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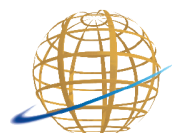
**UNITAR AFFILIATED INTERNATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE**

**FOR AUTHORITIES & LEADERS**

**ON PEACE, HUMAN RIGHTS & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**



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# FOREWORD

## CIFAL FLANDERS IS THE LEADING REGIONAL AUTHORITY FOR SUSTAINABILITY TRAINING, WORKING TO MAKE BUSINESS ETHICS INHERENT TO OUR ACTIONS AND POLICIES.

*“In the first year of our fully-fledged association with UNITAR, the principle training arm of the UN, CIFAL Flanders has not only substantially increased the number of beneficiaries trained and learning events organized but has also significantly strengthened its focus and mandate for implementing Agenda 2030 and its Sustainable Development Goals. Furthermore, their action learning methodology has showcased its success as a powerful and innovative formula to raise awareness of the SDGs and the responsibilities of governments and businesses in fostering sustainability”.*

**Ari Epstein, Chairman CIFAL Flanders**



## “QUOTE”

**Peter Wollaert, UNITAR Fellow & Managing Director CIFAL Flanders**





## THE UN WAS BORN FROM WAR. TODAY, WE MUST BE HERE FOR PEACE.

*“It is time to reconstruct relations between people and leaders — national and international; time for leaders to listen and show that they care, about their own people and about the global stability and solidarity on which we all depend. It is time for the United Nations to do the same: to recognize its shortcomings and to reform the way it works. This organisation is the cornerstone of multilateralism and has contributed to decades of relative peace. Unfortunately, the challenges are now surpassing our ability to respond. The United Nations must be ready to change.”*



### **António Guterres, Secretary-General United Nations**

Full oath of office speech: <https://www.un.org/sg/en/content/sg/speeches/2016-12-12/secretary-general-designate-ant%C3%B3nio-guterres-oath-office-speech>



## CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT IS A CRITICAL SUPPORTING FACTOR FOR GOVERNMENTS AND STAKEHOLDERS IN MAINSTREAMING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS INTO NATIONAL AND LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS.

*“UNITAR’s global network of ‘CIFAL’ training centres serves government authorities and leaders, providing training and playing a critical role in communicating the SDGs to ensure full understanding and ownership of Agenda 2030.*



*I thank CIFAL Flanders’ leadership and partners for all that they have done to advance our mission and wish them continued success in their important work ahead.”*

**Nikhil Seth, UN Assistant Secretary-General & Executive Director**

## UNITAR

CIFAL Flanders is affiliated with UNITAR, an autonomous UN body established in 1963. The United Nations Institute for Training and Research ([www.unitar.org](http://www.unitar.org)) is a training arm of the United Nations System and has the mandate to enhance the effectiveness of the UN through diplomatic training and to increase the impact of national actions through public awareness-raising, education and training of public policy officials.



## VISION & MISSION

UNITAR’s vision reflects a drive for results and program to develop the capacities of individuals, institutions and organisations with a view to overcoming global challenges. The mission of UNITAR is “to develop capacities to enhance global decision-making and to support country level action for shaping a better future.”

## CORE FUNCTIONS

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research:

- designs and delivers innovative training to address needs of individuals, organisations and institutions;
- facilitates knowledge and experience-sharing through networked and innovative processes;
- conducts research on and pilots innovative learning strategies, approaches and methodologies and;
- advises and supports governments, UN and other partners with technology-based knowledge-related services.



# CIFAL GLOBAL NETWORK

**CIFAL HAS 17 CENTERS WORLDWIDE. CENTERS ARE PARTNERS WHO WORK IN THE SAME WAY TO BUILD CAPABILITIES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A LOCAL PARTNER.**

*“The concept of nation state is ending, and local government emerges. And if there is no local governance, it is very difficult for a country to achieve sustainable development. Many small local governments do not know how to ask for financial support from a financial institution or do not know how to write a project. It is a crucial issue for local development and promotion - CIFAL acts in this capacity”.*



**Alex Mejia, Head CIFAL Global Network**

## 17 INTERNATIONAL TRAINING CENTRES

The CIFAL Global Network is composed of 17 International Training Centres for Authorities and Leaders. The CIFAL centres are located across Asia, Africa, Europe, the Americas and the Caribbean. Since its inception in 2003, the Network has reached more than 50,000 beneficiaries through over 500 learning events.

CIFAL Argentina	<a href="http://www.cifalargentina.org">www.cifalargentina.org</a>	CIFAL Malaga	To be announced
CIFAL Atlanta	<a href="http://www.cifalatlanta.org">www.cifalatlanta.org</a>	CIFAL Miami	To be announced
CIFAL Curitiba	<a href="http://www.cifalcuritiba.org.br">www.cifalcuritiba.org.br</a>	CIFAL Merida	<a href="http://www.cifalmerida.tv">www.cifalmerida.tv</a>
CIFAL Durban	<a href="http://www.unitar.org/dcp/cifal-durban">www.unitar.org/dcp/cifal-durban</a>	CIFAL Newcastle	<a href="http://www.newcastle.edu.au/cifal">www.newcastle.edu.au/cifal</a>
CIFAL Flanders	<a href="http://www.cifal-flanders.org">www.cifal-flanders.org</a>	CIFAL Philippines	<a href="http://www.unitar.org/dcp/cifal-philippines">www.unitar.org/dcp/cifal-philippines</a>
CIFAL Jeju	<a href="http://www.cifaljeju.org">www.cifaljeju.org</a>	CIFAL Plock	<a href="http://www.cifal.pl/pl">www.cifal.pl/pl</a>
CIFAL Madrid	To be announced	CIFAL Quito	<a href="http://www.cifalquito.org">www.cifalquito.org</a>
CIFAL Maghreb	<a href="http://www.unitar.org/dcp/cifal-maghreb">www.unitar.org/dcp/cifal-maghreb</a>	CIFAL Shanghai	<a href="http://www.cifalshanghai.org">www.cifalshanghai.org</a>
		CIFAL Zurich	<a href="http://www.unitar.org/dcp/cifal-zurich">www.unitar.org/dcp/cifal-zurich</a>



CIFAL Global Network



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# CIFAL FLANDERS

## MISSION

CIFAL Flanders promotes peace, human rights & sustainable development and the declarations, principles and guidelines of the United Nations, with focus on Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

## TARGET AUDIENCE



Governments



Private sector



NGO & Civil Society



Trade Unions



Academia

## TRAINING PORTFOLIO

### Action Learning Days



Train the Trainer



Workshops



### City Hall Talks



Guest Lectures



International conferences





# TEAM MEMBERS 2017



**Peter Wollaert**  
Managing Director



**Jan Beyne**  
Programme Manager



**Hilde Eeckhout**  
Project Manager



**Linne Van den Brande**  
Project Manager

## FLANDERS TRAINEE PROGRAMME

With help from the Flanders Trainee Programme of the Flemish Government, CIFAL Flanders can count on several interns every year. This Trainee Programme offers a subsidy for graduates and students who wish to do an internship in an international organisation such as CIFAL Flanders or UNITAR.

Additionally, CIFAL Flanders welcomed a project manager intern via the 'VDAB Hogerop NT2 voor hogeschoolden', providing a working experience for foreign speakers in Flanders. Finally, in 2017 we welcomed a first intern from CIFAL Atlanta.



**Nirina Rafidison**



**Franco Prontera**



**Stephanie Van Breedam**

## CIFAL ATLANTA



**Brittany McCord**



**Maria Nidou**







## 1945: CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**WE THE PEOPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS ARE DETERMINED**

to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war, which twice in our lifetime has brought untold sorrow to mankind, and

to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, in the equal rights of men and women and of nations large and small, and

to establish conditions under which justice and respect for the obligations arising from treaties and other sources of international law can be maintained, and

to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom,

### **AND FOR THESE ENDS**

to practice tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbours, and

to unite our strength to maintain international peace and security, and

to ensure, by the acceptance of principles and the institution of methods, that armed force shall not be used, save in the common interest, and

to employ international machinery for the promotion of the economic and social advancement of all peoples.

## 1948: UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

A common standard of achievement for all peoples and all nations, to the end that every individual and every organ of society, keeping this Declaration constantly in mind, shall strive by teaching and education to promote respect for these rights and freedoms and by progressive measures, national and international, to secure their universal and effective recognition and observance, both among the peoples of Member States themselves and among the peoples of territories under their jurisdiction.

## 1987: BRUNDTLAND REPORT “OUR COMMON FUTURE”

Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.





## EXPERTISE

### AGENDA 2030 FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

This Agenda is a plan of action for people, planet and prosperity. It also seeks to strengthen universal peace in larger freedom. All countries and all stakeholders, acting in collaborative partnership, will implement this plan. We are determined to take the bold and transformative steps which are urgently needed to shift the world onto a sustainable and resilient path. As we embark on this collective journey, we pledge that no one will be left behind. The 17 Sustainable Development Goals and 169 targets demonstrate the scale and ambition of this new universal Agenda. They are integrated and indivisible and balance the three dimensions of sustainable development: the economic, social and environmental.



### PARIS AGREEMENT ON CLIMATE CHANGE

The Paris Agreement's central aim is to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change by keeping a global temperature rise this century well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to 1.5 degrees Celsius. Additionally, the agreement aims to strengthen the ability of countries to deal with the impacts of climate change.



### NEW URBAN AGENDA

By readdressing the way cities and human settlements are planned, designed, financed, developed, governed and managed, the New Urban Agenda will help to end poverty and hunger in all its forms and dimensions; reduce inequalities; promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth; achieve gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in order to fully harness their vital contribution to sustainable development; improve human health and well-being; foster resilience; and protect the environment.





# EXPERTISE

## GLOBAL COMPACT

The vision of the UN Global Compact is to create a sustainable and inclusive global economy that delivers lasting benefits to people, communities and markets.

To make this happen, the UN Global Compact expects companies to:

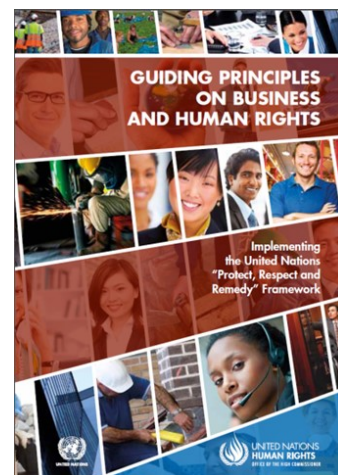
- do business responsibly by aligning their strategies and operations with the 'Ten Principles on Human Rights', labour, environment and anti-corruption; and
- take strategic actions to advance broader societal goals, such as the UN Sustainable Development Goals, with an emphasis on collaboration and innovation.



## UN GUIDING PRINCIPLES ON BUSINESS & HUMAN RIGHTS

The Special Representative, John Ruggie, presented a framework to the Human Rights Council in June 2008. The "Protect, Respect and Remedy" Framework rests on three pillars:

- the state duty to protect against human rights abuses by third parties, including business, through appropriate policies, regulation, and adjudication;
- the corporate responsibility to respect human rights, which means to act with due diligence to avoid infringing on the rights of others and to address adverse impacts that occur;
- and greater access by victims to effective remedy, both judicial and non-judicial.

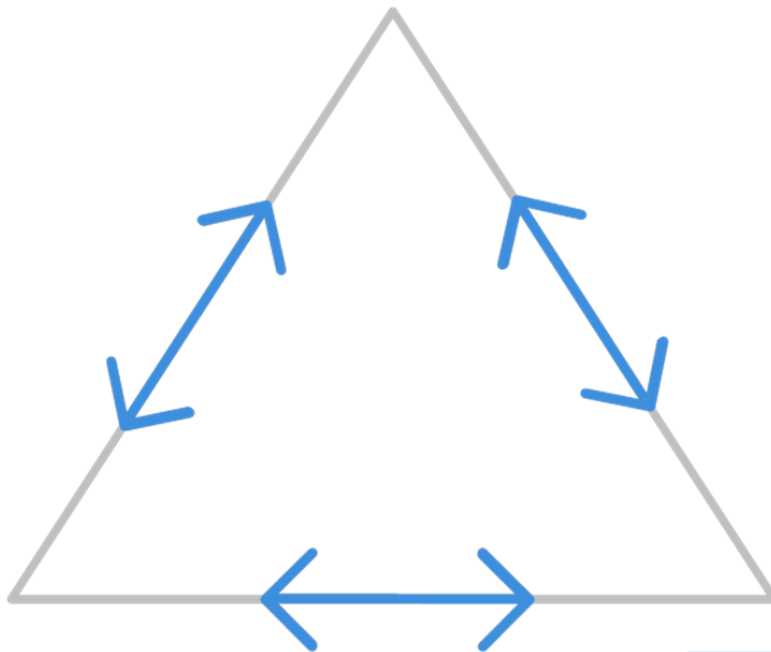




# FOCUS: IMPLEMENTING AGENDA 2030



## Agenda 2030 & 17 Sustainable Development Goals



Local Authorities

Businesses

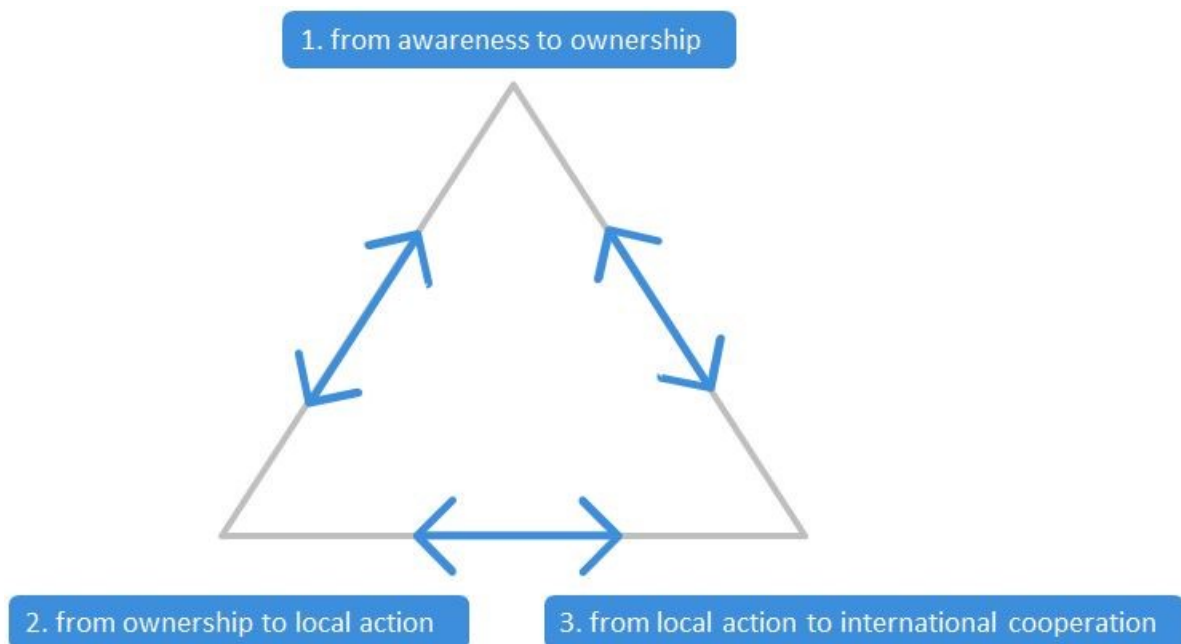




# ACTION LEARNING METHODOLOGY

## ACTION LEARNING

Action Learning focuses on increasing learning capacity of executives in governments, organisations, businesses, civil society organisations, trade unions, academia, etc., while responding to a real global challenge in a multidisciplinary and multi-stakeholder approach. Critical peer-to-peer reflection is an important part of the experience. This experience of ‘exchange’ can generate new approaches across sectors, and help build systemic innovation and problem solving skills.





# ACTION LEARNING DAYS

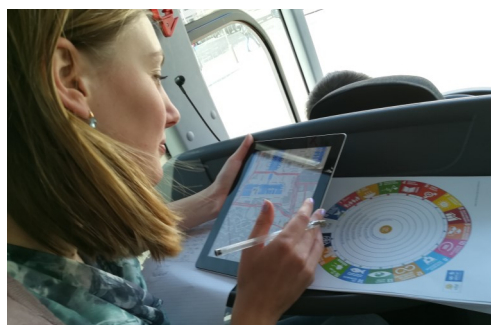
10 MAY

Port of Antwerp

Trainers:

Jan Beyne, Programma Manager CIFAL Flanders  
Laurens Van Lieshout, Manager Antwerp Port Tours

Location: Port of Antwerp



*Our learning tour was the best way to see in action how the theory of the SDGs and the 5P's is processed in a company's routine. The people of High 5 Recycling call the firm "The future" as what they do there is in an absolute balance with the 5P's and this is the key to hit competitors and excel in your performance. The Port of Antwerp takes advantage from all the available opportunities that SDGs offer and that is why this Port is the pillar of success not only for companies that cooperate directly with it but also for firms that it indirectly collaborates with. Lillo Fort village was the best place I visited in Antwerp this year.*

*Dorina Miho, student International Business Administration*





# ACTION LEARNING DAYS

## 19 JULY

### Port of Antwerp

#### Trainers:

Jan Beyne, Programme Manager CIFAL Flanders  
 Prof. Dr. Alain Decrop  
 Prof. Dr. Karel Soudan  
 Prof. Dr. Hans Verboven  
 Prof. Dr. Annick Schramme  
 Prof. Dr. Helma Desmedt

**Location:** Port of Antwerp



## 31 AUGUST

### Sustainability in Fashion Management

#### Trainers:

Peter Wollaert, UNITAR fellow  
 Tine Buysens, Bel&Bo  
 Katrien van Hecke  
 Veerle Spaepen, Les ReBelles d'Anvers

**Location:** University of Antwerp

## 11 OCTOBER

### Fair Trade

#### Trainers:

Peter Wollaert, UNITAR fellow  
 Johan Bastiaensen, Professor University of Antwerp,  
 Institute of Development Policy  
 Nicolas Lambert, Director Fair Trade Belgium  
 Cis Van Den Bogaert, Oxfam Wereldwinkel Merksem  
 Domine Decroos, International Distribution Partner N.V.

**Location:** Antwerp





# CITY HALL TALKS #5 GENK

**8 FEBRUARY**

**#5 Genk**

SDG City: Localising Sustainable Development Goals

**Speakers:**

- Wim Dries, Mayor Stad Genk
- Peter Wollaert, UNITAR Fellow
- Karliën Gorissen, employee Association of Flemish Cities and Municipalities vzw
- Ignance Schops, director Regional Landscape Kempen en Maasland, Chairman Board of van Europarc Federation
- Sinan Oğuzcan & Anita Daniëls, volunteers
- Gert Cielen, general manager Tip Top Belting
- Katrien Colson, participation

**Location:** City Hall Genk



“The SDG City Hall Talk provided a very clear explanation of the sustainable development goals of the UN. I knew the SDG’s already but it was a good opportunity to show and explain the meaning and value of the goals to the staff members and stakeholders who work on a local level. This is the place where things happen.

The five speakers who presented their actions, based on the SDGs, did this in a charming, enthusiastic and motivating way. They inspired me, as well as the employees of the city of Genk.

At last, I’m very pleased that so many persons present signed the charter. We intend to give it a prominent spot in the town hall. It proves that the city of Genk is very committed to implement the SDG’s in to the policy of the city.”

Wim Dries, major city of Genk

With the support of:







# CITY HALL TALKS #6 HASSELT

18 APRIL

## #6 Hasselt

SDG City: Localizing Sustainable Development Goals

### Speakers:

- Joost Venken, governmental for the environment, energy and development cooperation
- Peter Wollaert, UNITAR Fellow
- Hanne Albers, employee Association of Flemish Cities and Municipalities vzw
- Bright Adiyia, employee sustainability city of Hasselt
- Gert Bortels, director Arktos Limburg
- Lieve Bos, Chairman Gastvrij Hasselt
- Guido Degraen, expert on poverty city of Hasselt
- Eric Selis, chairman architects without borders vzw

Location: City Hall Hasselt



*"I was fortunate enough to speak at the SDG City Hall Talk Hasselt.*

*It was clear that CIFAL Flanders had experience in explaining the SDGs in a clear and coherent way. Connections between SDGs were clarified and exemplified.*

*The five speakers enthusiastically presented their wide-varied local actions with a clear link to the 5 pillars of the SDGs.*

*As such, the SDG City Hall Talk proved that the SDGs can provide an excellent framework for local stakeholders in and beyond the policy domain.*

*In addition, our department was introduced to the circular methodology of implementing the SDGs to local actions. We will use this methodology as it facilitates the elaboration and a priori evaluation of local actions.*

*Finally, the signed charter will be presented to the mayor and all aldermen with the purpose of presenting the SDGS as an implementation tool for sustainable policy decisions across all domains."*

Bright Adiyia, coordinator sustainability city of Hasselt

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# CITY HALL TALKS #7 KORTRIJK

29 MAY

## #7 Kortrijk

SDG City: Localizing Sustainable Development Goals

### Speakers:

Bert Herrewyn, jurat Climate, Youth and North-South

Peter Wollaert, UNITAR Fellow

Karliën Gorissen, governmental for the environment, energy and development cooperation

Gerda Flo, programme director Kortrijk Klimaatstad

Machteld Claerhout, programme director Strategic Programme Management Office

Inge Vanderstraeten/Kurt Debaere, coordinators of post-graduate sustainability development.

Hannes Vanmeenen, programme director 'Kind- en Jongerenvriendelijke stad'

Vincent Van Quickenborne, Mayor Kortrijk

**Location:** City Hall Kortrijk



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# TRAIN THE TRAINER

## BELGIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, 28 SEPTEMBER,

CIFAL Flanders provides SDG train the trainer sessions for the sustainability & CSR experts of the Chamber of Commerce in Belgium.



## ANTWERP MANAGEMENT SCHOOL SDG STUDENT AMBASSADORS

At the Antwerp Management School, CIFAL Flanders provides a train the Trainer session for 20 ambitious students. Here, CIFAL Flanders aims to empower students with the necessary knowledge, skills and reflection on Agenda 2030 and the SDGs that will help them to develop their own perspective on corporate responsibilities. As the SDGs are increasingly gaining importance in the world of business and civil society at large we thought it was time to promote the Goals within our student community and empower them with the necessary knowledge to challenge their peers and faculty.





# TRAIN THE TRAINER

## CHARTER SUSTAINABLE ENTREPRENEURSHIP OF THE FLEMISH CHAMBERS

Train the trainers for the construction of the CCI Flanders Sustainability Charter (Voka) offers companies the opportunity to define concrete steps regarding sustainability in their core business. The course aims to enable participants to assess specific situations and make recommendations to design and implement the charter. The charter was launched in September 2016. Many businesses will work with this framework during the coming years. CIFAL Flanders will organize more train the trainers courses in support of the charter.



**CCI FLANDERS CHARTER SUSTAINABLE ENTREPRENEURSHIP** Together for a sustainable future

**HOW DOES THE PROGRAMME WORK?**  
Over a one-year period, you will undertake a number of activities linked to the UN's seventeen sustainable development goals. You will be able to make use of advice and tips from our experts. At the end of the year, you will be able to highlight your improvements to a team of independent experts. If you pass the evaluation, you will receive the CCI Flanders Charter Sustainable Entrepreneurship.

Companies that carry out actions for three consecutive years within each of the seventeen UN sustainability goals will receive the internationally recognised UNITAR certificate, linked to the UN from Cital Flanders / UNITAR.

	Voka-member	Non-member
< 25 emp./non-profit	€ 1500	€ 1800
25 - 50 employees	€ 2000	€ 2400
51 - 250 employees	€ 2500	€ 3000
> 250 employees	€ 3000	€ 3600

**THE MAIN THEMES**

- Integrating sustainability into your strategies
- Corporate governance
- Clear communication
- Quality of the working environment
- Talent development
- Risk management
- Energy efficiency
- Quality of the (living) environment
- Sustainable resource management
- Mobility
- Social engagement






**CCI FLANDERS CHARTER SUSTAINABLE ENTREPRENEURSHIP** Together for a sustainable future



**Sustainable Development is no longer the playground of idealists.** It encompasses dealing with scarce resources, sustainable energy, investing in human capital, meeting the needs of tomorrow ... **Sustainable development means sustainable profit in many ways.**

**CCI Flanders wants to help businesses to embed sustainability into their DNA.** By participating in the CCI Flanders Charter Sustainable Entrepreneurship, which will be rolled out throughout the whole of Flanders from January 2017 onwards, you can work on various sustainable topics tailored to the needs of your company.

**Participating in this Charter also means developing the international reputation of your company, as you carry out different actions within the seventeen UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).** CCI Flanders is collaborating with Cital Flanders / Unitar, an international training centre which focuses on sustainable management and which may offer the companies the internationally recognized UNITAR certificate.

So why not work towards sustainable development, sustainable profit and international recognition?  
More information or an informal meeting? [vcdo@voka.be](mailto:vcdo@voka.be) [www.voka.be/vcdo](http://www.voka.be/vcdo)

**WHY PARTICIPATE?**

- Lead the way in an increasing international trend
- Work on sustainable profit
- Save costs
- Boost your reputation: with employees, customers and partners
- Strengthen your international image
- Receive expert advice tailored to your business
- Sign up to a inspiration programme of continuous improvement
- Work in line with social, welfare and environmental legislation
- Receive an annual evaluation



# GUEST LECTURES

## 09 JANUARY

Antwerp Management School, Antwerpen

## 13 JANUARY

KULeuven, Leuven

## 17 JANUARY

Facilitair Bedrijf, Brussel

## 24 JANUARY

KULeuven, Leuven

## 09 FEBRUARY

UHasselt, Hasselt

## 10 FEBRUARY

Public Waste Agency of Flanders (OVAM), Mechelen

## 10 FEBRUARY

Youth Sexual Awareness For Europe (YSAFE), Brussel

## 11 FEBRUARY

Scouts & Gidsen Vlaanderen, Hemiksem

## 16 FEBRUARY

BTC Infocycle, Brussel

## 23 FEBRUARY

Voka—Kamer van Koophandel Oost-Vlaanderen, Gent

## 26 FEBRUARY

BTC Infocycle, Brussel

## 08 MARCH

Karel de Grote Hogeshool, Antwerpen

## 09 MARCH

Beweging.net, Brussel

## 09 MARCH

International week Universiteit Antwerpen, Antwerpen

## 14 MARCH

Stuurgroep SDG's Stad Antwerpen, Antwerpen

## 21 MARCH

KULeuven, Leuven

## 24 MARCH

University Foundation for Development Cooperation (USOS), Antwerpen

## 24 MARCH

Vrije Univesiteit Brussel, Brussel

## 31 MARCH

Boss Paints, Waregem

## 14 APRIL

Chambre Wallonne de Commerce et d'Industrie (CCI Wallonie), Brussel

## 24 APRIL

Universiteit Antwerpen, Antwerpen





# GUEST LECTURES

## 29 APRIL

JCI European Capitals Meeting, Brussels

## 05 MAY

KVLV Studiedag, Leuven

## 13 MAY

BTC Infocycle, Brussel

## 09 JUNE

Brussels Airport, Brussel

## 20 JUNE

Lokale Dienstecconomie, Brussel

## 22 JUNE

Artevelde Hogeschool, Gent

## 22 JUNE

Facilitair bedrijf, Brussel

## 22J UNE

Stadslab, Oostende

## 04-06 SEPTEMBER

On-boarding Days Antwerp Management School, Antwerpen

## 05 SEPTEMBER

Socius, Brussel

## 11 SEPTEMBER

Colruyt, Halle

## 11 SEPTEMBER

Vereniging Vlaamse Provincies, Brussel

## 19 SEPTEMBER

Nedworc, Utrecht

## 21 SEPTEMBER

Vives, Kortrijk

## 29 SEPTEMBER

Provincie West-Vlaanderen, Brugge

## 07 OCTOBER

GROS Hoeilaart, Hoeilaart

## 17 OCTOBER

Gemeenteraad Mortsel, Antwerpen

## 17 OCTOBER

Persevent Zuivelsector, Leuven

## 19 OCTOBER

Artevelde University College, Gent

## 19 OCTOBER

Provincie Oost-Vlaanderen, Gent

## 18 NOVEMBER

Pax Christi, Antwerpen

## 22 NOVEMBER

Interministerial Conference Sustainable Development, Brussel

## 25 NOVEMBER

Vereniging Vlaamse Provincies Colloquium, Leuven

## 31 DECEMBER

Plato, Antwerpen





# WORKSHOPS

## 31 JANUARY

Voka—Kamer van Koophandel Vlaams Brabant, Vil-Vleminckveld, Merksplas voorde

## 13 FEBRUARY

KULeuven, Leuven

## 13 FEBRUARY

Antwerp Management School, Antwerpen

## 14 FEBRUARY

Tourism & SDGs KULeuven, Leuven

## 20 FEBRUARY

Gemeente Hoogstraten, Hoogstraten

## 20 FEBRUARY

Stad Kortrijk, Kortrijk

## 22 FEBRUARY

Sociale Economie, Antwerpen

## 10 MARCH

Faro Erfgoed, Brussels

## 17 MARCH

Visit Antwerpen, Antwerpen

## 23 MARCH

Flemish Government VLM, Brugge

## 24 MARCH

VIA Don Bosco, Brussel

## 29 MARCH

## 26 APRIL

## 05 MAY

UHasselt, Hasselt

## 11 MAY

Colruyt Group, Halle

## 18 MAY

Plantin Moretus, Antwerpen

## 22 MAY

Tapis Plein, Brussel

## 31 MAY

Colruyt, Halle

## 27 JUNE

Brussels Airport, Brussel

## 10 JULY

BTC Infocyclus, Brussel

## 17 JULY

Sociale Economie, Antwerpen

## 18 JULY

Sociale Economie, Leuven

## 04 SEPTEMBER

UGent, Zwijnaarde

## 28 SEPTEMBER

Belgian Chambers of Commerce, Brussel





# WORKSHOPS

## 03 OCTOBER

Research Institute for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (ILVO), Nieuwpoort

## 07 OCTOBER

Pro Natura, Drongen

## 12 OCTOBER

Beweging.net, Antwerpen

## 18 OCTOBER

Circulaire Koffiebar Facilitair Bedrijf, Brussel

## 22 NOVEMBER

Interministerial Conference Sustainable Development, Brussel

## 22 NOVEMBER

Antwerp Management School Student Ambassador, Antwerpen

## 23 NOVEMBER

Provincie Oost-Vlaanderen, Gent

## 06 DECEMBER

Colruyt, Halle

## 14 DECEMBER

Provincie Oost-Vlaanderen, Gent







# ACTION LEARNING PLATFORM

2 FEBRUARY

**Speakers:**

Eric De Deckere, Technical Manager Environment at Antwerp Port Authority  
Hans Verboven, Professor Sustainability and Communication, Director Sustacon

**Location:** Havenhuis, Antwerpen





# ACTION LEARNING PLATFORM

7 SEPTEMBER

**Speakers:**

Pieter Leenknecht, Federal Public Service of Foreign Affairs, Development Cooperation and External Trade  
Nancy Matthys, Team & Workgroup Sustainable Development, Flemish Government  
Peter Wollaert, Managing Director CIFAL Flanders

**Location:** Flanders Investment & Trade, Brussels





# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

## EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT DAYS, 7-8 JUNE, TOUR & TAXIS, BRUSSELS

Organised by the European Commission, the European Development Days (EDD) bring the development community together each year to share ideas and experiences in ways that inspire new partnerships and innovative solutions to the world's most pressing challenges.

CIFAL Flanders | UNITAR hosted a brainstorm session with a diverse group of changemaker to find solutions on how to bridge the performance gap between the theoretical framework and the actual implementation of the SDGs.





# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

## HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM, 10 - 25 JULY, NEW YORK

The High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development is the United Nations central platform for follow-up and review of the Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals.

More info via [www.sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf](http://www.sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf)





# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

## CELEBRATING UNITED NATIONS DAY, 24 OCTOBER, TOUR & TAXIS, BRUSSELS

CIFAL Flanders hosted - in close collaboration with the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the Global Science, Technology & Innovation Conferences (G-STIC), the United Nations Regional Information Centre (UNRIC) and with support of the Flemish Institute for Technological Research (VITO) and Brussels Airport - a High-Level Colloquium and United Nations Marketplace celebrating the 72nd anniversary of the United Nations. This year's edition was held in the context of the Global Science, Technology & Innovation Conferences. More than 200 participants attended the High-Level Colloquium and visited the UN Marketplace.





# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

## SDGS IN PRACTICE , 19 SEPTEMBER, UTRECHT

Since the MDGs were transformed into SDGs, Nedworc is active in information and discussion of the meaning that "SDG goals and targets" have for the concrete work of consultants in development cooperation. Managing director of CIFAL Flanders, Peter Wollaert, was invited by Nedworc to give an inspiring lecture on "How to use the SDGs in practise."





# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

## DIAMOND STATE VISIT INDIA, 9 NOVEMBER, MUMBAI

In the midst of a five-day Belgian Royal State Visit to India Peter Wollaert, managing director of CIFAL Flanders, hosted a roundtable discussion concerning the contributions of the diamond industry to social and economic development.





# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

## CIFAL GLOBAL NETWORK XIV ANNUAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, 15-

UN Assistant Secretary-General and UNITAR Executive Director Mr. Nikhil Seth opened the 14th Steering Committee with an inaugural session on 'The UNITAR we want'. He presented the new strategic framework for 2018 to 2021 and the position of the CIFAL Global Network in this vision. Moreover, the meeting was an opportunity to summarise the CIFAL Global network activities and achievements in 2017.

During this annual meeting the CIFAL centres shared their experience and best practices on building capacity for Agenda 2030, inter-collaborations between the CIFAL's, strengthening the branding and communication of the CIFAL Global Network and on how to engage the private sector and key stakeholders in supporting the CIFAL centres' activities.

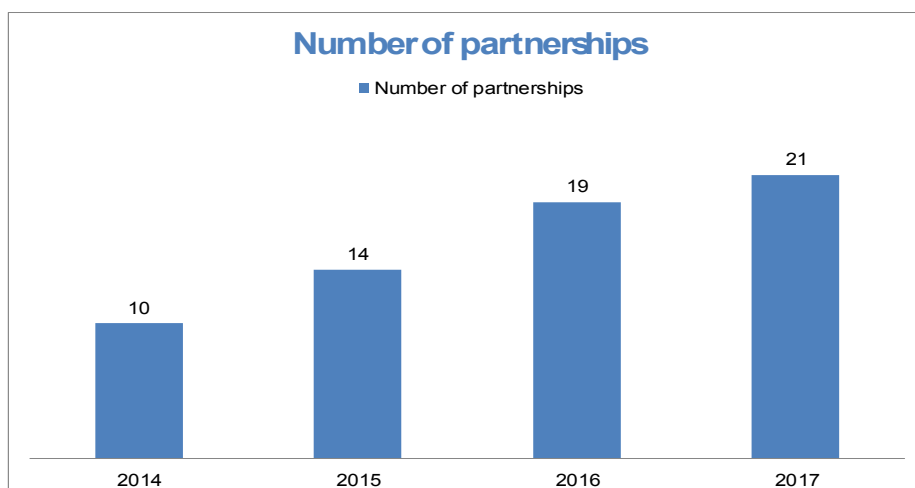
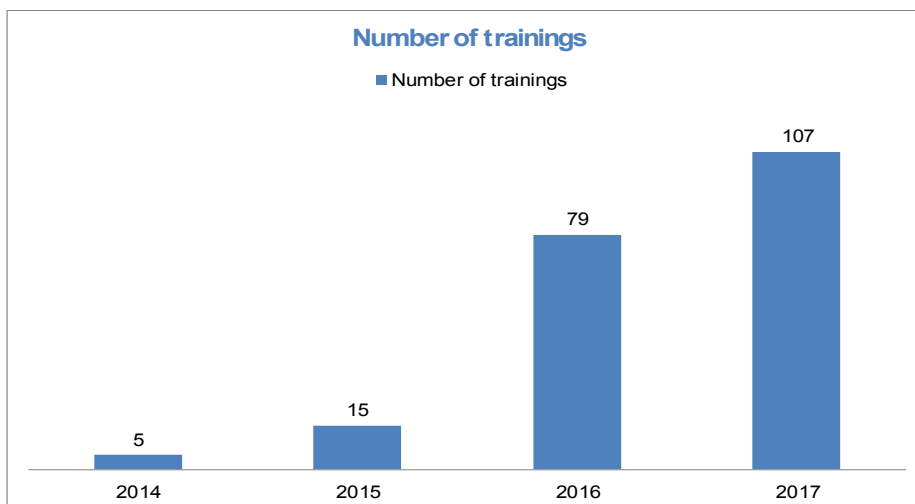
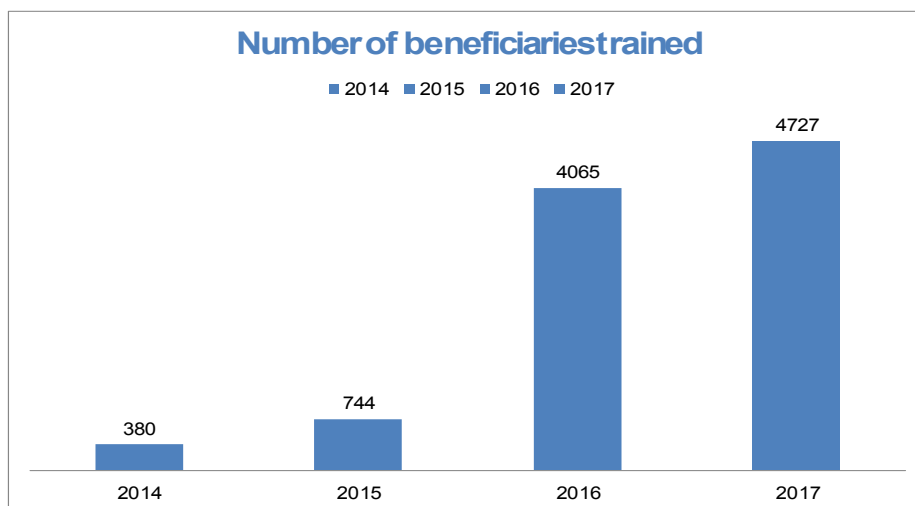






# TRAINING RESULTS

	2014	2015	2016	2017
Number of beneficiaries trained	380	744	4065	4727
Number of trainings	5	15	79	107
Number of training partnerships	10	14	19	21





# COMMUNICATION

## WEBSITE

In 2017, our website welcomed 6,836 visitors with 27,719 page views.

## 10 NEWSLETTERS

CIFAL Flanders reached 5.307 unique subscribers on our newsletter in December, a significant increase of 403 subscribers since the end of 2016.





# COMMUNICATION

## SOCIAL MEDIA

### FOLLOW-

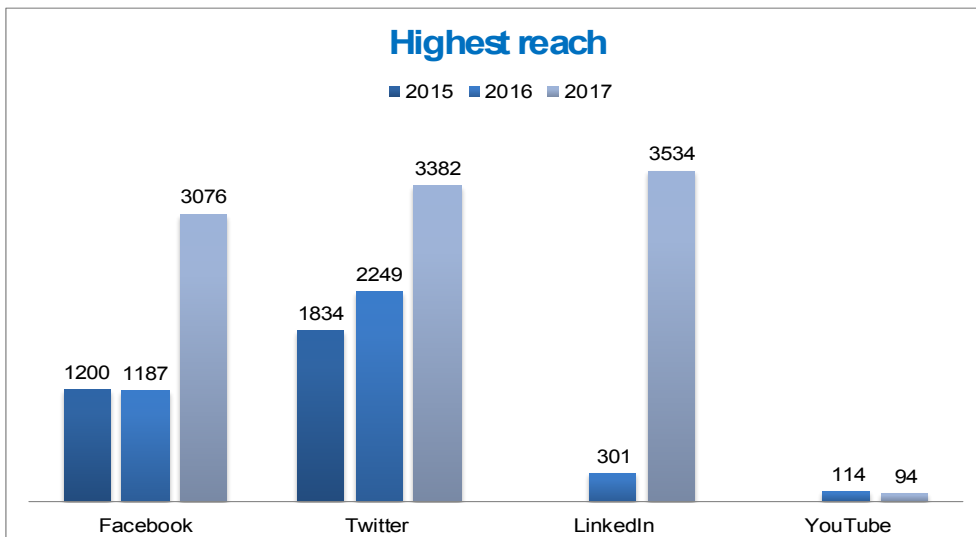
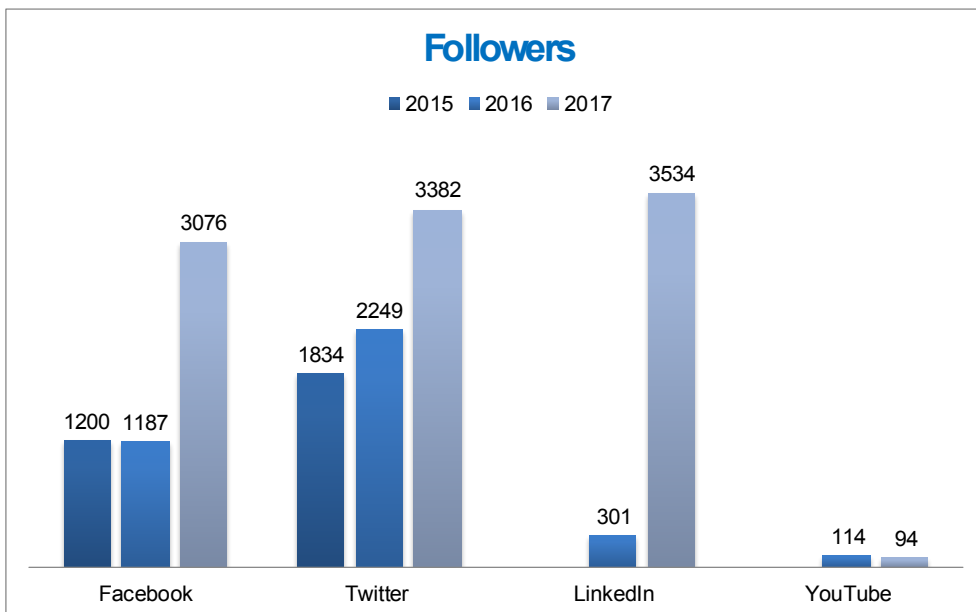


	2015	2016	2017
Facebook	393	558	669
Twitter	281	360	458
LinkedIn		82	154
YouTube		1	6

### HIGHEST REACH



	2015	2016	2017
Facebook	1200	1187	3076
Twitter	1843	2249	3382
LinkedIn		301	3534
YouTube		114	94





## 15 MARCH 2017, KANAAL Z Z-IN DE WERELD

Interview with our Managing Director Peter Wollaert by the Belgian business channel KanaalZ on Agenda2030 and the SDGs. It introduces the second episode of 'Z-In de Wereld', a new TV documentary series about development cooperation initiatives by Belgian NGOs.





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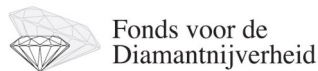


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