

# A WORD

## FROM THE SECRETARIAT



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The turn of the year is a time for both reflecting on what has happened, but also to envisage or dream about what is to come. For the Karibu Foundation, 2018 will particularly be remembered for the loss of our founder, Mrs. Cecilie Nustad, who passed away in July this year. She continues to inspire us in the work ahead as we seek new ways of fulfilling the vision that she had made her own: another world is indeed possible.

On an international level, it is difficult to say that we have solved any of the world's biggest challenges. We have perhaps taken some small steps forward in specific sectors (extreme poverty rates in decline globally, handshakes in Korea, the recognition of the rights of those forced to move in the Global Compact on Migration, and more), but in general the year has only confirmed that our world is in deep crisis. The space for civil society actors to operate is shrinking; fundamentalist and right-wing nationalist voices are getting more room and recognition on the international stage; our planet is getting warmer and the climate is becoming more unpredictable; neo-liberal economic powers still set the agenda for much of the world's population, and militarization is used to a large extent to protect these interests. We have a long way to go.

Yet, we are still encouraged and inspired by what we see and hear in our interaction with partners across the Global South on the grassroots level. The signs of hope are not the big events or actions that reach the headlines. Instead, they are the day-to-day work, struggles, and courageous activism that individuals and groups stand for.

We lift up a number of the key successes from our partners in this edition of "A Year at a Glance" (see page 11); suc-

cesses that give us hope for the struggle ahead. If we really want to see systemic change, which is absolutely necessary, our approach must be more comprehensive, include all parts of life and society, and build on a mobilisation of the grassroots that we have never seen before. We can learn from the courageous voices of those on the frontlines.

Social movements are coming together, even though they struggle to find financial resources Rebel cities are testing out new models of decision making, leadership, economy and community. Progressive grant makers are co-strategizing with social movements in order to have a more targeted role in systemic change. Even investor groups are discussing how they can rethink their stewardship of capital for the benefit of a just and egalitarian society.

So, even 2018 has given us some signs of a new dawn, a new global society. Even if it is in its early beginning. We need to lift up all signs of hope, because the present challenges are huge and counterforces are many.

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## IN MEMORIA: CECILIE NUSTAD



The Karibu Foundation grieves the loss of our founder and vice-chair, Mrs. Cecilie Nustad. Cecilie passed away on July 11th, 2018 in Norway.

Throughout all the years of the operations of the foundation, back to its establishment in late 1985

/ early 1986, Cecilie had always kept a very active and high involvement in the development and work of the foundation. She was interested not only in projects and grant making, but even more in all the issues raised by our partners. She cared deeply for the people involved in raising these concerns and resisting injustice and global inequalities. Cecilie was deeply engaged in the rights for all people, and especially for those oppressed through systemic injustices and abuse of power. She found it meaningful that Karibu could contribute to make these voices heard and their struggle for justice seen.

We share the words of **Archbishop Desmond Tutu** on the occasion of Cecilie's passing:

"Cecilie was not only generous but was committed to fight injustice and oppression everywhere, helping those resisting evil with her dedication and commitment as well as with her public advocacy for justice and human rights. God is proud of this His daughter and wanted her to come home to decorate heaven with her goodness and generosity.

We are richly blessed to have been touched by her. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. May God wipe away the tears from your eyes and give you strength so that you may continue her splendid work for justice and peace."

Cecilie will be greatly missed in the Karibu family.



### **GRANTS SHARED IN 2018**

# THE KARIBU FOUNDATION HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS AND PROJECTS IN 2018:

Agencia Latinoamericana de Información / Latin American Information Agency (ALAI) http://www.alainet.org/ Ouito. Ecuador

Support for Latin American networking initiative on integration, democratization of communication, and digital media, as well as advocacy work towards the Internet Social Forum.

All Africa Theological Education by Extension Association (AATEEA) http://www.facebook.com/teeafrica Kitwe, Zambia

Support towards pan-African gathering with focus on justice for women and sexual minorities, as well as lifting up eco-theology.

Alternative Tourism Group (ATG) http://www.atg.ps
Bethlehem Palestine

Support towards continuing efforts for alternative and transformative pilgrimage to the Holy Land, including documentation, research, and advocacy campaigns.

# Asia Pacific Mission for Migrants (APMM)

http://www.apmigrants.org Hong Kong

Support to advocacy and mobilization project for grassroots migrants, related SDGs, Global Forum on Migration and Development, GFMD, and World Social Forum on Migration.

Asia Pacific Research Network (APRN) http://www.aprnet.org/Manila, The Philippines

Support towards civil society gathering related to resisting corporate takeover of development, and critical perspectives on IMF-World Bank policies in the Global South.

Badayl Alternatives https://badayl.org/ Goa, India

Support towards documentation and advocacy related to "Palestine Updates".

Born To Win Relationships https://www.facebook.com/btwrelationships

Colombo. Sri Lanka

Support to initial phase of journalist training program, with the aim of speaking truth to power.

Churches Witnessing with Migrants (CWWM)

http://www.nccphilippines.org/ cwwm/ Manila, Philippines

Support to Global South participation at the international consultation on questions of migrations and development in Morocco.

Eglise Evangelique des Amis au Rwanda (EEAR)

https://friendschurchrwanda.org/ Kigali, Rwanda

Support towards regional gathering with focus on building a nonviolence movement for sustainable peace and justice in East Africa.



MARK KAPLAN (GREY MATTER MEDIA- TOP RIGHT) AND TETET LAURON (ROSA LUXEMBORG - BOTTOM CENTER), WITH KARIBU DIRECTOR EILERT ROSTRUP AND FRIENDS, AT THE 2018 NORWEGIAN SOCIAL FORUM. MARK AND TETET WERE KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AT THE FORUM, & MARK'S FILM "VILLAGE VS. EMPIRE" HAD ITS NORWEGIAN PREMIERE.



PARTICIPANTS OF EEAR'S NONVIO-LENCE TRAININGS TAKE A GROUP PHOTO FOLLOWING THE 3-DAY TRAINING THAT TOOK PLACE IN KIGALI RWANDA.



RAMI KASSIS OF THE ALTERNA-TIVE TOURISM GROUP (ATG). PALESTINE, LEADS A WORKSHOP ON NEW APPROACHES TO JUST TOURISM IN PALESTINE AND ISRA-EL, DURING THE WORLD SOCIAL FORUM IN SALVADOR. BRAZIL.

# Fahamu Networks for Social Justice http://www.fahamu.org/Nairobi. Kenya

Support towards participatory action research in Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania, aimed at amplifying voices of communities in East Africa affected by emerging global powers in Africa (economic, military and political powers).

### Iraqi Social Forum (ISF) http://www.iraqicivilsociety.org/ Baghdad, Iraq

Support towards mobilization initiative for peace, tolerance, reconciliation and bridge-building in Iraq.

### IT for Change / JustNet Coalition http://www.itforchange.net/ Bangalore, India

Support towards South participation at Just Net Coalition meeting, with a focus on developing progressive, Southern agendas for the digital society and economy.

### Jahalin Solidarity http://www.jahalin.org/ West Jerusalem, Israel

Support towards advocacy campaign against the demolition of Bedouin schools and villages in Israel.

### Kairos Palestine http://www.kairos.ps Bethlehem. Palestine

Support towards South participation at the Kairos Palestine 9th anniversary conference and at strategy meetings of Global Kairos for Justice movement.

### Kairos Southern Africa Cape Town, South Africa

Support towards strategic workshop on Kairos Palestine advocacy.

Norwegian Social Forum http://www.globalisering.no Oslo, Norway

Support towards South participation at the 2018 Norwegian Social Forum (Globalization Conference).

More and Better Network http://www.moreandbetter.org Yaoundé, Cameroon

Support for conference on the sustainable development goals (SDGs), small-scale agriculture and fisheries.

Our World Is Not For Sale (OWINFS) http://www.ourworldisnotforsale.org

Support for Global South participation in strategic WTO and trade processes, with a special focus on digital issues in trade agreements.

## Palestine Youth Ecumenical Movement (PYEM)

http://www.jai-pal.org East Jerusalem, Palestine

Support for youth exchange, training, and advocacy for Palestinian youth.

# World Student Christian Federation - Latin America and the Caribbean (WSCF-LAC)

http://www.fumec-alc.org Buenos Aires, Argentina

Support towards coordination of regional programs related to economic and climate justice, democracy, human rights, peace-building and nonviolent resistance.







ON PEACE IN KOREA....

"IF WE WANT TO SEE TRUE PEACE IN KOREA AND NORTHEAST ASIA, WE NEED TO SEE THE MILITARY BASES THAT FORM THE MISSILE DEFENSE (OFFENSE) BELT WITHDRAWN AND CLOSED."







ON THE STRUGGLE FOR JUST A DISTRIBUTION OF WATER...

"WATER TODAY IS NOT FOR PEOPLE, IT IS FOR BIG ECONOMIC INTERESTS. IT IS NECESSARY TO STOP THIS... AND IT IS NECESSARY TO COME TOGETHER TO SAVE LIFE."



ON DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES FROM SMALL-SCALE FARMERS...

"THE FOOD SYSTEM CAN'T BE IN THE HANDS OF THE FEW.... PUBLIC RESOURCES SHOULD BE USED ON FOOD SYSTEMS THAT ALLOW FOR LIFE."

 ON THE UN'S GLOBAL COMPACT FOR MIGRATION

"THE MIGRANT MOVEMENT ITSELF MUST RAISE THE DISCOURSE ON MIGRATION TO HIT THE ROOTS OF MIGRANT'S ISSUES - NEOLIBERAL ECONOMICS AND POLITICS, AND WARS AND CONFLICTS PERPETUATED BY THE MONOPOLY CAPITALIST BUSINESSES AND STATES."

ON THE
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"IT IS POSSIBLE TO FIGHT THE GIANT AND TO WIN. THEIR INTERESTS CAN BE TACKLED... BUT IT IS KEY TO START MOBILIZATION EARLY...IN ORDER TO BE SUCCESSFUL."

MARIANA GÓMEZ SOTO (YES TO LIFE, NO TO MINING'S LATIN AMERICA COORDINATOR) ON THE SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN TO STOP ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI'S PLANS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE "LA COLOSA" GOLD MINE IN COLOMBIA



### **KEY SUCCESS STORIES FROM 2018**

DESPITE A NUMBER OF CHALLENGES FOR CIVIL SOCIETY - MOVEMENTS AROUND THE WORLD ARE SHOWING THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO FIGHT THE GIANT AND WIN!



PHOTO:A GROUP OF 18 BEDOUIN SCHOOLCHILDREN FROM THE VILLAGE OF AL KHAN AL AHMAR DEMONSTRATE OUTSIDE THE JERUSALEM RESIDENCE OF THE ISRAELI PRESIDENT DURING A MEETING WITH GERMAN CHANCELLOR ANGELA MERKEL. JAHALIN SOLIDARITY ORGANIZED THE DEMONSTRATION. PHOTO CREDIT: OREN ZIV, ACTIVE STILLS

Of the many victories (big and small) in the last period, one resounding victory came from the town of Cajamarca in Colombia. There, the local community passed a referendum in a landslide vote to ban all mining projects in the area. The referendum negates plans by AngloGold Ashanti, one of the world's largest mining company, for the "La Colosa" openpit gold mine. Resistance to the project was aided by Yes to Life. No to Mining, a movement that builds networks of communities against destructive mining operations. Their mobilization efforts proved vital to galvanizing such a powerful community response to the threat of Anglo-Gold. Similar referendums began occurring across the country in 2018.

In Israel, organizations and movements have moved ahead despite increasing

hostility to critical voices. The movement New Profile coordinated educator forums for teachers to challenge the militarism of Israeli society. These networks have provided a necessary outlet for teachers to share critical views and jointly develop plans for anti-militarism curriculum. As one teacher involved put it. "Meeting only once a month? We should meet every week! It's absolutely necessary." Another success has been the growth of the Imbala collective, a project to create a feminist and anti-racist space for different communities to safely share experiences and ideas for activism in Jerusalem. After growing from a couple dozen members to over 70 in a year, Imbala serves as a gathering point for activists. One of their main events in 2018 resulted in the postponing of an eviction of a Palestinian family in the neighborhood of Silwan.

In 2018, the Palestinian village of Khan al-Ahmar was target of two Israeli High Court rulings that allowed for the demolition of the bedouin village by Israeli military forces. Jahalin Solidarity (JS) worked together with the community to develop a social media campaign encouraging governments to "exert meaningful and decisive political, diplomatic and economic pressure on the Israeli authorities to halt the demolitions." In addition. JS facilitated a public demonstration by Bedouin schoolchildren outside the Israeli president's Jerusalem residence while he met with the German Chancellor. Holding signs with the text "#SAVE-MYSCHOOL," the children protested the planned demolitions that included their



JOICE UROPDANA (WEST PAPUA), MEMBER THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S GROUP SERUNI, MARCHES AT THE PEOPLE'S GLOBAL CONFERENCE AGAINST THE WORLD BANK AND IMF IN BALI, INDONSIA. THE CATHERING WAS AN ALTERNATIVE SPACE COORGANIZED BY THE ASIA PACIFIC RESARCH NETWORK.



GLORENE DAS (MALAYSIA)
ADDRESSES ECUADOR'S VICEMINISTER FOR HUMAN MOBILITY
AT THE CHURCHES WITNESSING
WITH MIGRANTS (CWWM) CONSULTATION IN MOROCCO. HER
MAIN MESSAGE: WHAT CAN BE
DONE TO ENSUE THAT GRASSROOTS MIGRANT'S VOICES CAN BE
PRESENT IN PROCESSES RELATED
TO THEIR FUTURE. PHOTO: S.
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school. JS's work sparked debates in the European Parliament. The EU later condemned the plans, noting that the demolition would "severely impact" the children's right to education, and the campaigns resulted in active engagement by the UK Foreign Secretary, members of the UK Parliament, and local diplomats. The village of Khan al-Ahmar is still standing today.

The Asia Pacific Research Network (APRN) works to build cooperation among alternative research centers. NGOs, and social movements that focus on development issues across the Asia-Pacific region. Among many notable efforts this year, APRN played a crucial role in securing a civil society response to the meetings of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank that were held in Bali. Indonesia in October. APRN. along with the other organizers of the Peoples' Global Conference (PGC), were met with a number of repressive measures taken by the Indonesian government to derail the PGC. These measures included the use of security forces, surveillance, and other intimidation tactics to suppress people's dissent over the policies of the IMF-World Bank. APRN played a central role in the leadership of the process: they secured a new space for the peaceful and legitimate gathering after the first was shut down by police, and they flagged the situation to the IMF-WB's CSO liaison office. The issue of government suppression in response to dissent will now be raised to the IMF's European Executive Directors. Efforts are now underway to transform the PGC from a one-time event into a campaign network focused on international financial institutions, and the people's right to define and chart their own path towards a democratic, just, and equitable future.

This year, the **Churches Witnessing With Migrants** (**CWWM**) focused their efforts on strengthening their international platform of advocacy and action for migrants and refugees. With a renewed commitment to forwarding the principles of their work (hospitality, mercy, and justice toward strangers), the CWWM met in Marrakech, Morocco in December. CWWM engaged with govern-

ment leaders in order to ensure that the voices of grassroots migrants are heard. After discussions with Ecuador's vice-minister for human mobility, Ecuador invited CWWM to a process to develop a platform for grassroots migrants voices in connection to the 2019 Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) that will be held in Quito, Ecuador.

After a several year process, the international solidarity network Kairos for Global Justice was launched in Bethlehem this year, energized by the many Kairos movements of Christian creative resistance that exist in both the Global North and South. The international Kairos movement was inspired by the 2009 launch of the Kairos Palestine document. Global Kairos seeks to confront theological and political rhetoric, exchange information, and unite Kairos solidarity initiatives across the globe.

Another success, among the many this year, took place in Iraq. The Iraqi Social Forum held its fifth annual forum in Baghdad in order to fight for political and social rights, environmental protection, Iraqi heritage, and sustainable development. The forum was a testimony to the efforts of strengthening civil society in the country throughout the years. After having been institutionally dependent on the Iraqi Civil Society Solidarity Initiative (ICSSI), an international solidarity network, the ISF is now operated autonomously by Iraqi activists.

By: Israa Khalifa, Britta Weber, and Teigen Swanson























- Activists from the Imbala Cooperative in Jerusalem dress like trees and demonstrate outside of the Jerusalem office of the Jewish National Fund (JNF), in protest to the JNF's efforts to evict Palestinian families in the neighborhood of Silwan
- Asia Pacific Mission for Migrants (APMM)
   holds a workshop on the rights of marriage
  migrants at the World Social Forum
- Tetet Nera-Louron (Philippines), Carlos Fernandez (Colombia), Pablo Neri (Brazil), and Linda Chido (Zimbabwe) discuss the shrinking space for civil society and human rights defenders at a workshop co-organized by Karibu at the Norwegian Social Forum. Credit: J.Engen
- Vandana Shiva (India) discusses resistance to the rule of the 1% through oneness and solidarity in diversity, at the 2018 Norwegian Social Forum
- Shatha Jumaa (Iraq) participates in the Baghdad Peace Marathon, an event aimed to take back the war-torn streets of Baghdad (organized by the Iraqi Social Forum)

- Eni Lestari (Indonesia), chairperson of the International Migrants Alliance, speaks about the Global Compact on Migration at the CWWM Consultation in Morocco
- Ranjan Solomon of Badayl Alternatives (India) and the Tourism Alert and Action Forum speaks at the World Social Forum.
- Perpetua Fodji (Cameroon), together with Amirul Islam (Bangladesh), bring forward concrete examples of development alternatives from small-scale farmers and fisherfolk at More and Better Network's Conference in Cameroon
- Sally Burch (Ecuador) of Agencia Latino Americana de Información (ALAI) addresses the International Council of the World Social Forum
- Members of the Bilaterals.org team participate at the Hong Kong strategy meeting against the RCEP Trade Deal.

## **WHO WE ARE**

#### **OUR BOARD IN 2018:**

Heidi Lundeberg (chair)

Cecilie Nustad (vice-chair, jan-july)

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#### **OUR PRIMARY OBJECTIVES:**

- To provide economic support to organizations and networks in the South that work for a just world
- To strategically cooperate with these organizations and networks, support network-building processes, and convey the thoughts and experiences of our partners to various arenas in the North

### **OUR PARTNERS:**

Karibu seeks to partner with faithbased and secular organizations and networks of the Global South that provide alternatives to the dominant paradigms of power, distribution, and development.

Projects that Karibu supports are primarily related to the areas of information exchanges, mobilizing efforts, legislative and research efforts, bridge-building, dialogue, and capacity building.

More info: <a href="https://www.karibu.no/">www.karibu.no/</a> who-we-are/what-we-support/ COVER: AN ORGANISER WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND PEASANT COMMITTEE OF CAJAMARCA AND ANAIME (COLOMBIA) ADDRESSES CELEBRATING CROWDS IN CAJAMARCA ON THE DAY OF ITS HISTORIC REFERENDUM.

AFTER A 10-YEAR NONVIOLENT CAMPAIGN COORDINATED BY GRASSROOTS ACTIVISTS AND INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT, THE TOWN VOTED WITH A 97.9% MAJORITY TO SAY "NO" TO PLANS FOR WHAT WAS SET TO BECOME ONE OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST GOLD MINES: THE "LA COLOSA" PROJECT. THE MINING COMPANY (SOUTH AFRICA'S ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI) HAS NOW HALTED ITS PROJECT ENTIRELY, IS PULLING OUT, AND SAYS THAT IT ACCEPTS THE VALIDITY OF THE VOTE.

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