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PREFACE

"It is the time of fear," writes the Latin American author Eduardo Galena speaking about our times. "Those who work are afraid they'll lose their jobs. Those who don't are afraid they'll never find one. Whoever doesn't fear hunger is afraid of eating. Civilians fear the military, the military fears a shortage of weapons, weapons fear a shortage of wars. Women fear violent men and men fear fearless women."

The image of the world that media gives us is indeed quite frightening. Most places in the world seem to be unsafe with crazy crowds throwing stones or placing suicide bombs. Even our own cities seem more and more unsafe with recommendations not to walk alone at night nor speak to strangers.

SCI was founded back in 1920 in the context of war between nation states. To bring German and French youth together for the reconstruction of war torn villages was a strong statement for reconciliation, co-operation and breaking away from stereotyped images of "the enemy".

The images of the enemy in today's "war on terrorism" speak a different language; that the enemy could be from your own country, could live in your own city. The enemy is pictured as the Arab immigrant in Europe, the white farmer in Zimbabwe, the Muslim in USA or the Christian in Iraq. Security has become the focal point – even if security is more difficult to define than ever. In the name of security people are denied their human rights. In the name of security new wars are started. In the name of security more weapons are purchased. In the name of security asylum-seekers are being rejected at the border without having a chance to tell their story. In the name of security concrete walls are built between people. Rather than disappearing in the process of globalisation, borders and boundaries seem to be erected on every new street corner of every declining neighbourhood of our world.

Already the founder of sci, Pierre Ceresole, wrote that "fear is the real enemy, especially fear for one self" and that "the greatest fear is that of compromising with the enemy within oneself". Behind our fear for the other; the stranger, is often a fear for our own unknown sides; a fear of change and of learning new things and being challenged in our world view.

Security obsession is also triggered by an economic interest – it is profitable, because "when people are afraid, they buy things" (gasmasks, security services, safer cars...) as pointed out in Michael Moore's documentary film "Bowling for Columbine" describing post-September 11th north American society. War is a highly profitable business – not only for those producing the weapons, but also for those profiting from anarchy and lawless land.

How can sci meet this new map of conflict? How can sci be a counter force to the growing fear in the world? We have a method still applicable despite the changing reality. Our message is simple but radical; it is to say to people "let us work together". And in our work we support initiatives for building sustainable local communities showing that peace is more interesting and harbours more possibilities than war.

But the challenge for sci today is perhaps not as much to bring French and German youth together but to encourage the immigrant communities in France or Germany to take part in our workcamps, or to give the possibility for the asylum-seekers waiting for an answer from the Swedish or Australian government to make a meaningful voluntary service while they are waiting.

Let's give ourselves the challenge of making our workcamps reflect the diversity of our own countries and neighbourhoods. Let us break down the new images of the enemy. Let us build trust and wage peace.

*Kristina Hellqvist
International president of SCI*

1. INTRODUCTION

WHO WE ARE	SERVICE CIVIL INTERNATIONAL (SCI) is an international non-governmental organisation and a worldwide peace movement.
ORIGINS	Pierre Ceresole, a Swiss engineer who established a peace and humanitarian movement in the aftermath of the 1st World War, laid down the foundations of SCI in 1920.
AIMS	The aims of SCI are to promote social justice, sustainable development, international understanding and solidarity, through voluntary service. SCI believes that voluntary work can be a useful tool as part of the process of education for peace and international understanding.
MEMBERSHIP	From the modest size in the twenties, SCI has developed into an international peace movement and voluntary service organisation with 35 member organisations in 33 countries virtually all over the world. Partnerships are established with an even higher number of like-minded organisations from all the continents.
OPEN TO ALL	SCI was one of the first organisations to divest itself of all political or religious affiliations in its work of promoting peace and understanding through practical action. At local level we count on about 14000 adherents.
VOLUNTEERING	Along the years SCI has made a major contribution to the development of the main forms of volunteering. The voluntary work may be on long or short-term basis, and is designed to introduce volunteers to the range of problems, which face communities in the struggle for peace and social justice. The work aspect as much as the social contact with local people is a unique way of acquiring a deeper understanding for problems facing people in your own country and abroad.
INTERNATIONAL	Every year SCI enables some 5000 volunteers to participate in its work. Living and working together in an international group gives a chance to the volunteers to tune into a network of international contacts, thus helping to break down artificial barriers and prejudices between nations.
DIVERSITY	The short-term action is generally carried out in areas of social need. However, there is also a medium and long-term programme under which volunteers can be actively employed for several months or even years. International voluntary workcamps are still our mainstream activity but other work is being developed in a broader socio-economic context, through various projects and campaigns.
COHESION	To ensure the unity of the organisation and pursue a coherent policy, SCI has set up national and international co-ordinating structures. More and more emphasis is however placed on the base of our organisation, especially the volunteers and their practical work initiatives.

2. STRUCTURES OF SCI

The highest decision making body in SCI is the **International Committee Meeting (ICM)** that meets once a year. All the branches of SCI (members of the platform) do have a voting right. SCI-branches can send one delegate and one or more observers. The international executive committee (IEC) and the international secretariat prepare the ICM. It was held in December 2004 and hosted by VIA Netherlands (Bennekom, Netherlands).

At the ICM, the members of the **International Executive Committee** are elected, among which are the president, the vice-president, the treasurer and a few normal members. The IEC is responsible for implementing the decisions taken at each ICM and they have the mandate to take in-between policy and management decisions if this is necessary.

2004 IEC-members

In 2004, members of the IEC were:
Ingrid Danckaerts – international president
M.N.Ganesh - international vice-president
Frank Ormel - international treasurer
Bao Doan - member
Kristina Hellqvist - member
Spela Krasko - member
Owen McCarney – member
Parag Sharifuzaman – member

Organisations can apply for SCI Group status provided they meet certain conditions mentioned in the SCI International Constitution.

Groups may apply for **SCI branch** status if they have been active for at least 2 years, have evidence of administrative stability, are officially registered with the authorities in their own country and undertake a moral and financial obligation in support of the movement. The International Committee of SCI grants the group or the branch status upon recommendation of the IEC.

In countries with no branches, SCI instead co-operates with **partner organisations**. Partners are selected according to a fixed procedure and furthermore evaluated on their annual activities. Most of the partners are based in Eastern Europe, North and Latin America and Africa.

All those who freely offer their services through SCI for the benefit of needy communities or underprivileged groups, without receiving payment, can be considered **volunteers**. Normally there are no specific requirements for short-term volunteers, except the minimum age of 16 and the willingness to work and learn. On the other hand certain qualifications might be necessary for those serving longer than three months or going to special projects.

The **international workcamps** are mostly 2-3 weeks long. In some countries, for example in Asia, they can be longer. The participants normally come from a wide range of countries and preferably the groups are gender balanced.

In SCI there are also several international **working groups**. The working groups have to apply for working group status in SCI when they start. Once they have received this status, they have to present at every ICM a report of their activities, the financial results, and the budget for the coming year and the plan of action. Those have to be voted upon by the ICM.

The following international working groups were recognised for the year 2005 at the ICM in 2004:

European based Working Groups:

- Abya Yala WG
- Africa WG
- LTEG (Long Term Exchanges)
- Midi WG
- SAVA WG
- Youth and Unemployment WG

Asian based Working Groups

- Peace and Human Rights WG
- Women's Issues WG
- Environment and Development WG
- Refugees Issues WG

All member branches can freely choose which international working groups they want to fully support and become member of. Branches being member of a particular international WG carry a financial responsibility for the possible deficits of such a WG.

Besides the recognised working groups other **informal structures** are also active on the following issues:

- Conflict Resolution
- Moldova
- IT Development
- Evaluation of our workcamps
- Strategic Plan
- World Social Forum

A further body is the **Financial Advisory & Consultancy Team (FACT)** which meets once to twice a year and which advises the international treasurer and/or the IEC, the ICM, separate branches and international working groups on finances. They are responsible for checking the international WGs accounts.

The **International Insurance Commission** supervises the activities of the Insurance Department. SCI has always been highly concerned about the safety of its volunteers. Nevertheless accidents or illnesses during a

voluntary activity may happen, therefore there is an acute need for a proper insurance coverage. The Insurance Department runs an insurance scheme that is based on mutual cooperation and solidarity from SCI branches and other organisations included. SCI has, at its turn, a contract with a private company in Switzerland, Winterthur.

The **SCI International Archives** play an important role in the movement. A real treasure of information not only on SCI but also on the history of the voluntary movement. The archives are stored in the town library in La-Chaux-des-Fonds, Switzerland. Every year the volume of documents increases considerably thus more volunteers get involved sorting them out. The SCI Archives are an excellent source for research for students or other people interested. Some documents are also available on-line through the web site created by the Archives' coordinator, Philipp Rodrigues:

<http://www.sciint.org/archives>



ICM Delegates Netherlands - 2004

3. AREAS OF WORK

3.1 WORKCAMPS PROGRAMME (SHORT TERM VOLUNTARY SERVICE)

Between May and October every year SCI proposes a programme including more than 500 international voluntary projects (workcamps) placing on average 4500 volunteers. Almost three-quarters of the people placed are youth aged 16 – 25 (see Annex 3 - Statistics).

SCI branches exchange volunteers with partner organisations from all continents. The relevant international Working Groups, the International Secretariat and the branches carry out preparation and evaluation of the volunteer programmes. The International Office in Antwerpen coordinates the collection and distribution of voluntary service programmes of SCI and the partner organisations.

Every year, in spring, SCI organises and coordinates the **Technical Meeting (TEM)** attended by more than 40 representatives by voluntary service organisations from all over the world. This meeting is essential for organising the Workcamps Programme and for a good cooperation and communication at technical level as well as organisationally. The TEM 2004 was hosted by SCI Belgium in Namur.

A workcamp generally lasts 2 to 4 weeks, consists of an international group of 6 to 25 people and is coordinated by one or two leaders. The programme is intended to be an experience in participation, self-organisation, intercultural learning as well as peace education. Generally, SCI branches cooperate with other local organisations or communities involved in projects of social benefit, i.e. activities with children in a refugee centre, environmental protection, help refurbishing tools that will be sent to less developed countries, etc.. Study and intercultural activities are other major practical components of the workcamp. The participants are expected to provide information from their countries pertaining to the topic at hand.

SCI maintains an on-line database for workcamps, with a public search engine:
<http://camps.sciint.org>

3.2 LONG TERM VOLUNTARY SERVICE PROGRAMME

The Long Term Voluntary Service Programme is open to volunteers who are ready to serve for periods usually between 3 and 12 months, in community projects or in the offices of national branches and partner organisations.

In order to further develop long term volunteering SCI has established a database on existing long term volunteer places within SCI and like-minded organisations. A list of vacant LTV projects list is sent out every second month. The on-line database is expected to be fully functional in 2005.

At international level working group on LTV exchanges (LTEG) has been officially recognised by the ICM 2003 in Seoul and has worked well over 2004. See also section 3.4.4. Long Term Exchange Group.

3.3 INCLUSION OF MARGINALISED YOUTH INTO WORKCAMPS

Following the initiative of the European Commission in creating a supportive programme (European Voluntary Service), a lot more marginalised young people are now enabled to experience the learning processes and richness of doing voluntary work abroad.

In cooperation with Youth Action for Peace and Alliance, SCI has continued a collaborative project on EVS - short term (also known as Sheltered Placements Programme inside SCI). This programme, initiated in 1999, offers disadvantaged backgrounds an opportunity to take part in international workcamps. The volunteers are carefully prepared by their sending organisations and receive adequate support in the hosting projects.

In 2004 we have placed several young people from EU and accession countries in short-term projects. The current project is now finalized. An application has been submitted to the EC in November 2004 to organize an extended evaluation seminar to make an assessment of the work done so far.

3.4 EUROPEAN WORKING GROUPS

3.4.1. GATE - EAST WEST WG

After the enthusiastic spirit of the WG in 2003, this year was a difficult and sad one for GATE with some difficult decisions to be taken namely the closing of the Poznan office and the WG not being proposed to the ICM for recognition for 2005.

With the loss of human resources the GATE WG had to deal with, both full-time staffs having left and not being replaced, the Plan of Action for 2004 had to be reduced and there were no resources left for developing new activities.

To cope with the crisis, we were happy that the remaining activities of the Plan of Action 2004 were managed by member branches and supported by the IS

MEETINGS OF THE WG

GATE members and partner organisations met twice in 2004, once at the Spring meeting in Namur, Belgium in March, and secondly at the Annual Meeting in Nizhny Novgorod, Russia, in October.

STEERING GROUP

There was only one change in the GATE Steering Group during 2004 – Servet Maharramov from AYAFE Azerbaijan left the group due to immigration reasons. The other Steering Group Members until the Gate Annual Meeting in October were Gerbina van den Hurk (VIA Netherlands), Iira Nuutinen (KVT Finland) and Tomi Lassi (KVT Finland, GATE-Treasurer). The term of office as GATE Steering Group Member of Iira Nuutinen ended in October 2004 and Tomi Lassi resigned at the same time. There were no candidates from SCI to fill the three open vacancies at the GATE Annual Meeting in October.

STAFF AND OFFICE

Amanda Hajnal (East West Development Worker) decided in February not to renew her contract and stopped working at the end of March 2004, where as Ania Lewandowska (GATE Financial Officer) left the GATE office at the end of June 2004. In the meantime, an attempt was made to contract an interim project manager but it didn't work out.

Fortunately, Anya Belousova from Alternative Ukraine agreed to extend her stay until the end of the year. Grzegorz Kujawinski was then contracted to carry out all necessary tasks related to bookkeeping, audits and fulfilling legal requirements. At the GAM, an Interim Management Team of experienced volunteers (IMT) was elected to monitor the closure of the GATE office.

FINANCES

A lot of work was done in 2004 in order to get the accounts of the previous years audited and to improve the accounting systems of GATE, including the development of consistent procedures between the IS and GATE and transparent ways of communicating about finances with members. The GATE accounts 2001 and 2002 were audited in March 2004 and the Gate accounts 2003 were audited in September. Interim accounts for 2004 were finalised just before the GATE Annual Meeting with the help of SCI auditors. However, several aspects of the financial management remained unclear and the difficulties to get the real picture of the financial situation of the WG affected the running of the WG greatly. Measures were taken to improve the situation.

It would be worth to look into the background of the difficult situation that GATE - East West Working Group had to face. This could help us to understand how to prevent the same situation to happen to any other international SCI Working Group. Of course, as it is often the case, a situation becomes more complex due to one problem leading to new issues coming up, kind of snowball effect. For instance, the loss of member branches due to a variety of reasons such as the heavy financial problems of the WG and the member branches' responsibility to cover any deficit arising, the lack of enthusiastic candidates for a new GATE Steering Group, the move of office as well as the change over of the coordinator during the implementation period of an extensive three year project, the difficulties in managing the staff and office in Poznan, the situation of two main staff persons leaving at the same time, etc. leads to a smaller basis to lean on for Steering Group Members, a situation which might then in its turn lead to less activists putting their candidature forward for this function and this again affecting negatively another aspect of the WGs efficiency and activities.

CO-OPERATION WITH NEW CONTACTS IN EASTERN EUROPE

New requests for cooperation have been received by the GATE office, mainly from Russia, Caucasus and Central Asia. We were very happy that notwithstanding the internal WG crisis, we could welcome both SVIT Ukraine and AVI Moldova to the SCI family at the ICM where they achieved SCI-Group Status and to see CVS Bulgaria receiving full membership status in becoming an SCI Branch.

GATE PRIORITY AREAS

1. PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

A lot of work evolved from the many projects undertaken in 2003 in this area of work, leaving the staff of the offices to deal with a huge number of project reports to be submitted to the European Commission, all of them requesting a good deal of staff time for finalizing them properly.

Conflict resolution activities have remained an important field of work in GATE. The Conflict Several projects for 2004 have happened such as including the "Empowering youth leaders with advanced skills in conflict mediation" in January in Georgia.

The planned "Conflict Transformation training for experienced trainers", to take place in Belarus, had been postponed to January 2005.

2. SUPPORTING NEW INITIATIVES OF SCI

GATE continued to work with Milieu-Kontakt Oost-Europa (MKOE) to support the development of voluntary work in Moldova and the Ukraine. A successful study visit to the Republic of Moldova was held. Another successful study visit to new initiatives in Russia took place.

3. ACTIVITIES AIMED AT IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF EAST WEST PROJECTS AND MANAGEMENT

The POCONET programme has been a key tool in improving the quality of East West projects and management. POCONET has been a three-year programme with the aim of supporting the structural development and training capacities of GATE members and partners in Central and Eastern Europe, so that they will possess the tools to consolidate and further develop their own networks.

The last POCONET events as well as an Evaluation Seminar of the three-year programme took place in the beginning of 2004.

Other East West projects

- **EVS**

Several long-term volunteers (LTVs) have been placed on EVS projects in Russia and several Russian and Azeri volunteers were placed with SCI branches.

- **Bilateral projects**

Several of the member branches and partners implemented various bilateral and trilateral projects in the East West field.

Website: www.sciint.org/gate



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3.4.2 YOUTH AND UNEMPLOYMENT WORKING GROUP (YUWG)

YUWG is a platform for activists working with and for disadvantaged European young people. The group was established in 1985 with the aim of looking at the problem of unemployment among young people and try to effect real change at a structural level. It also had practical considerations such as enacting the youth policy of SCI and coordinating exchanges. The current actions include youth exchanges and training events for youth leaders. The major goal is to provide the possibility of European contacts and exchanges for young people affected by the unemployment, poverty and social exclusion.

Most of the young people targeted by YUWG are recruited through government training programmes, schools and unemployment centres whose clientele come from underprivileged backgrounds.

Full members of YUWG are: VSI Ireland, SCI Italy, SCI Austria, SCI France, IVS Northern Ireland, SCI Slovenia, Utilapu Hungary and SCI Romania, CVS Bulgaria, VIA Belgium, SCI Hellas and SCI Catalunya. Membership is open to every other branch with strong teenage working groups and/or individuals that are particularly active in working with disadvantaged youth.

Each year YUWG organises several meetings and projects. At the annual meeting, the participants discuss matters related to policies regarding work with disadvantaged young people and agree on the details of the summer youth exchanges.

The large-scale project, Training for Transformation, funded by the Youth Programme of the European Commission in 2002 has ended in 2004, after a one-year extension. The project included, in each of the three years, a training activity (in spring) and an evaluation event (in autumn) as the main pillars of the project. The training events targeted youth leaders from organisations that either have been exchanging young people in the framework of YUWG, or had activities with disadvantaged young people in their own countries but so far have not been involved in these exchanges; the evaluation events mainly targeted youth workers. An important methodology of the whole project was the sharing of experience and information between people with different roles in their organisations: co-ordinators learned from trainers, trainers learned from youth workers, etc. The learning

process was based on the intensive interaction of the different levels involved in working with disadvantaged young people. In 2004, a training for leaders of youth exchanges in Belgium (May) and the evaluation seminar for the multilateral youth exchanges in Romania (October) were organised. A total of 171 people took part in the project in various activities, including 71 leaders of youth exchanges. The project has been the backbone of youth exchanges within SCI: no less than 37 youth exchanges were organised between 2002 and 2004, involving 590 young disadvantaged people and 153 youth leaders. Many exchanges included discussions on peace issues, with reference to the current world situation; this was consistent with YUWG's decision based on feedback from volunteers in previous projects.

The sheltered placement programme has continued in 2004 but at a smaller scale (only 5 placements this year) due to various factors, including increased strictness of EVS rules, changes regarding the AXA insurance guidelines and overall increased amount of administration at the same time with decreased financial support for sending and hosting volunteers. For this programme SCI received a grant from the European Commission, youth programme, and has cooperated with the Alliance and Youth action for Peace. The total number of young people that have been finally placed (in 2003 - 2004) was only 15 from a targeted number of 30. The sending and hosting organisations could not provide the adequate level of support within the current framework of the project thus they preferred to work with less people in order to stick to the high standards required by such placements. The programme is currently under scrutiny within YUWG due to the changes in the EVS rules and it is not yet clear how it will continue in future (on a centralised or decentralised level, with funding from the youth programme or not, etc.). YUWG has applied for a grant from the youth programme for an evaluation seminar (decision pending) where it is hoped that it will become clearer what the role and the future of this programme, within SCI, will be.

<http://www.sciint.org/yuwg>

3.4.3 SAVA WORKING GROUP (SOUTH-EASTERN EUROPE)

The main project SAVA worked on in 2004 was the EVS-community activist network one in which over the year some 10 EVS volunteers were placed. The EVS volunteers participated and worked for the benefit of the local community in a wide variety of projects and for different lengths of time. The second phase of the project will be carried out in 2005.

Further, in order to improve the quality of campleaders' skills, support to training of campleaders from South East Europe was received from SCI Germany who invited volunteer campleaders from this region to their training. VSS also organised such a training.

The SAVA working group has held its annual meeting 2004 in Bosnia.

Sava had a placement LTV coordinator who helped sci Slovenia to handle the placements in the region, for the volunteers being placed in a country where there was no sci branch or – group present. This centralized placement has been done, but so far SAVA had not yet had the possibility to evaluate the experience.

The aims and procedures for the Kikiriki fund were revisited and it was made sure funds were spent. Two activists have reviewed the guidelines.

<http://www.sciint.org/sava>

3.4.4 LONG TERM EXCHANGE WORKING GROUP (LTEG)

LTEG as a working group started a new period in its work last October in Germany, when its first official annual meeting took place and the first official steering group was elected. The first term of the steering group is almost finished and here is the report of the activities of 2004.

One major task that occupied the steering group at the beginning of 2004 was updating the LTV handbook, which is published in co-operation with GATE. The LTV handbook was ready and printed in February 2004. It contains all the necessary information a volunteer might need starting from the application process and rights and duties to support-systems and insurance. Copies of the handbook can be ordered from the IS.

In the beginning of the year, the steering group was further working on the new version of the practical procedures of LTV exchanges first created in 2002. In this first update of the procedures, we have made a proposal for a new application form, updated the evaluation models, added an example of an LTV brochure for volunteers and included information on the support network. The new version with a brand new layout was introduced at the annual meeting.

One of the major decisions of the LTEG meeting in the autumn was to replace the vacancy list system of bi-monthly email compilations with an online database. The technical team that has created the workcamp database of SCI has been working on creating a similar system for LTV positions. During the winter and spring, LTEG has contacted the branches to gather the information on the current LTV projects they have. A trial version of the new database has been functioning and the plan is that the new database vacancy listing will soon replace the old one. Until the new system is functioning, KVT will continue compiling the vacancy list.

This year the placement officer training took place in Rome, Italy with a record-breaking number of 17 participants. Immediately after the training event, the steering group has held its meeting.

During the summer the SCI LTV-address list of people working on LTV-ing in branches and partner organisations was created.

The preparations of the one-day annual meeting and the mentor training have occupied the steering group during the summer. Thanks to the initiative of Antje from SCI Germany, LTEG was allowed to organise the annual meeting alongside the mentor training.

Some work has also been done on the website and the old steering group has committed to make a first real version of a functioning website.

The mentor training took part in Nizhny Novgorod 29/9-3/10 with more than 20 participants. After that, a one-day annual meeting of LTEG WG was held in an enjoyable positive atmosphere.

<http://www.sciint.org/LTEG>

NORTH-SOUTH WORK

SCI organises exchanges between European and Asian members and partner organisations in Africa and more recently in Latin America. There is an annual exchange of volunteers who participate in local community projects in Africa & Asia, and in Latin America. It also develops and implements international solidarity and development education programmes. SCI's new series of activities and exchanges with Latin America involve both field activities in Latin America and a programme concentrating on education for development.

The **Guide for North South Exchanges** has been further distributed to SCI branches and other organisations that used it in the preparation process of the NS-volunteers.

Two **Asian Platform Meetings** were organised in 2004: one in June, in Delhi, India and a short second one in the Netherlands, before the ICM. The meetings paid special attention to renewing the development of SCI in Asia.

The already third edition of the **North-South Working Groups Meeting** took place in Italy. Abya Yala, Africa WG and MIDI, three SCI working groups concerned with North-South issues, exchanged views, experiences and made recommendations for the movement's policy in this field.



Delegate from SCI Nepal

3.4.5 AFRICA WORKING GROUP

Africa WG aims are to promote dialogue, cooperation and solidarity between SCI and Sub-Saharan African organisations and to develop, build and continue on SCI's current and previous work in that region. The group's programme includes:

- to develop and improve the international exchange of volunteers between SCI and its African organisations.
- to develop a policy on partnership in co-operation with our Partners and Contacts.
- to develop and explore other ways and methods of co-operation.
- to agree a working definition of development education and to carry out agreed projects including highlighting the positive aspects of the work carried out by our African organisations
- to encourage and promote South-South cooperation.
- to ensure that the SCI network is kept informed of activities and events related to the work of the group and our African Partners and Contacts.
- to co-operate with other like minded organisations working in Africa.

The main activities of the Africa WG in the year 2004 were the exchange of volunteers between European SCI branches and African partner organizations. In the last year 16 branches have sent 153 volunteers to Africa. In the incoming programme 4 African partners have taken part, the programme included participation in workcamps, cultural programme and participation in Africa WG meeting in October.

Africa WG met in October 2004 in Italy, several branches and partner organizations participated in the meeting.

3.4.6 ABYA YALA WORKING GROUP

Abya Yala is the working group of SCI that promotes and encourages political awareness, workcamps and exchanges regarding Latin America issues. Branches and local groups may work in different ways or combine/develop one or more of the following methods:

- Exchanges
 - Exchange of information
 - Workcamps
 - Study tours
 - Invitation to individuals or groups who represent a particular cultural, social or political group
- International Solidarity campaigns
- International, national, regional seminars
- Production and distribution of educational and informative materials related to the social and political situation in Latin America, activities of SCI, etc.

A volunteer in the International Secretariat in Antwerp coordinated the placement of 77 SCI volunteers sent by 13 branches. 6 LTVs from European branches of SCI were hosted by Latin-American SCI-contact organizations (seeds) and by partner organizations. There were 3 LTVs from Latin American semillas hosted by SCI branches in Europe.

Since October 2003 Abya Yala WG has a website online, developed by Pietro Fragapanne (SCI-B).

<http://www.sciint.org/abyayala>

3.4.7 MEDITERRANEAN WORKING GROUP (MIDI)

MIDI aims include:

- To bring coherence to SCI branch and group involvement in the Mediterranean and Middle East area
- To reinforce the international dimension of the projects and exchanges within the region
- To actively oppose violations of peace and human rights concerning the region
- To develop new partnerships

The working group has been very active in the Middle East, particularly in Palestine where several SCI volunteers took part both in short-term as well as in LTV voluntary projects.

A lot of effort was made to coordinate the EVS-project for the Middle East. The following overview of EVS-volunteers sent and hosted can be seen below:

COUNTRY	SENT	HOSTED
LEBANON	2	1
PALESTINE	3	2
SCI-ITALY	2	2
VIA-B		2
SCI-CAT	1	1

The evaluation of the volunteers had been quite positive despite the problems faced. One of the main problems of the project had been the difficulty to get the visa for the volunteers from Lebanon and Palestine. One of the volunteers started the project in Spain only 4 months later. Not all the volunteers could attend the evaluation seminar (the one in Belgium) because of visa problems.

The volunteers in Europe faced some problems due to culture shock, but the general evaluation of the project was positive.

An important aspect that has been very positive in the previous project is the strengthening in the bilateral relations between the hosting and sending organisation. The reciprocity in sending/hosting volunteers increases the commitment of involved organisations in taking care of the volunteers.

The work of coordination of the MIDI group was felt to be unrewarding and difficult, due to the lack of support possibilities by branches and international bodies, suffering themselves from lack of both human and financial resources, the lack of commitment from volunteers and some structural problems. These are issues popping up in different WGs at times and it reflects a need for SCI to review if the current new international structures are serving the purposes and the needs arising.

The Midi WG met twice in 2004, once in Spring and once in October 2004 in Italy, where several branches and partner organizations participated in the meeting.

3.5. ASIAN BRANCHES AND ASIAN BASED WORKING GROUPS 2004

In Asia SCI has nine branches: Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mauritius and Sri Lanka which also hosted the Asian Secretariat until September 2004. Following are some of the projects being implemented by the Asian branches and the activities of the Asian based international working group.

3.5.1 PROJECTS OF SCI ASIAN BRANCHES AND GROUPS

SCI Pakistan

- SCI Pakistan continues to be involved in a co-medical program with an organisation called Khawaja ovais foundation.

SCI Bangladesh

SCI-Bangladesh has been running integrated rural development project in a remote island of southern district of Bangladesh. The following activities were carried out during the year 2004.

- Organized 10 international workcamps
- Sent volunteers to work camps in Nepal and India to participate their international work camp
- Attended ICM and APM
- Collected about 500 hundred bags blood through blood donation program
- Relief materials distribution among flood and tornado victims
- Special work camps in tornado affected area to help victims to build their shelter
- Observed international volunteer day, international language day, environment day, human rights day, child rights week, women day and peace day in all local units and national level through participating and organizing discussion meeting, seminar, rallies etc.
- Working on youth bank scheme
- Attended government and UN meetings
- Attended agriculture fair
- Organise Japanese band show to introduce Japanese culture to Bangladeshi people
- Volunteers are awarded by international labour organisation (ILO) for their service in the emergency flood relief operations.
- Voter education program

SCI Japan

- Summer workcamps
The 8th Kosugi farm camp and the 1st Ukiashi-Sanso (Kanazawa organic farm)

Camp with the participation of 11 volunteers from overseas

- LTV exchange
An LTV from Nepal to Ukiashi-Sanso and an LTV from Japan to the Nangloi Project in Delhi

- Bilateral programme
Support SCI-India in constructing a library come community centre at Janan, Gujarat.

7 volunteers from Japan for the 3rd workcamp

- Fundraising campaign for the Tsunami disaster relief work by SCI-Sri Lanka And India

SCI India

- Further development of the Vedanthangal Long Term Project with placement of a long term volunteer.
- Development of the second stage of the Gujarat long term project with active support of SCI Japan.
- Continues to coordinate the environment and development working group

SCI Nepal

- Organised 6 International workcamps
- Peace rally (May 4) and Depawali (candle festival) on wish for peace. SCI Nepal, Kathmandu branch together with the Red Cross and Buddha Vihar jointly organized peace rally on the occasion of 2548th birthday celebration of lord Buddha, at Balambu in Kathmandu. Approx 1200 people participated with peace placards and peace slogan banner on their hands. The rally toured around west Kathmandu. SCI NEC member mr Dhan bir Maharjan coordinated the programme.
- Youth seminar on peace (June 5)
a peace seminar was organized in Pranidhi purna maha bihar in Kathmandu. Nine participants from different organizations expressed their views and ideas on peace and solving violence and war. Sixty youths participated in the seminar and interactions took place.
Four day conflict resolution training (5-8 October) SCI Nepal organized a four day conflict resolution training for its members in peace house, Kathmandu.

SCI South Korea

SCI South Korea is continuing organising one to two international workcamps in Korea and sending their volunteers to other SCI branches. One long term volunteer from South Korea was placed with IVS-USA.

SCI Sri Lanka

SCI Sri Lanka continues to coordinate the International Peace And Human Rights Working Group of SCI as well as maintaining the organization of the national integration programme.

Breaking Barriers is a long term project to promote peace through environment and is a joint effort of the environment and development working group and the peace and human rights working group.

SCI Sri Lanka is undertaking major work with regard to the Tsunami relief action on the East and South coast in Sri Lanka (workcamps, house building projects, children programmes, cleaning of wells, peace building activities, environment protection)

Further construction work is done on the new building for The Blue Rose School in which SCI Sri Lanka has its premises and which is annually running an SCI International workcamp hosting SCI international volunteers. The training centre for the Blue Rose School is nearing completion.

IA bi-lateral project with SCI Hellas; a volunteer from SCI Hellas completed her 3 month tenure with the Blue Rose School and the volunteer from SCI-SL is presently in Greece undergoing training.

NVCR project for Islamic religious leaders will commence in June = delay due to the tsunami with the agreement of the funders.

SCI Mauritius

- SCI CH send three Volunteers to there workcamps.

SCI Malaysia

- Held their first 2 weeks workcamp for 2000, this will be an annual affair successfully • organised the annual Penang peace run and the KL disabled family day, both had over 1000 participants
- Rapidly responded to the Tsunami relief by collecting and providing supplies and donation to the refugees in the northern Malaysian states.



Tsunami Emergency relief action SCI SL (cleaning a hospital)

3.5.2 PEACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS WG (PHRWG)

Over the year 2004, the PHRWG developed its actions according to the plan of action submitted at the ICM in 2003.

This resulted in

- Electronic publication of the PHR-WG-Newsletter "The Drop" and dissemination of the "Asian Human Rights Charter"
- Starting of human rights school via electronic mail with the cooperation of Asian Human Rights Commission
- Non violent action module workshop – this international activity did take place in Sri Lanka in February 2004. There were participants from India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Germany and UK.
- Development and coordination of non violent action team (NOVAT) as a follow- up to the non violent action modules workshop held in 2004. As a result of the non violent action module workshop held early this year five non violence action modules were developed. As pilot initiatives these modules were to be experimented at local level for promotion of peaceful co-existence.

- Jayaprasad, the contact person of PHRWG of SCI India participated in the World Social Forum held in Mumbai.
- The PHRWG contributed towards the publication of the "Conflict Resolution Resource Pack". The development of the WG over the period 1997-2004 has been explained in the book "Best Peace Practice in SCI".

Country level activities

Bangladesh

- The PHRWG of SCI Bangladesh plans to celebrate the human rights day on December 10th by participating in the organization of rally's and seminars. .

India

- Jayaprasad from the PHRWG of SCI India participated and contributed effectively at world social forum.
- Communal integration and harmony programme were organised in schools and colleges. Implementation is in the final stages for the formation of harmony cells in the schools and colleges.
- Human rights education sessions were conducted in needy areas around Mumbai. Several educational materials had been translated to the local language.
- A project aiming at a campaign against communal violence in India was discussed with local NGO's and institutions. Although a lot of efforts were made by the coordinator of the Indian HRWG, Jayaprasad, the support received was discouraging.
- Video shows and exhibitions related to peace actions were shown during the annual peace walk on the Hiroshima day.

Sri Lanka

- National integration programme – 4th follow-up - August – this programme is getting widely accepted and several other organisations are following the pattern. This is something encouraging. For the first time in Sri Lankan history a workcamp under this integration programme was organized in a Muslim populated area.
- Worked closely with the EDWH of SCI Sri Lanka in their project - Breaking barriers and building bridges.
- Developing and joining in peace and human rights related networks.

3.5.3 REFUGEE WG (RWG)

Meetings and formation of committee
Three meetings took place of SCI Nepal members. The first meeting (1/5/04) unanimously choose Asta r. Buddhacharya as the coordinator of the WG who was working as the secretary. The two other meetings, called by coordinator, formed the working committee with focus on members who could take responsibility of specific tasks.

Branch members meetings and communication
However the meetings of member branches did not take place because of lack of funds for travel expenses and also the communication with the members of the branches was not successful after couple of contacts to the branches. Therefore much of the activities of the POA 2004 could not be done and those activities that took place were done by a few members.

Booklet publication

A booklet to highlight the situation of Bhutanese refugees in Nepal was published in Nepali and English. The Nepali version was distributed to Nepali people and English to the NGO inside the country and to other related bodies.

A visit to Bhutanese refugees camps in eastern Nepal was organised. An Italian volunteer Massimo Rondolino and SCI Nepal president visited also Bhutanese refugee camps in Eastern Nepal and provided updates on the Bhutanese refugees' situation.

SCI Sri Lanka programme

SCI-SL has been heavily involved with the refugee problem in Sri Lanka during the period 1992 - 1999 where we did a massive rehabilitation and reconstruction project with the help of the EU and the Belgian branch. SCI- SL has continued its involvement with the refugee problem during this year too. We have campaigned for their voting rights and the improvement of their living conditions. We conducted a short term camp in the Eastern province where we constructed houses for the refugees who were the original residents of Mylanthanai - a village in the Eastern province where SCI has been involved in a long term project. SCI-SL is continuing its contacts with the refugee population by involving them in workcamps and other training programmes.

3.5.4 WOMEN'S WG (WWG)

Due to the long lasting heavy flood in midyear in Bangladesh, it was not possible to implement the plan of action as expected. However, the following activities have been initiated.

Bangladesh

Workshop: organised a regional workshop on "human rights" in Madaripur, Bangladesh with the support of SCI-BD & Madaripur legal aid association from 23-25 January 2004. Fifteen participants from different units of SCI-BD & staff of legal aid association participated in the workshop.

Rally/discussion on international women's day: several rallies and discussion program have been organized nationally and at the unit level to celebrate the "international women's day" on 8th March 2004 to strengthen the movement of women issue. This year we jointly observe the child week with SCI-BD.

Advocacy/ lobbying: by the year 2004, we have been able to establish a strong networking with various national and international non-government organization, working especially on women and child trafficking issues. We believe that if we can continue our efforts in networking advocacy and in lobbying on the issue, it would be a positive return in the near future.

Meeting: organized at unit level.

India

- Awareness raising activities on aids issues and prevention of sexual harassment at workplaces were organized.
- Observed international women's day
- The WWG of SCI India continues its project on income generation with the mission to make the women involved in self-sufficiency.
- WWG of SCI-India established a strong networking with various national and international non-government organization, working on women and child trafficking issues

Nepal

Observed international women's day on 8th March.

3.5.5 ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT WG (EDWG)

EDWG volunteers participated in the world social forum meeting held in Mumbai, India and made conscious efforts to attend seminars and workshops organised on the issues of land, water and forest conservation. One of the important rallies and seminar we attended was called the 'land first Mela'.

EDWG in India in partnership with one of its partner organisation called HPSS organised a series of campaign activities in the mountain region on the issue of 'impact of globalisation and privatisation on natural resources like land, water and forest. A series of meetings, workshops and street theatre activities were conducted to sensitise voluntary organisations and local communities on this issue. A three day national seminar was also organised at Dehradun in India, for which invitation was sent to all the Asian branches of SCI. The seminar was focused on the issue of land, water and forest resources and the impact of market forces on them. This seminar was organized on the 15th, 16th and 17th of June, 2004 and was attended by around 120 participants and activists from different organizations.

A theatre workshop was also conducted for a week, which prepared young activists who came out with a street play on the impact of privatisation of water resources in the region. This group formed a forum called "Jal Sanskriti manch" which performed around 52 shows in different parts of Uttaranchal.

Mobile workshop was organised in collaboration with a partner Gandhian organisation "HSS" and "Manzil" working with disadvantaged children and youth with the support of national environment awareness campaign of the ministry of environment, government of India. We have developed contacts with an NGO called Centre for environment education, which is organising an international conference on 'education for a sustainable future' (ESF) in India.

3.6 OTHER IS PROJECTS

3.6.1. MAKING SPACE FOR PEACE CAMPAIGN

The "Space for Peace"-Campaign has been launched in the year 2003 and has continued in 2004. In April 2004, the user-friendly "Space for Peace-Resource Pack" was published and disseminated to SCI branches and groups. The Resource Pack offers information and a wide range of informal methodologies for workcamp-coordinators or group facilitators to work in a dynamic way with groups on the themes of anti-racism, discrimination and human rights.

In order to ensure a good use of the Resource Pack, a multipliers' seminar was organized with financial support of EYF and took place in Romania in May 2004. Representatives of the branches were learning how to use the pack and how to transfer this knowledge to the workcamp-coordinators at national level.

The Space for peace website promotes and surveys SCI and like-minded organisations projects in the virtual space; deals with a wide range of peace, anti-racism and human rights related issues; disseminates information (downloadable resource packs, handbooks etc).



Tim and Micelle (ICM- 2004)

3.6.2. SCI STUDY SESSION "BUILDING A HUMAN RIGHTS NETWORK"

The project was organised with support from the Council of Europe, from 5 to 12 September 2004 and took place at the European Youth Centre in Budapest (Hungary).

This study session was an integral part of the SCI strategic plan 2004-2008, contributing to SCI's third strategic objective: "to improve the quality and level of peace education within the movement".

The main aim was to motivate and empower young people to raise awareness of human rights issues both on local and international level through the SCI network. For our movement the project was a good opportunity to explore themes and topics of human rights in order to support the process of developing a framework for peace education in SCI and as such implementing the first steps of this strategic objective. It has helped greatly to build SCI's human capacity for peace education especially in relation to HR-issues.

The programme was divided in four main sections: introductory part, theoretical inputs and practical exercises, methodological support and working out individual or group initiatives.

As "a practical exam" the 29 participants went through the stage, where they turned from listeners into practitioners and had a challenging task to design and prepare their own proposals related to Human Rights Education activities.

4. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND EXTERNAL CONTACTS

Besides organising own activities SCI tries to realise its aims and objectives through the active involvement in international platforms.

Through participation SCI wants to promote international voluntary service and to participate in discussions on education, voluntary service and international exchange at European and international level.

By involving people in international activities such as seminars, working and discussion groups and conferences of other platforms, SCI wants to contribute to the further developments of voluntary service and promote the international cooperation between organisations.

An overview of the external representation undertaken in 2004 can be found in Annex 2.

SCI is a member of the following platforms:

1. EUROPEAN YOUTH FORUM

The Youth Forum is the political platform of international non-governmental youth organisations and national youth councils based in Europe. The Youth Forum is responsible for representing the needs and wishes of its member to the institutions of the European Union.

SCI is represented in the Council Meetings that take place three times a year and several SCI representatives are active in their different commissions and sub-committees.

2. COORDINATION COMMITTEE FOR INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE (CCIVS)

CCIVS gathers all the voluntary service organisations and volunteer activity movements throughout the world.

For its members, CCIVS provides a platform to meet each other, to discuss political trends in a global perspective and to agree on common activities. Furthermore, CCIVS makes the work and the ideas of voluntary service better known in the UNESCO and the United Nations agencies.

SCI is member of the executive committee (currently SCI provides the president of CCIVS) that meets 2-3 times a year.

3. ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE YOUTH DIRECTORATE OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

SCI is member of the Advisory Committee, which deals with activities organised by the European Youth Centre and supported by the European Youth Foundation.

The Advisory Committee gives advice on topics concerning youth to the governing board. The governing board of the Council of Europe is the real decision making body for the European Youth Centre and the European Youth Foundation. The Advisory Committee meets twice per year.

Several participants of SCI took part in the training courses organised by the European Youth Centre in Strasbourg.

4. ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTARY SERVICE ORGANISATIONS (AVSO)

AVSO is an organisation consisting of several international and national voluntary service organisations.

The main objectives of the AVSO are to promote the voluntary service at European level. AVSO strives for a legal status for volunteers as non-employees and for their sending and receiving organisations as non-employers. It struggles for broader social and political recognition and support for voluntary service.

AVSO proposes to use the EVS Programme to lobby with the national and European structures for the legal status for volunteers.

Furthermore AVSO carries out research, seminars and international meetings on issues related to voluntary service. SCI has an active role in several of the AVSO activities.

5. UNESCO

SCI has received the status being an international “NGO in operational relations with UNESCO”.

6. BEYOND

“Beyond” has been established in 2002 as a platform of the volunteer organisations’ umbrella’s which participated in the joint “International Year of the Volunteer” campaign and meets usually once a year.

The aim of this informal network is to exchange information on an ongoing basis, to carry out relevant joint projects and to strengthen our lobby-position toward EC- and UN-agencies.

7. WORLD SOCIAL FORUM

In 2004, SCI was represented at the WSF in Mumbai. The activists who have attended this meeting have taken their experiences further for discussion and action in SCI.

<http://www.sciint.org/sfwg>

5. ANNEXES

ANNEX I - ACTIVITY REPORT

Activity Report realised in 2004 (1 January - 31 December) except statutory meetings

Date/ Venue	Type of activity	The me 1	Results	Number of participants Format used: EU-pps/pre- accession pps/third countries
<u>Group 1 - Exchanges and voluntary services</u>				
01 January – 31 August, Antwerp, Belgium	EVS volunteer in the SCI International Secretariat	8	This volunteer supported the implementation of SCI's "Space for Peace" Campaign.	1
2-3 March, Wepion, Belgium	GATE Spring Meeting	3	GATE is the SCI structure responsible for the policy and implementation of activities with organisations in Central and Eastern Europe. At this meeting, branches and partners agreed on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - details about the exchanges and activities for 2004 - future partnerships in Central and Eastern Europe - standards of good practice 	17/7
4 – 7 March, Wepion, Belgium	Technical European Meeting	3	Exchange of information and good practice on voluntary service activities between SCI branches and partner organisations. Agreements on the practical procedures for placing volunteers on short- and long-term exchange projects.	29 / 12 (+ 14 from third countries)
22 –25 April, Barcelona Spain	YUWG Meeting	7	YUWG is the SCI structure responsible for the policy and activities related to the inclusion of disadvantaged young people into core SCI activities. At the meeting the participants agreed on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - bi-/multilateral youth exchanges for marginalized youth (to be applied mainly to the YOUTH Programme, Action 1) - revisions to the group's policy - standards of good practice 	13 / 2

¹ Please indicate the number of the theme of the point 5 of the call for proposals.

April- November, Different places in Russia	EVS-Russia IV	3	The programme provided 8 volunteer projects in Russia. The projects supported the participants' intercultural learning, as well as strengthen their knowledge in how to continue building civil society in Russia. The projects created learning opportunities for the EVS-volunteers as well as for the Russian project workers and as such, it created potential multipliers in the East-West field.	8
May – September, European countries	EVS Short Term Workcamps – extension of the 2003 project	7	The programme also known as the “Sheltered Placements Programme” consists of the inclusion of disadvantaged youth in short - term EVS local projects (international workcamps).	5
May – September, European countries	EVS Short Term Workcamps 2004–	7	The programme also known as the “Sheltered Placements Programme” consists of the inclusion of disadvantaged youth in short - term EVS local projects (international workcamps).	The project did not take place (no grant application was submitted)
March, Barcelona, Spain	EVS Project - Strengthening Cooperation and Partnership between Europe and Middle East	3	A centralised preparation of 9 EVS volunteers before their departure to the projects took place. The volunteers were well prepared before going to their projects.	8 (not all EVS volunteers could start on time)
March – October, Belgium, Italy, Spain, Lebanon, Palestine	EVS Project - Strengthening Cooperation and Partnership Between Europe and Middle East	3	Placement of volunteers in SCI (Belgium, Italy, Spain) and partner organisations in the Middle East (Lebanon, Palestine) as part of the EVS project “Youth Exchanges: Strengthening the Cooperation and Partnership Between Europe and Middle East”. Volunteers will work in various local projects supporting activities in the respective communities.	8
July, France	Evaluation Seminar on the impact of EVS Workcamps – preparation meeting	7	To prepare the seminar: setting up the programme, agreeing on task division among the prep team members.	The project did not take place (grant not awarded) – the project was re-applied for at 1.11.2004)
September – December (to be continued in 2004)	EVS – Mediterranean: Argonauts 2	3	Argonauts 2 will be the follow-up of a similar project organised in 2001. The aim will be to enhance the cooperation in the youth field between European organisations and partners in Maghreb countries.	The project did not take place (no grant application was submitted)

September, Belgium	Evaluation Seminar on the impact of EVS Workcamps	7	The seminar will evaluate in how far the EVS Workcamps projects (1999 – 2003) have contributed to the inclusion of marginalised youth in workcamps (short-term voluntary projects) and other activities of SCI and its partners. It will also address the issue continuing such programmes in future.	The project did not take place (grant not awarded) – the project was re-applied for at 1.11.2004)
October, France	EVS Workcamps 2003: Centralised Evaluation for volunteers	7	Evaluation meeting for young disadvantaged volunteers who took part in the EVS Workcamps 2003 (extended into 2004) project.	Evaluations happened at branch level, no need for centralised evaluation
October, Rome, Italy	EVS Project - Strengthening Cooperation and Partnership Between Europe and Middle East	3	Centralised evaluation of 9 EVS volunteers upon their return from the project.	12
January - December	Coordination and implementation of the North-South exchange programme	3	Placement of European volunteers in short-term voluntary projects in the South (Africa, Asia, Latin America). All the volunteers placed have participated in a voluntary project in the South and underwent an intensive inter-cultural exchange including a preparation and an evaluation phase.	315 / 17
Group 2 - Educational programmes				
10-11 January, Finland	Meeting of the POCONET Steering Group	5	The POCONET activities held in 2003 were evaluated and the “Final Evaluation” event of the overall three-year POCONET programme, to be held in February 2004, was planned in detail.	3/1
25-31 January, Tbilisi, Georgia	“Empowering Youth Leaders with Advanced Skills in Conflict Mediation” training course	8	The main aim of the training was to provide advanced knowledge of mediation to participants: this has been effectively realised through a diversity of formal and non-formal methods. The training made an impressive contribution to the empowerment of young volunteers from Eastern, Central and Western Europe. It provided a valuable opportunity for participants to co-operate in an intercultural group and experiment on different possible approaches and working styles of mediation.	10/17
27 February – 1 March, Wepion, Belgium	Final Evaluation of the POCONET Programme	5	Evaluation of all POCONET activities undertaken between 2001 to 2004. Valuable recommendations for future Long-term projects were made.	4/2

2 – 4 April, Antwerp, Belgium	Training for Trainers: Education for Peace – preparation meeting	8	The training has been prepared well: the programme was finalised and a task division among the prep team members was agreed.	4 / 2
10 – 14 April, Rome, Italy	Training for Placement LTVs (Long Term Volunteers)	5	Every year SCI branches use medium term volunteers helping with the placement of volunteers, leading workcamps, organising training sessions for new volunteers, etc. This training provided these volunteers with appropriate skills and prepared them for the voluntary service period.	15 / 1 + 2 from third countries
10 – 12 April, Antwerp, Belgium	“Training for Transformation” – preparation meeting for Leader Training 3	7	The prep team prepared the Leader Training 3: the programme was set up, working methods were decided upon, task sharing among the prep team members was agreed. This was a training for leaders of multilateral youth exchanges for disadvantaged young people.	5
11 – 16 May, Busteni, Romania	“Training for Trainers: Education for Peace“	8	This project promoted peace by increasing the skills of international youth leaders in training youth leaders at national level on the effective use of peace education materials. The participants acted as multipliers by sharing their gained knowledge on national level “workcamp-coordinators trainings” in order to ensure a maximised use of peace education materials available throughout our summer workcamp programmes.	19 / 3 + 4 from third countries
26 – 30 May, (originally planned in June) Brussels, Belgium	“Training for Transformation” – Leader Training 3	7	Proper training was ensured for the young people who acted as leaders in the multilateral exchanges 2004 with disadvantaged youth.	29 / 1
August, Moldova and Ukraine	Summer School East: A training on leadership skills for youth activists	3	The aim was to provide an innovative training for young activists in organising and leading voluntary projects. Unfortunately, within previous months two staff people left, which lead to problems in dealing with all planned projects. Therefore, rather than organising a low-quality event, we chose for the cancellation of this project.	Cancelled
05 – 12 September, (originally planned in May) Budapest, Hungary	Building a Human Rights Network: a training for youth leaders	8	The training provided young people with an in-depth knowledge of human rights in Europe, by exchanging and sharing experiences between young people from Eastern and Western Europe and by building a network of volunteers able to train other young people in promoting human rights	15 / 2 + 10 from third countries

22 – 24 October, (originally planned in September Antwerp, Belgium	“Training for Trainers: Education for Peace“	8	Follow-up meeting in which the implementation of the use of SCI’s peace-education resource packs in volunteer projects and youth exchanges has been thoroughly evaluated. Suggestions for improvement and recommendations were put forward.	5
21 – 24 October, Sinaia, Romania	“Training for Transformation”	7	Final evaluation meeting of the project. Evaluation of activities and proposals for follow-up were made.	12 / 4
October, Bosnia	Fundraising Training for SEE Europe	5	Members and partners of SAVA working group have identified fundraising as a primary training need for the region. The training will provide fundraising and project management skills to organisations from Youth programme countries and from the Balkans.	Project didn’t take place – grant application not accepted
Original dates October 2004, Belarus	“Conflict Transformation training for Experienced Trainers”	7	The aim of the training was to provide experienced trainers with knowledge and practical skills in conflict transformation. Due to the above-mentioned staffing problem in the GATE office, the training was postponed to the year 2005.	POSTPONED 16-23 January 2005
November, Laage, Germany	Effective Leadership training course	9	The training will provide practical skills to activists, board members and staff on how to improve organisational management and leadership within their organisations	Project didn’t take place – grant application not accepted
Group 3 - Seminars, conferences, meetings, debates				
January, Antwerp, Belgium	Space for Peace Campaign	8	Meeting of the team that develops the resource pack and the website.	6
07 – 11 April, Chisinau, Moldova	“Working together on human rights” Study visit of Youth Leaders from Europe to the republic of Moldova	3	The study visit strengthened the co-operation between SCI and partner organisations in CIS, particularly in Moldova. The study visit made it possible for youth leaders and activists who are actively involved in the East-West field to get to know each others organisations better and to exchange ideas and experiences on the role of ngo’s and civil society building in Moldova and elsewhere. The project contributed to an increased quality of our co-operation.	7 / 3 + 7 from third countries
07 – 09 May, Barcelona, Spain	Mediterranean Working Group (MIDI) Meeting	3	Monitoring the implementation of the group’s plan of action for 2004.	7

27-29 August, Amsterdam, the Netherlands	“Strategic Workshop on the future of East-West work in SCI”	10	The aim of the workshop is to define SCI’s role in the context of “New Europe” and to develop a 5-year strategic plan to implement SCI’s policy in this field.	8/-/2
25 September – 3 October, Russia	“Transformation of the voluntary sector in Russia: how to co-operate effectively in a new reality?” Study Visit	3	The aim of the Study Visit was to gain a better understanding of the working realities of Russian NGOs, to exchange good practice regarding youth exchanges and voluntary service activities and to establish solid partnerships for future actions. The Study Visit proved to be successful in terms of fulfilling its objectives.	11/7
29 September-3 October, Nizhny Novgorod, Russia	“Mentor Training” by LTEG (Long Term Exchange Working Group)	3	The training provided skills to experienced volunteers to enable them to take the role of “Mentor” for long term volunteers, especially for EVS-volunteers for who it is the first time they are servicing as a volunteer for a longer period of time.	12/6/4
4 October, Nizhny Novgorod, Russia	Annual Meeting of LTEG (Long Term Exchange Working Group)	3	Evaluation of the 2004 long-term exchanges and revision of SCI’s related policy. Planning for 2005.	6/3
4-7 October, Nizhny Novgorod, Russia	GATE working group Annual meeting	3	Evaluation of the summer activities of SCI branches and partner organisations in Central and Eastern Europe. Also a political debate on the structure of GATE WG and GATE office took place. In the view of the developments in Eastern Europe, it was considered that the East-West WG structure was highlighting too much a division of East and West Europe, which is not valid anymore. Hence it was decided to set up a reflection process on re-shaping this WG in a way reflecting and recognising the latest political and societal changes.	14/7
17-19 September, Zenica, Bosnia	SAVA working group meeting	3	Evaluation of the summer activities of SCI branches and partner organisations in South East Europe and planning for 2005.	4/2/2
06 – 09 October, Marina di Massa, Italy	Africa Working Group Meeting	3	Evaluation of the 2004 activities of SCI branches and partner organisations in Sub-Saharan Africa and planning for 2005 took place.	12 / 1 + 4 from third countries
06 – 09 October, Marina di Massa, Italy	Abya Yala Working Group Meeting	3	Evaluation of the 2004 activities of SCI branches and partner organisations in Latin America and planning for 2005 took place.	15
06 – 09 October, Marina di Massa, Italy	Mediterranean Working Group (MIDI) Meeting	3	Evaluation of the 2004 activities of SCI branches and partner organisations in the Mediterranean region and planning for 2005 took place.	13

10 October, Marina di Massa, Italy	North-South Working Groups Meeting	3	Meeting of the 3 SCI working groups of SCI dealing with North-South issues. Evaluation of voluntary service activities between European youth and partners from the South and defining ways to further develop these kind of activities.	23/4/5
25 October, Sinaia, Romania	YUWG Meeting	7	Evaluation of 2004 activities (youth exchanges, inclusion of marginalised young people in workcamps), planning for 2004.	4/1
December, Poland	“Good practice in financial management” seminar	2	The aims is to share knowledge and experience on financial management and fundraising between organisations in Eastern, Central and Western Europe and to improve the confidence of young people in dealing with finances.	The project did not take place (no grant application was submitted due to the GATE office situation)
<u>Group 4 - Cultural activities</u>				
<u>Group 5 - Information</u>				
February	Handbook on Long-term Volunteering in SCI (English and Russian versions)	3/5	This handbook provides background to long-term volunteering in SCI and advice to potential volunteers about rights and responsibilities, the application and selection process, and types of support offered to volunteers.	
March	Web resource list for Conflict Resolution resource pack	8	This list is to describe several websites related to conflict resolution, transformation and mediation topics. The websites can be used as a resource for further investigation, for learning about training methods and to find out where conflict studies programmes are being offered.	
March	Space for Peace Resource Pack	8	The Space For Peace Resource Pack makes a clear link between anti-racism and human rights issues. It is made user-friendly for youth-leaders in all countries, with information, advice and methodologies for anti- racism activities, all of these strongly linked to the Human Rights, with a special focus on articles 1 (Right to Equality) and 2 (Freedom from discrimination) as defined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.	

March	SCI and Conflict Resolution Pack, Part I	8	This pack is designed to provide activists and volunteers in SCI and partner organisations with information about conflict resolution activities in SCI. Part I is supposed to give basic knowledge of SCI, its structure and activities.	
April	SCI and Conflict Resolution Pack, Part II	8	Part II of the “SCI and Conflict Resolution Pack” provides some theoretical background on conflicts and conflict resolution, contains games and exercises for experiential learning about conflicts and conflict resolution.	
April	Practical Procedures for Volunteer Exchanges with Europe, America, Australia, Korea, Japan	3	This is a handbook explaining the rules and good practice to be followed for the placement of volunteers in the SCI network and in other volunteer organisations.	
April	Practical Procedures for Volunteer Exchanges with Southern Countries	3	This is a handbook explaining the rules and good practice to be followed for the placement of volunteers in the SCI network and in other volunteer organisations in the South.	
April	Camp Search Engine	3	Uploading information about 1000 international voluntary workcamps on a database that will have a public interface allowing people to search for a short-term voluntary project suitable to their needs.	
April	“Best Peace Practice in SCI” publication	8	Publication is based on results of the “Best Peace Practice Conference” and supposed to give an overview of different kinds of activities provided by SCI activists in the field of conflict transformation.	
March	Space for Peace Website	8	The Space For Peace website promotes SCI and like-minded organisations’ projects on anti-racism and human rights in the virtual space; disseminates information on the same theme (downloadable resource packs, handbooks etc).	
	Yellow Pages: articles and discussion about East-West issues	2	Jubilee and last edition of the “Yellow Pages, publication of GATE (East West Working Group of SCI). It is designed to keep branches, partners, and activists updated on GATE activities, including seminars, trainings, study visits, long-term volunteering and campaign work.	

Statutory meetings 2004 (1st January - 31 December) ² :

Date/ Venue	Type of activity	Results	Number of participants UE+EFTA/EEA candidate countries
March, Namur, Belgium	Meeting of the International Executive Committee (Board)	Follow-up and decisionmaking on ongoing European and international matters, controlling implementation of action plan 2003, etc.	<u>Total of 9 pps</u> : 6 EU, 2 from Asia, 1 from US
September Stockholm , Sweden	IECM-Meeting of the International Executive Committee (Board)	Follow-up and decisionmaking on ongoing European and international matters, controlling implementation of action plan 2003, budget control, etc.	<u>Total of 9 pps</u> : 6 EU, 2 from Asia, 1 from US
9-12 December 2004, Bennekom The Nether- lands	ICM – International Committee Meeting (General Assembly)	Annual General Assembly of SCI : discussions and decisions by the members of the organisation on policy matters as well as on future direction and activities of the organisation on international level.	Total of 62 persons: 43 EU, 3 EFTA/EEA candidate countries, 5 from East- and South East Europe, 9 from Asia, 2 from US

² If relevant, attach all additional information on the annual programme of activities.

ANNEX 4: SUMMARY SCI STRATEGIC PLAN 2004-2009

VISION

Our vision is a world of peace; social justice and sustainable development, where all people live together with mutual respect and without recourse to any form of violence to solve conflict.

MISSION

Our mission is to promote peace and intercultural understanding through volunteering and international voluntary projects.

VALUES

We base our work on the following values that colour all the work of SCI:

Volunteering - in the sense of acting out of self-initiative, without seeking material reward and for the benefit of civil society, as a method and a statement for social change, whilst never competing with paid labour nor seeking to contribute to strike-breaking

Non-violence – as a principle and a method

Human Rights – respect for individuals as stated in the universal declaration of Human Rights

Solidarity – international solidarity for a more just world and solidarity between human beings at all levels

Respect for the Environment – and the ecosystem of which we are a part and upon which we are dependent

Inclusion - to be open and inclusive to all individuals who share the aims and objectives of the movement, without regard to gender, race, colour, religion, nationality, social status or political views and any other possible grounds for discrimination

Empowerment – empowering people to understand and act to transform the social, cultural and economic structures that affect their lives at all levels.

Co-operation – with local communities as well as other local, national and international actors to strengthen the positive potential within civil society as a whole

LOGICAL FRAMEWORK MATRIX FOR THE SCI STRATEGIC PLAN 2004 – 2009

Focus 2004 – 2009

SCI focuses on peace-building

Strategic Objectives:

Strategic Objective 1:

- To stimulate pro-active peace-work within SCI

Strategic Objective 2:

- To enhance the effectiveness and impact of SCI's peace work by networking and linking with like-minded organisations

Strategic Objective 3:

- To improve the quality and level of peace education within the movement

Strategic Objective 4:

- To improve the efficiency and build the capacity of the organisation

Specific Strategic Objectives 1	Steps
<p>1.1 That SCI organises specific voluntary service projects as a statement of conscientious objection to the ideology of war.</p>	<p>1.1.1. Define the criteria for voluntary service projects as a statement of conscientious objection of war. (2005) 1.1.2. Audit how many current voluntary service projects that currently fulfil those criteria. (2005) 1.1.3. Increase the number of projects (2006) 1.1.4. Put into place a monitoring system for quality management. (2006)</p>
<p>1.2 That SCI organises international voluntary activities in violent or potentially violent conflict areas in order to contribute to non-violent conflict resolution as well as to increase international awareness of such conflicts.</p>	<p>1.2.1 Define conflict areas (2005) 1.2.2 Develop a strategy and an operational system for working in conflict areas (2006) 1.2.3 Set up a pilot project to evaluate our methodology (2007) 1.2.4 Put into practice a program for working in conflict areas. (2008)</p>

Specific Strategic Objectives 2	Steps
<p>2.1 That SCI raises its profile as a peace organisation.</p>	<p>2.1.1 Put peace issues on the agenda of the external platforms SCI participates in (2004 and onwards) 2.1.2 Identify and analyse existing peace networks both at a national and international level (2004) 2.1.3 Co-develop peace activities with like-minded organisations (2005)</p>
<p>2.2 That SCI plays an active role in the World Social Forum (WSF), here understood not just as a meeting but as a process carried by the so called “World Social Movement”¹.</p>	<p>2.2.1 Raise the knowledge level in SCI of the process and potential of WSF (2004) 2.2.2 Identify the place of SCI within the WSF (2004) 2.2.3 Raise the profile of SCI in WSF (2005) 2.2.4 Co-develop peace activities in the framework of WSF (2005)</p>

¹ Referring to the movement of organisations and people meeting in the World Social Forum as well as in regional and national social fora, sharing a common vision that another world is necessary – and possible to create. Also referred to as “Altermondialist movement”.

Specific Strategic Objectives 3	Steps
<p>3.1 That volunteers are appraised of the international movement's mission, aims and objectives.</p>	<p>3.1.1 Conduct research on the current situation by collecting information from volunteers that have participated in work camps. (2004)</p> <p>3.1.2 Conduct in depth interviews with a smaller group of volunteers for assessing the best way to improve. (2004)</p> <p>3.1.3 Develop common guidelines and minimum standards for branches. (2005)</p> <p>3.1.4 Set up a continuous and standardized evaluation system to monitor the situation. (2006)</p>
<p>3.2 That SCI sets up a framework for peace education² within the movement to raise the knowledge level and enhance volunteers' multiplier effect.</p>	<p>3.2.1 Define peace education within the context of SCI³ (2005)</p> <p>3.2.2 Identify peace education base within SCI in terms of people and knowledge (2005)</p> <p>3.2.3 Develop a strategy and operational system for improving the level of peace education within SCI with a special focus on existing activities. (2006)</p> <p>3.2.4 To prioritise the empowerment of volunteers to enhance their multiplier effect as peace educators. (2006)</p> <p>3.2.5 Identify research possibilities for SCI activists to improve the quality and level of peace-education in SCI. (2007)</p>

² With particular emphasis on a holistic approach to education, making use of participative and learner-centred methodologies, seeking to empower people to understand and act to transform the social, cultural and economic structures that affect their lives at all levels.

³ Taking into consideration various reasons for war and conflict for example economic inequalities, non-sustainable use of resources, social exclusion, international trade, consumption patterns, discrimination and xenophobia.

Specific Strategic Objectives 4	Steps
<p>4.1 To strengthen and retain human resources.</p>	<p>4.1.1 SCI will develop a volunteer involvement & support programme. (2004)</p> <p>4.1.2 SCI will implement the above programme ensuring that at least half of the volunteers will be invited to participate in it. (2005 – 2006)</p> <p>4.1.3 SCI will develop a consistent staff management policy. (2005)</p>
<p>4.2 To secure the organisation's financial position.</p>	<p>4.2.1 SCI will identify a variety of ways to facilitate an increase in structural income for SCI's International Coordination. (2004 – 2009)</p> <p>4.2.2 Project fundraising which contributes to a higher proportion SCI's coordination costs is to be prioritised. (2004 – 2009)</p> <p>4.2.3 SCI will develop projects which will substantially contribute to the income of participating branches. (2006 – 2009)</p> <p>4.2.4 SCI will maintain a database of former activists with a view to increasing the level of material donations to the international movement. (2006)</p>
<p>4.3 To develop and implement an effective internal & external communication mechanism.</p>	<p>4.3.1 To develop an internal and external communication plan consistent with the Strategic Objectives 2004 - 2009, with particular emphasis on enhancing the democratisation and transparency of information within SCI by use of electronic communication. (2004 – 2005)</p> <p>4.3.2 Ensure all parts of SCI adopt and implement the relevant parts of the Internal and External Communication Plan. (2004 – 2005)</p>

ANNEX 5 - SCI and the Social Forum 2004 Follow up on the resolution from ICM 2003

ICM 2003 adopted a resolution concerning SCI and the social forum, committing the movement to:

- 1) Increase the participation and promote the development of national/regional social forum
- 2) Participate in the WSF and the ESF 2004 as international delegation and with a delegation of at least 4 delegates for the WSF and two delegates for the ESF and with SCI stands
- 3) Establish a plan of action of SCI towards the social forum, in the framework of the whole long-term plan of actions of the movement, including a path to sustainable funding for this specific subject through the international budget
- 4) Organise workshops on volunteers and international volunteering as tool for promoting peace, non-violent conflict resolution, social actions and intercultural understanding during social forums, in possible co-operation and networking with like-minded organisations.
- 5) Organise a specific event on the specific subject to the social movement to confront and to deepen the evaluation of the possible role of SCI in the movement.
- 6) Explore possibilities of co-operation with the other actors of the social movement through workcamps to help to organise events, long term volunteering projects, discussions and workshops during workcamps.
- 7) to allocate adequate resources to sustain the SCI participation in the Social Forums through a call for funding among the branches and the financial support of the international co-ordination when needed.

We yet didn't have the "resolution on resolutions and recommendations" and there was no follow-up plan included in the resolution, which obviously has caused some confusion in how to implement the resolution and whose responsibility it is to make sure that everything is happening.

The resolution was submitted by SCI-Belgium, SCI-Italy and SCI-Switzerland and when I have reminded them of that the WSF resolution will be on the agenda of this years ICM, SCI-Italy suggested me to write a report since I have been following the development as IEC-member. I am happy to give this report which is **based on the seven points from the resolution** and hopefully it can inspire branches to commit themselves to work for the implementation of what they adopted at ICM 2003 – or, if considered necessary, to rethink the strategy.

1. National/Regional social forums

Last ICM we had a short overview of the branch-involvement in local and national social forums and most branches were involved in this way. For 2004 I can only report from the branch I know best - IAL-Sweden, that we were present in Stockholm social forum and Uppsala social forum this spring with a workshop in each place and information materials. My impression is that the SCI-seminars, meetings and ICM-sessions putting focus on the social movement have made the branches feel it is natural and important for them to work with these platforms on a national or local basis. An exception is most probable to make for Central and Eastern Europe where there is a certain scepticism concerning these ways of working.

2a. World Social Forum

"The world around you is globalised, McDonalds, Coca Cola, and Microsoft have penetrated your lives, you have become a consumer of Multi - National Corporations. War in different form or name is being imposed by so called big democracy. We have been forced to accept various definitions of democracy and justice. In such circumstances "Is another World is Possible? Very

big question. But nothing is impossible under the sun. if you were in Mumbai between 16-21 January, You would have said, YES-Maybe not NOW, But ...”

These are words from the report of the World Social Forum 2004 written by Chiniya from SCI-Nepal and Christiane from SCI-Switzerland who were the official representatives for SCI international in Mumbai. The full report can be found at www.sciint.org/sfwg/wsf.html From SCI-India participated Jaya Prasad, Vivek Patil, Ramu, Kohli, Arul Raj, Rahul, Sheharbanu, Arun, Manoj, wife Shova and daughter Janaki (the youngest participant). Bao from SCI-IVS USA/IEC, Vivek Anantha from SCI-IVS USA and Sujin from SCI-Korea also participated and contributed. They all made SCI presence in WSF a success and they all deserve our warmest thanks for that! As well to all the work done before by e.g. Pietro, Natacha and others. Some more words from the report:

“It was really encouraging to see so many different people with different creeds, ideology and expectations. We feel that the forum has provided everyone some space. We have seen marching Dalits from rural India to very colourful demonstration by Gay and Lesbians.”

“SCI, as an international organisation, has to play a role in the WSF issues and can serve as an example for international cooperation and demonstrating solidarity to ‘altermondialist movement’.”

“The SCI stand was very successful among the Indians, people were very curious about it and it helped to spread information about SCI in the Asian countries. Other ‘westerners’ got also to know about SCI. The stand was decorated with SCI banners **"Being open...Being Aware...Being Different...That is...SCI"** and posters made by SCI/India with pictures and texts about the history and the philosophy of SCI. We also had a computer showing a PowerPoint Presentation about SCI done by Jayaprasad. We had leaflets from the IS, SCI Italy, North South Brochure and booklet from SCI India.”

“The SCI workshop on ‘Promoting Peace and Local Development through International Voluntary Work’ had between 40-50 participants. We decided to run our workshop as informal as possible and more interactive way so that we can involve directly our visitors into the discussion. Unlike other seminars and workshops, we were seated in a circle.”

“There were only a very few other volunteering or workcamp organisations present, we talked with some organisations, those working with community based projects, from Burma, Indonesia and Taiwan, gave our contacts and discussed with them but no concrete network came out after this WSF. Chiniya made very good contacts with some Nepali organisation that can be a good partners of SCI Nepal. This is a same case with SCI India.”

In relation to future forums they point at the (1) need to select delegates early in order to prepare a good workshop, (2) need for more promotion materials and (3) more SCI volunteers present e.g. through an international workcamp.

WSF 2005 will take place in Porto Alegre, Brasil, and we have had a discussion during the year if it is at all possible to have such successful participation there since we have no SCI-branch nor contact in Brazil that can back-up like SCI-India in Mumbai. Natacha’s experience from 2002 and 2003 in Porto Alegre was that it was difficult to reach anywhere as an organisation when only being one or two persons there. There is an idea to ask the SCI-contact in Argentina to represent SCI since they were anyway planning to go as a group to work as interpreters. I am in contact with Valentina from Argentina but I have not heard anything after the planned discussions in the NSWG-meeting. Some members of the WSF informal group have expressed that they are in favour of the idea since that makes more sense then sending a person from e.g. Europe, not only in light of the financial situation, but there is yet no final arrangement made.

2b. European Social Forum

Wilbert (VIA-Netherlands) made effort to bring SCI to the ESF and IVS-GB was also at one point thinking of organising an international workcamp. SCI-France shared their experience from Paris last year which wasn't overall very positive and in the end IVS-GB decided not to arrange a workcamp. ESF has been criticized for the stiff and non-dynamic nature of most seminars (similar like the experience we had in Paris last ESF) but for sure the big demonstrations to end the war in Iraq etc. was important. Some individual members of SCI were there but there were no organised SCI presence.

3) Plan of Action

The plan of action for SCI and social forum is outlined in the strategic plan (2.2.). In the IEC we are struggling to find a way to ensure the relation between the plan and sustainable funding for SCI, and yet it is not there. However, a part of the Mauderli fund has been made available to the activists for implementing steps in the strategic plan. Wilbert is pushing a lot for the implementation of this specific strategic objective, but after the successful participation in the WSF there have been few responses despite his energy and enthusiasm. At the moment we are behind in the outlined time-line for this specific strategic objective.

4) Organise workshops in social forums

See point 2a) and also 1)

5) Specific event

No specific event to highlight and reflect on WSF has been organised in SCI during 2004.

6) Co-operation through helping organise events, LTV-projects...

This has not happened on the international level in 2004.

7) Allocate adequate resources

See point 3). No new call for funding from branches has been made in 2004. The situation concerning the international finances is unfortunately very bad and leaves no extra space.

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