



Assessing National Youth Policies : Five Country Experiences

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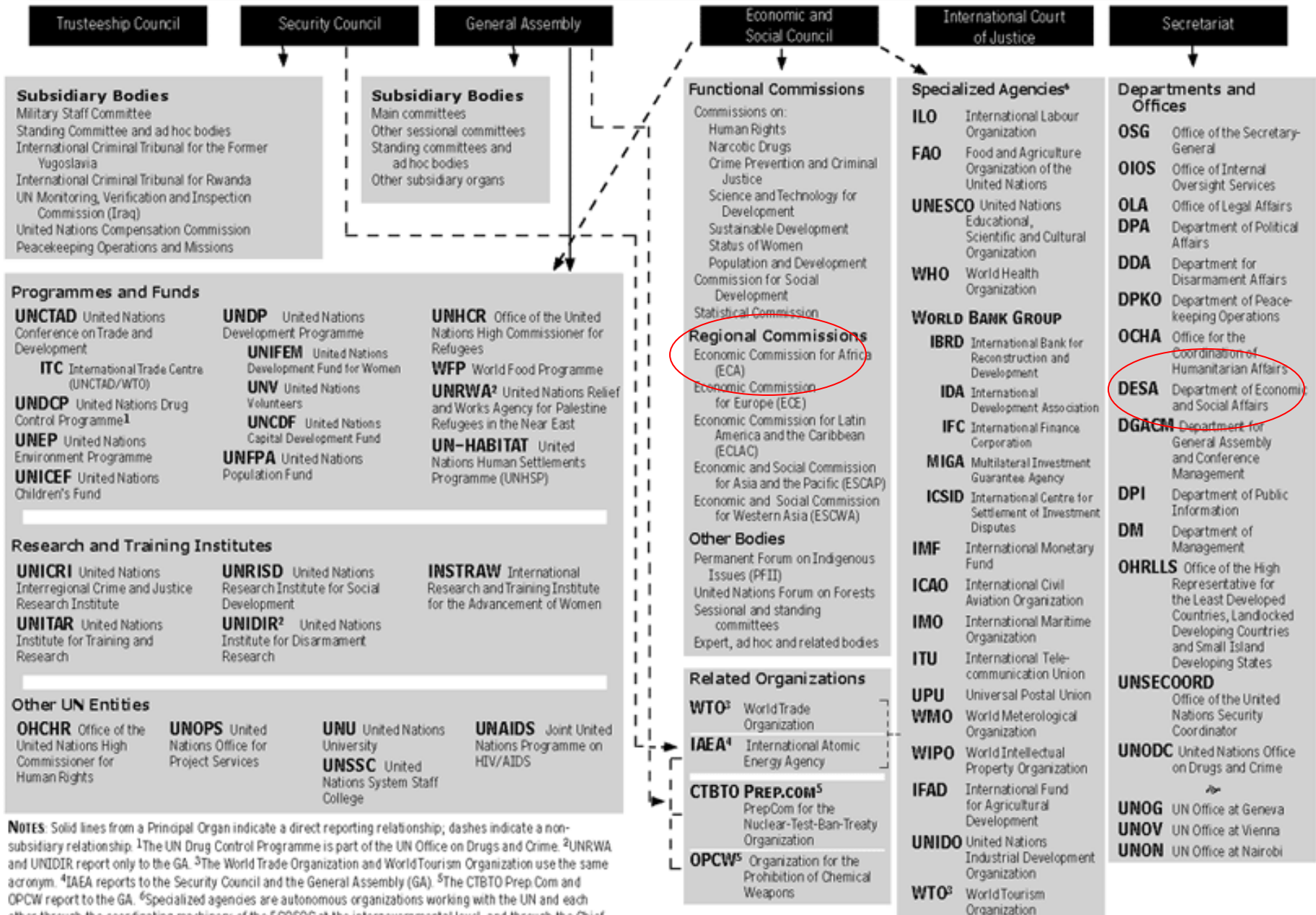
Introductions

- Name, country, ministry or organization
- What do you do at your Ministry or organization?
- What is your favourite part of your work?
- What is your least favourite part of your work?
- Anything else?



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Workshop overall objective

The principal objective of the workshop is to increase our collective ability to review and assess the implementation of national youth policies.

Specific objectives

- Share and learn from the experiences of one another in working to implement national youth policies and programmes.
- Work as a group to identify tools, activities, and approaches in support of effective implementation, monitoring and evaluation of youth development programmes.

Specific objectives (cont'd)

- Discuss lessons learned in the implementation of national youth policies and analyze obstacles to achieving desired youth development outcomes, including resource mobilization.
- Identify and record further capacity-building needs and knowledge gaps for follow-up activities.
- Foster inter-regional collaboration for the alignment of national youth policies to the regional commitment to youth encapsulated in the African Youth Charter.

What is the World Programme of Action for Youth (WPAY)?

- Contains the primary set of guidelines for youth policies to be carried out by Member States of the United Nations.
- It covers ten priority areas for national youth policies and provides a framework to measure and evaluate achievements.
- Member States added 5 new priorities in 2006.

World Programme of Action for Youth (WPAY)

1. Education
2. Employment
3. Hunger and poverty
4. Health
5. Environment
6. Drug abuse
7. Juvenile delinquency
8. Leisure-time activities
9. The situation of girls and young women
10. Participation in decision-making
11. Globalization
12. ICTs
13. HIV/AIDS
14. Youth and armed conflict
15. Intergenerational relations

Discussed in 3 clusters

Youth in a Global Economy: Globalization, Education, Employment, Hunger and Poverty

Youth in Civil Society: Environment, Leisure, Participation, Intergenerational, ICT

Youth and their Wellbeing: Health, HIV/AIDS, Drugs, Delinquency, Young women, Armed Conflict

Some of the proposals for action in the WPAY

For poverty and hunger:

- Skills-training for income-generating activities (para. 44)
- Land grants for young people supported by technical assistance and training (para. 45 & 46)

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For environment:

- Integration of environmental training into formal education (para. 65 & 66)
- Enhancing the role of the media as a tool for widespread dissemination of environmental issues for youth (para. 71 & 72)

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For drug abuse:

- Work with young people on the demand reduction side of drug abuse (para. 77 & 78)
- Provide treatment and rehabilitation for drug-dependent young people (para. 80, 81 & 82)

Next Activity...

Using a wall chart, we will create an overview of the five national youth policies using the framework provided by the WPAY.

Take a moment to reflect on your NYP and decide which areas of the wall chart need to be checked off in relation your country.