### Human Dignity & A World Beyond War: Partnerships and Collaborations in Our Global Commons

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### About Us

- Born & raised in Cameroon
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### The Questions

- If "EVERYDAY for us is an opportunity to bring dignity into the lives of others," then
  - What partnerships/collaborations are available to help us bring greater dignity in the lives of others.
  - How do we plan to achieve this goal?
  - How do we plan for sustainability in HDS programs?

## Proposal

- Need to be <u>glocal</u> in focus
  - Thinking local while envisioning global and think global while envisioning local.

Emmanuel Jean Francois, 2015

- Local Connections to Global Issues
- The concept conveys inherent ideas of partnerships and collaborations.
- One such partner is World Beyond Wa



# Why World Beyond War?

- WBW is a global nonviolent movement to end war and establish a just and sustainable peace.
- WBW = create awareness of popular support for ending war and to further develop that support.
- WBW = replace a culture of war with one of peace in which nonviolent means of conflict resolution take the place of bloodshed

# Only thro' Greater Dignity

 Only by bringing greater dignity into the lives of others can we create a world that dignifies the lives of all people.

• Are the lives of these people dignified?

## **Clear Linkages: Discussion**

- Clear linkage between DHS & WBW in wanting a Global Neighborhood
- Global Neighborhood of Global commons seek to develop a just, peaceful, secure and democratic world for all inhabitants.

• What do you think?





Civil War Casualties





#### HDHS - Who Are We?

 HDHS is a global network of academicians and practitioners who wish to promote a world of more dignity and less humiliation.

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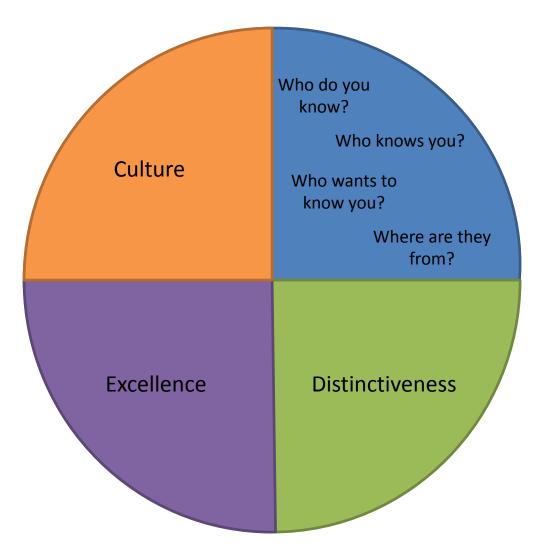
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#### **Power of Partnerships**

• See Lit on this

#### Key: Global Knowledge and Networks



#### To Be Sustainable...

Global peace education research	Global mobility of knowledge/ experiences in peace education
Global diversity of memberships and activists	Global relationships and profiles

## **Possible Collaboration Areas**

- Coproduction of events,
- Joint publication of articles,
- Collaborate on interviews & **media** appearances
- Develop a speaker's bureau,
- Form an **advisory board**,
- Appoint country coordinators to advance our work around the world.
- Facilitate collaboration across national borders
- Like Our own Evelin Lindner, WBW's director was nominated for the Nobel peace prize this year for his work. This means we are doing some things already in common.
- Plan online and offline activism

## CONCLUSION

 DHS will work with other movements. Only identified World Beyond War because of its work with others in the peace movement, and its clearly positive **influence** in moving coalitions toward framing their work toward ending war.

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