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formed in 1993 and has grown as a national network giving a voice to community and environmental organisations across Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific. NTN is the Australian focal point for the International POPs Elimination Network (IPEN) and works towards the full implementation of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)2001 and other global chemical conventions. NTN is a member of the NGO delegation to the POPs Review Committee which is the UN scientific committee assessing new POPs' nominations.

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The Asian Center for Environmental Health was founded jointly with the World Alliance for Mercury Free Dentistry and Environment and Social Development Organization-ESDO on 28th December, 2013 at the headquarter in Dhaka,







Bangladesh. It aimed to meet the emerging need of an institution to work on Environmental Health in Asia and facilitate the expertise to, and cooperation with government in Asia.

Recalling that throughout the Minamata Convention negotiations, the Asia Region worked very hard to make sure that reduction in dental amalgam use specifically is included in the treaty, convincingly arguing for the phase out of amalgam generally and for an end to amalgam specially in children with milk teeth and the teeth of pregnant women. Asian partner countries are working together to make Asian nations adoptable to effective amalgam phase out strategies that have been proven in nations that have already phased out or significantly reduced dental mercury use. The Asian Center works to build networks, awareness and governance on environmental health issues across Asia.

The mission of the Asian Center is to play a role of a

- "Think tank" developing ideas, policies, and strategies to reduce and eliminate environmental toxins in Asia.
- Watchdog against industrial abuses stopping the toxic trade to developing nations and ending the shipping of products no longer wanted in developed societies but which are dumped into developing nations.
- Fundamental research and academic attribute for sustainable and alternative curriculum development.

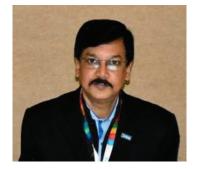


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HEAL, founded in 2003, is a leading European nongovernmental, public interest non profit organization addressing how the environment affects public health in the European Union and in the European region of the World Health Organisation. We demonstrate how policy changes based on scientific evidence can help protect health and enhance people's quality of life. Starting as the environmental 'wing' of the European Public Health Alliance (EPHA Environmental Network or EEN), HEAL was created to bring the health voice to the centre of a wide spectrum of EU environmental policies, and to integrate environmental concerns in public health decisions. Our 70 plus member organizations, composed of researchers, health professionals, patients, youth, environmental experts and other concerned citizens, help to bring independent expertise and evidence from the environmental health community to different decision-making processes. Members include international and Europe-wide organisations, as well as national and local groups. HEAL as a strong track record in increasing public and expert engagement in EU and World Health Organization (WHO) debates and decision-making processes on environment and health.



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GAPROFFA is accredited at Stockholm, Rotterdam, Basel and Minamata Convention on Mercury. GAPROFFA is currently carrying out a study on the identification of oil paint brands sold for use in homes, schools and playgrounds equipment.



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The Central American Institute for Research on Toxic Substances (IRET) was created in 1982 under the National University programmes. IRET contributes to interdisciplinary and intersectoral way to sustainable development and improving the quality of life in Central America, through the evaluation and reduction of environmental and occupational hazards, with particular attention to toxic substances. IRET seeks maximum academic excellence in the themes of environment areas, toxicology, health and labor in the Central American regional where is a leadership, which allows it to influence the processes of change towards sustainable development and quality of life, with emphasis on the protection of ecosystems and the health of populations, especially those in vulnerable situations. The knowledge and data generated by IRET are used by governmental and nongovernmental entities as a primary source of information on topics of exposure to toxic substances and their effects on the environment and human health IRET coordinates the work of RAP-AL Costa Rica which has very similar goals for reducing the use of pesticides, the search for sustainable forms of agricultural production and the ban on GM crops.

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El objetivo de la organización es contribuir a la disminución de la relevancia de los plaguicidas, en especial los HHP mediante actividades de investigación, capacitación y divulgación. La línea de investigación principal es la aplicación de indicadores para la determinación de la sostenibilidad, el impacto y la tendencia en el uso de plaguicidas; la cual se realiza mediante estudios de caso en tres escalas: territorio, cultivo y plaguicida. Las tareas de investigación se ejecutan con estudiantes de los programas de postgrado de las maestrías en Agroecología y Sanidad Vegetal. Se concluyeron nueve estudios de caso y cinco están en proceso. Los resultados obtenidos han permitido disponer de una línea base para la toma de decisiones en los análisis previos a la retirada del Registro de Plaguicidas de los HHP y en la identificación de ecosistemas estratégicos en relación con el uso de plaguicidas, hasta hoy se han identificado las provincias Artemisa y Mayabeque. La segunda línea de investigación está relacionada con la implementación de alternativas agroecológicas que no sean aplicadas como política de sustitución de insumos.

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CESTA is the first environmental organization founded in El Salvador in 1980, its mission is to contribute to the sustainability of the country by promoting and implementing environmental programs, projects and actions that also contribute to a sustainable world. Its general objective is that population in El Salvador adopts and practices a system of values compatible with the sustainability of the country. Its specific objectives are: 1. Promote empowerment of communities and sectors, to raise levels of local sovereignty, aimed to improve quality of life in harmony with environment. 2. To generate solidarity and ways of life for people and societies, compatible with the environment. 3. To protect human beings, other species and habitats from deterioration and destruction of the environment, by recovering the lost ecological balance. The result of CESTA's 36 years of work has been that environmental issues be taken seriously by the authorities and groups with decision-making power in the Salvador. CESTA was active in the discussions 20 years ago, to create the Environment and Natural Resources Ministry and the Environmental Law, then environmental municipal ordinances, and proposals on "Sustainable Management of Solid Wastes", that have served as examples nationally and internationally. CESTA has 22 persons working in environmental conflicts, climate change, solid waste management, agroecology, community health, natural medicine, biodiversity, forests, bicycle for transportation and renewable energy.

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Pesticide Action Nexus Association of Ethiopia (PAN-Ethiopia) is a non-governmental organization established to work on environment and development to contribute to the eradication of poverty in Ethiopia through raising the awareness of the public in order to prevent the public health and environmental impacts of pesticides and other hazardous chemicals. Its main purpose is to enhance and promote a safe and sustainable environment protected from harms posed by hazardous chemicals by promoting the close collaboration of government, non-governmental organizations; civil society interest groups, urban and rural communities.





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ATC-Paris was founded in 1989 to help workers affected by asbestos. Henri Pezerat, André Picot, Maurice Rabache, Jean-François Narbonne and some other scientists formed this NGO ""to promote in effective collaboration of its members a development and knowledge transmission policy in Fundamental and Applied Toxicology & Toxico-Chemistry, and to provide its members an updated of their knowledges by all well known ways". Because most of them were university professors, researchers for national agencies or french institutes, ATC was at the beginning the acronym of Association Toxicologie CNAM.

The CNAM is the acronym of: Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers/ National Conservatory of Art and Work, which train engineers and adult vocational training. In 2009, the CNAM closed its toxicology chair (vocational education). The founders have decided to maintain its first aim and missions in keeping the acronym ATC which means now Association Toxicologie Chimie /Association Toxicology Chemistry (status 2009).





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Greenpeace is an independent campaigning organisation that uses non-violent direct action to expose global environmental problems and to force solutions which are essential to a green and peaceful future. Greenpeace's goal is to ensure the ability of the earth to nurture life in all its diversity. In our Detox Campaign, we fight for a toxic-free-future where dangerous chemicals are no longer produced, used and released into our environment. In the last 5 years more then 20 fashion companies have already committed to detox their clothes production. In the Central and Eastern European region, mainly in Hungary and in Slovakia we uncover local pollution cases and we lobby for proper pollution and disaster prevention policies.



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LHAP has a mission to influence, encourage and assist local communities throughout Jordan to ensure proper social and economical progress, and ecological integrity in a democratic arena and respect of human rights. LHAP considers the holistic approach in its work, which stems from the mere understanding of sustainable development. It considers the three pillars of sustainable development: the social, economic and environment with the cross-cutting issues that are pre-requisite for sustainable development advancement. On top of that is the involvement and participation of women and youth in the advancement of these pillars. LHAP acts as a connecting point through which funding, mobilization and recruitment of national experts to serve its community can be achieved. LHAP is a member of several Arab, regional and international entities, and venues to consider for serving Jordanians. During the past 15 years, LHAP implemented more than 60 diverse types of projects (in all disciplines), secured jobs for many new graduates, equipped them with skills and knowledge and facilitated for them get secure jobs. LHAP has two groups: a pool of experts and a youth group called "Youth for Sustainable Development -YSD". Both groups are mobilized to serve their communities' needs using knowledge and energy.

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ECOM's mission is to defend human rights to a healthy environment. We strive for developing community participation and making the right decisions concerning chemical safety. We have been practicing the application of public participation for 15 years and are working on its improvement, both in the region and in the state. We arranged a successful campaign, "Don't Poison My Pavlodar!" in 2015. Its aim was to stand against building a toxic waste burning plant, which contains POPs. In fact, over 100,000 citizens signed the petition against that dangerous project. ECOM participated in the arrangement of the Government Appeal; we made expert evaluations of the project accessible in the community via a Mass Media campaign. For the first time, over 800 citizens came to a public hearing. We also collected citizens' signatures as evidence against the project. Our volunteers were active in the city and as the result, the city's administration had to decline the project, taking into account this public opinion. We currently follow the issue of mercury pollution in the industrial site of cities in which it occurs and monitor the chemical's leakage in chemical plants in the period of the Soviet System. In this period, about 1300 tons have polluted construction ruins, in the soil and in the water-storage sediments of the sewage. As observers, we take part in monitoring the environment. As experts, we participate in creating "Conception on Rehabilitation of the Mercury Pollution.



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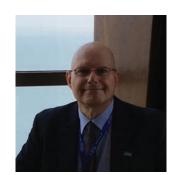
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IPEN's mission is a toxics-free future for all. The IPEN network is comprised of hundreds of public-interest organizations in 116 countries that work to reduce and eliminate hazardous, toxic substances internationally and within their own countries. IPEN leaders include grassroots activists and nationally and internationally recognized experts in the fields of science, health, environment and public policy.



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IndyAct has already established local, regional and international campaigns that are based on non-violent and innovative ideas to inspire the required change. The organizations that IndyAct cooperates and partners with include highly respectable international networks and organizations. We work for a toxic-free future.



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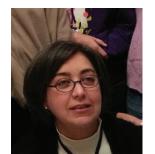


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CILAS researches working conditions, fights for workers rights, trains in occupational health and safety, and engages in political advisory to the Mexican independent and democratic unions. They fight to defend the workers rights and conquests, denouncing when these rights are violated, and making publications and press conferences. CILAS has gained a sound prestige in democratic social media and their courses and advisory are well received and attended by the unions and their workers. CILAS also participates with other organizations to make these objectives a reality for social and political life in Mexico.

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Casa Cem- Vias Verdes A.C. is a meeting point between public, private, academic sectors and civil society working to transform the condition of the socio-environmental problems of the Western region of Mexico towards sustainability through governance processes and environmental education. Our general goal is to contribute to the improvement of socio-environmental conditions through environmental governance, management, training, advocacy, education, communication, legal action and research programs in relation to the life cycle of natural resources and their interaction with humans.

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El Centro de Reflexión y Acción Laboral (CEREAL) de Guadalajara es una extensión del proyecto obrero de Fomento Cultural y Educativo A. C, que a su vez pertenece a la Compañia de Jesus( obra social Jesuita) en su conjunto. Las oficinas en el Occidente de México fueron abiertas en 1997 con la intención de proporcionar una atención más cercana a los trabajadores de la industria maquiladora, sobre todo la de tipo electrónico.

Las empresas maquiladoras, en general, se caracterizan, principalmente, por sus procesos productivos altamente globalizados y por su recurrente violación a los derechos de los trabajadores. Ante esta realidad, cada vez más extendida en el mundo, Fomento ha querido ofrecer a este tipo de trabajadores un servicio que les permita conocer sus derechos y les facilite actuar organizadamente en la búsqueda de alternativas de solución.

#### Objetivos Específicos:

- Capacitar a los y las trabajadoras de los sectores que acompañamos, en el conocimiento de sus derechos humanos laborales, para lograr mejores condiciones de trabajo.
- Promover y fortalecer las organizaciones de los y las trabajadoras que acompañamos.
- Fortalecer la incidencia y articulación del CEREAL en las redes sindicales, civiles, académicas y de organismos defensores de los derechos humanos nacionales e internacionales.
- Colaborar y fortalecer las articulaciones regionales, nacionales e internacionales que los mismos trabajadores van impulsando.
- Denunciar las violaciones y defender los Derechos Humanos Laborales, especialmente en el seguimiento a los casos ante las instancias nacionales e internacionales





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ReLANS is the acronym for the Latin American Nanotechnology & Society Network. Created in 2006, this network is a forum for discussion and exchange of information that follows the process of nanotechnology development in Latin America. ReLANS establishes links and collaboration agreements with academic institutions, NGOs, trade unions, governments and society, intending to examine and evaluate the political, economic, social, legal, ethical and environmental implications of nanotechnologies in Latin America. ReLANS has been publishing books and organizing congresses and seminars on the topic. ReLANS is a member of IPEN. www.relans.org

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ensuring chemical safety in place. CEPHED works and activities has been recognized at national and international level as we have received several national and international awards: UNDP GEF SGP Outstanding 2009 and First Prize 2012; UN POPs Convention Secretariat PCB Elimination Network's PEN Award 2011; Grill Traders Association Award 2068 (2011); Environment Conservation Award 2069(2012), Best Paper Award on Mercury Research 2015 and Environment Conservation Award 2073 (2016) etc. CEPHED has successful in several policy influences like Mandatory Lead Paint Standard of 90 ppm; Ban of Import, Sale, Distribution and Uses of Asbestos and asbestos containing products; banning of Import, Purchase and Uses of Mercury based equipment and we are expecting soon the mandatory standard for toxic chemicals in Children Toys etc.

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RAPAL Panama seeks to influence environmental policies of the Panamanian state on pesticides, GMOs and agricultural alternatives friendlier to human health and the environment. Our management has trained on the topics mentioned since 2001 covering 10 provinces across the country. We have made alliances with organizations such as PROCOSOL (Production and Marketing Partnership), Gorace (Organic Producers Group Cerro Punta), AMIPILA (Friends of International Frienship Park), Uncurepa (Consumers Union of the Republic of Panama) and others. We have created outreach programs on television and teaching materials for training, such as brochures, and videos. We own and use a lot of material obtained from international meetings, where we collect materials produced by the other members of RAPAL in Latin America. All of this is used for commemorations and celebrations of environmental including the most important dates, the World Day of No Pesticide use.





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Alter Vida es una Organización no gubernamental (ONG) del Paraguay, sin fines de lucro fundada el 5 de setiembre de 1.985. La MISION es "desarrollar y promover sistemas de gestión socio-ambientales con enfoque de derechos para un Paraguay Sostenible", y la VISION es "ser una Organización Civil comprometida con el Desarrollo Sostenible y reconocida por la calidad de su gestión". Está conformada por socios fundadores y activos que se reúnen anualmente en Asamblea; cuenta con un Consejo Directivo externo de voluntarios reconocidos por su trayectoria y una Dirección Ejecutiva electa entre los directores de Programas. La Coordinación de Directores de Programas es la instancia de análisis, presentación, gestión, implementación y administración de los proyectos de la institución. Los Programas de Alter Vida son: Agroecología, Biodiversidad, Rural de Desarrollo Sostenible y Gestión y Administración de Proyectos, que ejecutan proyectos a nivel nacional. A la fecha la institución ha implementado más de 200 proyectos. Los temas estratégicos son desarrollo local, pobreza, género, salud, cambio climático, producción orgánica, acceso a mercados, entre otros. Alter Vida forma parte de la Red de Acción en Plaguicidas y sus Alternativas para América Latina, y se relaciona con IPEN a través de los proyectos de Mercurio por medio del muestreo de cabellos y de peces (2.012), con la problemática del Mercurio en tubos fluorescentes (2.014), y detección del Mercurio a través del muestreo de cabello en mujeres reproductoras (2.016). En el año 2.011 se trabajó con IPEN para detectar estimaciones de concentración de Plomo (ppm) en esmalte pinturas decorativas comprados en Paraguay. Alter Vida tiene su página web www.altervida.org.py, y sus contactos son: Hebe González de Bóbeda (comercial@altervida.org.py) y Mario Paredes (mparedes@altervida.org.py).





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Chapaevsk Medical Association (CMA) was established in 1999 with a mission to improve health of Chapaevsk inhabitants. One of the main fields of the organization's activity is environmental health. Chapaevsk, Samara region, was historically contaminated by industrial organochlrorine chemicals and dioxins as by-product. In collaboration with the Russian research institutes and Harvard School of Public Health, USA, the prospective cohort Russian Children's Study has been started in Chapaevsk since 2003. The study has focused on assessing the associations of persistent endocrine disrupting chemicals with male growth, puberty and reproductive health. Numerous published study findings were the basis for the argument of Russian remediation and social rehabilitation programs conducted in Chapaevsk and funded by Russian regional and local governments. As a result of this research and remediation activities, Chapaevsk was designated as a member of the World Health Organization network "Healthy Cities" in 2015. Chapaevsk Medical Association plays the key role to raise awareness among former USSR countries regarding impact of endocrine disrupting chemicals on health. In 2014 together with Eco-Accord with support of a grantor and assistance of IPEN, CMA published brochure in Russian "EDCs: state of problem".



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Eco-Accord is a non-for-profit citizens' organisation registered in Russia with a consultative status in UN ECOSOC. Since 1997, Eco-Accord has enhanced public participation in decision-making on chemical safety initiatives, noting Eco-Accord is the IPEN EECCA (Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia) Regional Hub and Olga Speranskaya is Eco-Accord Programme Director and IPEN CoChair. Eco-Accord operates in Russian and in English and coordinates a news service on chemical safety that has grown from 300 to more than 900 direct subscribers from EECCA countries. It leads a network of 106 IPEN participating organisations based in the EECCA, operates a website, facebook and twitter accounts. Eco-Accord has successfully participated in negotiations over the ratification and implementation of chemical agreements in Russia, EECCA and globally. It plays an important role in IPEN's Mercury-Free and Lead in Paint Campaigns and participates in a number of activities on mercury, highly hazardous pesticides, hazardous chemicals in products, and lead in paint. Eco-Accord is also part of the European EDCs Free campaign and is actively involved in the work on EDCs in Russia and other EECCA countries. It focuses on human environmental rights and justice issues and plays an important role defending environmental activists in trouble in Russia and other EECCA countries.



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ALHem (Alternative for safer chemicals) is a civil society organization based in Belgrade, Republic of Serbia. Its goal is promotion of sustainable development, with focus on chemical safety management. The organization was founded in 2013 by professionals with years of experience in the field of chemicals management. ALHem is committed to safe management of chemicals in Serbia and operates at all levels of society with the objective of reducing risks from chemicals to human health and the environment. ALHem follows SAICM global policy strategy. AL-Hem is transferring experience of European and international non-governmental organizations in the effort to establish safe chemicals management. ALHem is the member of IPEN, EEB and HEAL. ALHem informs and educates representatives of business sector about safe chemicals management; promotes safer alternatives for hazardous chemicals; promotes examples of good practices of distribution chains which have implemented a policy of proper chemicals management; provides information to wider public about hazardous chemicals and ways of risk reduction; influences state authorities to adopt and implement policies in this area in compliance with EU policies aimed at reduction of chemical risks; monitors implementation of the regulation in the market and publication of the obtained results; supports consumer protection associations and other CSO in order to achieve safe chemicals management on the market; educates journalists so as to enable accurate and timely reporting in this area; and raises awareness amongst health and education representatives about EDCs.



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I am a clinician representing the Endocrine Society at the 2016 IPEN meeting. My current work focuses on the impact of malaria insecticides on human and environmental health in South Africa. The Endocrine Society has been a leader in promoting the inclusion of endocrine research in studies of EDC and effects on hormones and health. The Society has sponsored international conferences on endocrine-disrupting chemicals, and it has published scientific statements, a statement of principle, and a guide to EDCs for international policymakers in conjunction with IPEN.



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The vision of FoE-Togo is that Togo becomes an environmentally, socially and economically sustainable society. Our mission is to move human society to live in ways that preserve the ability of the Earth to sustain life. It focuses on practices that contribute to sustainable development. In June 2007, FoE-Togo has realized two studies on: State of the impacts of mining and industrial activities on biodiversity in Togo; and State of the impacts of chemicals on Biodiversity in Togo. Currently, FoE-Togo is working on two projects with IPEN: Fight against the affection by mercury of women of childbearing age; and fight against lead in paint. FoE-Togo is Togolese CSO's SAICM Focal Point, and participates with the government on issues related to chemical pollution and other hazardous waste.





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It mainly aims to improve and disseminate the best practice in environment for youth and children. The AEEFG spreads awareness on chemical hazards. The main Activities are: education and training on environmental issues such as chemical hazards like POPs, pesticides, lead in paint, EDCs, and waste; school project for environmental empowerment, leading to better descriptions and understandings of environmental problems; developing comprehensive activities to provide permanent assistance to pupils through the scholar year; encouraging volunteers to plant trees; and bringing wareness to chemical impacts.





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Mission Statement: To promote a culture of responsibility to the environment amongst the general public through awareness, advocacy, capacity building and stakeholders' involvement in Tanzania and beyond. Its focus areas are sound management of chemicals and wastes; sustainable natural resource management; climate change impacts mitigation and adaptation; applied research, training and advisory services; and institutional capacity building. It consults with key stakeholders to influence policy and practices (government, institutions, agencies, industries, NGOs, individual activists, media, local communities); and collaborates and network with national, regional and international stakeholders and networks.





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Environmental & Public Health Consulting is committed to creating a just and sustainable global economy. To this end, the company provides research, develops tools and practices, and crafts policies in support of safer alternatives to toxic chemicals in products and global manufacturing. Dr. Blake has served as Science Advisor for IPEN for the Stockholm POPS Convention, and the SAICM Chemicals in Products (CiP)Programme.



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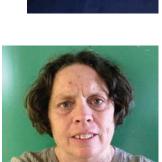
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Alvaro has a diverse background in education, scientific research, and youth advocacy. He is an environmental scientist who holds a Master's from the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UC San Diego. Alvaro joined the CEH team in January of 2015 as CEH's inaugural Environmental Justice Inclusion Fellow. His is currently CEH's Pollution Prevention Advocate and is transitioning from working in policy advocacy and public outreach on flame retardants to focus on programmatic and communications support to the Healthy Energy program's work in California.

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Caroline leads CEH's research on toxic exposures, identifying, analyzing and substantiating the scientific bases for our work to eliminate threats to children and others exposed to dangerous chemicals in consumer products. Under Caroline's leadership, CEH has won dozens of landmark legal agreements with major companies, requiring them to eliminate harmful chemicals from their products and/or reduce their toxic emissions. On CEH's behalf, she has testified to Congress and to state and federal regulatory agencies on consumer products safety and health risks from pesticides. She has also co-authored several science articles in peer-reviewed journals, on hidden ingredients in pesticides, air quality around fracking cites, and on the successes of CEH's work in elminating lead from jewelry, among other subjects. Previously, she worked for sixteen years as staff scientist at the Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides (NCAP) in Oregon. She was also editor of NCAP's Journal of Pesticide Reform and has co-authored numerous papers in scientific journals. Caroline represents CEH on the Steering Committee of Californians for Pesticide Reform. She also serves on the Board of Directors of Beyond Pesticides. She writes and speaks regularly as a national expert on the toxicity of and alternatives to pesticides. Caroline has a master's degree in entomology from Oregon State University and is a graduate of Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania.





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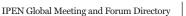


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The goal of Lowell Center is to reframe environmental protection and occupational health and safety to promote new systems of production and consumption that are healthy for workers, environmentally sound, economically viable, and socially accountable. In using rigorous science and innovative strategies to develop practical solutions, the Center is committed to a broad, global transition to sustainable materials, production processes, and conditions of life and work.



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Center for Health, Environment & Justice (CHEJ) mentors a movement, building healthier communities by empowering people to prevent harm caused by exposure to environmental chemicals in their environment. CHEJ provides the tools, direction, training, technical assistance and encouragement local leaders need to prevent harm.

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Dr. Gore is a basic scientist representing the Endocrine Society at the 2016 IPEN meeting. The Endocrine Society has been a leader in ensuring that the state-of-the-art endocrine science is used in evaluating environmental chemical effects on hormones and health. The Society has sponsored international conferences on endocrine-disrupting chemicals (EDCs), and it has published scientific statements, a statement of principle, and a guide to EDCs for international policymakers in conjunction with IPEN. Dr. Gore is also an NIH (NIEHS)-funded researcher studying effects of EDCs on the development of the brain and reproductive systems.

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Occupational Knowledge International (OK International) works to build capacity in developing countries to identify, monitor, and mitigate environmental and occupational exposures to hazardous materials in order to protect public health and the environment. The organization provides technical assistance through partnerships, training, and environmental audit and certification programs, with a commitment to public health tenets, scientific principles and corporate responsibility.



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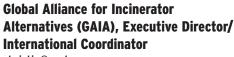
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In 1996, Michael founded the Center for Environmental Health (CEH) to raise public awareness of the corporate use of toxic chemicals and of the many viable, pragmatic solutions to this pervasive threat to public health. Since then he has helped lead national efforts to stop toxic exposures and protect public health. He has also pioneered the groundbreaking legal work that has won landmark victories to protect the public from hazardous consumer products and toxic emissions.

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GAIA is a global network of people and organizations who are working for justice and a world without waste. Together, we are transforming our communities and economies by stopping waste dumping and incineration, building zero waste solutions, and organizing across borders to protect our health, climate, and future. Our network's incredible track record has demonstrated the power of grassroots solutions to protect environmental justice. Thousands of communities around the world have rejected waste burning and are instead advancing recycling, composting, waste reduction, and other creative solutions. Recyclers and waste pickers have formed cooperatives and collectives that promote social justice while reducing waste and pollution. Cities are stopping the flow of plastic into our oceans by implementing strong systems of collection and advocating for bans on single-use disposable plastics. Globally we have passed strong national policies and engaged in UN processes to shift the flow of public money toward zero waste pathways to climate justice. Our core organizing model is based on the philosophy that the movement for environmental and climate justice change must be led by frontline communities.



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The Endocrine Society is the oldest and largest global professional membership organization representing the field of endocrinology. We are entering our second century energized by the promise of unraveling the mysteries of hormone disorders. Our members care for patients and are dedicated to advancing hormone research and excellence in the clinical practice of endocrinology. These expert scientists and physicians shape the genesis and delivery of patient care from bench to bedside to well-being. Our more than 18,000 members are in 122 countries and include scientists, physicians, educators, nurses, and students. Our headquarters is at 2055 L Street NW, Washington, DC, located near organizations influencing sci-

ence and health policy. One of our key policy priorities is reducing harmful exposure to Endocrine-Disrupting Chemicals (EDCs). EDCs are exogenous chemicals, or mixtures of chemicals, that interfere with hormone systems. EDCs are found in everyday products and throughout the environment. The evidence is more definitive than ever before that EDCs disrupt hormones in a manner that harms human health. We are highly engaged in global policy efforts to reduce harms due to exposures from EDCs.

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U.S. Right to Know is a nonprofit public watchdog group that stands up for truth and transparency in the food system. We are conducting an investigation of the food and agrichemical industries and the secrets they are hiding about our food. Our findings so far - including tens of thousands of documents received via the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) - offer a rare look beyond the scenes at how the food and chemical corporations, their front groups, PR operatives and academics work together to promote industry propaganda. Follow our findings at www.usrtk.org. Stacy was also a co-founder of the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics (USA) and she is author of the book "Not Just a Pretty Face: The Ugly Side of the Beauty Industry." She lives in the San Francisco Bay Area with her husband and son.

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At Pesticide Action Network (PAN) North America, we work to create a just, thriving food system. For too long, pesticide and biotech corporations have dictated how we grow food, placing the health and economic burdens of pesticide use on farmers, farmworkers and rural communities. PAN works with those on the frontlines to tackle the pesticide problem — and reclaim the future of food and farming. PAN North America is one of five regional centers worldwide. We link local and international consumer, labor, health, environment and agriculture groups into an international citizens' action network. Together, we challenge the global proliferation of pesticides, defend basic rights to health and environmental quality, and work to ensure the transition to a just and viable food system.







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Alaska Community Action on Toxics (ACAT) is a growing, progressive, environmental health and justice organization that engages individuals, tribes, and other communities throughout Alaska and the Arctic to advocate for the right to live in a healthy environment. ACAT's Mission: We believe everyone has a right to clean air, clean water, and toxic-free food. Driven by a core belief in environmental justice, ACAT empowers communities to eliminate exposure to toxics through collaborative research, shared science, education, organizing, and advocacy. We work to: eliminate the production and release of harmful chemicals by industry and military sources; ensure community right-to-know; achieve policies based on the precautionary principle; and support the rights and sovereignty of Indigenous Peoples. We assist communities in implementing effective strategies to limit their exposure to toxic substances and to protect and restore the ecosystems that sustain them and their ways of life.



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I am an NIH (NIEHS)-funded scientist examining the impact of EDCs on sexually dimorphic brain development and behavior. My current work focuses on effects on the social brain and social behaviors. I am also representing the Endocrine Society, which has been a leader in promoting the inclusion of endocrine and neuroendocrine research in the evaluation of EDCs and other chemicals for effects on hormones and health. In conjunction with the Endocrine Society and the IPEN I co-authored a guide to EDCs for international policymakers, and I am a member of the Endocrine Society's Advocacy and Public Outreach Core Committee.



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The Commonweal Biomonitoring Resource Center designs and implements environmental or human biomonitoring studies to identify and measure pathways of chemical exposures. Data from these studies can inform personal choice and policy initiatives, focus further scientific research, and catalyze the creation of regulations with capacity to protect human and ecosystem health. CBRC has

collaborated with communities of concern including farmworkers, leaders within the learning and developmental disabilities arena, firefighters, communities sited downwind or downstream from oil and gas production or other industrial activities. CBRC is a leader in creating protocols for the conveyance of biomonitoring results to individual study participants, ensuring that participants develop an understanding the significance of study data and the scientific protocols used within the study framework. CBRC has collaborated with Silent Spring Institute to create a handbook on results conveyance, available at www.commonweal.org Commonweal was a co-founder of IPEN, and Sharyle Patton, CBRC Director, was first Northern IPEN Co-Chair, serving with Dr. Romy Quijano, Philippines, and first IPEN Southern Co-Co-Chair. Patton serves currently as Science Translation Initiatives Director for the Collaborative on Health and Environment (CHE), a network of 5000 partners worldwide. CHE provides information about linkages between human and ecosystem wellbeing and environmental factors. CHE activities feature webinars, a research materials archive, and topic-related list serves. (www.healthandenvironment.org). Patton co-chairs with TEDX and HEAL the CHE EDC Strategies Group, which identifies and publicizes recent and robust EDC research concerned with EDC exposure pathways, mechanisms of action, and documentation of chemical perturbations of the endocrine system. Carol Kwiatkowski heads the Endocrine Disruption Exchange, leader in the definition of EDC science. HEAL, head of the EDC Free Europe Coalition, is led by Genon Jensen. THE EDC Strategies Group monthly calls and materials can be found on the websites of HEAL, TEDX and CHE. www.healthandenvironment.org

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Husband and wife lawyer team, David Slottje and Helen Slottje founded Community Environmental Defense Council in 2009, shortly after they learned of the horrific dangers fracking was poised to unleash on upstate New York. When they got started, the "conventional wisdom" was that fracking was an unfolding inevitable train wreck. Communities would be ravaged, but citizens were powerless to stop the damage. Unwilling to stand by and watch this promised decimation of their community, the Slottjes offered a pioneering interpretation of New York law and





argued that municipalities retained their "home rule" powers to ban unwelcome land uses (even if towns were prohibited from "regulating" the industry). While industry derided this approach, every court in New York that has considered the issue has upheld the rights of local governments to "just say no" to fracking.

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International Campaign for Responsible Technology is an international solidarity network that promotes corporate and government accountability in the global electronics industry. We are united by our concern for the life-cycle impacts of this industry on health, the environment, and workers' rights. By sharing resources, we seek to build the capacity of grassroots organizations, local communities, workers and consumers, to achieve social, environmental, and economic justice.

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CGFED acts for Gender equality based on freedom, diversity and human rights. By 2020, CGFED will be the strong cornerstone and creative inspiration for actions for Gender Equity. Our strong cornerstone is high qualification in the field of Gender and being sensitive in every activity. CGFED is the pride and happiness of each member on Gender equality.

During our last 23 years of life, CGFED has been a part of Human Rights, Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) frameworks to shape the activities of research and intervention on the issues of women's health, environment, livelihoods, education, sexual and reproductive health and rights, violence against women.

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