

# Scotland for a fairer world



Annual Review **2018-2019** 

Supporting, informing and connecting the international development community.

# Message from the **Chair**

This past year has been characterised by expansion and progress for our Alliance. We are now half way through our current 3-year strategic plan period, and I am proud to say that we have already delivered on many of our strategic priorities, including the launch of a new individual membership category and the provision of a range of new services for our members.

By doing this, we have reaffirmed our position as a leading voice for the international development sector in Scotland. We have also have risen to new challenges as they have presented themselves. Over the past year for example, we have driven forward the work in Scotland on improving safeguarding standards by producing a new support package and running a series of related events. We have also taken a leading role in making sure both the UK and Scottish Governments live up to their commitments to report on progress towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Our Alliance has continued to grow this year. Membership is now at an all-time high, with over 150 organisational members at the time of writing. Our staff team has also expanded as we have continued on a trajectory of providing more services, training, networking opportunities and policy events than ever before. I commend the staff for their hard work.

The Alliance Board of Trustees has also evolved this year, and I would like to take the chance to welcome our new Trustees and thank those who leave us, particularly Jamie Morrison, our outgoing chair who skilfully steered the Alliance through massive changes over the past few years. For me personally, it is an honour to take over as the elected Chair from December 2018.

The Alliance is strong and I am looking forward to joining with board members, our staff and the wider membership to implement our new strategic plan for 2020 and beyond. We are setting our sights high toward a collective endeavour for a fairer world.

**Simon Anderson** 

## **Promotion, Effectiveness** & Learning

This year we have expanded our effectiveness & learning services, delivering training in Edinburgh, Dundee, Glasgow and Stirling. In total, our face-to-face and online training, working groups, webinars and information days reached 333 people.

The Alliance also led the way on Safeguarding support following heightened media attention in 2018. Our new Safer for All Safeguarding Package launched in December 2018 is designed to help organisations to strengthen their policies, procedures and practice.

Online, we continue to reach more people with a 30% increase in social media followers and over 1000 more users on our website each month than the previous year. Other achievements include:





webinars



community from 87 different organisations

**66** Being a member of the Alliance has been really beneficial to us. As a very small charity it allows us to tap into a wider network and access centralised information. The staff at the Alliance are welcoming, knowledgeable and always happy to help where they can.

Sonya Willett, Renew SCIO

3 Working Groups

Users on the Online Alliance Community

32 Events

153 Organisational Members

30% Increase in social media followers

The Alliance is the central hub for international development organisations in Scotland. It is a space for a wide variety of stakeholders from across the sector to come together and share practice experience and policy priorities. In particular through its policy committee, the Alliance helps members contribute towards improving the international development landscape in Scotland, 33

**Ben Wilson** Policy Officer, SCIAF

# **Networking, Policy** & Advocacy

This past year has seen the number of face-to-face events go up by almost a third compared to 2018. Our diverse offering – with information events, networking, trainings & meetings – has meant that a remarkable **724 people have** participated from a total of 100+ organisations.

Our visibility and influence with decision-makers has also continued to grow, epitomised by the First Minister, Nicola Sturgeon, addressing our 2018 Annual Conference.

We also continue to give our members a platform to connect with Political Party leaders in Scotland, MSPs, MPs, the Scottish Government Minister for International Development and the UK Government Secretary of State for International Development. We convened 7 round-table meetings throughout the year on policy related topics.

Importantly, the Alliance has continued to **champion the UN Sustainable** Development Goals and Policy Coherence, and has worked collaboratively with other networks to make sure our sectors' views on these issues are heard by both the Scottish and UK Governments.

# **Our Finances** April 2018 - March 2019

This year we saw a 19% growth in membership, with an associated 43% growth in membership income.

	Total <b>2018-19 (£)</b>	Total <b>2017-18 (£)</b>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCE	S 344,519	257,005
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDE	D 308,941	228, 671
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year	ar <b>35,578</b>	28,334
Funds brought forward	112,430	84,096
Funds carried forward	148,008	112,430





Full statutory accounts are available on request.

We would like to thank the Scottish Government, The UK Department of International Development and our members for their continued financial support.

**66** Our Alliance membership gives us opportunities to connect with other organisations across Scotland that are working in cognate areas, and to hear about their work and their priorities.

#### **Prof Ali Watson**

Managing Director, Third Generation Project, University of St. Andrews

## **OUR VISION** AND MISSION

Our vision is of a Scotland increasingly committed to creating a fairer world, free from poverty, injustice and environmental threats.

#### Our mission is:

- To engage people and organisations in Scotland about international development and to attract their informed support
- To help people and organisations in Scotland working for effective international development to strengthen their support base and improve their impact
- To represent our members and the people and communities they serve to local, national and international decision-makers

## OUR **BOARD** OF TRUSTEES

Simon Anderson (Chair) - IIED

Mark Chadwick (Treasurer) - Mercy Corps Europe

Agnes Holmes - Friends of Chitambo

Amy Blake - Classrooms for Malawi

Esther Kamonji - KWISA

Geraldine Hill - SCIAF

Peppy Sparrow - Oxfam Scotland

Samantha Ross - Link Community Development International

Ruth Jackson - Halo Trust

Alastair Strickland - University of Dundee

Cathy Ratcliff - Thrive

### **OUR MEMBERS**

500 Miles

Aberdeen for a Fairer World

Aberdeen Multicultural Centre

ActionAid

**ACTSA Scotland** 

Africa On The Ball

African Scottish Development Organisation

**AYDAP Scotland** 

Afri-Link

Aim Hai Trust SCIO

Aiming Higher in Malawi

Association of Serving the Humanity International (ASHI)

Alliance for Water Stewardship

Bala Sport

Bananabox Trust

Bats without Borders

Bethesda

Khankho International

Beyond Borders Scotland

**Books Abroad** 

Bressay Outreach

British Red Cross

Cairdeas International Palliative Care Trust

Carey Tourism

CBM

Centre for Climate

Justice

Centre4Solar Cerebral Palsy

Africa

Challenges Worldwide

Charity Education International

Children of Rwanda

Christian Aid Scotland

Christian Development

Church of Scotland World Mission Council

Classrooms for Malawi

Clean Water Wave C.I.C

CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP

Comfort International

Community InfoSource

Corra Foundation

Diverse Talent

Disability Beyond

Borders Ecologia Youth Trust

Edinburgh Global Partnerships

Fair Trade Scotland Ltd Feed the Minds

Firefly International

**FMMS** 

International

**Equality Network** 

First Aid Africa

Food4Africa UK

Friends of Chitambo

Friends of Eyethu Careers Point

Friends of Hilary Storm School Uganda

Friends of the Earth Scotland

Gaia Education

**GALVmed** 

GEN International (Global Ecovillage Network)

GIC Limited

Glasgow Centre for International

Development

Heroica International Ltd

Homeless World Cup Foundation

Human Appeal

**IDEAS** 

Internatioal Institute for Environment and Development

International Network of Street Papers (INSP) Institute for Global Health & Development International Justice Mission

International Voluntary Service

INTL FCStone Ltd

**IOD PARC** 

Isaro Social Integration Network

Islamic Relief

Jairah Funds

JTS (Just Trading Scotland)

Just Wheels

Kenya Children's Homes

Kenyan Women in Scotland Association

Community Foundation

Leith Community Crops in Pots

Lilvpads

Linda Norgrove Foundation

Link Community Development International

LUV+ (Leprosy at Utale Village PLUS)

Lake Victoria Disability Centre Scotland (LVDCS)

Malawi Fruits

Mamie Martin Fund

Mary's Meals

Mellow Parenting

Mercy Corps Europe

Mishwar Amal

Mission Aviation Fellowship

Ombetja Yehinga Organisation

Opportunity International

Orbis Expeditions

Orkidstudio

Orskov Foundation

Oxfam Scotland People's Postcode Lottery

Plan Vivo Foundation

Police Scotland

Project Trust

Renew SCIO

Rwanda Scotland Alliance

Save the Children - Scotland

SCIAF

Scotland Malawi Mental Health Education Project

Scotland Malawi Partnership

Scotland Zambia Partnership

Şcottişh Association of Young Farmer's Clubs International

Trust

Scottish Episcopal Church Mission

Association Scottish Fair Trade

Forum

Scottish Love in Action

Sense Scotland

Signpost

International Sisterland UK Ltd (formerly Kids Action)

Soko Fund

Solas Educational

Trust South Asia

Enterprise Starchild

STRIDE

Team Kenya

Tearfund

The Chesney Trust for Education in

The CIFA Trust The Global

Concerns Trust

The HALO Trust The John John

Trust The Kupata Project

The Leprosy Mission Scotland The Logie Legacy

The Maitri Trust The Nepal Trust The Open University

Third Generation

Project Thrive Scotland

Together in Sport Rwanda

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UNICEF UK United Nations Association

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Dundee University of

Edinburgh University of

Strathclyde Unlocking Potential

Vine Trust

VSO

Waste Aid UK Water Witness

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