



NCP MEMBERS 2010

Cork Area (including South East)

Afroshow (Cork)

Anambra State Association (Cork)

Angola Association (Cork)

Association of the Ivorian Community in Cork

Cameroon Association (Cork)

Congolese Community (Cork)

Cork African Women's Group

Cork Nepalese Community Ireland

Cork Nepalese Community Ireland (CNCI)

Gambia Association of Ireland (GAMAI)

Ghanian Friends Cork

Guinean Association Cork

IGBO Union Cork Chapter

Muslim Foundation of Ireland (Cork)

Serbian Community (Cork)

South African (Waterford)

Togolese Community (Cork)

Zimbabwe Cork

Limerick (including North West)

AFREEK NEWS (Limerick)

Afro-Renaissance (Donegal)

APEX 2000 (Limerick)

Association of Cameroonian Living in Limerick and Counties (ASCALI & Co.)

Association Des Congolais De Galway (Congolese Galway Association)

Association des Guineens de Limerick (Guinea Association)

Bafogia Association Ireland (Letterkenny)

Brazilian Women's Association (Limerick)

CANDA, (Congo Republic) Limerick

Clare Intercultural Network (Clare)

Congo Ireland (Donegal)

Diaspora Echo Group/Organization (Limerick)

Diaspora Togo (Limerick)

Diaspora Women Initiatives (DWI) (Limerick)

Edo Union (Limerick)

ELYKIA (Limerick Cultural & Music band)

Gambian Community (Limerick)

GIFA, Ghana – Irish Friendship Association (Limerick)

Gifted Mothers of Africa (Limerick)

Igbo Union Limerick

Iraqi Irish Society (Limerick)

Irish Congo Group of Life (Limerick)

Irish Congolese Business and Cultural Association (Limerick)

Irish Ghana Business & Cultural Association (Limerick)

Irish Polish Business & Cultural Association (Limerick)

Irish Romanian Cultural & Business Association (Limerick)

Ivory Ireland (Limerick)

Junior Gardening & Environmental Project (Limerick)

Knockalisheen Women's Group Limerick

Lady Sheila Cultural Band (Limerick)

Latvian Activities Centre (Limerick)

Latvian Children & Women Association (LCWA)

Limerick Congolese Bondeko Association

Limerick Filipino Community

Limerick Latvian Community

Limerick Nepalese Community

Local Taxis Organisation (Galway)

Mid-West Indian Irish Association (Limerick)

Nepalese Women's Community Network (Limerick)

Nigerian Association in Ireland (NAIL) (Limerick)

Nigerian Women's Group (Limerick)

Oduoa Foundations (Limerick)

One Race Foundation (Donegal)

Rwanda Community (Limerick)

Sasse Old Boys Association (SOBA) (Limerick)

SENTTI (Special Educational Needs Teachers Training Institute) (Limerick)

SOFAD (Active Women Network for Development) (Limerick)

Somali Association Ireland & Limerick

Swazi People of Ireland (Limerick)

United Africa (Donegal)

World FM (Limerick)

SEE BACK COVER FOR DUBLIN MEMBERS



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NCP MEMBERS ARE LISTED FRONT AND BACK COVERS



2010



New Communities Youth Summer Picnic, Jun 2010



NCP Health Awareness Month, Ballymun Partnership, Sept 2010



NCP Family Day, Aug 2010



Rojus Rudinskis, Lithuanian Community, Aug 2010



Roma Community of Ireland, NCP AGM May 2010



Yolandah Nyathi, NCP Africa Day Debate, May 2010



Gladys Onoriode, Cork NCP, May 2010



NCP Family Day, Iveagh Gardens Dublin, August 2010

INTRODUCTION

The year 2010 was a productive year for New Communities Partnership. The organisation participated in several new integration initiatives both in Ireland and at the EU level. Membership of the NCP network rose to 126 organisations nationwide while new ethnic led networks were established at local authority level.

In spite of these accomplishments, the year also brought some critical challenge to the organisation, one of which was the additional cutbacks on the already significant reductions in budgets from the previous year, 2009. This challenge was clearly demonstrated by the NCP office in Limerick losing its core funder, the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust. Despite ongoing resource constraints particularly at regional level, this annual report summary is aimed primarily at celebrating the considerable achievements of New Communities Partnership in 2010.

In October 2010, a joint project of the NCP and the Dublin Employment Pact, called Promoting Civic Participation of Third Country Nationals through Local Authority Platforms 2010-2013, was launched to support third country nationals in establishing a foothold and become fully active and participating Irish citizens.

Also, through our network of community organisations, we identified an emergent population of community members who are currently occupying, or in the years to come will occupy, leadership positions in their various communities.

Together with DHR communications, we devised the NCP Leadership Programme targeting emerging, experienced, and advanced leaders. Thirty leaders participated from NCP's national network of ethnic communities, thus marking a new era of leadership and civic engagement for ethnic minority leadership in Ireland.

New Communities Partnership continued to engage in European contexts in 2010 with its members sitting on the working groups of MIXITIES – Making Integration Work in Europe's Cities, European Fundamental Rights Platform, European Integration Forum and YM+ (a network of organisations working with young migrants and young people with migrant background).

The organisation has continued to collaborate with Dublin's four local authorities (Dublin City Council, South Dublin County Council, Dun Laoghaire and Rathdown County Council and Fingal County Council) as well as Cork County and Limerick City Councils, shaping integration policy at the local level and promoting the civic participation of immigrants. New Communities Partnership played a leading role in the establishment of two new immigrant led networks, namely: Fingal Ethnic Network and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Ethnic Minority Integration Forum.

All of these were the milestones that New Communities Partnership achieved in the year 2010, even in the face of potential setbacks.

The impact of the Government not putting in place clear policy and guidelines on integration continues to lead to gaps in how Government Departments, State Agencies, and Local Authorities implement integration initiatives. Resource allocation and engagement of immigrants within local authority structures continues to vary from one local authority area to another. Unfortunately, the commitment of the four Dublin County Councils to include immigrants in shaping integration policies and to supporting the development of immigrant led networks has not been replicated nationwide.

Since 2007, we have had three Ministers for Integration and three draft publications of the Immigration, Residence & Protection Bill. In spite of all this activity, it was a major disappointment that the Government was unable to put through the IRP Bill in 2010. Ireland still continues to have in place many policies and practices that are an impediment to integration and impact adversely on many long term legally resident immigrants.

In conclusion, I would like to thank our Chairperson, our Board, staff, interns and volunteers nationwide for their commitment to the work of NCP throughout 2010.

Issah Huseini
CEO
New Communities Partnership



(1) COORDINATING, NETWORKING AND PROMOTING THE VOICE OF NEW COMMUNITIES

NCP co-ordinates the activities of its member organisations to work with a broad range of agencies nationally and internationally to provide a voice with which they can consult in meeting the needs of a multi cultural Ireland. Below is a sample of NCP initiatives in 2010 promoting the voice of New Communities.

FEBRUARY

NCP becomes member of the European Fundamental Rights Platform.

MARCH

NCP Limerick, as part of Limerick Integration Working Group, launches Limerick Integration Plan 2010-12.

APRIL

NCP and South West Inner City Network, Dublin 8 establish a Youth Forum for young people living in Dublin city centre.

MAY

New Communities Partnership holds 3rd NCP Annual General Meeting in Dublin with over 200 delegates from 65 communities across Ireland in attendance.

NCP Limerick establishes the Women's Health Forum to provide a unified and inclusive voice for ethnic women in Limerick city and county.

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New Communities Partnership's CEO is appointed as one of Ireland's two representatives to the European Integration Forum, which provides a voice for civil society on integration issues (in particular relating to the EU agenda on integration).

JUNE

Launch of report 'Our Vote Can Make a Difference', documenting New Communities Partnership and Africa Centre's 2009 Local Election Registration & Voter Campaign.

JULY

NCP coordinates ethnic led organisations nationwide to contribute to the NGO Alliance Against Racism Shadow Report under UN International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (CERD) NCP Dublin.

AUGUST

NCP Cork hosts 'Social Exclusion - The Ethnic Experience' a forum for ethnic minority community leaders to dialogue with Local Authorities, service providers and anti poverty agencies on social exclusion.

NCP Cork in association with Co-operative Support Services hosts 'Seed Funding for Ethnic Co-operative Business' a seminar bringing together social finance providers & ethnic minority entrepreneurs.

SEPTEMBER

NCP Cork presents 'How Can I Support Her?' a seminar on domestic violence for service providers. New Communities Partnership, Nigerian Association Network of Ireland, Association of Ogun States Indigenes, in association with Dublin Chamber of Commerce, Dublin City Enterprise Board and Business in the Community host forum on ethnic entrepreneurship 'Start Your Own Business - Free Advice from Professionals'.

OCTOBER

NCP Limerick partners with the Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Limerick on action based research project on migrant women and social supports in Limerick.

DECEMBER

New Communities Partnership (NCP) and South Dublin County Council Social Inclusion Unit presents Cafe Dialogue, a space for members of new communities to discuss their experiences of living in South County Dublin.

NOVEMBER

New Communities Partnership, members meet with Minister Mary White, Minister of Integration to highlight the challenges nationally of immigrant integration.



NCP Limerick Women's Health Forum, May 2010



(2) REPRESENTING ETHNIC MINORITY VOICE IN POLICY

New Communities Partnership engages with institutions of the Irish State, the European Union and others in representing issues of concern of ethnic minority communities.

EUROPE

APRIL

NCP participants at the third EU- Fundamental Rights Agency Platform meeting in Vienna.



Issah Huseini & Anna Rooney, European Integration Forum Brussels, June 2010

OCTOBER

New Communities Youth selected to represent young migrants and young people with migrant back to European Parliament on behalf of European Youth Forum.

NATIONAL

MARCH

NCP represents the ethnic minority experience in the 'Living Library' hosted by South Dublin County Council's Social Inclusion Unit and Ballyroan Library, Dublin

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APRIL
Kavya Ray, New Communities Youth Ireland chosen as one of two young Dubliners to represent Ireland at UNESCO Youth Conference on Racism, Barcelona Sept 2010.

- New Communities Partnership inputs at Carnegie UK Trust 'Making Good Society' consultation in Dublin.

MAY

- NCP Dublin hosts debate 'The Impact of Western Aid on Africa - A View from the African Diaspora, to give platform to the African Diaspora in Ireland to contribute to a discussion on the international aid agenda.

- NCP Cork hosts conference 'Africa in the 21st Century' as part of Africa Week 2010.

- NCP inputs at Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (JRCT) Roundtable on social change in Ireland.

- New Communities Partnership member groups meet with Steering Committee of Office of the Minister of Drugs on National Drug Strategy.

JULY

New Communities Partnership appointed to National Steering Committee of the European Year of Volunteering 2011.

SEPTEMBER

NCP delivers paper at Sligo Community & Voluntary

Forum's 'Building Equal Communities' Conference.

- NCP delivers paper at Doras Luimni, Limerick 'Many Cultures, One Home' conference.
- New Communities Partnership hosts delegation from Finland researching models of integration between migrant networks and local authority structures.

OCTOBER

NCP delivers paper at Citywide National Drugs Conference 'Community Drugs Problem: Defining the Problem-Defending the Responses'.

- NCP member groups participate in 2010 Irish Human Rights Commission NGO consultation.

- NCP and Dublin Employment Pact launch the Civic Participation of Third County Nationals through Local Authority Platforms Programme aimed at supporting Third Country Nationals in the

boroughs of Dublin City Council, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council,



Elykia, NCP Limerick at Launch of Limerick Integration Plan 2010-2012

Fingal County Council and South Dublin County Council.

- NCP co-ordinates ethnic minority submission to the Health Information and Quality Authority's (HIQA) 'National Standards for Safer Better Healthcare'.

NOVEMBER

NCP delivers paper to 'One Donegal- Cultural Diversity Month' on North West Cultural Diversity.

- NCP makes written submission to the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights on the Immigration, Residence and Protection Bill.

DECEMBER

NCP, Fingal Ethnic Network & Fingal County Council host the Cultural Diversity Forum to promote the integration of ethnic communities within Fingal County.



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REGIONAL

(2) REPRESENTING THE ETHNIC MINORITY VOICE

- Cork Regional Advisory Committee for Domestic Violence
- Cork City Integration Forum
- Dublin City Council
- Fingal County Council Social Inclusions Measures Committee
- Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council Integration Forum
- Fingal County Council Ethnic Network
- HSE Mid-West Intercultural Forum
- LIR Anti Racism Training Network
- Red Ribbon
- Limerick City Council Environment Strategic Policy Committee
- Limerick City Development Board
- Limerick Community and Voluntary Forum
- Limerick Integration Working Group
- Limerick Joint Policing Committee



Participant at NCP's Health Awareness Seminar, Montague Direct Provision Accommodation Centre, Portlaoise, Oct 2010



Minister Pat Carey, Joan O Flynn President Camogie Association with children from Slovakia, Lithuania, Ghana & Nigeria at All Ireland Camogie Finals, Croke Park Sept 2010

(3) PROMOTION OF EFFECTIVE INTEGRATION AND SOCIAL INCLUSION INITIATIVES

JUNE

NCP presents paper in Dublin at European Cultural Foundation Conference 'How people Live in an Intercultural Society'.

AUGUST

NCP makes submission to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Tourism, Culture, Sport, Community, Equality and Gaeltacht Affairs on 'How People Live their Lives in an Intercultural Society'.

DECEMBER

NCP attends the Fourth European Integration Forum, Brussels.

SEPTEMBER

NCP co-ordinates 200 ethnic minority children's participation in the All Ireland Camogie Finals, Croke Park.

NCP members groups participate in Dublin City Council's 'One City One People'

(4) DELIVERY OF TRAINING TO ENHANCE THE CAPACITY AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT OF ETHNIC MINORITIES

NCP's aim is to build the capacity of minority ethnic groups to identify their own needs and develop an awareness of the policy context within which services are planned and delivered through education & training initiatives. Below is a sample of NCP's training and capacity building activities in 2010.

FEBRUARY

'Enhancing Group Facilitation Skills' – NCP North Dublin, Meath & Louth members groups.
Migrant Women and Micro Enterprise – NCP Women's Forum, Dublin.

APRIL 2010

Child Protection and Welfare – Dublin ethnic minority-led groups & faith based leaders.

JUNE

Training on Committee Skills and Governance, – Ethnic minority led groups Dublin, Kildare, Offaly & Meath members groups.



AUGUST

Leadership Training - NCP and DHR Communications deliver a series of nationwide training seminars on media skills, advocacy & lobbying to Dublin, Limerick and Cork community leaders.

SEPTEMBER

NCP Health Awareness Month in partnership with 30 health providers hosts forums & health checks in mosques, dispersal centres and community centres in Dublin, Louth, Laois and Longford.



Cork & Limerick NCP Members , Leadership Training (Media), RTE Newsroom, Oct 2010



Fatima Diallo, Guinean Community Limerick & Louise Ewane, NCP Board Member at launch of Limerick Integration Plan, March 2010

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(4) TRAINING & CAPACITY BUILDING

OCTOBER

NCP & University of Limerick award participants who underwent training in social science research the 'Community Volunteer Research Assistant Certificate'.

NCP COMMUNICATIONS

WEBSITE

NCP's website records a 500% increase in traffic over 2009.

FACEBOOK

NCP launches New Communities Partnership Facebook Page.

PUBLICATIONS

Mary White, Minister of Equality, Integration & Human Rights launches 'Our Vote Can Make a Difference', which documents NCP's 2010 votes Education Campaign.



Launch of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Ethnic Integration Forum, Oct 2010

(5) NCP STAFF IN 2010

2010 STAFF

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NCP DUBLIN

Dublin NCP Co-ordinator

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Administrator

Pauline Igiehon

Legal/Policy Officer

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NCP LIMERICK

Limerick Development Worker

Jacques Lobe

Limerick NCP Information Officer

Marian Keller



Pauline Igiehon, Laura Kersulyte, Pamela Hagan- Morgan, NCP Staff Members 2010



Bosede Obe, Association of Ogun Indigenes Ireland & Reginald Inya, Dublin NCP Co-ordinator, NCP Dublin Forum Meeting, April 2010

Limerick NCP Information Officer

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INTERNS

Ashley Brasier, Vignesh Nathan & Jess Newman, Duke University, USA

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VOLUNTEERS

Throughout 2010, volunteers joined NCP to work on campaigns, projects, workshops, conferences and meetings. NCP would like to acknowledge the hundreds of volunteers who have given free of their time in 2010.

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(6) PROVIDING SHARED OFFICE SPACE, FACILITIES AND ADVICE TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Member Group Use of Shared Office Space 2010			
	Dublin	Limerick	Cork
Average Per Month	300 users	257 users	220 users
Total, 2010	3,600	3,084	2,640
Number of Member Group Meetings and Trainings in 2010			
	Dublin	Limerick	Cork
Average Per Month	35	30	25
Total, 2010	420	360	300
Queries and Requests for Information/Referrals in 2010			
	Dublin	Limerick	Cork
Average Per Month	625	556	112
Total, 2010	7,500	6,672	1,344



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Cork and Limerick NCP Members, Leadership Training Programme, Dail Eireann, Oct 2010

NCP MEMBERS 2010

Dublin Area

Afghan Community of Ireland (Dublin)
Africa Caribbean Forum (Kildare)
Africa Change Initiative (Dublin)
Africa Union Ireland
Afro Irish Kiddeos Club
Algerian Community Ireland (Dublin)
Angola United Association in Ireland (Dublin)
Asanteman Association (Dublin)
Association of Gambians Ireland (Dublin)
Association of Malawians in Ireland (Dublin)
Association of Moroccans in Ireland (AMI) (Dublin)
Association of Ogun State Indigens - AOSII (Dublin)
Association of Oromo Community in Ireland (Dublin)
Bangladesh-Ireland Development Organisation (Dublin)
Bini Community Ireland (Dublin)
Boarder Integration (Monaghan)
Brong Ahafo Ne Anuanom-kuo (Dublin)

Cameroon Association Ireland (Dublin)
Congoese Community (Dublin)
Co-operative Support Services for Ethnic Minorities (Dublin)
Cultural Fusion Youth Club (Dublin)
Darfur Solidarity Group in Ireland (Dublin)
Diaspora Women's Initiative (DWI) (Dublin)
Dublin Cross Cultural Club
Dublin Latvian Choir
(FOSIS) Ireland (Dublin)
Guinean Association in Ireland (Dublin)
Hindu Cultural Centre of Ireland (Dublin)
House of Rock Ministry
Ibn Badis Cultural Organization (Dublin)
IGBO Union (Ohaneze) (Dublin)
Integration of Africa Children in Ireland (IACI) (Dublin)
INTEGRATION OF AFRICAN CHILDREN IN IRELAND
Irish Community Empowerment Group (Dublin)
Kurdish Association of Ireland
Latin American Natives Community in Ireland (LANCI) (Dublin)
Manyu Elements Cultural Organisation (Dublin)
Miss Ghana (Dublin)
Moroccan Sahara Development Association (Dublin and Westmeath)
Nigerian Association Network Ireland (NANI) (Dublin)
Romanian Community of Ireland (RCI) Dublin
Roma Integration Association (Dublin)
"Shika" Burundi Drumming (Dublin)
Slovak Centre Ireland (Dublin)
Somali Community in Ireland (Dublin)
Southside Chinese Resident Association (Dublin)
Zimbabwean Heritage Trust (Dublin)



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Limerick NCP Martial Arts Programme, Knockalisheen Hostel, Limerick

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NCP WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORTED THE WORK OF NCP THROUGHOUT 2010



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Cork City Council, Cork County Council, Dublin City Council, South Dublin County Council,

Fingal County Council, Limerick City Council, Limerick County Council, Dept of Foreign Affairs, Social Inclusion

Division at the Department of Community, Equality and Gaeltacht Affairs, Health Services Executive, Dun Laoghaire

Rathdown County Council, COSC, University of Limerick, Dublin Employment Pact, Dublin

Inner City Partnership, Paul Partnership Limerick, FAI, University College of Cork

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