

## **Africa Solidarity Centre Ireland**

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The Africa Solidarity Centre is a national organisation and the main umbrella body of the African Diaspora organisations and African country groups in Ireland advocating, educating and networking towards a just and inclusive society in Ireland; and advances attitudes, policies and actions that promote justice, social inclusion and meaningful participation for African Diaspora, ethnic minorities, migrants, and communities in Ireland and encourages a more positive exchange.

### **The Africa Solidarity Centre aim to:**

- promote justice, social inclusion and participation for African communities in Ireland and encourages a more positive Africa-Ireland exchange;
- works to advocate, educate and network towards a just and inclusive society in Ireland.
- tackle Racism, Afrophobia, Islamophobia, as all other discriminations, working at National and European level with other Anti-Racism organisations, to highlight and challenge the issue of racism in Ireland and promote the European Union the global anti-racist initiatives and other forms of structural discrimination affecting People of African Descent in Europe.
- promote and raise awareness on the International Decade for People of African Descent, through policy development to address the unequal development and access to justice; and work with other Grassroots Movements to evaluate and inform the EU Policy-Makers on the need to implement the UN Resolution 68/237 of 23 December 2013, by which it proclaimed the International Decade for People of African Descent,
- including the development of a Declaration for the Rights of African Peoples and a Permanent International Forum for African Peoples
- facilitate a meaningful inclusion of all African people in all social, political and economic aspects of life in Ireland
- reach out to the developing African immigrant community in Ireland and to promote their participation in society
- engage in community development and poverty alleviation projects that improve African community living standards.
- advance public education and knowledge on intercultural and anti-racism issues.
- promote links between Ireland and Africa and advance co-operation, dialogue and partnership on development issues.
- build capacity and resources, where people may engage in social and cultural activities, training and where they may engage in research on issues relating to Africa and Africa-Ireland exchange.
- network and collaborate with persons and bodies working among immigrants or active in global justice issues both at the local and international levels.

### **Vision**

Our vision is of a just, tolerant and inclusive society that recognizes and values the mutual benefits of inclusion and participation. We are conscious of our global interconnectedness.

### **Mission**

Our mission is to facilitate the meaningful inclusion of African people in all social, political and economic aspects of life in Ireland. We strive to promote a balanced and fair representation of Africa and its people among people in Ireland, Across Europe & Worldwide.

### **Values**

Our Values are respect and equality, the spirit of `Ubuntu´ – of our connectedness as human beings to one another and a culture that nurtures participation and interdependence. The Africa Centre also Works with the following values:

- Anti-racism
- Diversity & Inclusion
- Learning
- Just society
- Belonging / home
- Stability
- Creativity

- Relationship

## **Important Note:**

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