

Annual Report 2016

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Dear Colleagues,



Monique F. Leroux President

What an exceptional year we have just had! 2016 saw the International Co-operative Alliance significantly strengthen its position. We experienced the full power of the words Unite, Promote and Develop. I believe that this would be a good time to give you a first full update.

Over the past year, our Movement racked up a series of firsts.

First, we signed a historic agreement with the European Commission to promote the co-operative model in international development policies and programs. This partnership, which was structured in close collaboration with Cooperatives Europe, will raise our voice within the Agenda 2030 and SDGs implementation over the next 5 years.

Collectively, we attended numerous forums. I am thinking in particular of our participation in the B20s in Turkey and China, and now the work underway in Germany.

We also organized major events in the United Nations to promote our ability to act for the wellbeing of our communities.

I thank and congratulate all those who were involved in our efforts to provide active representation on behalf of the International Co-operative Alliance.

I would also like to thank everyone who is involved in the regions, sectors and committees. Your work and commitment helped the Movement progress.

I would like to highlight the work of the Leadership circle and the Co-operative round table, which brought to the fore a number of concrete ideas and initiatives, including the "Co-operatives for a better world" marketing campaign, as well as Blue Ribbon projects on capital.

Those two committees also evaluated how co-operative and mutual businesses can work together on the global stage to enhance our contribution to the economy, by creating a centre of expertise or e-commerce platforms. Your contribution is essential.

Moreover, 2016 was also a year when more of our members were brought together through numerous regional, national and global thematic and sectoral conferences. The third edition of the International Summit of Co-operatives is another telling example of this mobilization. Launched in 2012, that event has become a concrete demonstration of the strength of our Movement. For that third edition, we had close to 3,000 participants from around the world representing more than 116 countries. The Summit demonstrated the tenacity, coherence, solidity, weight and diversity of every aspect of the co-operative and mutual Movement: social innovation, democratic participation, creativity, collective action and flexibility. Together, we affirmed our leadership on the international stage.

We are also the first global economic group to engage in a concrete undertaking in support of sustainable development piloted by the United Nations. Our final declaration, which we will be tabling before that organization, will be supported by an action plan aimed at highlighting those projects. That plan will guide our actions until 2030.

Finally, I want to underline the considerable amount of work undertaken by the board of directors for the second phase of our Blueprint for a Co-operative Decade and on the strategic reflections aimed at giving us the means to achieve our ambitions. For the first time in an official manner, in 2016, regional and sectoral managements, along with the board of directors, shared their priorities and development plans. Their work will continue into 2017, as the Alliance conducts an extensive consultation with its members. The outcome of our collective work will be shared at the next Alliance's general assembly and global conference, in Malaysia.

The co-operative model has always been remarkably adaptable and innovative. The cooperative approach, cast against the backdrop of human values, is a reasoned and reasonable economic and social model, both engaged and engaging, imbued with a keen sense of social justice and resolutely turned to the future. Thank you all, dear members who, through your contributions to the Alliance, demonstrate your trust in our organization.

I wish every one of you an excellent year ahead: 2017 promises to be every bit as full, shaped by cooperation, faith and optimism. We represent the potential for a better world, one that is more fair, inclusive and prosperous.

Cordially and in cooperation, Monique F. Leroux

Dear Members,

When our members adopted the Blueprint for a Co-operative Decade in 2012, we were influenced by our scan of the environment at that time and our projection of major trends. Occupy Wall Street and the Arab Spring were showing the depth of public dissatisfaction and even dispair. We anticipated the forces that sparked those events would continue to drive disruption. In 2016 we saw those forces drive watershed political change in major economies around the world.

While all people of good will abhor the human consequences of this disruption, it reaffirms our conviction that this is a time the world especially needs the co-operative message of positive selfhelp and community building.

In 2016 we took a significant step to strengthen our capacity to foster the co-operative development the world so sorely needs. In partnership with the European Commission, we launched a five-year, 10 million euro development programme that will take us through the end of this Co-operative Decade.

The global structure of the Alliance – our membership, our governance, our organization into four geographic regions – but also our purpose and goals, convinced the Commission that our organisation is an important global partner for sustainable development. Our intent is that at the end of this flive-year period, our members will have the capacity to become significant development actors.

This partnership acts upon our commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals the United Nations adopted at the close of 2015 and which set the development agenda for the next 15 years. We signaled the co-operative movement's commitment to those goals with the launch of our CoopsFor2030 platform (www.CoopsFor2030. coop) at UN Headquarters last June. This platform unites co-operative pledges for specific actions to implement an SDG and positions the co-operative movement as a key partner in achieving the 2030 development agenda.

Last year we were delighted when UNESCO, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation, added co-operatives to its list of the intangible cultural heritage of humanity. Many have heard of UNESCO's list of world heritage sites, places of outstanding universal value. UNESCO established the list of intangible cultural heritage in 2003 to acknowledge that the human experience is not defined only by tangible places and monuments, but equally by practices and traditions. A member-state must make such a nomination, and Germany made the case for co-operative recognition, noting that co-operatives 'strive for a more just development of globalization processes'.

From our beginnings in 1895, the Alliance has grown to represent today co-operatives over 100 countries. We know that 250 million people make their livelihood through co-operatives. 100 million households receive their health care through health co-operatives. We know that the 300 largest co-operatives have annual turnover over USD 2 trillion. We know that there are something like 1 billion members in co-operatives. And we know that this is an engine for sustainable development.

Yours in co-operation, **Charles Gould**



Charles Gould Director-General



Representing Co-ops before the Business 20

In 2016, during the Chinese Presidency of the G20, the International Co-operative Alliance continued its strong representation in the 'Business 20', a group of businesses and trade associations in G20 countries that provide recommendations to G20 leaders.

Members and representatives of co-operatives participated in the different working groups, along the year, and the leaders' Summit in September in Hangzhou, China. These advocacy opportunities allowed members to exert their influence over many topics, including finance, trade, employment, SME development, infrastructure and others, from a co-operative perspective, raising awareness of policymakers and the overall business community to the value of the co-operative business model.

As a result, the B20 recommendations that were sent to the G20 leaders recognized the role of co-operatives in boosting entrepreneurship and self-employment and in providing insurance to less privileged people. As the G20 Presidency transitioned from China to Germany by the end of the year, the International Co-operative Alliance followed suit and was represented at the official opening in December in Berlin, Germany.

The 2016 International Summit of Co-operatives

The outcome of the 2016 Summit was tremendously positive, thanks to a solid program, quality speakers, high-level research, large turnout and high satisfaction rate of close to 94% and the achievement of a balanced budget.

Furthermore, there was a clear economic and financial impact, which should once again be in the CAD \$16 to \$20 million range.

For both co-hosts, the Alliance and Desjardins Group, the Summit helped enhance their reputation and recognition both nationally and internationally.

For co-operatives and other businesses, more than 937 meeting requests were made, and are still being followed up on. A solid social media strategy generated

great interest, thereby increasing the number of people around the world following the Summit.

Mr. Joseph Stiglitz at the International Summit of Co-operatives: "we should learn from the co-operative model to fight inequalities."

The 2016 Summit helped confirm the commitment of co-operatives as the first organized economic group committing to the sustainable development goals. The Summit's declaration on the SDGs will be formally presented to the United Nations.



The Sectors of the International Co-operatives Alliance look back on 2016

Insurance

Co-op and Mutual Insurers saw many highlights in 2016. ICMIF is pleased that AMICE members welcomed new leadership and voted to become European Regional Association of ICMIF. in June 2016 ICMIF attended the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) global seminar in Budapest (Hungary) and questioned the scope of the IAIS mutuals document.

In China, the Insurance Regulatory Commission (CIRC) granted approvals for the establishment of three mutual insurance companies: Zhonghui Property Mutual, Huiyou Construction Property Mutual and Xinmei Life Mutual.

Further, ICMIF's 5-5-5 Mutual Microinsurance Strategy received significant recognition through its inclusion in the B20 Financing Growth taskforce's Policy Paper and its work will play a key role in ICMIF's commitments as co-chair of the IDF Microinsurance Working Group.

The ICMIF Intelligence Committee (IC) met for its first meeting of 2016 in April in Brussels (Belgium) hosted by ICMIF member P&V Group. The twoday agenda involved discussion around four main topics previously identified as of particular interest to members of the IC, each with the potential to significantly impact our industry.

These topics were: distribution; advanced analytics and cognitive computing; digital ecosystems and the sharing economy; and climate smart investing.

In May 2016 more than 60 members from across the world took part in ICMIF's first multi-forum event in York, UK. Regulatory Leaders Forum and the Leadership Development Forum all held their respective meetings on the second day of the event, which had beenproceeded by a plenary which explored the wider issues facing this generation and the importance of these issues for ICMIF members.

In 2016 ICMIF have partnered with member organizations and made historic advances in aligning with the mutual and co-operative insurance sector's regional strategies. ICMIF have raised the profile of both issues and opportunities in emerging markets and utilised our constantly expanding profile to challenge global policy.



Mrs. Kathy Bardswick, 2002-2016 President and CEO of The Co-operators Group Ltd with Mr. Shaun Tarbuck, Chief Executive of the International Co-operative & Mutual Insurance Federation (ICMIF).

Consumers (CCW)

Since the CCW Global Summit on e-Commerce, held on 19.04.2016 in Brussels, Belgium, the sectoral organization has continued in the implementation of its annual work plan.

As such, CCW has been focusing on preparing its second annual event on the theme of youth participation in the management of consumer co-operatives.

The CCW Global Youth Forum "Cooperatives and Youth: Empowerment, Employment, and Engagement" was held on 22-23 September 2016 in Co-operative Hotel Complex Melsa COOP in the ancient town of Nesebar, Bulgaria. 26 foreign participants from 13 countries and one global sectoral organization attended, the majority of which were young co-operators amongst whom Gabriela Buffa Alliance Board member and Chair of the Alliance Global Co-operative Youth Network, but also the Director of ICA Africa Dr. Sifa, the Dean of the Russian University of Co-operatives prof. Valigurskyii, and youth representatives of China Co-op.

CCW has also launched its new website. It features a new platform for the collection of national member data (for members use only). Further to that, the Secretariat has been working with members on the drafting of a CCW Report "Consumer Co-operatives and the Blueprint" which will feature each CCW member's contribution and challenges in the five Blueprint pillars.

The Report will also have an introduction with key data and statistics of each CCW member.



Delegates at the CCW Global Youth Forum plant "youth trees" next to the marble engraving dedicated to the Forum.

Agriculture (ICAO)

2016 has been a busy and exciting year for agricultural co-operatives. For the past six months, the ICAO secretariat and members have participated in several events beginning with the Executive Committee (EXCOM) meeting in the spring. This meeting was held with the gracious support of the Co-operative League of Thailand (CLT), who concluded the event with a visit to local agricultural co-operatives. ICAO has also assisted in the dispatching of member representatives to various events, especially the Committee on Food Security and ICA board meeting, as well as raising international awareness in conjunction with the FAO's Year of Pulses.

In the coming months, ICAO looks forward to hosting its annual general meeting and seminar in cooperation with the ICA-Asia Pacific Regional Assembly in New Delhi this November. The theme of this year's seminar is 'Smart Farming' and will feature practical advice and suggestions for food



security, which participants can extend to their member co-operatives. This meeting will also include a workshop entitled 'Expanding Your Co-operative Network", which is meant to instruct participants on how to use Internet tools to better connect with one another. In the spring, the Organization of Brazilian Co-operatives (OCB) will host the first EXCOM meeting of 2017 in Brazil in conjunction with an exhibition from local agricultural co-operatives. As always, ICAO extends its utmost gratitude for the support and participation of its members and affiliates.

The ICAO executive committee 2016 general meeting and smart farming seminar in New Delhi, India.

Fisheries (ICFO)

ICFO maintained close relations with the ICFO member countries so as to reinforce co-operation on fisheries and the co-operative movement. The ICFO Chairman met with Dilip Wedaarachchi, Sri Lankan State Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development in June 2016, to discuss ways of developing the bilateral partnership. For nurturing talent in the field of fisheries, ICFO and Pukyong National University launched the scholarship program in 2014. Pukyong National University launched a two year graduate course for two students from developing coun-tries.

ICFO invited Sri Lankan government officials and fishermen led by Dilip Wedaarachchi, State Minister of Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Development from 26 September -1 October 2016. During their stay in Korea, ICFO arranged study tours and meetings so as to share the expertise and experiences of Korean fisheries co-operatives and the fishing industry.



ICFO President Mr. Im-Kweon Kim, Mr. Byeong-won Kim with Mrs. Monique F. Leroux, Alliance President, Mrs. Inja Park and Mr. Cheol-Sang Moon during Mrs F. Leroux' 2016 visit.

Industry and Services (CICOPA)



Mr. Bruno Roelants, CICOPA Secretary General, visiting FEDECABA (Confederación Nacional de Cooperativas de Trabajo, AR), with Mr. Christian Miño and FEDECABA presidente, Mr. Hugo Cabrera.

In 2016 CICOPA has produced multiple campaigns and initiatives. There was the CICOPA global Youth Co-operative Entrepreneurship Campaign, scheduled launched in December 2016 and throughout 2017. CICOPA also participated in a South Asian workshop on worker and artisans' co-operatives in Kerala (India), organized by ICA-AP in August. Fieldwork was carried out, in Kerala and Sri Lanka and interviews in France and Belgium for the ICA funded Employment Report follow-up project in August. Further, a CICOPA sectoral workshop was held at the ICA-AP regional conference and discussions on AP sectoral mapping with ICA-AP were held.

In October CICOPA held an International Summit of Co-operatives workshop on industrial, service and energy co-operatives and of the preparatory document.

In July 2016 CICOPA participated in the US biannual Worker Co-operative Conference, Austin. With the ILO and ICA-CCR, and as a follow up to Antalya's ILO/ICA academic conference, CICOPA prepared a publication on the world of work.

CICOPA also preparated a questionnaire for the 2017 biannual Global Report on Industrial and Service Co-operatives and published its Work Together e-magazine.

Housing (CHI)

In September 2016, CHI attended United Nations Economic Commission for Europe 77th Committee meetings on Housing and Land Management in Geneva where they made a presentation on sustainability initiatives in co-operative housing. They also attended Housing Europe's General Assembly and capacity building conference themed "Housing for All".

Three of our board members (Blase Lambert, Anders Lago, and Nicholas Gazzard) and Dermot Sellars from Co-operative Housing Ireland were panelists/presenters.

CHI partnered with Housing Europe for this event and intend to do so again for next year's GA in conjunction with an international social housing festival in Amsterdam in June 2017. The CHI board met at the Summit and held a panel discussion on long-term economic sustainability. Anders Lago, CHI treasurer, represented housing co-operatives at the Habitat 3 conference in Quito Ecuador and exhibited at side events in conjunction with urbaMonde and Habitat International Coalition (HIC).

Nicholas Gazzard, CHI President and Julie LaPalme, Program Director attended the AGM of the National Association of Housing Co-operatives (NAHC) and presented the benefits of Alliance and CHI membership to their board. Their treasurer, Linda Brockway, attended the Quebec Summit and CHI rendez-vous events, and briefed us on latest membership developments and best approaches.

Bank (ICBA)

In 2016, the association organized a conference which was held in India. It aimed to continue the work initiated in 2015 while highlighting the synergies between co-operative banks and expectations of the co-operative world at large.

Furthermore, a round table took place in Quebec City in October 2016 during the International Summit of Co-operatives. Similarly, an internal seminar was organized for the members in Paris, in order to discuss specific topics. In addition, a study was carried out with respect to the Indian banking co-operative system. Moreover, a working paper was prepared in line with the conclusions of the 2015 and 2016 seminars and was presented to a journal specialized for Asia-Pacific issues. Finally, an analysis of the co-operative banking system in the world was carried out and presented in Quebec.

Health (IHCO)

Among the initiatives and activities developed International Health Co-operative by Organisation in 2016, two of them should be highlighted. IHCO in collaboration with EURICSE started a research to know how health co-operatives contribute to improving the welfare state of the countries in which they operate and what is the impact on the health of citizens. The project aims to identify the main organizational forms typical of the co-operatives from the health sector and to understand how they relate to national welfare systems. This analysis also aims at formulating recommendations for the design of efficient and inclusive social policies. The project, which lasts for five years, is supervised by scientific committee, and the first output is planned to be presented at the 2017 IHCO General Assembly, in Kuala Lumpur.

Moreover, IHCO worked jointly with CICOPA and the International Summit of Co-operatives for a sectoral workshop entitled "Acting wisely on health and social services – the co-operatives' way" and which was held on 12 October 2016. The workshop discussed the actual and potential expansion of health & social services provided by co-operatives. Two roundtables focused on the collaboration between governments and co-operatives providing health and social services in the context of a growing demand for primary care services; and the co-management and multi-stakeholder governance in health and social services, highlighting how practitioners and users share the accountability.



Regions of the Alliance

ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION OF THE ALLIANCE

ICA-AP in 2016, through the network of the Alliance was able to raise close to 1 million USD to assist in relief and rebuild co-operatives after the Nepal earthquake. Contributions come from India, Japan, Australia, China, Malaysia, Korea, Philippines and Singapore.



ICA AP Regional Director Mr. Balu Iyer with ANGKSASA officers at SMK Co-operative, Malaysia. The Asia Pacific region hosted a few landmark events in 2016 - The Tagaytay+20 Third Regional Conference on Status of Women in Co-operatives, the First Asia-Pacific Youth Summit in Bali and the 12th Regional Assembly in New Delhi. All these events saw important declarations that as region we are committed to implement. During the Regional Assembly, members from the region showcased the impact their work was having and the role they were playing in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals. During the Regional Assembly, a new regional board consisting of committed leaders from across the region was elected. We are proud we elected a woman Vice Chair and co-opted the Chair of the Women Committee to the Regional Board. To encourage young researchers to the field of co-operative research, we instituted the Dr. Mauritz Bonow Young Researcher Award at the Assembly.

This year we made efforts to engage with the regional entities such as Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN), the Gulf Co-operating Countries (GCC), the Melanesian Spearhead Group (MSG) and the South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation (SAARC). There is lack of political awareness of the sector, limited access to capital, and insufficient education about the co-operative model. We hope to engage with these institutes to raise awareness, provide training and raise the technical capacity in co-operatives.

We carried out many training programs, workshops and seminars, all aimed at developing the capacity of our members. We are thankful for the financial support provided by our members from China, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, and Thailand. We appreciate the support from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Government of Japan for their continued support in the development of co-operatives in the region and to the "Co-operatives European Union for the development _ people-centered in businesses in action project."



Americas Regional Director Mr. Manuel Mariño speaking at a meeting of the Alliance-European Union Partnership.

CO-OPERATIVES OF THE AMERICAS

2016 saw many exciting milestones in the Alliance's Americas Region. The Agricultural Co-operatives Network of the Americas held a session at the headquarters of the Federation of Production Co-operatives (FECOPROD Ltda.) in Paraguay.

At the IV Co-operative Summit of the Ame-ricas in Uruguay, strategic actions were defined and presented, including the Strategic Plan of the Network and its implementation.

In the area of Sustainability, Americas attended the first workshop of the European Union Project in Brussels. The general planning of the project, priorities, cohesion of teams and convergence topics were defined.

The Regional Youth Committee (CRJ) of the Americas organised its Second Regional Seminar of Youth where 105 young people from Argentina, Costa Rica, Honduras, Peru, Mexico and Dominican Republic participated.

Americas also hosted the tenth National Meeting of the National Network of Popular Finance and Solidarity in Ecuador (RENAFIPSE) in Manabi, as part of the plan to support reactivation of the economy after the earthquake in the same region. The meeting analysed the current situation of the Popular and Solidarity Economy sector in Ecuador, defined perspectives and consolidated links between actors in this economic system.

In the area of Education, Training, Advocacy and Information, Americas organized three days of training and technical assistance for Bolivian women, to act as coach to other women in the social and solidarity economy. Training aimed to educate, to increase, promote and strengthen leadership and participation of women in the co-operative movement.

In July, Co-operatives of the Americas carried out in Costa Rica a coaching training programme in co-operative education. The activity prepared a total of 17 participants from Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Nicaragua and Dominican Republic, who work in the areas of education of co-operative organizations.

Further in 2016, a delegation of 9 leaders and officials from the Americas region participated in the regional meeting of the Policy Forum on Development (PFD) which brought together 70 representatives of NGOs, trade unions, feminist organizations, local authorities and entrepreneurs to exchange with authorities of the European Union. Americas presented the perspective of the co-operative movement in the region as regards the theme "Favorable environment for social organizations and local authorities in the implementation of the Agenda 2020".

COOPERATIVES EUROPE

2016: Cooperatives Europe ensures inclusion of co-operatives in European policies and strengthens the partnership between the ICA and European Commission.

Advocating for a favourable entrepreneurship policy for co-operatives remains a central focus for Cooperatives Europe, including participation to high-level meetings with the EU Institutions (e.g. SME Envoy meetings), where Cooperatives Europe amplifies the co-operative voice within EU policies.

Actions were also taken to promote the transfer of healthy businesses into worker co-operatives through the TransfertoCOOPS project, as well as encourage the creation of new care co-operatives through the iCareCoops project. Starter.coop, the website of CoopStarter project was launched to provide information for new co-operative start-ups and facilitate the contact between young entrepreneurs and co-operative mentors in Europe. In



addition, Cooperatives Europe supports and works closely with the European network of young cooperators, who participate in common projects with us.

Collaborative Economy is the new area of focus taken on by Cooperatives Europe in light of co-operatives' successful involvement in the topic. An exploratory study titled "Co-operative Platforms in a European Landscape" was thus conducted into existing innovative practices and co-operatives active in the collaborative economy. Following that, Cooperatives Europe established a new Working Group on the topic.

A co-operative approach within the European policy on Social Economy has also been advanced through the report of the Expert Group on Social Entrepreneurship (GECES). which has a specific chapter dedicated to cooperatives.

The past year also marked the first year of the implementation of the ICA-EU partnership in international development as well as the significant inclusion of cooperatives in European Commission's new Consensus on Development. The strong impact of the European region within the partnership was demonstrated at the European Development Days as well as through the work of Cooperatives Europe Development Platform.

CO-OPERATIVES AFRICA REGION

The Alliance Africa is an effective and efficient voice for co-operatives in Africa. The initiatives of the Africa region revolve around the implementation of both the Alliance's EU partnership project and the Africa 2013-2016 Co-operative Development Strategy. A new 2017-2020 strategy has been launched.

Sectoral Regional Co-operatives Organizations as well as youth membership and women participation are core to our activities. The office has organized the first Africa Gender and Youth Conference and held its 12th Regional Assembly on October 31, 2016 in Kigali, Rwanda.

The Africa Region has represented co-ops in a long list of meetings throughout 2016, including the UNCTAD 14th Session, the meeting of EU African Economic and Social Stakeholders, and the 17th SACCA Congress.

The Africa Region promotes sustainability by re-invigorating sectorial efforts with thematic conferences and by putting a special focus on the contributions of the women and youth.

Alliance Africa The has organized the 12th Regional Assembly and the 2nd Africa Co-operative Conference: "Co-operatives in africa embracing sustainable development goals" bringing together all continental co-operative stakeholders.



Alliance Africa Regional Director Mrs. Chiyoge Sifa at a meeting with the Alliance-EU Partnership team.

The Blueprint for a Co-operative Decade





Mr. Hans Groeneveld of the TIAS Management School, The Netherlands.

THE DOING CO-OPERATIVE BUSINESS REPORT

The Doing Co-operative Business Report is the foundational report for the Alliance's Doing Co-operative Business (DCB) project, which would evaluate the enabling environment for co-operatives in countries around the world. While the effects of policy measures and law on co-operatives must be assessed on a case-by-case and country-by-country basis, certain correlations exist between the vitality of the co-operative economy and the institutional environment in which it operates.

The co-operative sector is generally smaller in societies characterised by large inequalities and where power is captured in the hands of just a few people.

A favourable general business environment (e.g. a higher General Doing Business Indicator according to the World Bank) is associated with better co-operative performance.

Good governance conditions are positively correlated with co-operative performance. The perceived level of corruption in a country is negatively correlated with co-operative performance. A rise in perceived corruption presumably marks a deteriorating constellation for co-operatives. Income inequality is significantly and negatively correlated with co-operative performance. A stronger co-operative economy that is able to enact all seven Co-operative Principles could lead to a decrease in inequality and greater equity in a country.

A positive relationship exists between the overall state of democracy (according to the overall Democracy Index of the Economist Intelligence Unit) and co-operative performance in individual countries. In other words, it seems that the more democratic a society, the more fertile the situation for co-operatives will be.

CO-OPS FOR 2030

To respond to the call of members during the 2015 General Assembly in Antalya to further engage in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, the Alliance developed and launched on the 2016 International Day of Co-operatives "Co-ops for 2030" (www.coopsfor2030. coop).

The Indian Farmers Fertiliser Co-operative Limited (IFFCO) pledged to promote women's education. The online platform allows members to learn about the SDGs in a co-operative specific way, make pledges to help achieve them, and learn how other co-operatives are taking action.



So far, 79 co-ops in 31 countries have made 161 pledges to achieve the SDGs, and the platform has gained recognition with institutional contacts at the United Nations as a tool to document the impact of the co-operative movement on sustainable development.

Coops for 2030 website



DOMAINS.COOP

The .coop domain is one of the most powerful tools a co-operative business has to make its mark.

The four letters in our unique domain name show an entity is a member of the global co-operative family. That it is democratic, ethical and fair and, as illustrated by the many thriving co-ops around the world, a good way to do business.

The coop marque and domain name have been adopted by a wide range of co-ops worldwide, active in very different areas, from media to retail.

What's more, the .coop presence is growing fast. More than 4500 organisations from 92 countries are now registered to use





.coop for their online presence. In 2016 alone, use of the co-operative marque –the global logo for the co-operative movementincreased by over 150%!

Co-operatives around the world are increasingly using the .coop domain and the marque to gain a competitive advantage over privately-owned businesses, and we're not stopping in 2017. This year will see a new, business-focused campaign to grow the use of .coop and the marque. To tell even more of the 4 billion internet users in the world about our values and the benefits of working with a co-operative.

If you've not yet registered a .coop domain, or don't use the global marque for co-ops, find out more about why it's good to do at www.domains.coop.

CO-OPERATIVES IN DEVELOPMENT

The Framework Partnership Agreement between the Alliance and the European Commission entitled 'Co-operatives in Development' was signed in March 2016, ushering in a new phase of collaboration on strengthening the co-operative movement as development actors.

During its first year, the partnership launched in Quebec the Global Co-operative Development Platform (GCDP), which brings together co-operative organisations active in international development to facilitate joint activities and projects. Over 100 representatives of the co-operative movement from around the world participated in the launch event.

A needs analysis of the Alliance offices on development themes was followed by the planning of the first staff trainings in policy, research, and EU project administration. These trainings were facilitated by experts from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Forum für Internationale Entwicklung und Planung (FINEP), Universidad Estatal a Distancia (UNED), and Alliance staff.

The visibility strategy for the ICA-EU partnership, elaborated by all offices to enhance the Alliance's overall communication efforts, has been implemented to raise recognition of the co-operative model in international development. The programme has adopted the hashtag #coops4dev on social media, which is being used by communications staff and members to raise awareness for co-operatives in development and demonstrate the increasing collaboration in the Alliance.

New relationships have been built in all regions within the co-operative movement and with other civil society organisations and governments, such as the International Trade Union Confederation, Fair Trade, the Latino Parliament, and the World Bank.

The #Coops4dev team in company of Mr. Neven Mimica, European Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development.

Through the partnership, the Alliance made several achievements towards a stronger recognition of co-operatives as development actors. The Alliance participated in highlevel events and processes of the United Nations, including the Climate Change Conference, the Commission on the Status of Women, and the General Assembly, to strengthen relationships with institutional contacts. Alliance staff and President Monique F. Leroux celebrated the International Day of Co-operative at the UN through a meeting with UN agencies and ambassadors' luncheon to promote co-operatives as partners in implementing the SDGs. The regional offices also enhanced their advocacy work. For example, Cooperatives Europe ensured that co-operatives were mentioned by the European Parliament on its resolution on the revision of the European Consensus on Development.



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Thematic Committees of the International Co-operative Alliance



Chair Ms. Gabriela Buffa with members of the Youth Network of the Alliance.

YOUTH NETWORK

An intense year of meetings, collective work, and collaboration at the regional and global levels allowed the Youth Network to share experiences, reflect on the current situation, and formulate a work plan to advance its aims. In 2016, it carried out a feasibility study to determine whether a virtual platform designed specifically for the co-operative movement would be relevant and used. It produced three newsletters. During the International Summit 2016, the Youth Network organised workshops for youth and its annual Assembly where it filled all positions for the Executive Committee. It also launched a website (www.globalyouth.coop) and Facebook page for the global youth movement (@globalyouth.coop).

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The Co-operative Law Committee organized the 1st International Forum of Co-operative Law that took place in Montevideo 16-18 November. The Forum gathered more than 150 experts in co-operative law from across the globe to discuss issues such as the relations between co-operative law and the co-operative principles, the "co-operative act", and overall regulation of co-operatives. The Co-operative Law Committee assisted in the construction of "Cooplex", a database and online community forum on co-operative law that is set to be launched in 2017.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Committee in 2016 moved towards a more integrating role, of which the first step was to link the International Day of Co-operatives with the Alliance's policy agenda, in effect reawakening the use of the United Nations International Day of Co-operatives as a tool for member engagement and communications. The exposure of the Day was leveraged co-ops' support for the Sustainable Development Goals, and Committee Chair Ed Mayo was appointed to the board of the "Co-operatives for a Better World" initiative, which co-ordinates the global marketing campaign.

Alliance Communications Committee Chair and Secretary General of Co-operatives UK, Mr. Ed Mayo (right) with former UK Prime Minister David Cameron (left).

GENDER

The ICA GEC is a specialized committee of the International Co-operative Alliance, to promote a co-operative movement led by women and men, and based upon both women's and men's definitions of equity, solidarity, democracy, and development. Gender integration in the co-operative movement and societies is defined as the reality whereby women's and men's values, skills and contributions are valued equally and where the organization of work and decision-making structures are based on women's needs and views as well as those of men. The realization of this vision will not only make the co-operative movement and societies truly democratic but also stronger and more successful.



Membership

Members Year End 2016

As of 31 December 2016, the Alliance had 299 members from 103 countries of which 46 were Associate Members.

NUMBER OF COUNTRIES

The alliance gained **7 new member countries** which are:

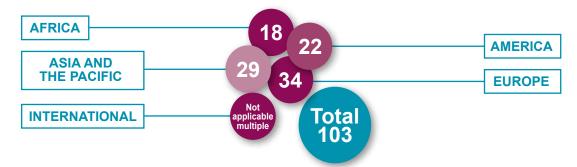
- Saudi Arabia
- Niger
- Haiti

- Congo (DRC)Timor-Leste
 - Ilmor-Lest
 - Greece
- United Arab Emirates

ALLIANCE MEMBER COUNTRIES



Below are the number of countries represented by region:



LIST OF MEMBER ORGANISATIONS IN 2016

| REGION | ТҮРЕ | COUNTRY | ORGANISATION | | | |
|--------|-----------|---|---|--|--|--|
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | Agricultores Federados Argentinos Sociedad Cooperativa Limitada (AFA S.C.L.) | | | |
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | Banco Credicoop Cooperativo Limitado (BCCL) | | | |
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | Confederación Cooperativa de la República Argentina Ltda. (COOPERAR) | | | |
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | Confederacion Nacional de Cooperativas de Trabajo (CNCT) | | | |
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | Cooperativa de Provisión y Comercialización de Servicios Comunitarios de Radiodifusión COLSECOR Limitada (COLSECOR) | | | |
| AM | Associate | ARGENTINA | Federación Argentina de Cooperativas de Electricidad y Otros Servicios Públicos Limitada (FACE) | | | |
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | Instituto Movilizador de Fondos Cooperativos, Cooperativa Ltda. (IMFC) | | | |
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | La Segunda Cooperativa Limitada Seguros Generales | | | |
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | Sancor Cooperativa de Seguros Ltda | | | |
| AM | Member | ARGENTINA | Federación Argentina de Cooperativas de Consumo (FACC) | | | |
| EUR | Member | ARMENIA | "Farm Credit Armenia" Universal Credit Organization Commercial Cooperative (FCA UCO CC) | | | |
| AP | Associate | AUSTRALIA | Business Council of Co-operatives and Mutuals (BCCM) | | | |
| AP | Member | AUSTRALIA | Capricorn Society Ltd | | | |
| AP | Member | AUSTRALIA | Co-operative Bulk Handling Limited (CBH Group) | | | |
| EUR | Member | AUSTRIA | Oesterreichischer Verband gemeinnütziger Bauvereinigungen - Revisionsverband (gbv) | | | |
| AP | Member | BANGLADESH | Bangladesh Samabaya Bank Limited (BSBL) | | | |
| AP | Member | BANGLADESH | National Co-operative Union of Bangladesh (Bangladesh Jatiya Samabaya Union-BJSU) | | | |
| EUR | Member | BELARUS (Rep. of) | Belarussian Republican Union of Consumer Societies (BELKOOPSOYUZ) | | | |
| INT | Member | BELGIUM-INT | European Association of Co-operative Banks (EACB) | | | |
| EUR | Member | BELGIUM | Fédération Belge de l'économie sociale et coopérative (FEBECOOP) | | | |
| AM | Member | BOLIVIA | | | | |
| AM | Member | BOLIVIA Cooperativa Rural de Electrificación Ltda. (CRE) | | | | |
| AM | Member | BOLIVIA | BOLIVIA Cooperativa de Telecomunicaciones Santa Cruz (COTAS Ltda.) | | | |
| AM | Member | BOLIVIA | Cooperativa Boliviana de Cemento, Industrias y Servicios (COBOCE LTDA) | | | |
| AF | Member | BOTSWANA | Botswana Co-operative Association (BOCA) | | | |
| AM | Member | BRAZIL | Central de Cooperativas e Empreendimentos Solidários do Brasil (UNISOL Brasil) | | | |
| AM | Member | BRAZIL | Central Nacional das Cooperativas Ontontológicas (Uniodonto do Brasil) | | | |
| AM | Member | BRAZIL | Central Nacional Unimed - Cooperativa Central (CNU) | | | |
| AM | Associate | BRAZIL | Cooperativa de Crédito de Livre Admissão de Associados Pioneira da Serra Gaúcha – Sicredi Pioneira RS | | | |
| AM | Member | BRAZIL | Cooperativa de Trabalho Médico de Ribeirão Preto (COMERP) | | | |
| AM | Member | BRAZIL | Organizaçao das Cooperativas Brasileiras (OCB) | | | |
| AM | Member | BRAZIL | Unimed Seguros Saúde S.A. | | | |
| AM | Member | BRAZIL | Unimed do Brasil, Confederaçao Nacional das Cooperativas Médicas (UNIMED) | | | |
| EUR | Member | BULGARIA | Central Co-operative Bank Plc (CCB) | | | |
| EUR | Member | BULGARIA | Central Co-operative Union (CCU) | | | |
| EUR | Member | BULGARIA | National Union of Workers Producers Co-operatives of Bulgaria (NUWPCB) | | | |
| AM | Member | CANADA | Co-operatives and Mutuals Canada / Coopératives et mutuelles Canada (CMC) | | | |
| AM | Member | CHILE | COOPEUCH Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito | | | |
| AM | Member | CHILE | Cooperativa abierta de vivienda Limitada (CONAVICOOP) | | | |
| AP | Member | CHINA (P.R. of) | All China Federation of Handicraft Industry Co-operatives (ACFHIC) | | | |
| AP | Member | CHINA (P.R. of) | All China Federation Of Supply & Marketing Co-operatives (ACFSMC) | | | |

| REGION | ТҮРЕ | COUNTRY | ORGANISATION | |
|--------|-----------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| AP | Associate | CHINA (P.R. of) | Coop Global Sourcing Limited (CGS) | |
| AP | Associate | CHINA (P.R. of) | International Committee for the Promotion of Chinese Industrial Co-operatives (ICCIC-Gung Ho) | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | Asociación Colombiana de Cooperativas (ASCOOP) | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | Caja Coperativa CREDICOOP (CREDICOOP) | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | Casa Nacional del Profesor (CANAPRO) | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | Banco Cooperativo Coopcentral | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | Confederación de Cooperativas de Colombia (CONFECOOP) | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | Cooperativa del Magisterio (CODEMA) | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | Cooperativa Médica del Valle y Profesionales de Colombia (COOMEVA) | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | La Equidad Seguros | |
| AM | Member | COLOMBIA | Progressa Entidad Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito (Previous name: Progressa Entidad Cooperativa de los Empleados de Saludcoop) | |
| AM | Associate | COLOMBIA | Serviactiva Cooperativa de Trabajo Asociado (COOPERATIVA SERVIACTIVA) | |
| AM | Associate | COLOMBIA | Universidad Cooperativa de Colombia (UCC) | |
| AF | Member | CONGO Democratic Republic of | Cooperative d'épargne et de Credit de Nyawera (COOPEC NYAWERA) | |
| AM | Member | COSTA RICA | Banco Popular y de Desarrollo Comunal (BPDC) | |
| AM | Member | COSTA RICA | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito Ande N° 1 R.L. | |
| AM | Member | COSTA RICA | Consejo Nacional de Cooperativas (CONACOOP) | |
| AM | Associate | COSTA RICA | Instituto Nacional de Fomento Cooperativo (INFOCOOP) | |
| AM | Member | COSTA RICA | Sociedad de Seguros de Vida del Magisterio Nacional (SSVMN) | |
| AM | Member | COSTA RICA | Centro de Estudio y Capacitación Cooperativa R.L. (CENECOOP R.L.) | |
| AF | Member | COTE D'IVOIRE | Fédération des sociétés coopératives d'Hévéa de Côte d'Ivoire (FENASCOOPH-CI) | |
| EUR | Associate | CROATIA | Croatian Centre for Cooperative Entrepreneurship (CCCE) | |
| EUR | Member | CYPRUS | Co-operative Central Bank Ltd. (CCB) | |
| EUR | Member | CYPRUS | PRUS Cyprus Turkish Co-operative Central Bank Ltd (KoopBank) | |
| EUR | Member | CYPRUS | Pancyprian Co-operative Confederation Ltd. | |
| EUR | Member | CZECH REPUBLIC | Co-operative Association of the Czech Republic | |
| EUR | Member | DENMARK | Kooperationen | |
| AM | Member | DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | Cooperativa de Servicios Múltiples de Profesionales de Enfermería, Inc. (COOPROENF) | |
| AM | Member | DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | Cooperativa Nacional de Servicios Múltiples de los Maestros (COOPNAMA) | |
| AM | Associate | DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | Fundacion Dominicana para el Desarollo Social y Cooperativo (FUNDESCOOP) | |
| AM | Associate | DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | Instituto de Desarrollo y Crédito Cooperativo (IDECOOP) | |
| AM | Member | ECUADOR | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito Policia Nacional (CPN) | |
| AM | Member | ECUADOR | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito Rio Bamba Ltda. (COAC Rio Bamba) | |
| AM | Member | ECUADOR | Red de Integraci—n Ecuatoriana de Cooperativas de Ahorro y CrŽdito (ICORED) | |
| AM | Member | EL SALVADOR | Federación de Asociaciones Cooperativas de Ahorro y Crédito de El Salvador de R.L. (FEDECACES) | |
| AF | Member | ETHIOPIA | Awach Savings and Credit Cooperative (ASCCo) | |
| EUR | Member | FINLAND | Pellervo, Confederation of Finnish Co-operatives | |
| EUR | Member | FINLAND | SOK Corporation | |
| EUR | Member | FRANCE | Confédération Générale des SCOP (CGSCOP) | |
| EUR | Member | FRANCE | Confédération Nationale du Crédit Mutuel | |
| EUR | Member | FRANCE | COOP DE France | |
| EUR | Member | FRANCE | Coop FR | |
| EUR | Member | FRANCE | Crédit Coopératif | |
| EUR | Member | FRANCE | Fédération Nationale des Coopératives de Consommateurs (FNCC) | |

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|--------|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| EUR | Member | GEORGIA | Agricultural & Industrial Co-operatives Society of Georgia "Union of Co-operatives - IBERIA" | |
| EUR | Member | GERMANY | Deutscher Genossenschafts- und Raiffeisenverband e.V. (DGRV) | |
| EUR | Member | GERMANY | GdW Bundesverband deutscher Wohnungs- und Immobilienunternehmen e.V. | |
| EUR | Associate | GERMANY | Zentralverband deutscher Konsumgenossenschaften e.V. (ZdK) | |
| EUR | Associate | GREECE | Social Solidarity and Regional Development Network (KAPA Network) | |
| AM | Member | GUATEMALA | Confederación Guatemalteca de Federaciones Cooperativas, Responsabilidad Limitada (CONFECOOP) | |
| AF | Member | GUINEA | Fédération des coopératives d'approvisionnement et de l'alimentation générale (FECAAG) | |
| AM | Member | HAITI | Union Cooperative de Credit Agricole et Rural d'Haiti (UNICAGRIH) | |
| AM | Member | HONDURAS | Federación de Coops de Ahorro y Crédito (FACACH) | |
| AM | Member | HONDURAS | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito "Sagrada Familia" | |
| EUR | Member | HUNGARY | National Federation of Agricultural Co-operatives and Producers (MOSZ) | |
| EUR | Member | HUNGARY | AFEOSZ / COOP SZOVETSEG (Previous name: National Federation of Consumer Co-operatives & Trade Associations (Co-op Hungary - AFEOSZ)) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | Co-operative House Building & Finance Corporation Ltd. | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | Indian Farm Forestry Development Co-operative Ltd. (IFFDC) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | Indian Farmers Fertiliser Co-operative (IFFCO) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | Buldana Urban Co-operative Credit Society Ltd. (BUCCS) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | Krishak Bharati Co-operative Ltd. (KRIBHCO) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | National Agricultural Co-operative Marketing Federation of India (NAFED) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | National Co-operative Agriculture & Rural Development Banks' Federation Ltd (NCARDB Federation) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | National Co-operative Consumers Federation Ltd (NCCF) | |
| AP | Associate | INDIA | National Co-operative Development Corporation (NCDC) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | National Co-operative Union of India (NCUI) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | National Federation of Farmers Procurement, Processing & Retailing Cooperatives of India Ltd. (NACOF) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | National Federation of Fishermen's Co-operatives Ltd. (FISHCOPFED) | |
| AP | Member | INDIA | National Federation of State Co-operative Banks Ltd. (NAFSCOB) | |
| AP | Member | INDONESIA | Indonesian Co-operative Council (Dekopin) | |
| AP | Associate | IRAN | Central Organization for Rural Co-operatives of Iran (CORC) | |
| AP | Member | IRAN | Central Union of Iran Animal Farmers (CUIAF) | |
| AP | Member | IRAN | Central Union of Rural & Agricultural Co-operatives of Iran (CURACI) | |
| AP | Member | IRAN | Iran Oilseeds & Vegetable Oil Processing Factories Co-operative (Farda Co-op) | |
| AP | Member | IRAN | Iran Central Chamber of Co-operative (ICC) | |
| AP | Member | IRAN | Pishgaman Kavir Cooperative Company (PKYCC) | |
| AP | Member | IRAN | Supervision and Coordination Central Union of Rural and Agricultural Co-operatives of Iran (SCURA) | |
| AP | Associate | IRAN | Tose'e Ta'avon Bank (T.T. Bank) | |
| EUR | Member | IRELAND | Co-operative Housing Ireland | |
| EUR | Member | ISRAEL | Central Union for Cooperative Initiative in Israel | |
| EUR | Member | ISRAEL | Coop Israel | |
| EUR | Member | ISRAEL | Kibbutz Movement | |
| EUR | Member | ITALY | Associazione Generale Cooperative Italiane (A.G.C.I. Nazionale) | |
| EUR | Member | ITALY | Confederazione Cooperative Italiane (CONFCOOPERATIVE) | |
| EUR | Associate | ITALY | European Research Institute on Cooperative and Social Enterprises (EURICSE) | |
| EUR | Member | ITALY | Lega Nazionale delle Cooperative e Mutue (Legacoop) | |
| AM | Associate | JAMAICA | National Union of Co-operative Societies Ltd. (NUCS) | |
| AM | Member | JAMAICA | TIP Friendly Society | |

| REGION | ТҮРЕ | COUNTRY | ORGANISATION | | |
|--------|-----------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| AP | Member | JAPAN | Central Union of Agricultural Co-operatives (JA-ZENCHU) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | IE-NO-HIKARI Association (Association for Education and Publications on Agricultural Co-operatives) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | Japan Workers' Co-operative Union (Jigyodan) (JWCU) | | |
| AP | Associate | JAPAN | Japan Co-operative Insurance Association Inc. (JCIA) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | Japanese Consumers' Co-operative Union (JCCU) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | Japanese Health and Welfare Co-operative Federation (HeW Co-op Japan) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | National Association of Labour Banks (NALB) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | National Federation of Agriculture Co-operative Associations (ZEN-NOH) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | National Federation of Fisheries Co-operative Associations (JF-ZENGYOREN) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | National Federation of Forest Owners Co-operative Associations (ZENMORI- REN) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | National Federation of Workers & Consumers Insurance Co-operatives (ZENROSAI) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | National Mutual Insurance Federation of Agricultural Co-operatives (ZENKYOREN) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | The Japan Agricultural News (NIHON-NOGYO-SHIMBUN) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | National Federation of University Co-operative Associations (NFUCA) | | |
| AP | Member | JAPAN | The Norinchukin Bank | | |
| AP | Member | KAZAKHSTAN (Rep.of) | Union of Consumer Societies of the Republic of Kazakhstan | | |
| INT | Member | KENYA-INT | Africa Confederation of Co-operative Savings & Credit Associations (ACCOSCA) | | |
| AF | Member | KENYA | Co-operative Bank of Kenya Ltd. | | |
| AF | Associate | KENYA | Co-operative University College of Kenya (CCK) | | |
| AF | Member | KENYA | Kenya Union of Savings and Credit Co-operatives Ltd. (KUSCCO) | | |
| AF | Member | KENYA | National Co-operative Housing Union Ltd (NACHU) | | |
| AF | Member | KENYA | The Co-operative Insurance Company of Kenya Ltd. (CIC Insurance) | | |
| AF | Associate | KENYA | Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF) | | |
| AP | Associate | KOREA (Rep. of) | Dure Consumer's Cooperative Union (DCCU) | | |
| AP | Member | KOREA (Rep. of) | iCOOP Korea | | |
| AP | Associate | KOREA (Rep. of) | Korea University Cooperative Federation (KUCF) | | |
| AP | Member | KOREA (Rep. of) | Korea Federation of Worker Cooperatives (KFWC) | | |
| AP | Member | KOREA (Rep. of) | Korean Federation of Community Credit Co-operatives (KFCC) | | |
| AP | Member | KOREA (Rep. of) | Korean National Federation of Fisheries Co-operatives (NFFC) | | |
| AP | Member | KOREA (Rep. of) | National Agricultural Co-operative Federation (NACF) | | |
| AP | Member | KOREA (Rep. of) | National Credit Union Federation of Korea (NACUFOK) | | |
| AP | Member | KOREA (Rep. of) | National Forestry Co-operatives Federation (NFCF) | | |
| AP | Member | KUWAIT | Union of Consumer Co-operative Societies State of Kuwait (KUCCS) | | |
| AF | Member | LESOTHO | Co-operative Lesotho (COPLES) | | |
| EUR | Member | LITHUANIA | Lithuanian Union of Co-operative Societies (LITCOOPUNION) | | |
| AP | Associate | MALAYSIA | Co-operative College of Malaysia (CCM) | | |
| AP | Member | MALAYSIA | Malaysian National Co-operative Movement (ANGKASA) | | |
| AP | Member | MALAYSIA | National Land Finance Co-perative Society Ltd. | | |
| AP | Associate | MALDIVES | Maldives Fishermen's Association (MFA) | | |
| EUR | Member | MALTA | Koperattivi Malta | | |
| AF | Member | MAURITIUS | The Mauritius Co-operative Union Ltd (MCUL) | | |
| AM | Member | MEXICO (Rep. of) | Caja Morelia Valladolid de A.P. de R.L. de C.V. (CMV) | | |
| AM | Member | MEXICO (Rep. of) | Caja Popular Mexicana SC de AP de RL CV (CPM) | | |
| AM | Member | MEXICO (Rep. of) | Confederación Nacional Cooperativa de Actividades Diversas de la República Mexicana (CNC) S.C. de R.L. | | |

| REGION | TYPE | COUNTRY | ORGANISATION | | |
|--------|-----------|-------------------|---|--|--|
| AM | Member | MEXICO (Rep. of) | Federación de Cajas Populares Alianza SC de RL de CV | | |
| AM | Associate | MEXICO (Rep. of) | Federación Regional de Cooperativas de Ahorro y Préstamo Noreste S.C.L. de C.V. (FENORESTE SCL de CV) | | |
| EUR | Member | MOLDOVA (Rep. of) | Central Union of Consumer Co-operatives of the Republic of Moldova (MOLDCOOP) | | |
| AP | Member | MONGOLIA | Mongolian National Cooperators' Association (MNCA) | | |
| AP | Member | MONGOLIA | National Association of Mongolian Agricultural Co-operatives (NAMAC) | | |
| AF | Associate | MOZAMBIQUE | Associação Moçambicana de Promoço do Cooperativismo MOdermo (AMPCM) | | |
| AP | Member | MYANMAR | Union of Myanmar Central Co-operative Society Ltd. | | |
| AP | Associate | BHUTAN | Department of Agricultural Marketing and Cooperatives (DAMC) | | |
| AF | Associate | NAMIBIA | Co-operatives Advisory Board | | |
| AP | Member | NEPAL | National Co-operative Bank Ltd. (NCBL) | | |
| AP | Associate | NEPAL | National Co-operative Development Board (NCDB) | | |
| AP | Member | NEPAL | National Co-operative Federation of Nepal (NCF) | | |
| AP | Member | NEPAL | Nepal Agricultural Co-operative Central Federation Limited (NACCFL) | | |
| EUR | Member | NETHERLANDS | Oikocredit, Ecumenical Development Co-operative Society U.A. | | |
| AP | Member | NEW ZEALAND | Cooperative Business New Zealand | | |
| AF | Member | NIGER | Fédération des Coopératives Maraîchères du Niger (FCMN-Niya) | | |
| AF | Member | NIGERIA | Co-operative Federation of Nigeria (CFN) | | |
| AF | Member | NIGERIA | Odu'A Cooperative Alliance (OCA) | | |
| AF | Associate | NIGERIA | Federal Department of Co-operatives, Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (FDC) | | |
| AF | Member | NIGERIA | Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation Cooperative Multipurpose Society LTD (NNPC-CMS) | | |
| EUR | Member | NORWAY | Federation of Norwegian Agricultural Co-operatives (Norsk Landbrukssamvirke) | | |
| EUR | Member | NORWAY | Coop Norge SA | | |
| EUR | Member | NORWAY | The Co-operative Housing Federation of Norway (NBBL) | | |
| AP | Member | PAKISTAN | Karachi Co-operative Housing Societies Union Ltd. | | |
| AP | Associate | PALESTINE | Economic and Social Development Center of Palestine (ESDC) | | |
| AP | Member | PALESTINE | Palestinian Agriculture Cooperative Union (PACU) | | |
| INT | Member | PANAMA-INT | Confederación Latinoamericana Cooperativas de Ahorro y Crédito (COLAC) | | |
| AM | Member | PANAMA | Cooperativa de Servicios Múltiples Profesionales, R.L. | | |
| AM | Associate | PANAMA | Instituto Panameño Autónomo Cooperativo (IPACOOP) | | |
| AP | Associate | PAPUA NEW GUINEA | Office of Co-operative Societies of Papua New Guinea (OCS PNG) | | |
| AM | Member | PARAGUAY | Cooperativa Multiactiva Fernando de la Mora Ltda. (COOFEDELMO LTDA.) | | |
| AM | Member | PARAGUAY | Confederación Paraguaya de Cooperativas (CONPACOOP) | | |
| AM | Member | PARAGUAY | Cooperativa Universitaria Ltda | | |
| AM | Member | PARAGUAY | Federación de Cooperativas del Paraguay (FECOPAR LTDA.) | | |
| AM | Member | PARAGUAY | Panal Compañia de Seguros Generales S.A Propriedad Cooperativa | | |
| AM | Member | PERU | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito San Martín de Porres Ltda. | | |
| AM | Member | PERU | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito de Trabajadores de Empresas de Luz y Fuerza Eléctrica y Afines (CREDICOOP Luz y Fuerza Ltda.) | | |
| AM | Member | PERU | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Credito La Rehabilitadora Ltda. Nº 24 (COOPAC LA REHABILITADORA) | | |
| AM | Member | PERU | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito Santa María Magdalena, Ltda. (CACSMM) | | |
| AM | Member | PERU | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito"Grl. Francisco Bolognesi"Ltda. (C.A.C. FB) | | |
| AM | Member | PERU | Cooperativa de Servicios Múltiples del Centro Ltda. (CENTROCOOP) | | |
| AM | Member | PERU | Cooperativa de Servicios Especiales Educoop (C.S.E. EDUCOOP) | | |
| AM | Member | PERU | Cooperativo de Ahorro y Crédito Abaco (Cooperativa Abaco) | | |
| AP | Member | PHILIPPINES | Cooperative Union of the Philippines (CUP) | | |

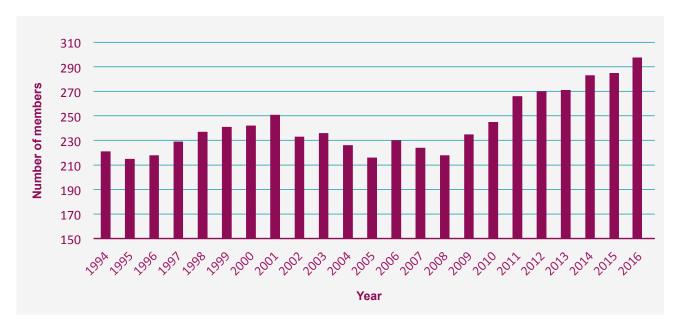
| REGION | ТҮРЕ | COUNTRY | ORGANISATION | |
|----------|------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| AP | Member | PHILIPPINES | National Confederation of Co-operatives (NATCCO) | |
| AP | Member | PHILIPPINES | Federation of Peoples' Sustainable Development Cooperative (FPSDC) | |
| AP | Member | PHILIPPINES | VICTO National Co-operative Federation and Development Center (VICTO National) | |
| AP | Member | PHILIPPINES | Philippine Co-operative Center (PCC) | |
| EUR | Member | POLAND | Auditing Union of Housing Co-operatives | |
| EUR | Member | POLAND | National Association of Co-operative Savings and Credit Unions (NACSCU) | |
| EUR | Member | POLAND | National Auditing Union of Workers' Co-operatives (NAUWC) | |
| EUR | Member | POLAND | National Co-operative Council – NCC | |
| EUR | Member | POLAND | National Supervision Union of Spolem Consumer Co-operatives | |
| EUR | Member | PORTUGAL | Confederaçao Cooperativa Portuguesa (CONFECOOP) | |
| EUR | Member | PORTUGAL | Confederaçao Nacional de Cooperators Agricolas e do Crédito Agricola de Portugal, CCRL (CONFAGRI) | |
| EUR | Member | PORTUGAL | Cooperativa António Sérgio para a Economia Social - Cooperativa de Interesse Público de Responsabilidade Limitada (CASES) | |
| AM | Member | PUERTO RICO | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito "Dr. Manuel Zeno Gandía" | |
| AM | Member | PUERTO RICO | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Crédito de Arecibo (COOPACA) | |
| AM | Member | PUERTO RICO | Cooperativa de Seguros Múltiples de Puerto Rico Inc. | |
| AM | Member | PUERTO RICO | Liga de Cooperativas de Puerto Rico (LIGACOOP) | |
| AM | Member | PUERTO RICO | Banco Cooperativo de Puerto Rico (Bancoop) | |
| AM | Member | PUERTO RICO | Cooperativa de Ahorro y Credito Vega Alta (VEGACOOP) | |
| EUR | Member | ROMANIA | National Union of Consumer Co-operatives (CENTROCOOP) | |
| EUR | Member | ROMANIA | National Union of Handicraft and Production Co-operatives of Romania (UCECOM) | |
| EUR | Member | RUSSIA | Central Union of Consumer Societies of the Russian Federation (Centrosojuz of the Russian Federation) | |
| EUR | Member | RUSSIA | Moscow Regional Union of Consumer Societies | |
| AF | Associate | RWANDA | Independent Institute of Lay Adventists of Kigali (INILAK) | |
| AF | Member | RWANDA | National Cooperatives Confederation of Rwanda (NCCR) | |
| AP | Associate | | SAUDI ARABIA Cooperative Societies Council (CSC) | |
| AM | Associate | SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS | Caribbean Confederation of Credit Unions (CCCU) | |
| AP | Member | SINGAPORE | Singapore National Co-operative Federation Ltd. (SNCF) | |
| EUR | Member | SLOVAKIA | Co-operative Union of the Slovak Republic (Druzstevná Únia Slovenskej Republiky) | |
| AF | Member | SOUTH AFRICA | South African National Apex Co-operative (SANACO) | |
| EUR | Member | SPAIN | Confederació de Cooperativas de Catalunya (CCC) | |
| EUR | Member | SPAIN | Confederación Empresarial Española de la Economía Social (CEPES) | |
| EUR | Member | SPAIN | Confederación Española de Cooperativas de Trabajo Asociado (COCETA) | |
| EUR | Member | SPAIN | Fundación Espriu | |
| EUR | Member | SPAIN | KONFEKOOP - Confederación de Cooperativas de Euskadi | |
| AP AP | Member | SRI LANKA SRI LANKA | Federation of Thrift & Credit Co-operative Societies Ltd in Sri Lanka (SANASA) | |
| AP | Member Member | SRI LANKA | Kotikawatta Thrift and Credit Co-operative Society Ltd. (KTCCS) | |
| AP | Associate | SRI LANKA | National Co-operative Council of Sri Lanka (NCCSL) National Institute of Co-operative Development (NICD) | |
| AP | Member | SRI LANKA | Sri Lanka Consumer Co-operative Societies Federation Ltd (CoopfeD) | |
| AP | Associate | SRI LANKA | National Fisheries Federation (NFF) | |
| EUR | Associate | SWEDEN | Coompanion - Kooperativ Utveckling Sverige | |
| EUR | Member | SWEDEN | HSB:Riksförbund (Union of Housing Co-operatives) | |
| EUR | Member | SWEDEN | Kooperativa Förbundet (KF) (The Swedish Co-operative Union) | |
| EUR | Member | SWEDEN | Riksbyggen (Co-operative Housing Union) | |
| LON | Member | STEDEN | Tance / ggon (oo operative housing officing | |

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|--------|-----------|--|--|
| EUR | Member | SWITZERLAND | Allgemeine Baugenossenschaft Zürich (ABZ) |
| AF | Associate | TANZANIA | Moshi University Colleage of Co-operative and Business Studies (MUCCOBS) |
| AF | Member | TANZANIA | Tanzania Federation of Co-operatives Ltd (TFC) |
| AP | Member | THAILAND | The Co-operative League of Thailand (CLT) |
| INT | Member | THAILAND-INT | Association of Asian Confederations of Credit Unions (ACCU) |
| AP | Member | TIMOR-LESTE | Con-Federation (CNCTL) |
| EUR | Member | TURKEY | Central Union Of The Agricultural Credit Cooperatives Of Turkiye (ACC) |
| EUR | Member | TURKEY | National Co-operative Union of Turkey (NCUT) |
| EUR | Member | TURKEY | The Forestry Co-operatives Central Union of Turkey (ORKOOP) |
| EUR | Member | TURKEY | Turkish Co-operative Association |
| EUR | Member | TURKEY | Union of Sugar Beet Growers' Production Co-operative (Pankobirlik) |
| AF | Member | UGANDA | Uganda Co-operative Alliance Ltd. (UCA) |
| EUR | Member | UKRAINE | Central Union of Consumer Societies of Ukraine (UKOOPSPILKA) |
| AP | Member | UNITED ARAB EMIRATES | Sharjah Co-operative Society |
| EUR | Member | UNITED KINGDOM | Co-operatives UK |
| EUR | Member | UNITED KINGDOM | The Midcounties Co-operative Limited |
| EUR | Associate | UNITED KINGDOM | Women in Informal Employment Globalizing Organisation (WIEGO) |
| AM | Member | UNITED STATES | CHS Inc. |
| AM | Member | UNITED STATES | Co-Bank |
| AM | Member | UNITED STATES | Credit Union National Association (CUNA) |
| AM | Member | UNITED STATES | National Cooperative Business Association (NCBA) |
| AM | Member | UNITED STATES National Co+op Grocers (NCG) | |
| AM | Member | UNITED STATES | National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) |
| AM | Associate | UNITED STATES | National Society of Accountants for Co-operatives (NSAC) |
| AM | Member | UNITED STATES | Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company |
| AM | Member | UNITED STATES | National Cooperative Bank (NCB) |
| INT | Member | UNITED STATES-INT | World Council of Credit Unions (WOCCU) |
| AM | Member | URUGUAY | Cooperativas Nacionales Financieras Aliadas en Red (CONFIAR) |
| AM | Member | URUGUAY | Confederación Uruguaya de Entidades Cooperativas (CUDECOOP) |
| AM | Member | URUGUAY | Cooperativa Policial de Ahorro y Crédito (COPAC) |
| AM | Associate | URUGUAY | Instituto Nacional del Cooperativismo (INACOOP) |
| AM | Associate | URUGUAY | Cámara Uruguaya de Cooperativas de Ahorro y cédito de Capitalización (CUCACC) |
| AM | Member | URUGUAY | Federacion Unificadora de Cooperativas de Vivienda por Ayuda Mutua (FUCVAM) |
| AP | Associate | VANUATU | Office of the Registrar of Cooperatives and Business Development Services (ORCBDS) |
| AP | Member | VIETNAM | Vietnam National Industrial, Handicraft and Commercial Coop-Enterprises Association (ViCCA) |
| AP | Member | VIETNAM | Vietnam Cooperatives Alliance (VCA) |
| AF | Member | ZAMBIA | Zambia Co-operative Federation (ZCF) |
| AF | Member | ZIMBABWE | Zimbabwe National Association of Housing Co-operatives (ZINAHCO) |

Membership Statistics

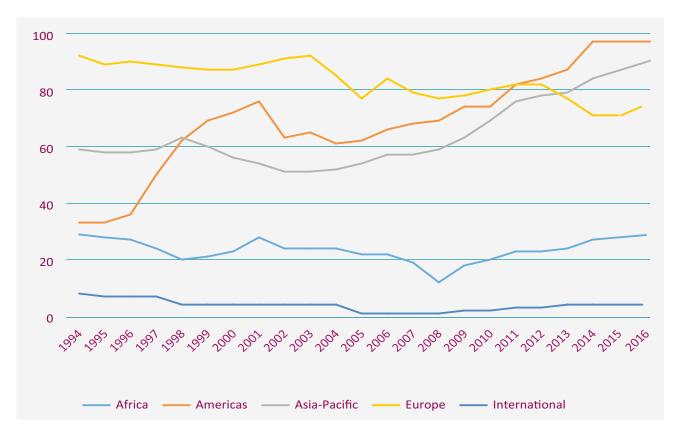
MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS SINCE 1994

| | Africa | Americas | Asia-Pacific | Europe | International | TOTAL | New Members | Member Loss |
|------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|---------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| 1994 | 29 | 33 | 59 | 92 | 8 | 221 | 9 | 15 |
| 1995 | 28 | 33 | 58 | 89 | 7 | 215 | 10 | 7 |
| 1996 | 27 | 36 | 58 | 90 | 7 | 218 | 19 | 8 |
| 1997 | 24 | 50 | 59 | 89 | 7 | 229 | 22 | 14 |
| 1998 | 20 | 62 | 63 | 88 | 4 | 237 | 13 | 9 |
| 1999 | 21 | 69 | 60 | 87 | 4 | 241 | 18 | 17 |
| 2000 | 23 | 72 | 56 | 87 | 4 | 242 | 21 | 12 |
| 2001 | 28 | 76 | 54 | 89 | 4 | 251 | 4 | 22 |
| 2002 | 24 | 63 | 51 | 91 | 4 | 233 | 4 | 1 |
| 2003 | 24 | 65 | 51 | 92 | 4 | 236 | 10 | 7 |
| 2004 | 24 | 61 | 52 | 85 | 4 | 226 | 8 | 30 |
| 2005 | 22 | 62 | 54 | 77 | 1 | 216 | 10 | 9 |
| 2006 | 22 | 66 | 57 | 84 | 1 | 230 | 12 | 11 |
| 2007 | 19 | 68 | 57 | 79 | 1 | 224 | 9 | 3 |
| 2008 | 12 | 69 | 59 | 77 | 1 | 218 | 9 | 15 |
| 2009 | 18 | 74 | 63 | 78 | 2 | 235 | 30 | 11 |
| 2010 | 20 | 74 | 69 | 80 | 2 | 245 | 14 | 6 |
| 2011 | 23 | 82 | 76 | 82 | 3 | 266 | 29 | 8 |
| 2012 | 23 | 84 | 78 | 82 | 3 | 270 | 16 | 12 |
| 2013 | 24 | 87 | 79 | 77 | 4 | 271 | 12 | 11 |
| 2014 | 27 | 97 | 84 | 71 | 4 | 283 | 26 | 14 |
| 2015 | 28 | 99 | 88 | 71 | 4 | 290 | 21 | 14 |
| 2016 | 28 | 98 | 93 | 75 | 5 | 299 | 19 | 10 |



ALLIANCE MEMBERSHIP SINCE 1994

ALLIANCE MEMBERSHIP BY REGION SINCE 1994



2016 Financial Statements

2016 FINANCIAL RESULTS

| IN EUR | 2016 |
|----------------------------|----------|
| AFRICA* | -117 391 |
| AMERICAS* | 69 676 |
| ASIA & PACIFIC* | 117 763 |
| GLOBAL OFFICE* | 148 890 |
| ALLIANCE CONSOLIDATED | 283 888 |
| COOPERATIVES EUROPE | -91 851 |
| 50% SHARE DOTCOOP ALLIANCE | 137 137 |
| TOTAL | 329 174 |

* Before Consolidation

ALLIANCE CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET¹

| Assets in EUR | 2016 | Liabilities in EUR | 2016 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Tangible fixed assets | 51 916 | Equity | 781 1 |
| Financial fixed assets | 9 135 | Provisions | 258 08 |
| Amounts receivable within one year | 3 077 523 | Amounts payable after more | - |
| Current investments | 122 037 | than one year | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 3 370 491 | Amounts payable within one year | 2 803 97 |
| Deferred charges and accrued income | 248 906 | Accrued charges and deferred income | 3 036 76 |
| | 6 880 008 | | 6 880 00 |

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ALLIANCE CONSOLIDATED PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT¹

| in EUR | 2016 |
|--|------------|
| Meetings and Sales of services | 306 485 |
| Contributions and grants | 4 234 703 |
| Other operating income | 381 869 |
| Total income | 4 923 057 |
| Redistribution and support regions | -795 779 |
| Services and others goods | -1 949 520 |
| Remuneration, social security costs and pensions | -1 877 450 |
| Depreciation on tangible fixed asset | -14 416 |
| Amounts written down on trade debts | -61 202 |
| Other operating charges | -61 114 |
| Total expenses | -4 759 481 |
| Operating result | 163 576 |
| Financial result | 115 286 |
| Extraordinary result | 5 026 |
| Net result | 283 888 |

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Governance

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Vice-Presidents:



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Won-Byung Choi National Agricultural Co-operative Federation (Korea)



Jan Anders Lago HSB (Sweden)



Martin Lowery National Rural Electric Co-operative Association (United States of America)



Eudes de Freitas Aquino Unimed do Brasil (Brazil)



Jean-Louis Bancel Crédit Coopératif Group (France)



Ben Reid Midlands Co-operative Society (Great Britain)



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Petar Stefanov Central Co-operative Union Aquino (Brazil)



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