

#GlobalUndod2022

Global Solidarity Summit

Information Pack



Introduction

The Global Solidarity Summit brings together individuals and organisations from Wales working on solidarity projects across the world. From small community groups to Wales-based branches of international NGOs, we're raising the profile of the sector in Wales.

Last year, the onset of a global pandemic moved our annual summit online for the first time. This brought with it challenges and opportunities. While we weren't able to meet, greet, network and catch up in person, we were able to reach more partners across the world, in a format that allowed for flexible viewing.

Coinciding with taking our summit online, we also renamed it from the International Development Summit to the Global Solidarity Summit. As an organisation, a sector and a society, we've been on a journey of self-discovery about how we speak, act and interact with partners and minoritised communities. A key part of this journey is Hub Cymru Africa's #ReframingTheNarrative project which aims to challenge and change the established way we speak and think about the aid sector from one steeped in problematic post-colonial assumptions to one of solidarity, respect and healing.

Joining instructions

The conference will take place on a platform called **Airmeet**. Access is either online via your internet browser (ideally Google Chrome) or via the Airmeet application (Apple App Store or Google Play).

Once you've registered, Airmeet will send you your unique attendee link which you can use to join the conference. All you need to do is click "Enter event"!

Airmeet have produced a wide range of resources to help attendees join. Check out the step-by-step guide [here](#). If you need any more help using Airmeet, please make use of their 24/7 Support Lounge [here](#).

The **Social Lounge** allows you to interact with other participants of the event and hop between tables to meet new people and have conversations. The Social Lounge is active before a live session, during session breaks, and after the live session ends. You can experience the following in the Social Lounge:

Join a table: Tables may have labels and logos on top of it to signal and inform participants about the conversations happening in specific tables. Typically, an Airmeet virtual table has between two to eight seats each. Once you decide which table you'd like to be seated at, select the "Take a seat" button below the table. If you want to leave the conversation, say bye to the table participants, and click on the "Leave the table" button in the bottom right.

View profiles: Click on the display picture of any participant to view their participant profiles.

Table chat: You can interact with the other members seated at the table in a virtual mini-conference. You can also have a private table chat. Anyone that joins the table will be able to view this chat in the bottom control bar.

Speed networking: Airmet's Speed Networking feature allows the event participants to meet one-on-one with other participants in the event for a limited time duration. Click "Start Networking" to start and you'll be paired with another available participant.

Timetable

Day 1: Solidarity

09:00 - 10:00 GMT **Keynote Address - Karimi Kinoti**

Karimi Kinoti is Interim Director of Policy, Public Affairs and Campaigns at Christian Aid having previously been head of Africa Division. Karimi will be joining the conference to discuss how we move forward in solidarity, harnessing the seismic changes brought about by Covid-19 and the climate crisis, and how we can harness anti-racist practise to ensure a susatinable future.

10:30 - 11:30 GMT **Understanding and enacting Global Solidarity: Building a movement in Wales**

What does Global Solidarity mean to you? Come and share your thoughts at this interactive session exploring how to define Global Solidarity in the Welsh International Sector in contrast with established models of foreign aid and international development. The Head of Partnership at Hub Cymru Africa, Claire O'Shea, will set the scene for the discussion and there will be contributions from the Size of Wales and the European Network for Citizen Initiatives in Global Solidarity sharing how they enact solidarity in their work.

12:00 - 13:00 GMT **Keynote Address - Jane Hutt MS - Climate Justice' as an act of solidarity**

Jane Hutt is the Minister for Social Justice. A progressive brief that places the Wales and Africa programme as one of justice and equality. In her role she has centered on gender equality, climate change and responding to Covid-19. Jane will join the conference to talk about Wales role in global social justice.

14:00 - 15:00 GMT **How to tell an 'African Story' by Africa No-Filter**

Moky Makura is the Executive Director of Africa No Filter. Born in Nigeria, she serves on the advisory boards of the Junior Achievement Africa, the Houtbay Partnership and the Desmond and Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation. The proverb "Until lions learn to write, hunters will tell their stories for them" guides her leadership of Africa No Filter, an organisation shifting perceptions about and within Africa away from simplified and harmful narratives. Join this session to hear about Moky's work with Africa No Filter and understand your role in Reframing the Narrative as we work to challenge harmful stereotypes about Africa, Africans and Aid.

15:30 - 17:00 GMT

World Cafe - All organisations networking session

Head to the tables in the social lounge where 12 organisations from Wales' global solidarity sector are ready to network, learn from each other and celebrate the work of our community both here in Wales and across Sub-Saharan Africa.

Participants may join any table whose title takes their interest. Each session will last 20 minutes before facilitators help participants to move onto another table for the next slot. There will be 3 slots.

Day 2: Arts and Culture

09:00 - 10:00 GMT

Keynote Address - Jean Samuel

Jean Samuel, will discuss the intersection of arts and solidarity, presenting his perspective as a contemporary African artist based in Wales. His talk will explore how arts and culture can foster solidarity across Wales and Africa.

10:30 - 11:30 GMT

Food, Connection and Culture

How can food create connections between people? Join us as we welcome Food Adventure, a Welsh company with social objectives aiming to connect communities and help them prosper through food. Their work in Cameroon has helped people gain sustainable livelihoods from food by transforming primary food ingredients into a secondary commodity and therefore reduce food waste, hunger and food poverty.

12:00 - 13:00 GMT

Tell Your Story

Join Disability in Wales and Africa (DWA) as they discuss the ideas behind its 2021 pilot initiative - Tell Your Story (TYS). Conceived to compliment the development debate, TYS primary focus is about the sharing of the ideas, experiences, and expertise across communities, countries, and cultures. In the DWA context, TYS discusses the lives of deaf and disabled people in both Wales and Africa? bringing them together under an umbrella of Global Solidarity. However: How does encouraging people to tell (or share) their stories, develop our understanding of development? Particularly when working with socially marginalised groups what is there to be learnt from cross cultural

experiences? What might Development and Global Solidarity look like within the context of simply sharing our human experiences?

14:00 - 15:00 GMT

Meet the "Arts and Culture" Funders

This session has two parts. Firstly, Natasha Nicholls, Interim Head of Arts Wales at British Council, and Jenny Stoves, Development Officer at Arts Council Wales join us as they introduce the grants available for your work and we ask them how we can develop the project proposals they want to fund. If you are seeking funding for your international arts projects and work, this is for you. In the second half of the session, Eluned Haf, Head of Wales Arts International, and Andrew Ogun, Agent for Change at the Arts Council of Wales will discuss 'Global responsibility, solidarity and the Arts in Wales: towards an equitable and sustainable way of working internationally in the arts in and from Wales'. The follow-up interactive session will host a discussion re-imagining the arts funding sector's international work and will be an opportunity for you to share your views.

15:30 - 17:00 GMT

Learning from Art Partnerships

We're pleased to welcome NoFit State Circus in Cardiff and Ngoma Nshaya in Rwanda to share their experiences of meeting with their third partner - Circus Zambia - for an intensive week of co-learning and how this has shaped their performances. Secondly, we welcome JukeBox Collective to share their views on the opportunities and obstacles for arts partnerships between Wales and Ghana and how they work to make cultural cross-pollination possible.

World Café

The Tables

Table 1: Hub Cymru Africa

"How to tell an African Story in 8 steps"

Join Hub Cymru Africa team member Cath Moulogo for this group discussion where we will consider the Africa No Filter resource "How to tell an African Story in 8 steps" and consider how we can use its advice in our own work.

Table 2: BOND - Doing Aid Differently

"Reimagining the 'aid and development' system and the UK's role in it"

Get involved with BOND's Future Dialogues Project as it explores alternative visions for what a

future international solidarity system could look like. Discuss where innovation is happening and how we can move the critique of the current system into meaningful change.

Table 3: Charles Mugarura

CEO Broadfield Permaculture Uganda

"Project design for self-help resilience"

Join Charles Mugarura from BEU Permaculture Uganda as he shares his experiences of prioritising seed funding rather than grants and a focus on social enterprise development for steady growth and scalability of impact.

Table 4: Christopher Muwanguzi Mugalu

CEO Child's i Foundation

"An alternative model of care"

Explore alternative models of care with Child's i Foundation.

Table 5: Samuel Mwiti

Meru North Disability Community Centre

"Disability inclusion"

Join Samuel Mwiti from Nairobi as he discusses how his organisation Riziki Source supports those with disabilities to find employment. Hear his personal experiences of the challenges he faces as a person with a disability, and his words of advice on how you can be more inclusive and accessible within your own organisation.

Table 6: Disability in Wales and Africa (DWA)

"Using Appropriate Paper-Based Technology (APT) to assist disabled children"

APT is a technique which uses cardboard and other recycled materials to make a wide variety of items from a tray or stool to a sofa or a bed. Join with Disability in Wales and Africa and with APT for Social Development in Kenya as they spread the word on how it can be used to manufacture bespoke supportive seating and standing frames for disabled children.

Table 7: Nseabasi Photography Concept

"Your art; your influence"

Explore with Nseabasi Akpan in Nigeria and Femke Van Gent in Anglesay how art strengthens cultural values and integration in society and how we can influence our world positively using creative arts to express and explore issues. They will share their project to give photography training for children in the Juvenile Correctional Institutions, Ibadan, and his collaborative photography road trip "Open Africa".

Table 8: Wales Somaliland

"Diaspora in development: examples from Somaliland"

Join a discussion to explore how the Diaspora can contribute to African nations development, with examples from Wales Somaliland on how to mobilise Diaspora communities into action.

Table 9: Hub Cymru Africa

"What we're doing"

Come and hear about Hub Cymru Africa's upcoming programme of work, including communities of practice, training and events, mentoring, volunteering and development support. Tell us what you think, and what you want to see from us this year!

Table 10: Tallafi

"Gender and education in Nigeria"

Join with Tallafi UK as they discuss their project to support girls in education in Nigeria.

Table 11: Giakonda

"Designing a project to raise girls' aspirations"

Join Giakonda Solar Schools as they reflect on the process of designing a project in collaboration with new partners in the UK and the local education department in Zambia, including needs analysis, stakeholder consultation and creating memorandums of understanding.

Table 12: The FSI

"Discussion: Pandemic Fundraising Ideas & Challenges!"

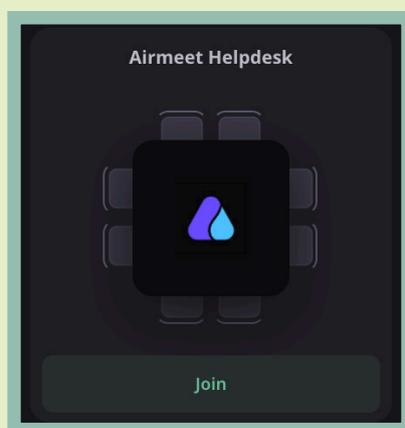
This session will start with ideas drawn from the FSI's 2021-22 capacity development programme for Small international Development Charities - based on learnings from charities, consultants and

fundraising stories, to kick off an informal discussion about the opportunities (and challenges!) the international development charity sector faces going into 2022. Networking (e.g. sharing LinkedIn names) encouraged!

Need help with the tech?

We have a dedicated Airmeet Tech Support Assistant - Vikram - on hand to support attendees navigate the platform and take part in the World Café. You can access this support either via a table in the Social Lounge (labelled Airmeet Helpdesk), [Google Meet](#) or [WhatsApp](#).

Vikram will be on hand to support on from 15:00 to 17:00 GMT on the 25th of January during the World Café.







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