



On the path to sustainable communities: looking through the eye of the WWHSDC

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Abstract

- ▶ Pioneered by Jannatul Islam – a graduate student in the MAEP program
- ▶ Birth: 2014, MAEP graduate students.
- ▶ Motto: ‘Live simply, live lively’.
- ▶ Tools: A Blog, Journal, Symposiums, and Conferences.
- ▶ “The first step to achieving a more sustainable world is to see really where holistic sustainable development can fit into your lives”.

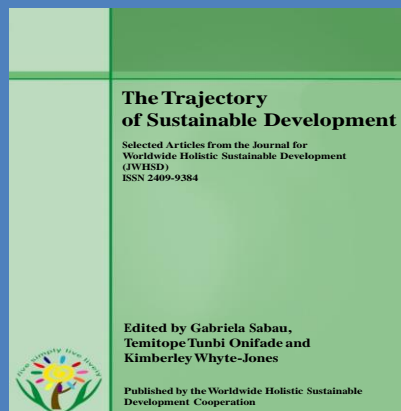
WHO WE ARE

- ▶ The Worldwide Holistic Sustainable Development Cooperation (WWHSDC) is a voluntary organization.
- ▶ Based on Grenfell Campus, Memorial University.
- ▶ Engage faculty, graduates, undergraduates, government and local community organizations.
- ▶ A platform to showcase Memorial University and NFL's sustainable development initiatives globally.
- ▶ International engagement and collaboration with academics, organizations and community groups.

WHO WE ARE

- ▶ **Vision:** *To attain sustainable development goals through collaborative movement.*
- ▶ **Mission:** *To promote socio-cultural, economic and environmental well-being for all through knowledge mobilization, collaboration, network building, and facilitation amongst like-minded organizations and individuals; from the grassroots to global level.*
- ▶ **Values:** *Complementary regard for human and non-human (environmental) subjects. Engender inclusion and community with all WWHSDC stakeholders.*
- ▶ **Goals:** *Knowledge mobilization and social work. We adopt the goals of the United Nations Post-2015 Development Agenda to create a consensus of “**Live Simply but Lively.**”*

What we do



Academic Journal

A melting pot for Academics
& Researchers worldwide to
build intellectual capacity on
sustainable development
issues



Conference

Hosting and engaging
community groups, and
academics for innovative
solutions to sustainable
development issues.



Blog

A repository of public
opinion on sustainable
development issues



CHALLENGES TO VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS

- ▶ Difficulty recruiting volunteer board (barriers: mobility, personal interest, life & work complexity, etc.)
- ▶ A focused and practical agenda/mandate.
- ▶ Building collaboration and partnership.
- ▶ Finance

JUSTIFICATION OF WWHSDC AS INNOVATIVE

- ▶ Over 20 volunteers within and outside Canada.
- ▶ A novel initiative on Grenfell Campus (academic journal, blog, and conference).
- ▶ Collaborative support from academics, government officials, and NGOs.
- ▶ Over \$7,000 in financial support.

MOVING FORWARD

- ▶ We aim to facilitate the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through collaborative initiatives.
- ▶ Our members and executives are serious about branching out into public engagement and education, both locally and internationally.



OUR URGE

► **Live Simply..... But Lively...**

► **This way you can facilitate sustainable development**

► **Let's spread the word...**



► *For more information can visit <http://wwhsdc.org/>*