

Dear Mr. Chairman,

We are grateful to the UNDP Administrator for the review of the UNV's activities during 2012-2013. We welcome the Strategic Framework 2014-2017 and IRM, which will be in line with the reporting system of the UNV.

In terms of expanding global recognition of volunteerism we acknowledge the contribution of The Program in shaping the Post-2015 Development Agenda. We support the expansion of youth in volunteerism.

We welcome the increase of UNDP partners and growth of donor's contributions for its program activities. We would appreciate further information on plans for the expansion of the mandate for voluntary contributions from Member States.

We recognize the positive impact of measures taken by UNDP to increase the number of participants in the volunteer program. We especially would like to highlight the effort to mobilize volunteers to help the local population with medical assistance, the fight against AIDS, education, poverty reduction and strengthening the capacity of the local government system.

We recommend that the Executive Board be kept informed about results of assessments. We recommend further measures to be taken.