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VISION

A Society where Peace, Social Justice and Reconciliation prevails throughout Africa

MISSION

To work for a society free of physical violence and unjust social structures in Africa

CORE VALUES

- Promote non-violent societal transformation
- Integral Human development and security
- Integrity
- Respect for local culture and traditions
- Justice

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IGAD Exec. Secretary Eng. Mahboub Maalim



Participants with Eng. Mahboub

SCRR ENDORSEMENT BY IGAD

The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) is an interstate regional organization comprising of eight countries in the Horn of Africa; Djibouti, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Kenya, Republic of South Sudan, Somalia, Sudan and Uganda.

The Mission of IGAD is to assist and compliment the efforts of the Member States to achieve through increased cooperation:

- Food Security and environmental protection
- Promotion and maintenance of peace, security and humanitarian affairs
- Economic cooperation and integration.

Structure of IGAD

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government is the supreme policy making organ. It determines the objectives, guidelines and programs for IGAD and meets once a year.

The Secretariat is headed by an Executive Secretary appointed by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government.

The Secretariat assists member states in formulating regional projects in the priority areas, facilitates the coordination and harmonization of development policies, mobilizes resources to implement regional projects and programs approved by the Council and reinforces national infrastructures necessary for implementing regional projects and policies.

- The current Executive Secretary is Eng. Mahboub Maalim.



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ENDORSEMENT BY IGAD AT SCCRR & ISMM CONFERENCE

SCCRR on the 31st March 2012 promulgated its Research Findings on the Turkana /Samburu cluster presented by Prof. Wanakayi Omoka (SCCRR) entitled 'Conflict Between Pastoral Communities in Eastern Africa'. Special guest of honour was Eng. Mahboub Maalim who on behalf of IGAD thanked, endorsed the work of SCCRR and emphasized the immense value of IGAD's partnership with SCCRR. Here is a segment of Eng. Mahboub Maalim's address to the SCCRR– ISMM Conference.

“The Distinguished Participants, Fr. Patrick Devine and colleagues, and others who are here this morning, we have come to celebrate with you the very important achievements by the Shalom Center for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation (SCCRR).

Ladies and Gentlemen, I cannot explain how honoured I am to be here this morning and to join you in this auspicious occasion, to mark, and for us to be able to celebrate some of the outputs of the very important work that is being done through SCCRR for sustainable peace and development, through the leadership of Fr. Patrick and the team he will mention shortly who are all very important contributors in this important endeavor that is happening in our country and in our region, being the Eastern African—Horn of Africa region. I am delighted that Honourable Netsannet Asfaw, the IGAD Director of Peace and Security and Dr. Martin Kimani the IGAD Director of CEWARN (Conflict Early Warning Response Mechanism),



Fr Devine Executive Director SCCRR with Eng. Mahboub

They are here with us today travelling from Djibouti and Addis Ababa. Through their directorates CEWARN have a team to collect information from experts on the ground regarding conflict amongst pastoralists, feed information to a central place, to sensitize the information and then release the information to member states. IGAD saw a need to have partner organizations in order to boost output and enhance our systems and information base with key inputs to be forwarded to the national member states, on their national security and policy formulation. Because of that gap, and our inability not to do everything that is supposed to be done, we started looking for people who we can partner with us.





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People with similar ideas, people's whose output we can consume, who we can work together with, so that they can share in the strategic plan knowing where the resources are coming from, who have their own expertise to do the work and how we can complementarily build capacity in partnership.

It was a result of this that I was fortunate to be introduced to the work of SCCRR and to meet Fr. Patrick Devine, the Executive Director of SCCRR with Dr. Mudida and Dr. Comerford, It soon become apparent, the integrity of the organization, the nature and quality of their work was very comprehensive and of a high standard and critical to the goals of peace development.

After consultation, I decided, with the Director of Peace and Security to enter an MOU with the Shalom Center for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation. We have the same objective, and since we have similar vision and mission, same outlook and desire, the same interest of what happens in output, we were keen to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). I respected their approach, commitment, their quality of work is excellent, and because of that they would be naturally able to become partners with us, that this was going to be a pivotal moment for us, we are gaining more on the work they are doing in SCCRR, with the Church, inter-religious collaboration and through the Institutes of Social Ministry and Theology here in Tangaza College.

SCCRR will be very beneficial to member states, in their national security policy, their planning processes, their position of security staffs, in bringing about enduring peace and sustained development.

So the approach, the quality and commitment of SCCRR is exceptionally high class and also because of the fact that their research methodology is addressing the root causes of recurring conflict events. It is very good for them to be able to share some of their 'Research Output' with us such as that on the Turkana-Samburu Conflict; this research has been very impressive; the issue of planning as we go forward will be fostered.

SCCRR is very important to us; it is a very good partner in the work of peace and security particularly in the pastoral conflict area; it is in line also with the IGAD member states orientation to heighten CEWARN processes focusing on the conflicts between 'Pastoralist' communities.

Most of these conflicts are historical and have escalated because of lack of resources and other factors; now times have changed, people are dispersed and traditional systems of conflict management and peace-building have weakened. The work done by SHALOM (SCCRR) is so important and what they are giving us is so important.

So that is where we are, we are committed to SCCRR, including the possibility of SCCRR to join us at our annual meetings, Peace and Security meetings, where outputs from some of the partners can be discussed and we can facilitate the feedback into the policy making in our regions. Policy provides framework, recognizing current issues that leadership in member countries need to address.

We are going to look at ways we can heighten our collaboration with SCCRR. On behalf of IGAD, thank you Fr. Patrick and all the SCCRR team."

Eng. Mahboub Maalim.