PaRD

International Partnership on Religion and Sustainable Development
PaRD brings together governmental and intergovernmental entities with diverse civil society and faith-based organisations to engage the social capital and capacities vested in diverse faith communities for sustainable development and humanitarian assistance in the spirit of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
Forming a “partnership for the goals”, PaRD aims at greater and institutionalised communication and coordination between secular and non-secular actors, while fostering new synergies through open discourse and new collaboration of its members.
Governance Structure

**Steering Group** (10-12 members)

- **Co-Chair**
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- **Finance and Budget Sub-Committee**
- **Membership Sub-Committee**

- **Secretariat** (currently hosted by GIZ)

- **Tasks**
- **Supports**

- **UN Advisory Group to PaRD**
  - UN Habitat
  - UNAIDS, UNDP, UNEP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNOGPRP, UNWOMEN, and WFP

- **Consult**
- **Advises**

**PaRD Members**

- Governmental Entities
- Intergovernmental Entities
- Civil Society and Faith-based Organisations
The PaRD Steering Group

PaRD’s members govern the partnership through their elected Steering Group that provides leadership and guidance to the membership and the secretariat.

The steering group reflects PaRD’s diversity regarding geography, faith, gender, as well as size and type of organization.

The SG’s three elected co-chairs represent governmental, intergovernmental entities and FBOs/CSOs in order to handle the day-to-day business of the SG.

Back starting from left: Hellen Mugo (CYNESA), Peter Prove (WCC), Atallah Fitzgibbon (IRW), Hanno Spitzer (BMZ), Kirsten Evans (USAID), Thomas Lawo (PaRD Sec), Jørgen Thomsen (DCA), Mercy Niwe (WBG), Ulrich Nitschke (PaRD Sec)

Front starting from left: Siva Jamal Aziz (UM/DK), Mohammed Abu-Nimer (KAICIID), Sadhvi Bhagawati Saraswati (WASH Alliance), Maria Lucia Uribe Torres (Arigatou International)

Missing: Abozer Elmana Elligai (AU-ECOSOCC)
The PaRD work-streams...

...are platforms for **joint collaboration** on specific SDGs

...focus on **SDGs chosen by the PaRD members**

...are **chaired** by at least three members – the co-leads

...develop and implement **innovative annual work plans**

...relate to **SDG 17**, the core of PaRD’s work and identity

...are bound together by **Human Rights** and the principle of **Leave No One Behind**

Please visit [www.pard.international/work-streams/overview/](http://www.pard.international/work-streams/overview/) for further information!
The PaRD – UN advisory group

• This group is established to maintain close ties for all PaRD members with the United Nations agencies

• It will enable the coordinated continuation of joint work by…

  … providing guidance around governmental and inter-governmental policy in areas relevant to religion and the SDGs

  … advising PaRD members focusing on the alignment with UN statements and global agenda setting

  … allowing to share knowledge to create synergies
Examples of cooperation initiated, facilitated, or enhanced through PaRD

✓ Faith Action Forum for Children on the Move: Global Partners Forum

- Convened in Rome on October 16th to 18th, 2018 with over 180 participants from more than 80 organizations
- Among the 14 organizing partners are 10 PaRD members as well as PaRD itself through its work-stream Sustaining Peace, SDG 16
- The forum’s participants jointly developed and published an action plan with concrete recommendations and steps towards strengthening faith action for the care and protection of children on the move
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✓ Two events at the 63rd session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women:
  ▪ Faith, Feminism and Human Rights Frameworks
  ▪ Unlocking the Power of Faith-Based Partnerships: Enabling the Right to Social Protection
  ▪ Organised through the PaRD work-stream Gender Equality and Empowerment by:
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✓ **JLI** Scoping Studies
  
  i. The role of religious actors in preventing and addressing sexual gender based violence
  
  ii. The role of local religious actors in supporting peaceful and inclusive societies
  
  iii. Partnerships between religious actors, NGOs, governmental, and inter-governmental agencies on adolescent sexual and reproductive health (ASRH) services and information
…forming a global partnership for the goals!

Map as of April 2019, 105 members – 119 members as of October 2019
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