

International Forum for Volunteering in Development

ANNUAL REPORT 2018



Photo by Caitlin Flannery, Volunteer Service Abroad (VSA) volunteer
Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning Assistant in Bougainville.



**A movement of global citizens
working for a world
where no one is left behind.**

National and local government, the UN system, the private sector, volunteer groups and volunteers themselves have a role to play in creating and sustaining an enabling environment for volunteerism. When this succeeds, we unlock the power of volunteerism and enable volunteers to make the greatest possible contribution to poverty eradication and the promotion of prosperity.

– Volunteer Groups' Thematic Paper to the HLPF, 2018.

Report on Forum activities

Welcome to the 2018 Forum Annual Report. This report covers the calendar year from January to December 2018, in line with Forum's financial year.

During this period, Forum held its Annual General Meeting of Forum members and associates (hereafter members) in Montréal, Canada on 30 October 2018. Forum also held its annual conference for international volunteer cooperation organisations (IVCO) in Montréal.

[Oxfam-Québec, Solidarité Union Cooperation \(SUCO\)](#)

and Forum jointly hosted the IVCO conference, which focused on **Women and youth: bridging the gap — volunteering for inclusive development.**

The conference provided an opportunity for heads of volunteer organisations and delegates from public, private, academic and NGO organisations from around the world to network, discuss pertinent issues in volunteering, share innovative approaches and strengthen alliances.

[Unité](#) hosted a meeting of European agencies involved in international volunteering and volunteering for

development. Held in Lucerne, Switzerland, in May 2018, attendees exchanged ideas and information on trends in European-based international volunteering

and volunteering for development, ethics, good practices and working towards adopting global standards.

Other achievements include the strategic involvement in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development/ Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) dialogue by the Forum Board of Directors, the Volunteer Groups Alliance (VGA) and Forum members. The VGA's side event to the

High-level Political Forum (HLPF) 2018 was significant in this space. The event, **The thread that binds - a global conversation on volunteerism and community resilience**, showcased voices and perspectives from some of the one billion volunteers who help strengthen local communities

It is vital we share best practice, advocate for volunteering for development from a stronger base and focus on stringent quality standards.

**– Chris Eaton,
(former) Chair, Forum**

Source: Report of the 4th European Conference of the International Forum on Volunteering for Development Master, 2018.



IVCO 2018. Photo courtesy of Oxfam-Québec and Solidarité Union Cooperation (SUCO).

around the world. It also launched the *2018 State of the World's Volunteerism Report* and led a conversation between Member States, volunteers and development partners on how best to empower communities to help deliver the SDGs.

Interrelated with this, Forum's IVCO 2018 Papers series explored *Inclusive development for women and youth: where are we at?* The series looked in depth at inclusive development practice and policy for women and youth.

Member States and the HLPF have a key role in creating an enabling environment to ensure that we make the most of volunteering effort.

Source: Volunteer Groups' Thematic Paper to the HLPF, 2018.

The Forum Leading Standards Working Group (Forum LSWG) continued its efforts in developing the Forum Global Standard for Volunteering for Development (Forum Standard) to complement the Forum Charter. The Charter outlines the principles, values and ethical behaviour underpinning international volunteering for sustainable development.

Work in this area builds on the Forum Board's consultation process with members (initiated in 2016) around strengthening the positioning of volunteering for development in the global context and the research and consultation phase (2018). The latter phase included a global survey bringing in 488 responses from 66 countries,

a desk review, a consultative session at IVCO 2018, and consultative workshops that brought together 144 people in nine countries. They represented organisations at a national level responsible for hosting and receiving volunteers.

Leadership of Forum's LSWG was formalised in October 2018 with Co-Chairs Mark Cumming (Head, Comhlámh and Forum Board member) and Stephen Goodman (Chief Executive Officer, Volunteer Service Abroad (VSA) and Forum Board member) taking this project forward.

Forum acknowledges everyone involved in strengthening the recognition of volunteerism's integral role in achieving the SDGs through these initiatives. A special thank you to VSO for their significant support of the creation of the Forum Standard to be drafted in 2019.



Singapore International Foundation (SIF) volunteer Fauzie Laily pose for a photo with a Cambodian family in Siem Reap. Through the installation of bio-sand water filters, the Singapore International Foundation's Water for Life programme aims to reduce the incidence of water-borne diseases, thus improving beneficiaries' quality of living.

Activities

In 2018 Forum undertook the following activities in accordance with the strategic objectives laid out in the [2016–2020 Forum Strategic Plan](#).

Promoting effective knowledge generation and sharing amongst members

Sharing amongst members: IVCO 2018

In late October 2018 more than 220 representatives of international volunteer cooperation organisations and volunteer involving organisations from 29 countries gathered in Montréal for Forum’s annual IVCO, exploring the theme [Women and youth: bridging the gap — Volunteering for inclusive development](#). Participants represented diverse sectors including government, civil society, UN bodies, academia, the private sector and volunteers. They shared the common objective of ensuring inclusive development through policy, practice and volunteering for development.

The event spanned three days of lively discussions, in-depth workshops, inspiring talks and an innovative ‘human library session’ showcasing 39 stories from ‘human books’.¹

Forum would like to acknowledge Oxfam–Québec and Solidarité Union Cooperation (SUCCO) for their exceptional work in hosting IVCO 2018 and bringing a new dimension to the annual event.

¹A style of speed dating where participants were the ‘readers’ of the ‘human books’ in the ‘human library’.

Effective knowledge generation

Work in this area was accomplished by the Forum Research, Practice, Policy and Learning Group (Forum RPPL Group), led by Co-Chairs Paul Bird, Chief Executive Officer of AVI and Forum Board member, and Odette McCarthy, Uniterria Program Director – a World University Service of Canada–Centre for International Studies and Cooperation (WUSC–CECI) program and Forum Board member. The group coordinated Forum’s series of IVCO 2018 papers and began planning the Forum basic measurement project survey to capture its collective contribution of volunteering for development. This is a key project supported by Forum. Measuring impact is a strategic priority for Forum and a key theme of the *Plan of Action to Integrate Volunteering into the 2030 Agenda (Plan of Action 2016–2030)*.

The inaugural Forum basic measurement project survey aims to collect data that will focus primarily on measuring what members do and how they operate (e.g. how many volunteers are supported and where they are based) with

A key focus of Forum is to research and quantify how volunteering for development can contribute to achieving the SDGs by 2030.

Singapore International Foundation (SIF) volunteers on a Words on Wheels volunteer trip to Yogyakarta, Indonesia.





Murzina Khatun, farmer and a lead member of VSO's Growing Together pilot group supporting rural women to join all-women farming groups in Velarpara, Birampur, northern Bangladesh

some consideration of outcomes. Over the coming years, measurement data will increase in complexity to address the collective impact of volunteering for development/SDGs.

A one-day meeting of the Forum RPPL Group and invited guests took place immediately following IVCO 2018 on 1 November. Against the backdrop of the conference theme and within the broader context of Forum's strategic objectives, the day led to much valuable sharing and learning among academics and practitioners and helped to broaden the group's reach. Equally, it provided a strong foundation for the 2018–2019 Forum RPPL Group Action Plan, including the IVCO 2019 papers, the progression of the basic measurement project survey and work in support of the Plan of Action 2016–2030 and Global Technical Meeting 2020 (GTM2020).

Forum's effort in promoting effective knowledge generation and sharing amongst members was again enhanced by the striking design and communications work of Kate Vereshaka, coupled with the high standard set by proofreaders, Ellie Chowns and Kate Wragge.

Increasing visibility and recognition of the impact of volunteerism in development

Forum is at the forefront of researching, recognising and promoting volunteering for development as effective and sustainable development, including gaining recognition for volunteering for development in the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.

The 2030 Agenda is our roadmap and its goals and targets are tools to get there.

António Guterres, Secretary-General

Source: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf/2018>.

In 2018 the VGA and (now former) VGA Coordinator, Wesley Moe, worked tirelessly throughout the year in the strategic positioning of volunteering for development at the global, regional and national levels. The VGA did much of this work through its formal role as Volunteer

Groups stakeholder at the UN. In these processes, the VGA promoted the contribution of volunteers to enhance their effectiveness by advocating for wider adoption of volunteer models with proven results, and to gain recognition for the crucial role of volunteers in monitoring and ultimately achieving the SDGs. The VGA lobbied individual governments, promoted good practices and shared innovations. The VGA supported volunteers themselves – particularly from the Global South – to ensure their voices were represented.

One highlight was the submission of a Volunteer Groups’ Sectoral Position Paper to the HLPF 2018 on the theme *Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies*. Forum members were encouraged to use the paper as a resource in their own efforts to ensure that volunteers and volunteer efforts are understood as essential to the successful implementation of the Agenda and attainment of the SDGs.

While recognising everyone who contributed to the VGA (detailed in Appendix One), the Forum Board particularly acknowledges the VGA Co-Chairs, Helge Espe (Norec) and Coline Peyre (France Volontaires), who strategically led the group in January–September 2018, followed by Mei Cobb (United Way Worldwide (UWW)) and Philip Goodwin (VSO) in October–December 2018.

Building a vibrant and inclusive constituency in support of international volunteering and volunteering for development

Volunteers and volunteer effort are essential to the successful attainment of the SDGs. The aim of eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity and planet will not be realised without the contributions of millions of properly supported and enabled volunteers and volunteer-driven organisations in both developing and developed countries.

In 2018, Forum’s membership was made up of 24 members and four associate members. A special and warm welcome is extended to our newest member, HORIZONT3000.

Combined, the Forum network now represents 143 organisations² working across 124 countries.

² AKLHÜ e.V. – Netzwerk und Fachstelle für internationale personelle Zusammenarbeit/Network and Policy Association for International Personnel Cooperation at 70, France Volontaires at 51 and Unité at 22.

A visual of where Forum Members and Associate Members had offices or programs in 2018.



Forum also has five strategic working groups (see Appendix One) and representation on key bodies, all working as a global movement striving to create a world where no one is left behind.

In support of this expansive reach, Forum launched its Forum Hive at the 2018 AGM. This is a platform designed to increase the communication and practice between Forum's working groups, the VGA and Forum member staff in volunteering for development.

Forum would like to thank everyone involved in supporting the Forum Hive project, with particular thanks to AVI and WUSC.

Strengthening and focusing the capacity of Forum

Organisational capability and capacity to support and serve members is vital to Forum. Forum is resourced by membership subscriptions, occasional grants, voluntary staff time and funds from the respective organisations of the Chair and Forum Board of Directors. Subscriptions from members enable Forum to operate at a basic level with a part-time Executive Coordinator and capacity to organise the annual IVCO conference in partnership with a Forum member.

Forum's Executive Coordinator position was again generously hosted by AVI in Melbourne, Australia. This role enabled Forum to engage and support members throughout the year. WUSC also provided in-kind secretariat support to maintain governance requirements in Canada. In 2018 continued in-kind support from the United Nations

Volunteers programme (UNV) in New York kept Volunteer Groups, the VGA Coordinator and Forum positioned at the forefront of key Agenda and SDG discussions.

On behalf of Forum, the Forum Board offers its wholehearted thanks to the Forum members who provided both in-kind and direct financial resources to the 2018 Research and VGA Funds.

A special thank you to VSO and UWW who contributed funds in 2018 to form part of the 2019 VGA Fund opening balance.

A copy of Forum's 2018 Auditor's Report and audited financial accounts accompanies this report.



At St. Josephs Vocational Training Institute in Hoima, Uganda, junior welding instructor Emmanuel Aliguma teaches a group of students how to make a cooking stove. He is supported by Nibert Sebastian, a VSO volunteer vocational training advisor.

Acknowledgements

The Forum Board acknowledges the substantial contributions of all member organisations that provided in-kind resources to Forum over the past year. Your energy, expertise, passion and resources enabled our working groups and other initiatives to achieve our shared goals, underlying our capacity to succeed as a network.

I would particularly like to thank Suzanne Gentges (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH) and Carine Guidicelli, formerly with Crossroads International, for their dedication as Forum Board Directors. A particular thank you goes to Chris Eaton (WUSC) who served Forum for four years as Chair.

My heartfelt thanks to the hard-working members of the Forum Board, each of whom played a leading role in the Forum working groups – Jean Tan, Philip Goodwin, Odette McCarthy, Stephen Goodman, Jean-Daniel Balme and Mark Cumming (as detailed in Appendix One). I would also like to thank Wesley Moe, (now former) VGA Coordinator, for his tireless efforts throughout 2018.

I would also like to pay tribute to the outgoing Executive Coordinator, Christina Jenkins, for her substantial contribution to Forum over the past eleven years, and welcome James O'Brien to the role and back to Forum.

Your collective capacities and dedication have allowed us to advance Forum's strategic plan, strengthen and grow our working groups and represent our collective interests externally throughout 2018.

On behalf of the Forum Board of Directors:

Jean-Daniel Balme, France Volontaires

Paul Bird, AVI

Mark Cumming, Comhlámh

Stephen Goodman, Volunteer Service Abroad (VSA)

Philip Goodwin, VSO

Odette McCarthy, Uniterra Program Director – a WUSC and CECI program

Jean Tan, Singapore International Foundation (SIF)

A Volunteer
Service Abroad
(VSA) volunteer
at work in
Vanuatu.



Future directions

For 55 years, as the global network of organisations involved in international volunteering, Forum has promoted the value of volunteering for development through policy engagement, mutual learning and by sharing innovative and good practices.

Forum's strength is to share the considerable passion, knowledge and expertise of our members which span the globe. It is only by working together that we can create a movement of global citizens working for a world where no one is left behind.

In 2018, as founder and Co-Chair of the VGA, one of the 14 advisory groups to the United Nations, Forum continued to play a key role advocating and demonstrating the importance and value of volunteering for development in the SDGs. Forum continued to participate in UN processes, such as the Global Technical Meeting 2020, with UNV.

To support our members to work better together, Forum established the Forum Hive, an online platform that enables Forum's working groups to have discussions and share information in real time.

As well as the VGA, these Forum groups have been busy with the following in 2019:

- Forum Leading Standards Working Group developing the Forum Global Standard for Volunteering for Development, which will be launched at IVCO 2019.
- IVCO Working Group supporting VSO as hosts for IVCO 2019.

- Forum Research, Policy, Practice and Learning Group (Forum RPPL Group) overseeing Forum's first survey of its members, which will be reported at IVCO 2019.

We're looking forward to IVCO 2019 which is being jointly hosted by VSO and Forum in Kigali, Rwanda. The event will provide a space to deeply focus on the theme of Advancing Quality in Volunteering for Development with a view to enable Forum members to take a learning approach and enhance collective good practices in volunteering for development.

Lastly, in these times of unprecedented change around the world, I believe that the role of Forum has never been more important to support the wealth of knowledge and resources of Forum members in responding to these challenges.



Paul Bird, AVI

Chair, International Forum for Volunteering in Development
September 2019

Appendix One

Strategic working groups and members involved | January–December 2018

Strategic working groups

Members involved 2018

Forum Leading Standards Working Group

Forum Leading Standards Working Group Co-Chairs: Mark Cumming, Comhlámh and Forum Board Director, and Stephen Goodman, Volunteer Service Abroad (VSA) and Forum Board Director.

Forum Leading Standards Working Group Coordinator: Rahim Hassanali, VSO.

Working group members: Vanessa Brown, Australian Red Cross (ARC); Bonnie Learmonth, AVI; Sandra Byrne, Comhlámh; Caroline Albert, Andrea Bacsfalusi, Michael Hay and Yvette Macabuang Cuso International; Suzanne Gentges, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH; Hagiwara Yoshiko, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA); Birendra Poudel, Nepal Friendship Society (NFS); Stacey Adams, Brandon Charleston and David Clamp, Raleigh International; Marc Liberati, United Nations Volunteers programme (UNV); Jim Delaney, World University Service of Canada (WUSC); Martin Schreiber, Unité; Daniel Burwood, David Dawson, Ezekiel Esipisu, Philip Goodwin and Kathryn Gordon, VSO; and Barbara Hogan, volunteer, International Forum for Volunteering in Development (Forum), with support from Christina Jenkins, Forum.

Forum Research, Practice, Policy and Learning Group

Forum Research, Practice, Policy and Learning Group Co-Chairs: Paul Bird, AVI and Forum Board Director, and Odette McCarthy, World University Service of Canada-Centre for International Studies and Cooperation (WUSC-CECI) and Forum Board Director.

Forum RPPL Group Coordinator: Christina Jenkins, Executive Coordinator, International Forum for Volunteering in Development (Forum).

Working group members: Bonnie Learmonth, AVI; Benjamin Lough, Center for Social Development (CSD); Mark Cumming, Comhlámh; Julien Bécasse and Lucie Morillon, France Volontaires; Akihisa Tanaka, Satomi Tanaka and Hajime Usami, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA); Mayuko Onuki and Saori Yamamoto, Japan International Cooperation Agency Research Institute (JICA RI); Elena Kim and Sangmi Lee, Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA); Helge Espe, Norec; Brandon Charleston, Raleigh International; Jean Tan, Singapore International Foundation (SIF); Thomas Bannister, United Nations Volunteers programme (UNV); Alok Rath, VSO; Jim Delaney, World University Services of Canada (WUSC); and Cliff Allum, Third Sector Research Centre, University of Birmingham, Peter Devereux, Curtin University Sustainability Policy Institute (CUSP), Helene Perold, Helene Perold and Associates, Rebecca Tiessen, University of Ottawa, with support from Analyst Coordinator, Kate Wragge.

Strategic working groups**Members involved 2018**

IVCO 2018 Working Group
January – October 2018

IVCO Working Group Chair: Jean Tan, Singapore International Foundation (SIF)

IVCO Working Group Coordinator: Christina Jenkins, Executive Coordinator, International Forum for Volunteering in Development (Forum)

IVCO working group members: Catherine Caron and Marie-Claude Mercier, Ox-fam-Québec; Emilie Lefebvre and Anne Vincent, Solidarité Union Cooperation (SUCO); and Michel Chaurette and Barbara Hogan, volunteers, International Forum for Volunteering in Development (Forum)

IVCO 2019 Working Group
November – December 2018

IVCO Working Group Chair: Jean Tan, Singapore International Foundation (SIF)

IVCO Working Group Coordinator: Christina Jenkins, Executive Coordinator, International Forum for Volunteering in Development (Forum)

IVCO Working Group members: Anne Vincent Solidarité Union Cooperation (SUCO); Boram Kim Peciarolo, United Nations Volunteers programme (UNV); Rahim Hassanali and Julius Mbaraga, VSO

Volunteer Groups Alliance

Volunteer Groups Alliance Co-Chairs: Philip Goodwin, VSO and Forum Board Director, and Mei Cobb, United Way Worldwide (UWW)

VGA Coordinator: Wesley Moe

[Alliance members: Volunteer Groups Alliance](#)

Appendix Two

Auditor's Report

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Independent Examiners Report to the Board International Forum for Volunteering in Development

I report on the accounts of the International Forum for Volunteering in Development (the organization) for the year ended 31st December 2018 which covers the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and Income and Expenditure Statement for the year

Respective responsibilities of Board Members and Examiner

As the board of this organization you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; You consider that an audit is not required. It is my responsibility to state whether Particular matters have come to my attention. In carrying out this task I have considered It appropriate to adopt the procedures as specified in the General Directions given by the UK Charity Commission under Section 43 (7) (b) of the Charities Act, 1993, as amended by the Charities Act 2006. (These procedures have been adopted in previous Audits)

Basis of Independent examiners report

My examination as required by Section 191 of the Act included a review of the accounting records kept by the organization and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking Explanations from the Secretariat-Coordinator concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by these accounts

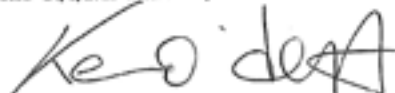
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- (1) Which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect
Reasonable accounting records have not been kept, and
Accounts that accord with the accounting records have not been produced
- (2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper
Understanding of these accounts to be reached by the board

Kevin O'Dea—M.Tax (Monash)
Chartered Accountant
Chartered Tax Advisor
Registered Company Auditor-AUSTRALIA

Dated 14/6/2019 Melbourne, Australia



Finances for the year ending 31 December 2018

Income and Expenditure Statement

	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2017 Actual
INCOME	€	€	€
Membership fees (Note 1)			
Full existing members	53,805	60,485	52,440
Associate existing members	4,760	6,060	8,600
New members	1,320	3,335	4,675
VGA Fund grants	24,836	24,836	61,561
Conference income IVCO surplus	43,574	52,209	17,681
Research	12,200	3,252	9,754
Other income	8,505	0	0
TOTAL INCOME	€ 148,999	€ 150,177	€154,711
EXPENDITURE			
Staff salary and admin support	68,456	68,513	52,066
Pensions and payroll	0	0	0
Staff training	0	0	0
Staff travel (Coordinator)	2,512	3,309	2,713
IVCO support	2,041	3,000	492
Member events	0	0	0
Research	12,200	11,887	9,754
Board expenses	4,318	5,000	2,697
Stationery	0	0	0
Communications	2,626	3,500	2,218
Website and information	16,843	17,553	11,099

	2018 Actual	2018 Budget	2017 Actual
Subscriptions	0	0	0
Rent and building	0	0	0
Insurance	0	0	0
Support services	0	0	0
Accounting	836	980	895
Bank charges	953	1,600	1,538
Other (Note 5)	3,625	0	7,450
VGA support	1,776	0	16,876
VGA Coordinator	31,614	24,836	24,315
IVCO 2018 budget expenses	0	0	7,397
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	€ 147,799	€ 140,177	€ 139,509
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) for year	€1,200	€10,000	€15,202

Research Fund Report for 2018

	€	€
General Research Fund		
Balance of Fund at 1 January 2018		-1,748
Add INCOME		
Member donations:		
Allocation from IVCO 2017 surplus	8,635	
		8,635
		6,887
Less EXPENDITURE		
Forum RPPL Group teleconference meeting	115	
Forum RPPL Group teleconference meeting	74	
Peter Devereux ISTR 2018 registration	336	
Cliff Allum ISTR 2018 registration	431	
Forum RPPL Group teleconference meeting	83	
Kate Wragge Inv 71 - proofreading tasks	253	
Forum RPPL Group teleconference meeting	25	
IVCO 2018 paper 2 authors and Executive Coordinator call	8	
Forum RPPL Group teleconference meeting	109	
IVCO 2018 framing paper writing fee contribution	1,466	
IVCO 2018 papers proofreading	1,658	
Forum RPPL Group teleconference meeting	238	
Cliff Allum IVCO 2018 registration	692	
IVCO 2018 theme paper writing fee contribution	1,048	

Forum research review project	2,095	
IVCO 2018 papers proofreading	871	
Forum RPPL Group teleconference meeting	126	
Peter Devereux IVCO 2018 registration	827	
Executive Coordinator and Forum Research, Practice, Policy and Learning Group	9	
IVCO 2018 papers proofreading	325	
Website and communications work including Hivebrite set up	536	
Survey Monkey for Forum Leading Standards Working Group	1,453	
Forum RPPL Group teleconference meeting	63	
Forum RPPL Group Day report - Cliff Allum	104	
Formatting and design of 2018 Forum RRPL Group Day papers	607	
Proofreading of 2018 Forum RRPL Group Day papers	104	
Reimbursement of IVCO fees	63	
	-1,519	
		12,200
Balance of Research Fund at 31 December 2018		(€5,313)

Research Note 1: €5,333 is to be accrued as a negative liability into Balance Sheet as the funds will be carried forward in 2019.

Research Note 2: Research income and expenditure is incorporated into the overall Income and Expenditure Statement.

VGA Fund Report for 2018

	€	€
VGA Fund		
Balance of Fund at 1 January 2018		24,836
Add INCOME		
Member donations:		
United Way Worldwide (UWW) 2018 contribution	4,332	
VSO VGA 2019 contribution	4,173	
		8,505
		33,341
Less EXPENDITURE		
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	81	
VGA Fundraising project	522	
UNV Trf to VGA Coordinator	20,965	
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	116	
Call b/w VGA Chairs and VGA Coordinator	17	
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	173	
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	134	
Call b/w VGA Vice-Chairs/ VGA Co-Chairs and Executive Coordinator	36	
Call b/w VGA Co-Chairs and VGA Coordinator	40	
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	149	
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	126	
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	124	
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	62	
Call b/w VGA Co-Chairs and VGA Coordinator	26	

Call b/w VGA Co-Chairs and VGA Coordinator	17	
Call b/w VGA Coordinator and potential VGA member	5	
Volunteer Groups Alliance teleconference meeting	99	
		22,693
Balance of VGA Fund at 31 December 2019		€10,649

VGA Note 1: €24,836 is to be accrued as a creditor into Balance Sheet as the funds will be spent in 2019.



Neelum Patel, Volunteer Service Abroad (VSA) volunteer Youth Programme Assistant in Bougainville.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for 2018

	2018	2017
Opening balance at bank at 1 January 2018	€	€
Fortis Euro account	0	3,582
Bendigo \$ Australian account (\$86,134 @ 0.678)	58,396	17,668
Royal Bank Canada Euro	9,031	40,132
Royal Bank Canada CAD (\$19,730 @ 0.683)	13,436	12,326
	0	
Opening balance petty cash 1 January 2018	0	0
	80,863	73,708
Add cash received per accounts	70,134	186,506
Add cash received per accounts	130,010	179,350
Total	€20,988	€80,863
Balance at bank at 31 December 2018		
Fortis Euro account	0	0
Bendigo \$ Australian account (\$16,341 @ 0.633)	10,344	58,396
Royal Bank Canada Euro	8,865	9,031
Royal Bank Canada CAD (\$2,917 @ 0.654)	1,779	13,436
Closing balance petty cash 31 December 2018	0	0
	€20,988	€80,863

Exchange rate used for 2018 AUD to Euro: 0.633

Exchange rate used for 2018 CAD to Euro: 0.654

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 December 2018

	2018		2017	
	€	€	€	€
Assets				
There are no fixed assets.				
Current assets comprise:				
Debtors (Note 2)		7,233		6,870
Cash at bank as follows:				
Bendigo Bank Australia AUD	10,344		58,396	
Royal Bank Canada Euro	8,865		9,031	
Royal Bank Canada CAD	1,779		13,436	
Petty cash	0	20,988	0	€80,863
Total current assets		28,221		87,733
Current liabilities (Note 3)		(8,676)		(69,387)
Net current assets		€19,546		€18,346
Funds at 1 January 2018		18,346		27,553
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		1,200		(9,207)
Funds at 31 December 2018		€19,546		€18,346

Notes to the Annual Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2018

Note 1: Membership fees 2018

Country	Organisation	Fee
Existing members - Full		€
Australia	AVI	3,340
Canada	Crossroads International	1,335
Canada	Centre for International Studies and Cooperation (CECI)	3,340
Canada	Oxfam-Québec	3,340
Canada	World University Service of Canada (WUSC)	3,355
Canada	Cuso International	3,340
Canada	Solidarité Union Cooperation (SUCO)	1,335
Denmark	ActionAid Denmark	3,340
France	France Volontaires	2,000
Germany	Arbeitskreis Lernen und Helfen in Übersee (AKLHÜ)	1,320
Germany	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)	3,340
Germany	United Nations Volunteers programme (UNV)	3,340
Ireland	Comhlámh	130
Italy	Federazione Organismi Cristiani Servizio Internazionale Volontario (FOCSIV)	665
Japan	Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)	3,340
Korea	Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA)	3,340
New Zealand	Volunteer Service Abroad (VSA)	1,335
Norway	Norec	3,340
Singapore	Singapore International Foundation (SIF)	2,000
Switzerland	Unité	1,330
UK	VSO	3,340
United States	Peace Corps	3,340
UK	Raleigh International	2,000
		56,885

Country	Organisation	Fee
Existing members – Associate		€
Australia	Australian Red Cross (ARC)	2,540
Malaysia	Yayasan Sukarelawan Siswa (YSS)/Student Volunteers Foundation	95
Nepal	Nepal Friendship Society (NFS)	95
USA	Center for Social Development (CSD)	695
		3,425
New members		
Canada	HORIZONT3000	1,320
		1,320
Total members		61,629

Note 2: Debtors at 31 December 2018

	€
HVSF	130
Zavod Voluntariat	130
International Service	1,335
To be reimbursed from 2018 IVCO Budget (Salary)	2,279
To be reimbursed from 2018 IVCO Budget (Travel)	3,360
	7,233

Note 3: Liabilities at 31 December 2018

	€
Accrue out Research Fund Balance to be spent in 2018	(5,313)
Accrue out VGA Fund Balance to be spent in 2019	10,649
IVCO 2018 Forum Board Expenses	3,340
	8,676

Note 4: Gains on Foreign Exchange

Payments from the Australian and Canadian bank account have been converted into Euros at the rate prevailing on the day of the transfer of Euros to the Bendigo account. After the following transfer, the rate is updated. Closing balances on the \$ Australian accounts and \$ Canadian account have been converted into Euros using the exchange rate as at the 1st and 31st of each month for 12 months and then the average taken for the calendar year.

Exchange rate calculation AUD to Euro		Exchange rate calculation CAD to Euro	
1.1.2018	0.651	1.1.2018	0.660
31.1.2018	0.649	31.1.2018	0.654
1.2.2018	0.643	1.2.2018	0.652
28.2.2018	0.639	28.2.2018	0.639
1.3.2018	0.635	1.3.2018	0.638
31.3.2018	0.623	31.3.2018	0.629
1.4.2018	0.623	1.4.2018	0.623
30.4.2018	0.625	30.4.2018	0.646
1.5.2018	0.624	1.5.2018	0.647
31.5.2018	0.649	31.5.2018	0.661
1.6.2018	0.648	1.6.2018	0.661
30.6.2018	0.633	30.6.2018	0.651
1.7.2018	0.633	1.7.2018	0.651
31.7.2018	0.635	31.7.2018	0.656
1.8.2018	0.634	1.8.2018	0.659
31.8.2018	0.620	31.8.2018	0.659
1.9.2018	0.619	1.9.2018	0.661
30.9.2018	0.622	30.9.2018	0.666
1.10.2018	0.624	1.10.2018	0.675
31.10.2018	0.626	31.10.2018	0.672
1.11.2018	0.631	1.11.2018	0.669
30.11.2018	0.646	30.11.2018	0.665
1.12.2018	0.646	1.12.2018	0.665
31.12.2018	0.615	31.12.2018	0.640
Average 2018	0.633	Average 2018	0.654

Note 5: Other costs relate to Bad Debt write off

	€
Peace Corps 2017 Accrual	3,340
UNVL	95
Ruwon Nepal 2016 & 2017	190
	<u>3,625</u>

Note 6: Loan to WUSC

	€
To be paid to WUSC in Jan 2019	<u>14,042</u>



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A woman with her hair in a braid, wearing a black sleeveless top and a purple patterned skirt, is dancing with her arms raised. She is surrounded by children, some of whom are also dancing with their arms raised. The background features palm trees and a clear blue sky.

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