The UN-ESCWA proposal is responding to:

1-UN-MDGs: 8MDGs www.un.org/millenniumgoals

- 1. End Poverty and Hunger
- 2. →Universal Education
- 3. Gender Equality
- **4.** Child Health
- 5. Maternal Health
- **6.** Combat HIV/AIDS
- 7. Environmental Sustainability
- 8. Global Partnership

2-TRF-AOF: 6 Areas of focus

http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningADistrict/FutureVisionPilotProgram/Pages/AreasofFocus.aspx

- 1. Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- 2. Disease prevention and treatment
- 3. Water and sanitation
- 4. Maternal and child health
- **5.** Basic education and literacy
- 6. → Economic and community development

3- Rio+20: Statement by the Higher Education Sustainability Initiative

http://www.unglobalcompact.org/news/248-06-20-

2012?utm medium=email&utm campaign=UN+Global+Compact+Bulletin++July+2012+Subscribers&utm content=UN+Global+Compact+Bulletin++July+2012+Subscribers+CID 68549a2d893c982b3488847ef0651c80&utm source=Monthly+Bulletin&utm term=More+about+the+Higher+Education+Sustainability+Initiative

As Chancellors, Presidents, Rectors, Deans and Leaders of Higher Education Institutions and related organizations, we acknowledge the responsibility that we bear in the international pursuit of sustainable development. On the occasion of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, held in Rio de Janeiro from 20-22 June 2012, we agree to support the following actions:

Teach sustainable development concepts, ensuring that they form a part of the core curriculum across all disciplines so that future higher education graduates develop skills necessary to enter sustainable development workforces and have an explicit understanding of how to achieve a society that values people, the planet and profits in a manner that respects the finite resource boundaries of the earth. Higher Education Institutions are also encouraged to provide sustainability training to professionals and practitioners; [...]

About the UN Global Compact:

Launched in 2000, the United Nations Global Compact is a both a policy platform and a practical framework for companies that are committed to sustainability and responsible business practices. As a multi-stakeholder leadership initiative, it seeks to align business operations and strategies with ten universally accepted principles in the areas of human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption, and to catalyze actions in support of broader UN goals. With 7,000 corporate signatories in 135 countries, it is the world's largest voluntary corporate sustainability initiative

About the Rotary International:

Founded in Chicago in 1905, Rotary International is a volunteer organization of business and professional leaders who provide humanitarian service, and help to build goodwill and peace in the world. There are approximately 1.2 million Rotary club members belonging to 34,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas.

The Rotary Foundation has awarded more than US\$2.1 billion in grants, which are administered at the local level by Rotary clubs.