

By the Numbers

The CCWA continues to participate in numerous personal and professional exchange programs

KEY NUMBERS SINCE JUNE 30, 2013

- 90** **Years of history** — the Council has been inspiring engagement since 1923
- 50** **Partner schools** took part in CCWA's educational programs during the year
- 1050** **Students and educators** engaged with the world at Model UN conferences
- 600** **Attendees** contributed to the global conversation in our speaker series
- 235** **Visitors** from 75 countries came through professional exchanges

Global Professional Visitors

RECENT TOPICS HAVE INCLUDED:

- Engaging Underserved and At-Risk Youth
- Children in the U.S. Justice System
- Civic Leadership and Volunteerism
- Accountability in Government
- Young Political, Economic and Social Leadership
- Women and Entrepreneurship
- Green Tech and Alternative Energies
- Broadcast Journalism and Media
- Minority Youth Outreach

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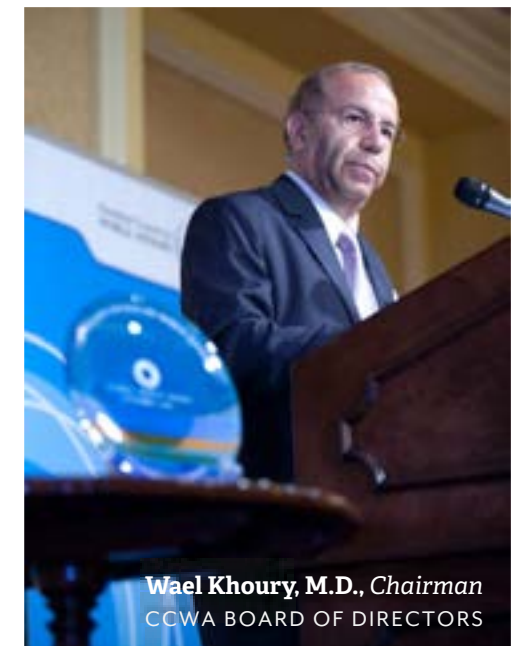
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2013-2014 ANNUAL REPORT

Celebrating 90 years of contributing to diversity, diplomacy and global dialogue

DEAR MEMBERS, SUPPORTERS, AND FRIENDS,
I am pleased to share this 2013-2014 Annual Report highlighting the many CCWA programs and initiatives that support our mission to inspire engagement in international affairs and world cultures through education, public dialogue, and citizen diplomacy. This last year, CCWA reached a milestone – 90 years of providing opportunities for our region's citizens, both young and old, to be globally engaged, more culturally aware and knowledgeable about world affairs.



Wael Khoury, M.D., Chairman
CCWA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We live in a globally connected world but often lack the facts for understanding the geopolitical forces that are shaping our lives and U.S. foreign policy. Our series, **Global Issues for Cleveland's Global Citizens** brought in experts to talk about Iran, Ukraine, the crises in Syria and the Middle East, Cyber Security, Sudan and South Sudan, and U.S. foreign policy. CCWA's **Model United Nations** program for middle school and high school students engaged more than 1,000 students in researching, analyzing and representing the strategic positions of member UN countries. Our largest impact in the area

of building global ties is through our **International Visitors** program. In the last year over 230 youth and adults came to Cleveland on 32 short-term professional and leadership programs. Nearly 100 organizations met with these visitors on topics ranging from economic development and youth leadership to sustainable energy. More importantly, over 250 local 'citizen diplomats' engaged with our visitors as volunteers, program guides, meeting with visitors on the program topic, and opening their homes to give the visitors an American home dinner experience. >>

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Our first **Global Impact Award** event, chaired by Richard Pogue, was very successful. We intend to make it an annual event highlighting our mission in recognizing notable people who made a difference in international affairs in honor of former CCWA president and benefactor Brooks Emeny's vision.

I want to thank our collaborating organizations, supportive corporations, foundations and individuals who contributed significantly to the Council. I want to thank the Board members, whose vision and support for the Council is very critical. I want to recognize our staff who work passionately to create new program initiatives and grow existing programs.

While the world has changed dramatically since our founding, and continues to evolve at rapid speed, our

mission remains critically relevant in today's world as our northeast Ohio residents are increasingly connected to the rest of the world and impacted by global issues. We look forward to keeping our programs relevant, engaging and reaching more citizens.

I invite you to engage even more with the Cleveland Council on World Affairs. Please share your ideas and thoughts as to how CCWA can better serve you or your organization.

Sincerely,

Wael Khoury M.D.

Wael Khoury, M.D., Chairman
CCWA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ANNIVERSARIES



The Council recognizes 90 years of international engagement

This past year, CCWA celebrated 90 years of inspiring engagement in global issues in our community. It all began in 1923, when a group of women interested in promoting international peace created a group to discuss world events. Over the years CCWA has responded to changes in our society by expanding its mission to encompass new programs and projects.

Today, we continue to promote global awareness through education programs, speaker series and international visitor programs. Our mission remains critically relevant in today's globally connected world. We look forward to inspiring and expanding the global conversation for the next 90 years and beyond!

SPEAKER SERIES



Making meaningful contributions to the global conversation

This past year, our speaker series **Global Issues for Cleveland's Global Citizens**, covered such critical topics as U.S.-Russian relations, the Middle East/Arab politics, cyber-security, and energy. Over 600 people in the community engaged in conversations on events and issues that are changing the world and making history.

We opened the season last September with a talk on Iran given by former State Department Under Secretary for Policy **Ambassador Thomas Pickering** and **Jessica Matthews** of the **Carnegie Endowment for International Peace**. Their incredibly timely presentation came just as news was breaking on resuming talks on Iran's nuclear program. The closing event of the season was no less timely: Just as Russians tanks were gathering on the Ukrainian border, **Damon Wilson** of the **Atlantic Council** examined why this matters to the U.S. and what is at stake. In December, over 100 people braved the weather on a particularly

snowy evening to hear **Steve Clemons**, Washington Editor-at-Large of the **Atlantic** share his predictions for U.S. foreign policy in 2014. His dynamic presentation with personal stories about covering the news around the world were spellbinding.

Six of our speakers participated in our **"Bridges to the World"** program that connects guest speakers with local schools either through school visits or distance learning broadcasts. **Ambassador Princeton Lyman** was welcomed by nearly 100 students at **Shaker Heights High School** as he talked about the challenges for peace in South Sudan and his work as a special envoy to the region during the peace talks in 2011-2013. In addition, our own Ambassador-in-Residence, Heather Hodges, shared her experiences as an ambassador with the young women of **Hathaway Brown** as the opening speaker of the Ambassador Series at HB's Center for Global Citizenship.



IMAGES IN BRIEF

AT LEFT: Agricultural and environmental experts from the public and private sectors in France visited Cleveland in early 2014 to discuss green technology and sustainability.

AT RIGHT: New Silk Road, a cross-border entrepreneurial visitors' group made of members from Afghanistan, India, Pakistan.

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The CCWA owes many of its successes to the generosity of its donors and the tireless efforts of its volunteers

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Celebrating the Cleveland Committee on Foreign Relations

The **Cleveland Committee on Foreign Relations** dinner series on global issues celebrated its 75th birthday this season.

The first guest speaker in November 1938 was Stanley Hornbeck, the Chief of Far East Division of the Department of State discussing “The Crisis in Asia.” Other meetings during the first season included pressing topics of the day, such as the Munich Pact and Fascism and Communism in Europe.

Much has changed since the inception of CCFR, but many things have also stayed constant: CCFR continues to provide off-the-record accounts and unparalleled access to foreign affairs experts, ambassadors, and

decision-makers. CCFR continues to offer unique perspectives on global events and news headlines to our members. Some of the highlights this season included **Dr. Joan Johnson-Freese** exploring whether the ‘U.S. is Lost in Space’ with our current space policy, **John Jimison** examining the truths and myths of our national energy policy, and **Amb. Patrick Duddy** discussing Latin America while sharing personal stories about serving in the Venezuela of Hugo Chavez and all the political turmoil.

The Cleveland Committee on Foreign Relations events are open to CCFR members. For more information and to join, visit our website at www.ccwa.org/CCFR

GLOBAL IMPACT AWARDS



Recognizing international impact with a marquee event

CCWA held its inaugural **Global Impact Award** Dinner on October 1, 2013. The event celebrates global understanding and those who make a positive impact in the world. **Richard Celeste**, former ambassador to India,

was the recipient of the first Global Impact Award and delivered the Brooks Emeny Distinguished Lecture. The inaugural event was a great success and was sold out.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Local students learn while debating global challenges

“Model UN has helped me in countless areas. Not only have I become a better writer but the conferences have opened my eyes to the issues of education, aid and lack of resources around the world. Regardless of what career path I take, I know I’m more prepared to deal with world issues because of Model UN.”

The Cleveland Council on World Affairs organized four **Model United Nations** conferences during the 2013-14 school year. Over 1,000 students from 38 schools participated in this program, which prepares young people to become globally engaged and culturally aware citizens who are knowledgeable about world affairs. Students debated issues of violence, poverty and development trying to come up with solutions to global challenges.

This year, the program went beyond just the conferences by providing in-depth training to new schools and professional development and support for the teacher advisors. Two new schools from the **Cleveland**



Metropolitan School District and two **Berea City School District** middle schools were introduced to the program this year. The students and teachers received training and support from CCWA to prepare them to attend future conferences, and to begin building the skills crucial to success in Model UN and life.



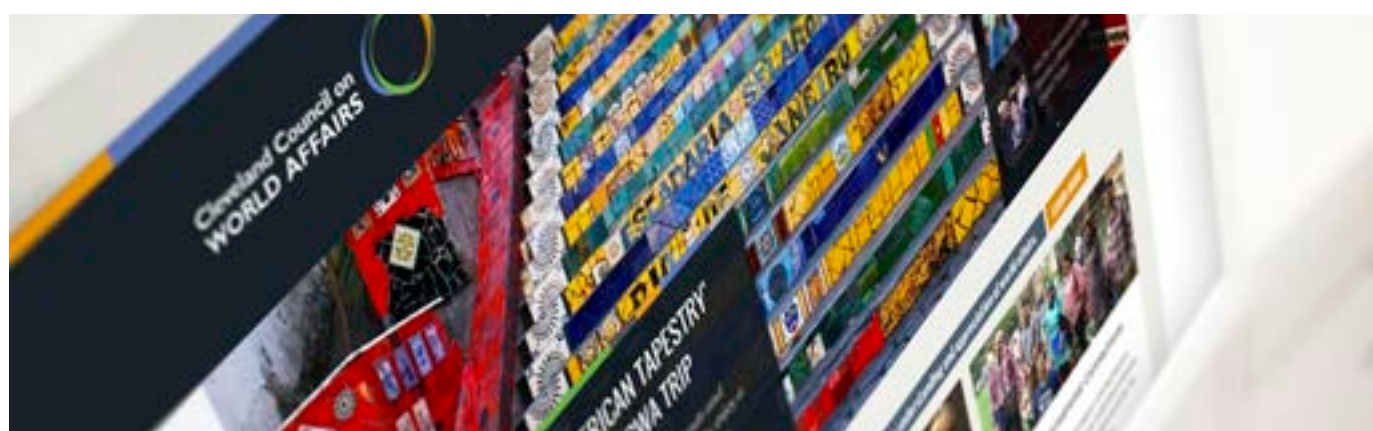
Building friendships between Northeast Ohio and Kosovo

Kosovo is the youngest nation in Europe but ties between Cleveland and Kosovo are strong. This was the second year of the **Kosovo Youth Exchange Program**. The program is funded by the U.S. Embassy in Kosovo, and run by CCWA. During the 2013-14 school year seven students have been attending local high schools and living with American families, as well as learning about leadership, service and social justice. CCWA sends a special thank you to the host families and mentors and our deep gratitude to the seven school partners that hosted the students: **Cleveland Heights High School, Magnificat High School, St. Edward High School, Hudson High School** and **Big Walnut High School**.



We look forward to welcoming a new class of students from Kosovo this August. If you are interested in hosting a student, please contact our office.

COUNCIL UPDATES



Visit the new Cleveland Council on World Affairs website

An organization's website is like a front door. We are proud to open our new front door and welcome you in:

Our new website is now live at www.ccwa.org — Please come and visit and engage with us!



The Council continues to welcome the world to Cleveland

"I come by this mail to greet you. I say thank you, to all staff and students of your school. What you do through your school for talent development of young students made me so impressed that I decided to create an International Centre of Pedagogical Practices in Entrepreneurship in my country, Côte d'Ivoire. I hope to stay in contact with you to benefit from your knowledge and experience. I dedicate to you this program I am creating in my country."

Our **International Visitor Programs** continue to bring the world to Cleveland. During the past year, we hosted 235 visitors from 75 countries.

Our visitor programs host emerging leaders from all over the world through the U.S. Department of State's premier professional learning exchange programs. Topics of these learning exchanges ranged from entrepreneurship to international women's health and renewable energy. Local citizen diplomats opened their homes and hosted visitors for dinner, shared their

professional expertise with the visitors, and created global ties with leaders in government, business, and civil society from around the world.

Edmond, whose letter is printed above, came from Côte d'Ivoire on a professional exchange for young African leaders focused on entrepreneurship education. His visit to the **University School's** Entrepreneurship Institute sparked something. Edmond was so inspired by what he saw and learned in Cleveland that he started a similar organization back home.



IMAGES IN BRIEF

AT LEFT: Our Women & Entrepreneurship exchange featured a group of visitors from South Africa, Turkey, Indonesia, Lebanon, Serbia and Portugal, among others.

AT RIGHT: An IVLP from Azerbaijan meets at the One Community office to discuss public-private partnerships.