Division

DATE: May 2018

LOCATION: Goolwa

This partnership between UNAASA and Cittaslow Goolwa brought together members, guests, well-known chefs and other dignitaries at Goolwa for an event in support of the UN Sustainable Development goals - an art installation by renowned contemporary artist Andrew Baines and lunch prepared by food legend Cheong Liew. Lunch was served at Signal Point Gallery, a stunning location overlooking Goolwa Wharf and the Murray River. Margaret Gardner, President of Cittaslow Goolwa, was MC for the afternoon and a welcome speech was delivered by Governor of South Australia, His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le.





UNAA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

DATE: September 2017

LOCATION: Canberra

On the 15th and 16th of September 2017, leading experts, thought leaders and practitioners in the field of global peace and security converged upon the Australian War Memorial for the 2017 United Nations Association of Australia National Conference.

The conference provided a collaborative and open forum for concept development and practical discussions about the future of UN Peacekeeping, with a particular orientation towards Australia's contribution to and support for UN peacekeeping. Day 1 of the conference honoured the significant contributions of Australian peacekeepers over 70 years. Day 2 explored contemporary issues and how Australia could best contribute. Leading experts provided a holistic review of both regional and global peace case studies and trends over the past century. They highlighted the innovation and attitudes that are required to successfully move towards the achievement of sustainable global peace and security. Delegate engagement ensured that topics were thoroughly explored and provided a continuing platform for future questions to be addressed.

Several key themes were repeated throughout the conference. These included the enormous challenge and complexity of contemporary peace operations, coupled with the likelihood of their continuation in an increasingly multipolar world; the interconnected nature of conflict prevention, peacekeeping and peacebuilding, while strengthening local ownership through effective capacity-building; and greater civil-military integration of components within UN peace missions, commensurate with better training to ensure the protection of civilians, enhanced situational awareness and allocation of necessary resources.

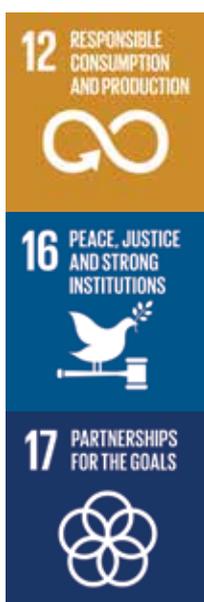
Numerous speakers expressed the view that Australia's current contribution to UN conflict prevention and peace operations was far below an acceptable level and needed to be increased in terms of purposeful civil-military-police contributions. Many speakers noted that Australia had a lot to offer, and lamented that Australia had less than 40 military personnel and no police currently serving under the UN Flag. This commitment degraded Australia's influence and reputation.





> YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

The UNAA Young Professionals Network involves and inspires young professionals mainly between the ages of 25 to 35 years in international affairs and the work of the UN, through awareness-raising, professional skills development and advocacy campaigns. Since its inception in 2011, the YP Network has brought together a diverse mix of young professionals from business, law, government, the arts and philanthropy.



HUMAN RIGHTS AND MEGA SPORTING EVENTS

SDG 12 - RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION,
SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS
SDG 17 - PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

TEAM: Young Professionals Queensland

DATE: April 2018

LOCATION: Brisbane

In partnership with the Australian Lawyers for Human Rights, UNYPQ hosted an evening discussing the impact of major sporting events such as the Olympics and World Cups on local communities and nations as a whole. With speakers from UQ, Amnesty International, and ALHR (Benedict Coyne, ex-president and current Green’s candidate for the federal seat of Dickson) we discussed the ramifications of major sporting events beyond the initial cash injection from the event. Issues such as the displacement of poor communities, the influence of major sponsors on domestic policies, and the important steps taken by the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games in having an in built human rights charter. The event was attended by around 20 people and focussed on the SDGs 12, 16, and 17 (Consumption, Peace and Partnerships respectively). The event generated good feedback from participants and developed a relationship between the UNYPQ and both Amnesty and ALHR that will prove mutually beneficial in the future.



EMPOWERMENT AND EDUCATION: SPEED MENTORING

SDG 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION

SDG 5 - GENDER EQUALITY

TEAM: Young Professionals Victoria

DATE: April 2018

LOCATION: Melbourne

The UNAA Victorian Young Professionals partnered with Deakin University to present a Speed Mentoring event at Deakin Downtown, Melbourne. The two-hour mentoring event was held as part of the UNAA Victorian Division's 17 SDGs in 2018 series and provided an opportunity for young professionals to learn about issues on the UN's agenda, hear from local experts and network with like-minded individuals. The discussion delved into Victoria's role in achieving gender equality (SDG 5) through inclusive education (SDG 4) by 2030. Experienced mentors including Penelope Lee, General Manager, Her Place Women's Museum Australia; Professor Hannah Piterman, Professor of Practice, Deakin University; Krista Seddon, Domestic Violence Resource Centre and Ali Fowler, Founder of World Project Partners shared their insights with 40 attendees in small group discussions. The event was well received by attendees and partners with positive feedback including the value of such networking events and highly productive discussions.



VOLUNTEER FOR THE SDGS

SDG 17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

TEAM: Young Professionals New South Wales

DATE: June 2018

LOCATION: Sydney

The NSW YPs hosted 'Volunteer for the SDGs' on June 19 at the Two Wolves: Community Cantina in Sydney. The event featured a panel anchored by Matthew Boyd, Co-founder and CEO of VOLLIE. The panel discussed how volunteers can help organisations advance the SDGs, how we can connect volunteers to organisations and causes they are passionate about, and how to provide opportunities for people who are underrepresented and lack access or information.



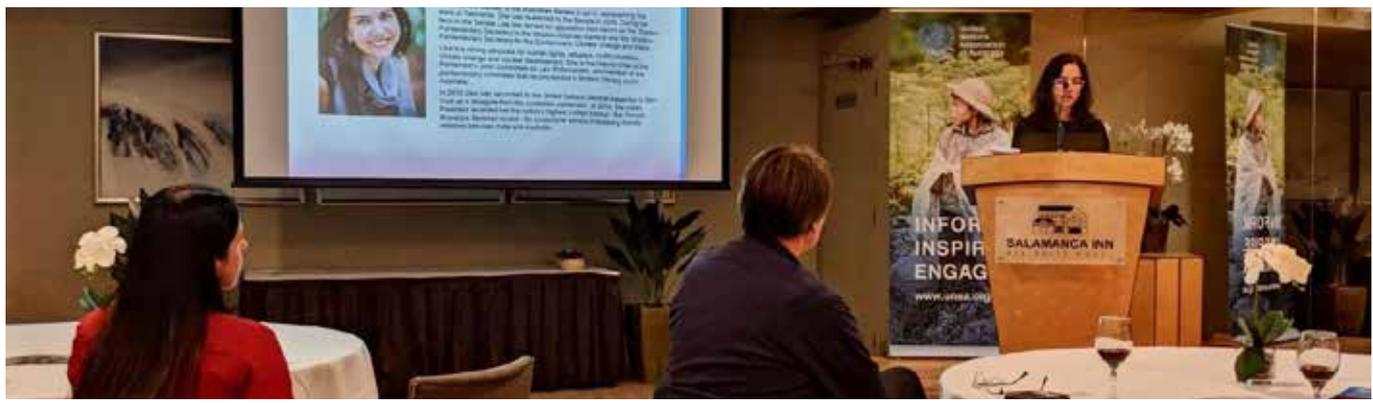


YOUNG PROFESSIONALS VOLUNTEERING DAY

SDG 14 - LIFE BELOW WATER
SDG 15 - LIFE ON LAND

TEAM: Young Professionals Victoria
DATE: June 2018
LOCATION: Melbourne

Following World Environment Day (5 June) and in support of *SDG 14 Life below Water and SDG 15 Life on Land*, the UNAA Victoria Young Professionals hosted a volunteering day to highlight the importance of protecting and conserving our natural heritage. Working in partnership with the City of Port Phillip and Conservation Volunteers Australia, participants moved 50 cubic metres of mulch and planted around 2000 trees along the Elwood Foreshore before heading inside for some well-deserved lunch. Providing practical support to the City of Port Phillip under the guidance of Conservation Volunteers Australia meant that participants contributed to revegetation efforts to increase habitat biodiversity and soil and water quality.



UNAA YOUNG PROFESSIONALS TASMANIA LAUNCH

SDG 14 - LIFE BELOW WATER
SDG 15 - LIFE ON LAND

TEAM: Young Professionals Tasmania
DATE: June 2018
LOCATION: Hobart

The official launch of the UNAA Young Professionals Tasmania was held on World Environment Day. The event encouraged awareness and action for the protection of Tasmania's environment with a particular focus on environmental initiatives targeting marine conservation (SDG 14) and biodiversity conservation (SDG 15). Attendees heard from community experts Labor Senator, Lisa Singh and Corey Peterson, UTAS Sustainability Manager. The speakers provided insightful and productive dialogue that captured the importance of environmental conservation including some recent initiatives that have been introduced in the State. The event was successful with a total of 50 attendees including representatives from DFAT Tasmania, IMAS, UTAS, AIIA, Hydro Tasmania, Entura, Hobart City Council, among others. As a result, potential partnerships are being developed to foster sustainability initiatives.



UNAA YOUNG PROFESSIONALS NORTHERN TERRITORY LAUNCH

SDG 17 - PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

TEAM: Young Professionals Northern Territory

DATE: June 2018

LOCATION: Darwin

The UNAA Young Professionals Northern Territory hosted their official launch on 20th June 2018 at the Parliament House Library with support from UNAA Northern Territory Division. Ailsa Freeman, Northern Territory Young Professionals Lead, spoke at the launch about the vision for the Network in the Top End with a focus on the professional development of young professionals. The launch promoted the newly reinvigorated



Northern Territory team, enabled young professionals to network and set the foundation for a strong membership base. The event was attended by around 25 young professionals and representatives from local organisations.



WORLD REFUGEE DAY

SDG 1 - NO POVERTY, SDG 2 - ZERO HUNGER,
SDG 3 - GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING, SDG 10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES

TEAM: Young Professionals Queensland

DATE: June 2018

LOCATION: Brisbane

The Young Professionals Queensland hosted a panel to commemorate World Refugee Day in partnership with the UNAAQ. The event featured representatives from organisations including the UQ Centre for Policy Futures, Multicultural Development Australia, and the Refugee Action Collective, as well as the powerful voice of one of Brisbane's young Rohingya refugees, who spoke of his experiences growing up in a UNHCR camp and moving to Australia. The panel discussion and town hall style Q&A's focused on SDGs 1,2,3 (poverty, hunger, and good health) and 10 (reduced inequalities).

The evening's discussion covered a range of topics including the role of Australia as a leader in the Pacific, the effect of climate change on future refugee numbers, our international obligations and asylum seeker quotas and offshore detention.

Around 60 people attended the event, including the President of UNAAQ, community organisations, as well as a number of recent and settled Brisbane refugees, several of whom thanked the room and Brisbane as a whole for accepting them when they had no choice but to leave their homes in search of safety. The event was truly special and generated a great deal of interest in future partnerships, memberships and the role of UN associations in general.



> ACADEMIC NETWORK

The UNAA Academic Network exists to share information about the UN, on teaching and learning methodologies about the UN, cooperating on areas of pedagogical expertise in relation to UN studies, and ultimately enhancing and strengthening discourse on the United Nations in educational institutions.



MEDIATING GLOBAL CONFLICT

SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: Academic Network

DATE: August 2017

LOCATION: Canberra

The Academic Network hosted Dr. Sakuntala Kadrigamar, former Constitutional Advisor and Gender Advisor for the United Nations Stand-by Team of Mediation Experts, for a public seminar on 18 August 2017. Dr. Kadrigamar discussed the high-profile team, how it works and where it deploys; recent innovations in mediating global conflict; and challenges faced specifically in the Asia-Pacific region.



GLOBAL GUARDIAN OR GLOBAL FAILURE? SEMINAR

SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: Academic Network

DATE: September 2017

LOCATION: Canberra

On 14 September, in the lead-up to the National Conference, over 70 people attended an 'In Conversation' event with Ian Martin, Executive Director of Security Council Report. Academic Network Convenor Jeremy Farrall posed a series of questions to Mr. Martin, who shared his deep insights on the strengths and weaknesses of the UN Security Council and its efforts to maintain international peace and security.

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POLICY CHALLENGES FOR UNITED NATIONS PEACE OPERATIONS IN AFRICA

SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG
INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: Academic Network

DATE: October 2017

LOCATION: Canberra

At an invitation-only roundtable discussion on 13 October 2017, the Network hosted Jack Christofides, Director of the Africa II Division of the Office of Operations, and Vivian van de Perre, Chief of Staff for the UN Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the DRC. The 25 attendees included Australian government practitioners (DFAT, Defence), civil society representatives (UNAA), academics and higher-degree students.

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GENDER DILEMMAS IN STABILISATION MISSIONS

SDG 16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TEAM: Academic Network

DATE: April 2018

LOCATION: Canberra

On 26 April 2018 the Academic Network, with the ANU Centre for International and Public Law, co-hosted a seminar by Dr. Susan Harris-Rimmer (Griffith University). Drawing on her ARC Future Fellowship research, Dr. Harris-Rimmer discussed the dilemmas faced by NATO's ISAF Mission in navigating problematic cultural practices in Afghanistan that provide a shield for perpetrators of child abuse and criminal behaviour. Ultimately, almost all perpetrators are afforded impunity, which raises an uncomfortable question: to whom is security really provided in Afghanistan? The event was attended by Australian government practitioners (DFAT, Defence) and academics.

UN Youth Australia operates as a national network of young volunteers aged 15 to 25, and encourages them to engage with global ideas and the United Nations’ structure, functions and future.



UN YOUTH NATIONAL CONFERENCE

SDG 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH,
SDG 9 - INDUSTRY, INNOVATION & INFRASTRUCTURE,
SDG 10 - REDUCED INEQUALITIES, SDG 13 - CLIMATE ACTION

TEAM: UN Youth

DATE: July 2017

LOCATION: Perth

UN Youth’s National Conference took place in Perth from the 5th to the 11th July, 2017. Students were housed at Scotch College, with use of venues throughout the City of Perth. The event was attended by 137 young people: 76 Australian students, 20 international students from Taiwan and New Zealand and 41 volunteers who were also under the age of 25. The event was supported by the City of Perth, the Fogarty Foundation WA, the Perth Convention Bureau, Freemasons WA and Murdoch University.

The conference’s theme was the “Innovation Revolution”, which challenged participants to think about the way in which technological change and new ideas have shaped the way communities interact with each other, whilst encouraging them to use innovative ideas to advocate for the environment and minority groups left behind by the digital age. This covered content in line with SDGs 8, 9, 10 and 13. Students engaged in six workshops, several model United Nations debates including committee and full General Assembly debates. The Keynote Speaker was Australian humanitarian Rabia Siddique, who inspired students with a story about her life and experiences. Students also heard from the 2017 Youth Representative to the UN, Paige Burton.



> NATIONAL FINANCES

The UNAA presently has a federation NGO structure. These financials only cover UNAA Incorporated (National) which operates as a registered Australian charity. Principal income for this entity to allow basic operations was from the generous encumbered support of the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The reporting year of the UNAA is 1 July to 30 June.



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Independent Audit Report to The Members Of United Nations Association of Australia Incorporated

We have audited the financial statements of United Nations Association of Australia Incorporated for the year ended 30 June, 2018. The association's directors are responsible for the financial statements. We have conducted an independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the association.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards and other Mandatory professional reporting requirements and statutory requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the association's financial position, the results of its operations and its cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Qualification

It is not practical to establish control over cash receipts until their initial entry into the accounting records. Our audit was therefore restricted to the amounts received.

Audit Opinion

Subject to the foregoing reservations, in our opinion, the financial statements of United Nations Association of Australia Incorporated are properly drawn up:

- I. so as to give a true and fair view of:
 - A. the association's financial position as at 30 June 2018, and income and expenditure for the year ended 30 June, 2018;
- II. to satisfy the requirements of subsection 72(2) of the Associations Incorporation Act to be dealt with in financial statements.
- III. is compliant with Division 60 of the act.

Les Ellis & Associates Pty

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Les Ellis FIPA
Monday, September 3, 2018

> STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2018 (SUBJECT TO EXTERNAL AUDIT REVIEW)

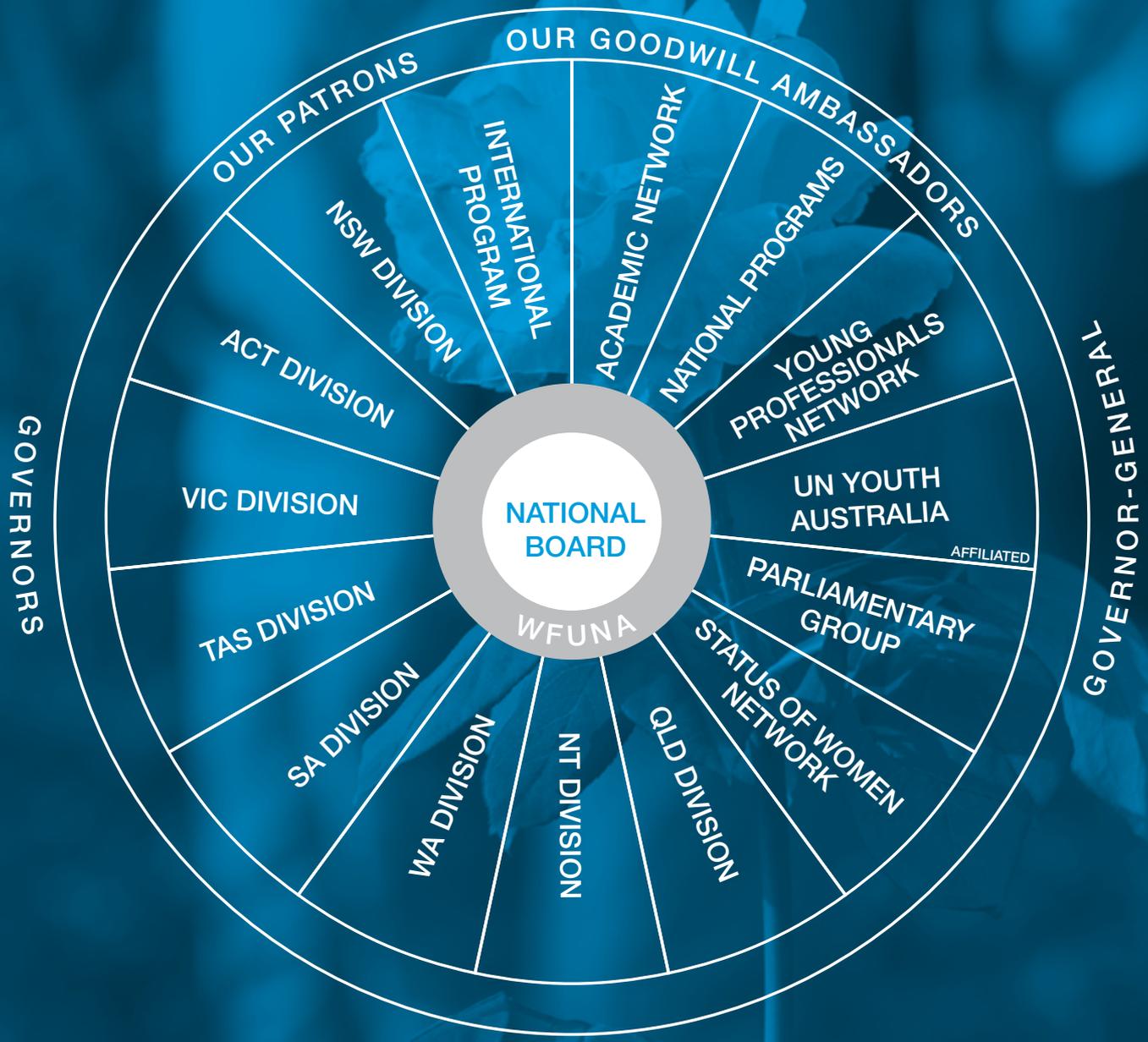
	FY2018	FY2017
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash At Bank	\$288,484	\$321,230
Accounts Receivable	\$3,199	\$462
Prepaid Expenses	\$0	\$12,328
Accrued Revenue	\$0	\$1,500
Total Current Assets	\$291,683	\$335,520
Fixed Assets	\$1,521	\$828
Total Assets	\$293,204	\$336,348
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade Payables	\$4,095	\$5,672
Tax Liabilities	\$5,167	\$11,446
Leave Provisions	\$5,598	\$25,309
Accrued Expenses	\$20,132	\$6,000
Deferred Revenue	\$95,000	\$151,000
Total Liabilities	\$129,992	\$199,427
NET ASSETS	\$163,212	\$136,921
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)	\$26,287	\$48,411
Retained Funds	\$136,925	\$88,514
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS	\$163,212	\$136,925

> STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2018

	Fy2018	Fy2017
INCOME		
Grants Received	\$361,000	\$269,000
Program Income Received	\$152,727	\$157,515
Other Income Received	\$17,520	\$9,480
Total Income	\$531,247	\$435,995
EXPENDITURE		
Program & Activity Expenditure	\$213,276	\$191,488
Employment Expenses	\$221,900	\$126,564
Administration Expenses	\$69,472	\$69,327
Depreciation Expenses	\$312	\$205
Total Expenditure	\$504,960	\$387,584
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$26,287	\$48,411

OUR UNAA NETWORK

The UNAA comprises a broad network of volunteers, interns and professional staff across Australia and with international linkages through WFUNA.



NATIONAL BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE

The UNAA national board is the peak decision-making body of the UNAA group. It held four full meetings during the year since the last AGM. The UNAA also has a national executive committee that is a subset of this board that meets more regularly. UNAA Incorporated holds membership of WFUNA for Australia which it cascades official standing to the Division entities.

	Sep 2017	Nov 2017	March 2018	Jun 2018
Michael G Smith <i>National President</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lidia Moretti <i>Vice President</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y
Janelle Saffin <i>Vice President</i>	Y	N	N	N
Matthew Kronborg <i>National Executive Director</i>	Y	Y	N	Lachlan Hunter
Tony Dobson <i>National Treasurer</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y
Harold Wilkinson <i>National Secretary</i>	N	Y	Louisa Minney	Y
Michael Henry AM <i>VIC Division</i>	Y	Y	N	Y
Patricia Jenkins <i>NSW Division</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y
Donnell Davis <i>QLD Division</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y
Steve Lennon <i>WA Division</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y
Clarissa Adriel <i>TAS Division</i>	N	N	N	N
Katrina Fong Lim <i>NT Division</i>	Y	Y	N	Y
Jonathan Curtis <i>ACT Division</i>	Y	Y	N	N
Brian Gleeson <i>Independent Director</i>	N	N	Y	Y
Brad McManus <i>Independent Director</i>	N	Fiona Stewart	Y	Y
Jonty Katz <i>President UN Youth Australia</i>	N	N	Jessica Herne	Y

▶ OUR PEOPLE

As at 30 June 2018 the UNAA consists of over 200 titled volunteers nationwide and a small backbone staff.

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