## Sigma Theta Tau International

# Global Initiatives: A Blueprint for Global Growth and Stability

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### Global Scope

- Initially established as Sigma Theta Tau
- Expanded to Sigma Theta Tau International as voted by the House of Delegates at the 1985 Biennial Convention
- 704 Institutions formally engaged with STTI, through...
  - 507 chapters, located in...
    - 28 countries
- Over 135,000 members, in...
  - 92 countries...



# Global Community of Nurse Leaders - Chapters in 28 countries:

Australia Japan Singapore

Armenia Kenya South Africa

Botswana Lebanon South Korea

Brazil Malawi Swaziland

Canada Mexico Sweden

Colombia Netherlands Taiwan

England Nigeria Tanzania

Ghana Pakistan Thailand

Hong Kong Portugal Wales

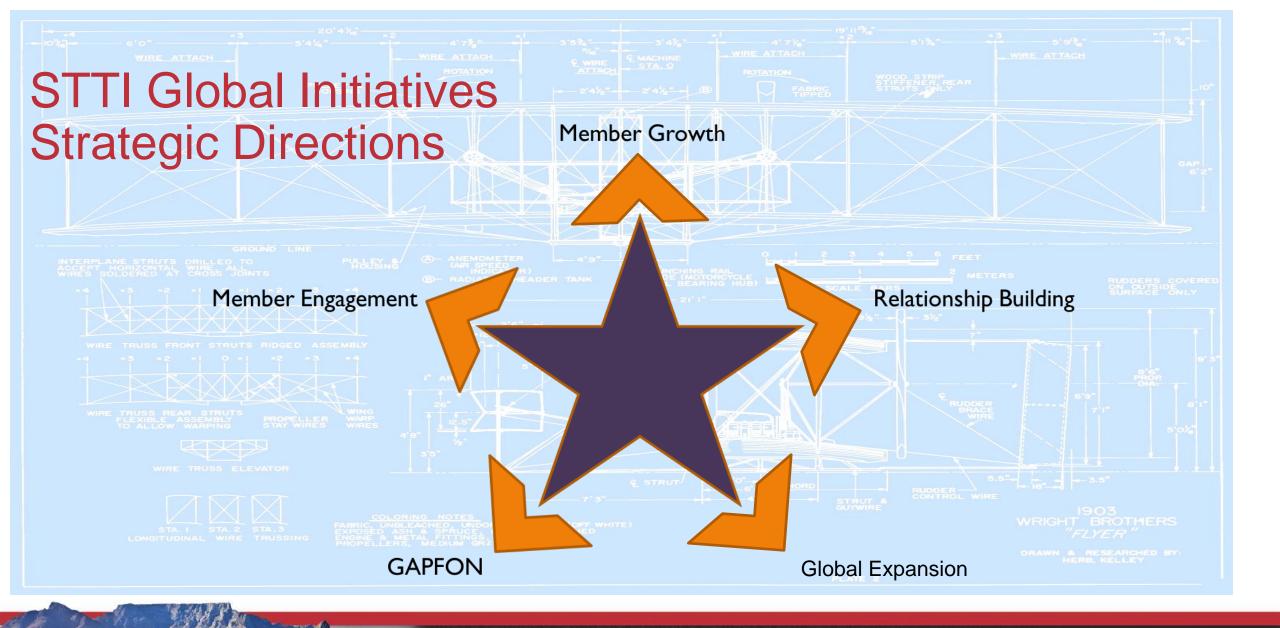
**United States** 

#### Sampling of Recent Global Engagement

- Global department launched at STTI headquarters
- Regional areas redefined, to include separate global regions in Africa,
   South America, Europe, Asia, Middle East and Oceania
- Regional Coordinators to support chapters in these areas
- A president from outside North America elected in 2013
- First satellite office established in South Africa
- Leadership Academy launched outside North America
- Global Advisory Panel on the Future of Nursing and Midwifery (GAPFON)

# STTI Global Initiatives





#### **KEY DIRECTION #1:**



#### **Global Regions**



#### **GLOBAL EXPANSION**

Collaboration, support and knowledge Satellite Offices

#### Models and Best Practices:

- For formal presence/satellite offices evolve
- Expectations, models and best practices being reviewed and updated

#### **KEY DIRECTION #2:**

# GLOBAL ADVISORY PANEL ON THE FUTURE OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY

Global healthcare leaders

Data collection and collaboration toward outcomes-based action

http://www.gapfon.org/

#### Asia/Pacific Rim

South Korea: 15-16 June 2015

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#### Caribbean

Puerto Rico: 17-18 July 2015

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#### **Latin/Central America**

Puerto Rico: 20-21 July 2015

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#### **North America**

United States Meeting 1: 22-23 February 2016 United States Meeting 2: 25-26 February 2016

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#### Middle East

Abu Dhabi: 23-24 March 2016

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#### Europe

Amsterdam, the Netherlands: 1-2 June 2016

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- Global meetings concluded as of a few days ago...
- Next steps....



#### **KEY DIRECTION #3:**

#### MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

Relevant, valued programs, events, products and services

#### INSTITUTES FOR



Institutes to prepare healthcare leaders to effectively work in and/or lead major public health departments, public or private organizations, and global programs and initiatives, thereby directly and indirectly improving the health of people worldwide.

Registration is now open for the Emerging Global Leader Institute.

#### **KEY DIRECTION #4:**

#### **MEMBER GROWTH**

Educational structures, systems, regulations and standards to support global member growth



### DBASE to identify:

What is the equivalent to a baccalaureate degree nurse?
 What are the educational systems?
 What are the regulatory standards?
 What regulatory and standards boards exist?
 Etc.

#### **KEY DIRECTION #5:**

#### RELATIONSHIP AND REPUTATION BUILDING

United Nations,
World Health Organization,
other global organizations,
institutions and associations,
ministers of health/governments,
and other stakeholders



# Relationship and reputation building:

a few examples









- Ex-officio Member, Executive Committee of the Global Network of World Health Organization Collaborating Centres
- Affiliate status, International Council of Nurses
- ECOSOC Status, United Nations
- Collaborating with USAID
- Steering committee, Nurses on Boards Coalition

# STTI and the United Nations – a specific example of relationship and reputation building



STTI has Special consultative status granted by the Economic and Social Council

#### **United Nations**

- International organization
- Founded in 1945
- Flags of 193 member states and the United Nations flag, flown in English alphabetical order
- Committed to:
  - Maintaining international peace and security
  - Developing friendly relations among nations
  - Promoting social progress, better living standards and human rights



# As an Non-Governmental Organization (NGO), there are Two Levels of Affiliation

Associated Status



 Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
 Special Consultative Status



### **ECOSOC:** Special Consultative Status

- STTI received ECOSOC status in July 2012
- May be requested to provide expert analysis on global health
- Helps advance the U.N.'s goals and objectives, such as MDGs and SDGs
- May make written and oral statements concerning nursing and global health at U.N. events (invited)
- May serve on health-related committees
- May attend international U.N. conferences, events and meetings

### STTI's Responsibilities

- Complete quadrennial report (due 2016)
- Submit annual evaluation report re: U.N. related activities
- Promote knowledge of U.N.
- Disseminate information about U.N. principles and activities
- Communicate via NGO Relations' e-mails
- Support U.N. initiatives











# U.N. Millennium Development Goals (ended 2015)









#### STTI MDG Activities:

- Two hundred fifty-two (286) STTI chapters around the world engaged in Millennium Development Goals (MDG) related projects.
- Conducted a workshop at the 65th Annual UN DPI/NGO Conference in New York, 2015
- Hosted a parallel event at the 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women in New York, 2015

# SUSTAINABLE GEALS



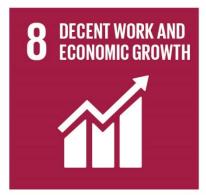
































#### **Current STTI Activities:**

- Hosted a parallel event at the 60<sup>th</sup> session of the Commission on the Status of Women in New York, March 2016
- New STTI Liaison appointed
- Second STTI Youth representative named
- STTI Youth representative nominated for UN youth leadership role
- Additional program planning underway

## STTI U.N. Liaison: Connie Sobon Sensor, PhD, RN, CTN-A

The STTI liaison advocates on behalf of STTI at the U.N. and the NGO community.



 Former STTI International Board of Directors member

 School Health Nurse, Township of Union Board of Education, Union, New Jersey, USA

## STTI U.N. Youth Representatives

 Represent STTI to the United Nations Department of Public Information and the NGO community.

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#### Questions?