Integral Alliance Gains a New Member

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Integral is pleased to announce that World Concern US has joined the alliance, bringing the Integral membership total to 18 agencies with their headquarters in 13 countries.

Dave Eller, World Concern’s U.S. President says: “Integral’s effort to accomplish more for the Kingdom of God together than apart is a witness to the world that I believe in. Integral also offers the opportunity for iron sharpening iron. To work with others in the same field with accountability structures demands that each of us continually improve our practices in engaging the world.”

Laurie Cook, the Chair of the Integral Board, says: “The Integral Alliance has again been strengthened by the addition of an internationally recognized agency – World Concern. We welcome this prestigious organization that excels at providing relief in areas that are often not served by other agencies. Many of the Integral Members have been able to extend their reach by partnering with World Concern in the past. We now have the opportunity to work together strategically and with renewed purpose to bring relief and development, justice and compassion, hope and transformation to those in desperate circumstances around the globe.”

The Integral Board, made up of the CEO’s and Presidents of its Member organisations, voted unanimously in favour of World Concern joining Integral at its April 2012 Board meeting.

World Concern’s website: www.worldconcern.org

More Information about Integral:

Vision:

- Integral’s vision is a world without poverty.
- Our mission is to work in collaboration as national relief and development agencies committed to maximising the holistic impact of our Christian response to the poor worldwide. Integral’s main focus is on working together when disasters happen, and to find opportunities for our Members to collaborate and so maximise our resources and impact following a disaster.

On Integral Collaboration:

- Integral’s goal is for all its Members to become more effective and efficient in their work and to see greater impact and reach as a result of working collaboratively. This means making sure that Integral Members share information and play complementary roles with the resources they have available when an emergency happens. The Integral Secretariat plays a co-
ordinating role to facilitate better communication between all Members in disaster situations with the aim of increasing support and avoiding duplication.

- Integral is committed to working with the Micah Network and the World Evangelical Alliance to ensure that excellence is championed and collaboration encouraged within our wider constituencies.

Integral has 18 Members who work in over 85 countries & currently fund over 1100 projects in more than 30 sectors. Our Members have a combined income of over $350m USDs and are:

CEDAR Fund - Hong Kong
Christian Reformed World Relief Committee – Canada & USA
Food for the Hungry – USA
Integra - Slovakia
MAP International - USA
Missions Alliance – Norway
Mission East – Denmark
SEL France - France
Strømme Foundation – Norway
TEAR Australia – Australia
Tear - Netherlands
Tearfund - Belgium
TEAR Fund – New Zealand
Tear Fund – Switzerland
Tearfund – UK
World Concern – USA
World Relief Canada – Canada
World Relief – USA

- In disaster situations Integral Members have previously collaborated in:
  - **2012:** S. Sudan.
  - **2011:** Cote d’Ivoire, Libya, North Korea, South Sudan, Japan earthquake, Middle East, East Africa food crisis
  - **2010:** Haiti earthquake, Sahel food crisis, Indonesia earthquake, Guatemala Hurricane, Pakistan floods
  - **2009:** Sri Lanka (internally displaced people), Pakistan floods, Asian disasters
  - **2008:** Kenya Unrest, China Earthquake, Myanmar Cyclone, Democratic Republic of Congo, East Africa Food Crisis, India floods
  - **2007:** Bangladesh Floods, Zimbabwe Humanitarian Crisis
  - **2006:** Indonesia Earthquake
  - **2004:** Indonesia Tsunami, Sri Lanka Tsunami

See website for more info: [www.integralalliance.org](http://www.integralalliance.org)

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