

THE FUTURE IN OUR HANDS INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

The Principles of FIOH

1. We support the human aims expressed in the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights.
2. Individuals have a right to development which must include a right of access to the resources and information necessary for their own survival, basic needs and self-fulfilment.
3. Individually and jointly members of the human family hold in trust the resources of the earth for the benefit of future generations.
4. The continual imbalance between rich and poor nations and the momentum of exploitative growth are destroying human lives and the Earth's resources on an unprecedented and unsustainable scale.
5. We each have a part to play in the struggle to create a just world for the benefit of everyone.
6. Human beings constitute one single family. Taking the future in our hands must begin with a reassessment of personal values, goals and lifestyles and lead to a commitment to creative social and political action for international social justice.
7. Discrimination in all its forms should be denounced to help create an atmosphere of human equality and universal brother/sisterhood.

The Aims of FIOH

1. To accept a personal commitment to promote the principles of FIOH, in particular:
2. To advance public awareness that development is a matter of right rather than Charity.
3. To support a widespread movement of people who further these principles by their actions and way of life.
4. To campaign for changes in unjust government and international policies and cultural attitudes which oppress or impoverish people, especially women.
5. To pursue the principles of the FIOH movement through the services of an Information Centre, and by fostering and co-ordinating the growth of local community groups.
6. To work in co-operation with like-minded organisations throughout the world and with the growing international FIOH Movement.