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CIFAL Flanders is the Antwerp-based UNITAR affiliated international training centre on peace, human rights and sustainable development, with focus on the implementation of the [Agenda 2030](#) (SDGs), the Habitat III [New Urban Agenda](#), the [Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact](#) and the [UN Guiding Principles on Business & Human Rights](#).

CIFAL Flanders is one of the 16 international training centres of the [CIFAL Global Network](#), affiliated with [UNITAR](#), the principle training arm of the United Nations.

If you have any questions or inspiring ideas in response to this newsletter, please let us know via info@cifal-flanders.org.



“When international cooperation works, the world wins.” Our best wishes for 2019!

"As we begin this New Year, let's resolve to confront threats, defend human dignity and build a better future together." Together with United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres we wish you a happy, healthy, peaceful and prosperous 2019. And let's partner to achieve the SDGs!

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Apply now for a CIFAL Flanders internship

Are you passionate about sustainable development and corporate social responsibility? Are you interested in promoting UN initiatives on peace, human rights and sustainable development with focus on Agenda 2030? Apply before 20/01/2019 for a six month internship at CIFAL Flanders.

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UNITAR Certificate for 21 organisations completing CIFAL Flanders 'Start to SDG' training programme

More than 150 guests attended the lustrum celebration of CIFAL Flanders in the Flemish Parliament in Brussels. 21 training partners of CIFAL Flanders received a UNITAR Certificate for successful completion of the 'Start to SDG' training programme.

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UNITAR launches e-learning course on "Leaders in the Public Sector"

The course aims to strengthen the competences required by public sector leaders and servants for the achievement of the SDGs and to gain a comprehensive overview of the current and future challenges. Certificates will be issued on successful completion by the UN Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director of UNITAR.

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Call for projects Business Partnership Facility - Entreprises for SDGs

Belgian Directorate-General for Development Cooperation and King Baudouin Foundation have launched a call for projects for a new partnership programme for businesses with a focus on the SDGs. Submitting your project is possible until 12/02/2019.

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Elia, Pro Natura & Umicore win the Awards for Best Belgian Sustainability Report

Last year Elia, Pro Natura & Umicore were the winners of the Awards for Best Belgian Sustainability Report by The Institute of Registered Auditors. The jury focused on how organisations can align their strategies, measure and manage their contribution to the SDGs.

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CEO Guide to the SDGs

The World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) has launched the CEO Guide to the SDGs. A guide with clear actions that global business leaders can take to align their organisation with the SDGs and create value.

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New report on human rights as the foundation of sustainable business

In celebration of the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the UN Global Compact has released the report "Human Rights: The Foundation of Sustainable Business". The report sets out opportunities for businesses of all sizes and sectors to strengthen and scale up their efforts on human rights.

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"Go Goals!" board game for children on SDGs

The "Go Goals!" game aims to help children understand the SDGs, how they impact their lives and what they can do every day to help and achieve the 17 goals by 2030. The board game is available in Dutch, French, English and many other languages and can be downloaded for free.

» [Start to play](#)

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