EducateursSansFrontières
Dallas
2011
AMI’S MISSION

To support the natural development of the human being from birth to maturity enabling children to become transforming elements of society leading to a harmonious and peaceful world.
AMI’S OBJECTIVES

To make a positive and concrete difference in the lives of children

• Promote Montessori and advance understanding of its key principles

• Increase access to quality Montessori education

• Expand opportunities for people to engage and contribute to the Montessori movement

• Represent and advocate for the rights of all children

• Develop additional organizational, human and financial resources that will be of lasting benefit to children and the global Montessori movement
AMI is an NGO represented the United Nations (1985)

In operational relations with UNESCO (1962)

Member of the International Network for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for the Children of the World
More than 40% of all children out of school in the world today live in conflict areas around the world - countries that are often among the world’s poorest places... The same children are less likely to see a doctor or visit a health clinic...and more likely to be deprived of their most basic needs.

The great educator Dr. Maria Montessori once said that, “education is the most effective way of opposing war.” It is also an indispensable foundation of peace and prosperity. And it is at the very heart of equity.
What is EsF?

By Law 17:

Is an AMI programme in which participants revisit the Montessori principles and practices from the perspective of society at large.

As individuals the participants will contribute to the aims of AMI particularly Article 4f of the Articles of Association.

Article 4f
Functioning as a social movement that will strive to obtain recognition for the rights of the child throughout the world, irrespective of race, religion, political and social beliefs; cooperating with other bodies and organisations which further the development of education, human rights and peace.
The Dallas Goals?

A Declaration?

A Statement?

A Global Alliance for children?

A personal commitment to ‘out of the box endeavors’

A modus operandi for AMI to operationalize EsF work?
EsF Purpose
An EsF Educateur is

• One who wants to participate in the idea of Montessori beyond borders, making himself or herself available to serve the needs of the child within the child’s own community.
An EsF Goal is

- To identify and/or support innovative educational projects worldwide that are based on Montessori principles, with mentorship, resources and/or funding guiding them towards sustainability, expansion and replication
How

Educateurs training on:
- core principles
- cultural sensitivities
- introduction to material making
- development of the resource kit
- community organization
- leadership training
- fundraising techniques
- sustainability strategies
- evaluation tools
Strategy for immediate discussion

• Create a draft of the EsF Statement of Purpose 2011
• Each group must come up with the following in writing to be distributed ready for the website by August 10th
  ‣ Scope of their area of concern
  ‣ Broad realistic timeline from August 2011 - July 2013
  ‣ Immediate action items - until July 2012
  ‣ Future action items - from July 2012 - July 2013 and beyond
• Who is going to do it? Identify partners/Identify 1 - 3 in each group who will continue to work/Identify a volunteer list who will be willing to be called on, as needed (from within and beyond this group).
Geneva Declaration of the Rights of the Child 1924

Montessori founds the Social Party of the Child 1937

Declaration of the Rights of the Child 1959

Convention on the Rights of the Child 1989

Educateurs sans Frontières founded 1999

1st Assembly, Citta di Castello, Italy, Spain 1999

2nd Assembly, Burgos, Spain 2004

3rd Assembly Dallas, Texas, USA 2011

AMI established 1929

AMI MONTESSORI INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Special needs children

Public Education

Children on the edge

Indigenous Peoples

Pregnancy, early childhood, parent education, outreach

Dallas Strategy

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“Let us fuse our intent and proceed all together with song on our lips and the single goal of creating conditions which will enable our children to grow into what a human being in the eyes of God is supposed to be”

Mario Montessori
We shall not cease from exploration.
And at the end of all our exploring,
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time.

T.S. Eliot