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Beyond G-8: At the table? On the table? Whose table?

By Ingrid Srinath, CIVICUS Secretary General

Dear friends and colleagues,

When I was a teenager, in Mumbai, India, my parents hired a new maid. She was exactly the same age as I was, but unlike me, had never been to school. While I probably attributed my academic 'success' to my own hard work, and my parents probably believed they'd paid for it through theirs, the stark reality was that my education had been paid for by our new maid and her brothers and sisters all over India. Hundreds of millions whose life choices were limited virtually from birth by a deeply entrenched system of privilege that, for instance, granted me access to a subsidised education all the way up to the post-graduate level, while excluding her from even basic literacy. At the very apex of global decision-making the disparities are even starker. One country controls 17.5% of the votes at the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the poorest 40 control less than 0.9%. Access to these elite clubs is strictly controlled. The recently concluded G8 meetings highlighted this fact yet again. To read this week's column, [click here](#).



G8 Summit 2008: All talk, zero walk

By Archbishop Njongonkulu Ndungane, President and Founder of African Monitor

The Group of Eight (G8) summit has come and, like other previous summits, gone. Great anticipation preceded this year's summit against a backdrop of escalating problems and new challenges bedeviling the world, particularly the African continent. Today, our world communities are confronting the worst food crisis in 45 years. Food prices have tripled in the last three years. The World Bank estimates that 100 million people are falling deeper into poverty as prices for basic staples that feed the world, such as wheat, rice and corn, have risen by a staggering 83%. Together with the existing challenges that Africa has always faced without these new crises, it is clear that our continent is disproportionately affected. For more information, [click here](#).



Civil society engagement at the Universal Periodic Review of the Human Rights Council

By Renate Bloem, CIVICUS United Nations Representative in Geneva

The recent CIVICUS World Assembly opened a large window on human rights, at the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration. It not only gave support but called for a spectacular march for the "Every Human has Rights campaign", led by Mary Robinson. It gives rise to discussion about how to promote and deepen civil society's engagement with UN human rights processes. The CIVICUS Civil Society Watch (CSW) programme provides a promising tool to promote and advance civil society's engagement in the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of the Human Rights Council process, as the submissions on Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan have shown. For more information, [click here](#).

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CIVICUS Poll Question

This week's question:

Are the Group of Eight (G8) countries doing enough to listen to the voices of civil society?

To answer the question, [click here](#).

Previous question: Do you think that G8 leaders have effectively addressed the growing poverty crises affecting ordinary citizens around the world?

Results: Yes - 10%, No - 88%, Don't Know - 2%

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e-CIVICUS DIALOGUES

Center for Global Development calls for scraping of the G8

Source: Lawrence MacDonald, Director of Communications and Policy, Center for Global Development (CGD)

The 2008 G8 Summit in Sapporo, Hokkaido Prefecture, Japan, came tragically short of addressing climate change and a host of urgent problems affecting poor people in developing countries. To be sure, the leaders of the world's rich industrial countries expostulated on all the right topics: the world economy, environment and climate change, development and Africa, and global food security. But their prescriptions and promised actions seem unlikely to make much difference in the real world. CGD director of communications and policy Lawrence MacDonald argues that it's time to scrap the G8 in favour of a new power caucus that includes such developing country giants as Brazil, China and India. For more information, [click here](#).



Africa requires a new resource governance paradigm for sustainable development

By Ashraf Patel, Independent Development Policy Analyst

As global leaders meet at the G8, the spectre of super high food and fuel prices further blots an already gloomy economic outlook. This news has burdened Africa's 'development agenda' at the G8 which grappled with stalled trade talks, aid effectiveness, fighting HIV/AIDS, meeting MDGs and expanding infrastructure development. Although Africa's growth rates of 5-6% have been lauded by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), it comes amidst skyrocketing food and fuel costs that are plunging millions more people into poverty. Civil society is moving in and the "Publish What You Pay (PWYP)" coalition, supported by Oxfam, Open Society Initiative (OSI) and Save the Children

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UK is a timely one designed to promote the importance of tracking resource and revenue flows. Many of these coalitions are growing in Africa and enhancing social accountability. For more information, [click here](#).

CIVIL SOCIETY NEWS

Bringing democracy to Burma: Aung San Suu Kyi celebrates her 63rd birthday under house arrest

By Lalit K JHA, The Irrawaddy News

Thousands of miles from her home on Rangoon's Inya Lake, some influential supporters of Aung San Suu Kyi gathered on Capitol Hill in Washington DC to celebrate her 63rd birthday. Millions of people are with her, they said, urging the people of Burma not to lose hope and to continue their struggle. Describing Suu Kyi's birthday a "bitter sweet day" for her supporters worldwide, T. Kumar from Amnesty International said now is a crucial time for the people of Burma. "We should think of going after China, the main supporter of the junta," he said. "The second culprit in the neighbourhood is India; again, we should go after India. We should redouble our efforts to go after China in particular and India as a second target." For more information, [click here](#).

Asian media and civil society unite to influence global climate policy

Source: Reuters and AlertNet

The "Right to Climate and Green Growth" campaign was launched by 43 leading civil society organisations and media from India, Pakistan, Maldives, Malaysia, Singapore and Bangladesh in Chennai, India in April. The campaign aims to raise these issues at key ministerial and governmental meetings in Asia and Africa over the next four years with the support of civil society groups. The First Asian Commonwealth Conference on Climate and Disaster Risks, organised by the All India Disaster Mitigation Institute (AIDMI) and the UK-based Commonwealth Foundation, also agreed to launch the Pan Commonwealth Civil Society and Media Network to run the campaign. "Asia must shape and not just support the global agenda. This is not possible without citizen action supported by media and civil society," said Amar Jyoti Nayak of ActionAid. For more information, [click here](#).

Civil society to hold own global migration forum in Philippines

Source: ABS CBN News

Civil society groups will hold a parallel event to the 2nd Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD), which they fear will tackle only "managed migration" and the development side of migration. Teodoro Navea, representative of the Philippine working group, said the parallel event will be called the People's Global Action on Migration, Development and Human Rights, since "migration is not the responsibility of the government alone but also of civil society groups." For more information, [click here](#).

Civil society position on the prevailing political situation in Zimbabwe

Source: Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights (ZLHR)

The membership of the Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights (ZLHR) met on 9 July 2008 following the events of 29 March and 27 June to consider and resolve the organization's position on recent events and a roadmap for the way forward for Zimbabwe. The prevailing situation throughout Zimbabwe in the period from 29 March 2008 to date has been characterized by grave human rights violations and a concerted suppression of the fundamental rights and freedoms of the people of Zimbabwe. In particular, ZLHR notes that the right to public participation in the government of the country has been severely damaged. For more information, [click here](#).

Interest grows in reducing social exclusion through civic engagement, participation and volunteering for development

Source: Professor Leila Patel, head of the Centre for Social Development in Africa at the University of Johannesburg, and a VOSESA board member

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The issue of social inclusion in civic engagement efforts to promote national development is beginning to emerge more cogently on the agenda of international agencies and national governments. There is a renewed interest in promoting civic engagement - with its focus on involving citizens to engage freely, individually and collectively to address matters of public concern - by United Nations agencies, national governments and non-governmental organisations to counteract social exclusion and promote inclusive societies. Increasing participation through volunteering for development is featuring more prominently on the agenda of international organisations interested in development issues. For more information, [click here](#).

National Assembly passes amnesty law in Democratic Republic of Congo

Source: Worldpress.org

An amnesty law for acts of war and insurgency was passed this afternoon by the National Assembly. This law only applies to Congolese who have committed acts of war and insurgency in North and South Kivu, reports radiookapi.net. After a heated debate, the Minister of Justice and Human Rights, Mutombo Bakafwasenda, convinced Members of Parliament to pass the law for the sake of peace and unity in the country. This amnesty, noted the minister, is a contract between the central government and armed groups from the East who asked for it as a sign of forgiveness. He added that the nation forgives these groups on the condition that they make reparations. Amnesty will only be granted to those who have sought it. Although it removes criminal responsibility for acts of war and insurgency, the authors of such acts are still subject to civil liability and will have to make amends if found guilty. For more information, [click here](#).

MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS & GLOBAL CALL TO ACTION AGAINST POVERTY



One or two bad apples at the G8 spoiled the outcomes

By Dennis Howlett, Coordinator of Make Poverty History (Canada)

One of the problems with the G8 is that all the decisions are taken by consensus, so the final communiqués end up being the least common denominator position. The worst positions on each issue are the ones that end up being adopted. Canada and the US have been the spoilers on climate change as well. The G8 communiqué on climate change has committed G8 countries to a 50% reduction in greenhouse gasses by 2050, with no reference to any mid-term targets. European countries were pushing for mid-term targets as well as the use of stronger language on climate change in the communiqué. There is no agreement on what the base year should be for calculating greenhouse gas emissions, even though the Kyoto Protocol sets 1990 levels as the base. This renders even the 50% by 2050 figure meaningless. For more information, [click here](#).

Pilgrims urged to join fight against global poverty in Australia

By Catherine Smibert

World Youth Day is not just about celebration and festivities. It also needs to be a call to action to bring Christ's message to a socially unjust world, says the president of Caritas Internationalis. Cardinal Oscar Rodríguez talked to ZENIT about bringing the Church's social doctrine to the fore at the Sydney youth event. Caritas Australia organised a multimedia exhibition on the Millennium Development Goals at Customs House in Circular Quay. The exhibit titled "Blueprint for A Better World" officially opened at a ceremony at Sydney Harbour. For more information, [click here](#).

Observing the G-5 Political Declaration on poverty and Development Goals

Source: Window of China

Chinese President Hu Jintao and the leaders of Brazil, India, Mexico and South Africa gathered in Sapporo, Japan, on 8 July 2008, where the five leaders issued a Political Declaration on issues including the world economy, food security, climate change, energy security and the UN Millennium Development Goals. The leaders recognise that the interrelationships of a global economic slowdown marked by financial uncertainty, the persistence of trade protectionist distortions, soaring food and oil

prices, and the threats posed by climate change, add complexity to the current scenario. For more information, [click here](#).

GET INVOLVED!

International transparency campaign: Publish What You Fund

Comments Deadline: Friday, 25 July 2008

Accra High Level meeting on aid effectiveness

The "Publish What You Fund Campaign" has been initiated by ActionAid UK with a range of partners. The campaign is an initiative to promote access to information about aid, in particular information held by donors, but also from all other actors engaged in funding aid projects, and in spending aid funds. The aim is to promote accountability and transparency of, and participation in, aid processes, with the objective of promoting more effective aid. This initiative has been developed by the organisations Access Info and Tiri in consultation with a working group of leading aid organisations (ActionAid UK, UK Aid Network, DATA, Development Initiative) with input from International Alert and the International Budget Project, and from Article 19. For more information, [click here](#).

Take Action: Increasing repression and criminalisation against the landless people in Brazil

Source: International Operative Secretariat

Since 17 June, about 300 landless people, the majority of them women, children and the elderly, were forcibly evicted from two camps of the "Movimento de Trabalhadores Sem Terra" (MST), located on leased and private land and thus legally occupied in the vicinity of Fazenda Guerra, in Coqueiros do Sul, Northern region of the state of Rio Grande do Sul. The judiciary of Carazinho has now issued the eviction order after the Attorney General's office of Rio Grande do Sul filed a complaint against MST on 11 June. The Attorney General accuses MST of crimes against the national security and characterises MST as a para-military organisation which must be dismantled. It is the first time since the end of the military dictatorship in Brazil that a systematic attempt to disarticulate and criminalise movements of social protest like MST has taken place. To send your responses to the Brazilian embassy, [click here](#).

Action Alert: Development of a Nike Park threatens local community in Japan

Source: Coalition to Protect Miyashita Park from Becoming Nike Park

Volunteers from varying backgrounds have come together to protect Miyashita Park from a plan that would turn it into a Nike park. Miyashita Park is a public park in the centre of Tokyo (Shibuya Ward), serving both the community and many homeless persons that live there. Currently, the city is moving ahead with plans to fully renovate Miyashita Park and make it Nike Park. Local residents and park frequenters have neither been notified nor consulted on these plans. Moreover, 34 homeless persons who are currently living in tents in the park will be forcibly evicted as a result. The Nike Corporation is both funding the entire 450 million yen for the project and paying a naming rights fee, approximately 150 million yen per year. To speak out on this action, [click here](#).

ACCOUNTABILITY

Strategic Responsible Competitiveness in Saudi Arabia

Source: AccountAbility, www.accountability21.net

The Responsible Competitiveness Initiative is active worldwide in countries such as India, Brazil, China and more recently Saudi Arabia. The Saudi Arabia Responsible Competitiveness Index was launched on 13 July. An agreement was formally signed related to the launch of an award that will be offered to the best three performing companies based on the benchmarks set by the Saudi Arabian Responsible Competitiveness Index (SARCI). The index developed by AccountAbility is an analytical

competitiveness. The Responsible Competitiveness initiative blends forward-looking corporate strategies, innovative public policies, and a vibrant, engaged civil society. For more information, [click here](#).

CIVIL SOCIETY ACTIVISM AND GLOBAL INSTITUTIONS

Civil society disappointed by lack of concrete promises at the G8 Summit

By Masami Ito, Japanese Times

Various non-governmental organisations expressed deep disappointment over the G8 summit, which ended without any concrete goals or commitments and left much unfinished business for next year's meeting in Italy. This year's summit was a step backward from last year's gathering in Heiligendamm, Germany, said Yurika Ayukawa, vice chairwoman of the 2008 G8 Summit NGO Forum. "First and foremost, we were demanding that the G8 leaders set high goals for themselves," Ayukawa said. "And then the G8 leaders would be able to gain trust from the developing countries and create a process in which they could join." For more information, [click here](#).

Hearings of civil society and the business sector on financing for development

Source: UN- Non-Governmental Liaison Service, The Road to Doha

In preparation for the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus (Doha, Qatar 29 November - 2 December 2008), two half-day hearings were held on 18 June 2008 in New York, with civil society and the business sector respectively. The hearings took the form of a series of presentations by the panellists followed by an interactive debate on the six thematic areas of the Monterrey Consensus, as well as new challenges and cross-cutting issues. For more information, [click here](#).

Spotlight on Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) on Climate change

Dr. Hamadoun Touré, Secretary General, International Telecommunications Union (ITU)

The Secretary General speaks in an interview with Climate Action about the centrality of information and communication technologies (ICTs) in addressing climate change. It is estimated that ICTs contribute around 2-2.5 per cent of global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. These percentages are likely to grow as ICTs become more widely available. At the same time, ICTs can be used to combat climate change and serve as a potent, cross-cutting tool to limit and ultimately reduce GHG emissions across economic and social sectors, in particular by the introduction and development of more energy-efficient devices, applications and networks, as well as their environmentally sound disposal. For more information, [click here](#).

Democracy is losing ground in Africa

By Edmund Sanders, Los Angeles Times

After a surge of reforms in the 1990s, many countries have suffered setbacks, with 'pseudo-democracies' and incumbents who refuse to cede power. Election-related meltdowns in Zimbabwe and Kenya are stark reminders of democracy's fragile foothold in Africa, experts say, despite years of financial and diplomatic investment by the United States and other Western nations. A combination of challenges unique to the continent, including worsening poverty and inconsistent international engagement, is blamed for fuelling a string of setbacks. After some progress in the early 1990s, once-promising governments have regressed, particularly around election time. For more information, [click here](#).

PROFILES



United Nations
Democracy Fund

DONOR: United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF)

UNDEF was established in July 2005 as a United Nations General Trust Fund.

Its primary purpose is to support democratisation throughout the world. UNDEF finances projects that build and strengthen democratic institutions, promote human rights, and ensure the participation of all groups in democratic processes. The Fund provides assistance to governmental, non-governmental, national, regional, and international organisations, including relevant United Nations departments, offices, funds, programmes and agencies. The Fund complements other UN efforts to strengthen and expand democracy worldwide. It is anticipated that the Third Round of funding will be advertised on the UNDEF website in November 2008. For more information, [click here](#).



MEMBER: TUMIKOM, the Association of Parliamentary Monitoring Committees

TUMIKOM is an electoral initiative working to protect the rights of the electorate and strengthen democracy in Turkey located in Istanbul. TUMIKOM is working to build more responsive institutions based on its vision of a sustainable democracy where citizens and elected officials have the highest possible regard for ethics and the rule of law. Its purpose is to increase voter awareness by informing the public about elected officials, publishing its reports regularly and keeping social memory alive. TUMIKOM's monitoring report which covers the activities in parliament of around 550 MPs is published annually. It has conveyed universally that parliament and parliamentarians can be monitored objectively. To learn more, [click here](#).

BOOKS, REPORTS & RESOURCES

Civil society and aid effectiveness

Synthesis of Findings and Recommendations Advisory Group on Civil Society and Aid Effectiveness
This report summarises the main findings and recommendations emerging from our work and consultations as members of the OECD-DAC's Advisory Group on Civil Society and Aid Effectiveness. These recommendations are directed to a broad community of stakeholders, including developing country governments, donors, and civil society organisations (CSOs) from developing and developed countries. For more information, [click here](#).

Rebuilding Lives: An Introduction to Promising Practices in the Rehabilitation

By Helen C. Armstrong, *Freed the Slaves*

Using the experiences of many different programmes, this brief manual outlines practical suggestions for frontline anti-slavery workers. It is intended for people who want to start new programmes, improve their existing services, or encourage donors to provide stronger support. The manual emphasises suggestions that are practical where human and money resources are limited, and is written as a simple tool for frontline anti-slavery workers who want to start new programmes for freed slaves, improve their existing work, or show funders the type of assistance that is needed. Through discussing each of the 14 chapters, rehabilitation staff will be helped to find what will work best for them and their clients of any age as they emerge from any form of slavery. For more information, [click here](#).

CN NET: Climate Neutral Network - an online platform to promote climate neutrality

Source: *Climate Action*

The CN Net is a tool for outreach, communication, networking, and awareness-raising on climate change around the globe. The network was launched at UNEP's Governing Council on 21 February 2008. This initiative, delivered online, encourages widespread and national, regional and global 'buy in' to climate neutrality at various levels of society. The CN Net is a platform for registering and showcasing pledges from around the world. It provides participants, including nations, regions, cities, local municipalities, and companies, with a platform to present their climate neutral strategies to the world. It also functions as a network for information exchange and sharing of practical experiences. For more information, [click here](#).

Volume 4: Globalization and Grace

By Max L. Stackhouse, *The Christian Century*

Stackhouse contends that globalization is creating a new trans-national kind of affiliation, a global civil society that will simultaneously routinise and modify core Christian ideas. Stackhouse considers globalization an ambiguous dynamic that is nevertheless under the watchful eye of a caring God. In today's intellectual climate - inside universities, churches and taverns - this is an adventurous claim. Stackhouse's judgment about globalization is a considered one, however. Since 1988, he has focused on globalization as something to be understood through theological ethics. For more information, [click here](#).

AMARC Japan G8 Radio Forum Coverage

Source: World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters (AMARC)

The Japanese group of AMARC announced the end of a successful ten-day coverage by the Radio Forum of the G8 summit in Tokyo and civil society alternative activities in Sapporo . The coverage was a first for AMARC Japan and was done in collaboration with AMARC global network in Asia-Pacific, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Europe. To view and download the audio files, scripts, and photos from the "G8 Radio Forum 2008", [click here](#).

CONFERENCES \$ EVENTS

World Trade Organisation Public Forum 2008 - Trading into The Future

24-25 September 2008, Geneva, Switzerland

This year's Forum, "Trading into the Future" is designed to provide a unique opportunity for governments, non-governmental organisations, academics, businesses, and students to come together to discuss how the trading system may best reflect the future needs and aspirations of the international community. The Forum takes place against a background of financial instability, high oil and food prices, and intends to trigger a frank and open debate on the role and responsibility of the multilateral trading system on complex issues such as the food crisis, financial markets, climate change, human rights, and electronic commerce. For more information, [click here](#).

Public Participation and Corporate Social Responsibility Conference

27-29 August 2008, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland

This is the major annual event for the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) and the first time that the IAP2 Association has allowed its annual conference to travel beyond the shores of North America. It's a unique opportunity that provides a forum for communities, industry, Government, NGOs, academic institutions and key thinkers from around the world. Public Participation and corporate social responsibility (CSR) is a new politics of responsibility in business towards communities and to citizens. The response from participants wanting to become involved has been encouraging. For more information, [click here](#).

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Reform: Death Penalty Mobilisation Fund

Application deadline: 15 August 2008

The Death Penalty Mobilisation Fund is a Tides Foundation initiative supporting strategic collaborations of local, regional, or national non-profits working on the death penalty at the state and/or federal levels. The State Strategies segment of the Fund provides large capacity-building grants to effective state-based activist non-profit organisations working on death penalty reform (abolition or moratoria campaigns) in the United States. Two-year grants ranging from \$40,000 to \$80,000 each year will be provided. Grants can be used for expansion or enhancement of organisational capacity, campaign development or implementation, infrastructure development necessary to implement or expand campaigns, public education, and direct and grassroots lobbying. For more information, [click here](#).

Open Society Offers Fellowship

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis

Open Society Institute (OSI) accepts applications for Open Society Fellowships throughout the year. These fellowships enable innovative professionals throughout the world, including journalists, activists, academics, and practitioners, to pursue meaningful projects that will generate productive public debate and shape public policy. The fellowship focuses on the following themes: National Security and the Open Society; Citizenship, Membership, and Marginalisation; Strategies and Tools for Advocacy and Citizen Engagement and Understanding Authoritarianism. For more information, [click here](#).

National Geographic Expedites Exploration grants

Application Deadline: accepts pre-applications grant support throughout the year

The National Geographic Expeditions Council offers funding to individuals from around the world to support the exploration of largely unrecorded or little-known areas of the Earth, as well as those regions that are undergoing significant cultural or environmental change. Support is provided for a wide variety of projects, including marine research, archaeological discoveries, first ascents, and more. Grants generally range between \$5,000 and \$35,000. A diversity of applicants is encouraged, and all applicants are expected to have appropriate qualifications and experience relevant to their proposed projects. Pre-applications should be submitted at least six months before the projects' anticipated start dates. For more information, [click here](#).

WORKSHOPS \$ COURSES

International NGOs' Workshop on Development Financing

04-08 August 2008, New York Albany, United States

The International Workshop on Development Financing organised by the John and Ann Doerr Foundation offers an incomparable meeting and learning environment, enriched with the experience of several human and community development practitioners. Microfinance Institutions (MFIs), Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), Associations, donor agencies, consulting firms, government agencies, central and commercial banks, socially responsible investors and private individuals are invited to attend. The Workshop's goal is to help reduce poverty and to raise standards of living by mobilising resources inside and outside the countries by providing technical and financial assistance for development projects and programmes in the concerned countries. For more information, [click here](#).

CALL FOR PAPERS, SUBMISSIONS, SURVEYS & NOMINATIONS

Call for papers: Global Citizenship Education and Post Secondary Institutions

Application Deadline: 5 August 2008

Global citizenship is concerned with the formal and informal relationships between individuals and the world in which they live, including formal structures and human relationships, and it is also closely linked to processes of identity and participation. The University of Alberta Global Citizenship Education will host its conference from October 23 to 25 in Canada and is calling for submission of papers to enhance relationships between global citizenship and justice. Papers can be reports of completed research, outcomes of empirical research, models or theories of global citizenship education, new theorising from the current literature and policies, practices and analysis that could shape future programmes. For more information, [click here](#).

Call for registration of the JusticeMakers Community

Application Deadline: 14 August 2008

If you have an idea, detail it online and you could walk away with \$5,000 to make the concept a reality. Even if you don't want to compete, take the opportunity to engage with criminal legal experts from around the globe and provide feedback to competitors as they refine their proposals. For more information on the importance of legal rights reform in both developing and transitional countries, [click here](#).

Call for Video Tender: Case study on the Southern Africa Gender Protocol Alliance

Application Deadline: 28 July 2008

Competent service providers are invited to submit tenders for the production of videos for use in the advocacy and training work of Gender Links, a Southern African NGO that promotes equality and justice through its work in the media, governance and justice sectors. The objectives of the tenders are to produce two 20-25 minute videos using footage from major conferences taking place in Johannesburg from 10-16 August as well as field visits to at least six Southern African Development Community (SADC) countries that demonstrate citizen engagement with governments and regional structures in the advocacy for a Southern African Protocol on Gender and Development and why gender is a critical factor in governance in the Southern African region. For more information, [click here](#).

APPOINTMENTS

CURRENT JOBS

Media and Communications Consultancy

Application Deadline: 20 July 2008

Global Call to Action against Poverty (GCAP)

Location: Dakar, Senegal

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Application Deadline: 25 July 2008

Save the Children

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