

# WUS Austria Newsletter 3/2010

## **Fditorial**

Dear Readers,

Ten years ago, on the occasion of the starting of a new millennium, 189 members of the United Nations entered into an agreement on the promotion of specific common values. Within the framework of the agreement the reduction of worldwide poverty to 50% until 2015 was declared as one of the main objectives. Various governments affirmed their willingness to turn our world into a more peaceful place, to support development, human rights and basic democratic principles. Subsequently, eight Millennium Development Goals were defined to follow these values.

It is indisputable that a lot has already been achieved, but many issues are still open and a lot is yet to be done in order to meet these goals.

The newly founded "Initiative Entwicklung" ("Initiative Development") is an Austrian initiative, which stands for humanitarian solutions and more fairness in the distribution of financial resources despite worldwide crises and plans for budget reductions. The initiative further calls for the fulfillment of the obligations which Austria agreed upon in order to reach the Millennium Development Goals.

To find out more about the "Initiative Entwicklung" and to sign their petition visit their website at <a href="http://www.initiative-entwicklung.at/">http://www.initiative-entwicklung.at/</a>.

Best regards,

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# Thematic Article

Unfortunately fighting against poverty is not an easy task: we cannot help 1.4 billion people to live their life in dignity with one mouse click. But every mouse click is important in order to show our individual commitment and to demand of the Austrian government that Austria meets its responsibilities and keeps its promises regarding the Millennium Development Goals.

You follow the developments in Ecuador, India or Zimbabwe; you know what you stand for - make your opinion public and let the Austrian government know about it. They decide whether and how much Austria financially contributes to the activities of multinational or local organizations and what kind of programs Austria supports.

Put your signature to the petition at <a href="https://www.initiative-entwicklung.at">www.initiative-entwicklung.at</a> - this is your mouse click against poverty!

Thank you!

## Recent News & Events

20.10.2010

# UN Headquarters in Montenegro - start of construction work



*Podgorica.* The preliminray building works of the planned UN Headqurters are advancing. The architect Daniel Fügenschuh has been in Podgorica these last couple of days to see the implementation of the construction plans. **read more** 

18.10.2010

#### **QA@PHEP- Information days**



*Prishtina*. Information days were held at ten Private Higher Education Providers (PHEP) in Kosovo from 11th -15th October 2010. The events were organised by WUS Austria in cooperation with the project partners, which *inter alia* include the Kosovo Accreditation Agency. **read more** 

09.10.2010

## The University of Prizren has been Accredited



*Prishtina*. The Managing Board of the Kosovo Accreditation Agency has decided to accredit the University of Prizren **read more** 

23.09.2010

### R&D Capacities: Project Meeting in Montenegro



*Kotor/Prcanj*. The R&D Service Center of the University of Montenegro has organized the second meeting and workshop within the project, which took place at the seaside at the Bay of Kotor from September 14th -16th 2010, followed by a public event on September, 17th.

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02.09.2010

# Cross Sector Internship Program: Organization of the training "Career Development", "Teamwork" and "Developing a Business Plan"



Prishtina. A one-day Training Seminar was held within the Project "Cross Sector Internship Program", which is financed by USAID/KPEP, and implemented by WUS Austria, Prishtina Office. **read more** 

03.08.2010

Dedaj: "WUS contributes to the internationalization of the University of Prishtina"

*Prishtina*. The daily newspaper "Zëri", after an interview with the Regional Manager of WUS Austria, Prishtina office, Mr. But Dedaj, presented the activities which WUS Austria carries out in order to improve the quality of teaching and implement new programs at the University of Prishtina in accordance with European standards. **read more** 

16.07.2010

# BCC 10\*: A Success All Down The Line



Vienna. This years finals of the BCC took place last week from 6th-9th of July in Vienna. The BCC has a long history full of stories of high potential individuals, anecdotes and successes. In the past 10 years, the project has undergone a lot of changes, especially with regard to the geographic and the thematic focus - students from 12 countries were eligible to apply to participate in four different academic disciplines.

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