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### LEAD quarterly newsletter

Established by the Rockefeller Foundation more than 20 years ago, LEAD is the world's largest international non-profit organisation focused on inspiring leadership and change for a sustainable world.

This newsletter provides an update on the work of the LEAD Member Programmes and the successes of LEAD Fellows. If you have any questions or comments please do get in touch via [network@lead.org](mailto:network@lead.org)

Best wishes

The LEAD International Team



### LEAD's impact at Rio+20

Last month LEAD travelled to Rio to celebrate our 20th anniversary, share our learning on leadership for sustainable development, and discuss the challenges and opportunities faced by today's sustainability leaders.

The Rio+20 Conference and its associated side and fringe events gave us the opportunity to introduce the LEAD way of learning to a brand new audience and inspire many more people to take action on sustainability challenges.

Highlights for LEAD at Rio included:

#### SD Learning course

'Putting People First' - part of the Rio+20 conference and the SD Learning programme, brought together 70 people with a passion for sustainable cities for a three-hour learning course. [Read more...](#)

#### 'Choose Change' celebration event

Our 'Choose Change' event brought together 100 people from all over the world, including LEAD staff, Fellows, partners and friends. [Read more...](#)

#### Leadership and fundraising workshop in the favelas

LEAD ran a three-hour workshop on leadership skills and fundraising strategies for a group of community leaders in one of Rio's favelas. [Read more...](#)

A number of LEAD Fellows were also part of the events in Rio:

**Ana Nassar** is the Environmental Manager for the 2014 FIFA World Cup Organising Committee in Brazil. On Tuesday 19 June FIFA presented the sustainability strategy for the FIFA World Cup - the biggest single-event sporting competition in the world. [Read more...](#)

**Marco van der Ree** is the Chief of Partnerships at the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme. As part of Rio+20, UNV organised a campaign - 'Volunteer Actions Counts' - to give volunteers, communities and organizations a chance to show what they are doing for the future of our planet. [Read more...](#)

**Fabio Abdala** is the Sustainability Manager for the Alcoa Mining Business in Latin America and the Caribbean. Throughout the Rio+20 Conference, Alcoa held a number of events to discuss issues such as sustainability in energy generation. [Read more...](#)

For a complete list of our Rio+20 activities, please click [here](#)



### Williams Johnson appointed as CEO of LEAD International

LEAD International has appointed Williams Johnson as Chief Executive with effect from 1st August 2012.

Williams was formerly Managing Director at The Great Place to Work Institute UK, where he led a management buy-out before successfully returning the organisation to profit and significantly enhancing its scale.

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### LEAD Europe expands its Fellowship Programme to serve unprecedented demand

LEAD Europe has experienced such a surge in demand for its Fellowship Programme 2012/13 that it has more than doubled the number of places available.

The LEAD Europe Fellowship Programme is one of the most dynamic, engaging and innovative leadership and sustainability programmes in Europe. It is geared to professionals who want to become more effective change-makers in their work and personal life.

In 2012/13 participants can join a group exploring leadership challenges around food and population in Portugal or shale gas in Bulgaria, sustainable urban community issues in London or regional strategy in Romania.

To find out more about the programme and to apply, visit the [LEAD Europe website](#).

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### LEAD delivers Next Generation Leadership Programme for HSBC

In May 2012 LEAD, in conjunction with partners Emprendia and Future Considerations, delivered the eighth cohort of the Next Generation Leadership Programme (NGDP) for HSBC - one of the world's largest banking and financial services organisations.

NGDP is a leadership development programme designed to equip future business leaders with greater knowledge and understanding of sustainability, the opportunities and challenges it brings, and its relevance to their daily working lives.

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### LEAD Brazil runs innovative climate workshop for Latin American megacities

From 16-20 May 2012, LEAD Brazil delivered a workshop entitled 'Collaboration and Innovation for the Climate Agenda: Dialogues between Buenos Aires, Mexico City and Sao Paulo'.

The workshop was delivered in partnership with the Fundación Ambiente y Recursos Naturales and the Instituto de Biología - Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, and was funded by the Climate and Development Knowledge Network.

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### Fellows' news



### Nick Harrison publishes ambitious proposal for tackling global climate change

LEAD Europe Fellow Nick Harrison and his colleagues at Ecofys have recently published an article in the journal Nature Climate Change, which sets forth an ambitious approach for tackling climate change through 21 major initiatives.

These would collectively be enough to 'wedge' the global greenhouse gas emissions gap by 2020.

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### Tri Mumpuni wins global green energy award

Tri Mumpuni, a LEAD Fellow from Indonesia, was presented with the award for Community Power at the Ashden Awards on Wednesday 30 May 2012.

Puni, as she is known, received the award for her work in developing community-owned micro-hydro programmes in Indonesia.

Her off-grid hydro schemes are bringing the benefits of electricity - like good quality light, TV and power tools - for the first time to remote communities in Indonesia, creating new livelihood opportunities and a window on the wider world.

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### Rubens Born leads Rio+20 Facilitating Committee

LEAD Brazil Fellow Rubens Born was one of the main organisers of the Civil Society Facilitating Committee to Rio+20.

This committee of the main Brazilian civil society networks was created in late 2010 to help organize Brazilian civil society and engage with national and international partners, including the Government of Brazil and the Rio+20 Secretariat.

An important role of the Facilitating Committee was to ensure an efficient flow of information between Brazilian civil society and the rest of the world, as well as being the national focal point for the Rio+20 major groups coordinator.

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### Aboubakary Modibbo receives prestigious Humphrey Fellowship

Aboubakary Modibbo, a LEAD Fellow from Cameroon, has been awarded a Humphrey Fellowship by the United States Government.

The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program supports ten months of academic study and related professional experiences in the US, and Fellows are selected for their leadership ability and commitment to public service.

Aboubakary will study Public Policy Analysis at the Evans School of Public Affairs, University of Washington.

He will focus on the formulation, implementation and evaluation of public policies in the environmental sector.



### LEAD Fellows featured in Rio+20 publication

In an article published in RioPlus Business - a magazine commissioned by the Rio Conventions to highlight the role of business in contributing to sustainable development - LEAD argues that vision, innovative thinking and entrepreneurship are among the key behaviours demonstrated by successful leaders.

The article features several case studies of LEAD Fellows including Leonardo Martins Dias, a Brazilian who is hoping to address the issue of social exclusion in the favelas of Rio de Janeiro.

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