

**ANNUAL REPORT
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JOINT LEARNING INITIATIVE ON FAITH
& LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

Message from the Steering Committee Co-Chairs

Dear JLIF&LC Community,

In 2012, we came together from academia, practice, and policy worlds on the basis of a shared conviction: an urgent need to communicate the potential of local faith communities for improving community health and well-being. We wanted to provide the evidence base for the full and appropriate engagement of faith groups towards the ultimate goal of a world without poverty—an approach that joined the many hands of development across sectors, disciplines, geographic boundaries, and religions. From our collective vision, the learning and knowledge management platform "Joint Learning Initiative on Faith & Local Communities" was born.

Three years later, our experimental initiative continues to flourish and evolve. Thank you for your continued support and belief in the work of the JLIF&LC. We hope you will participate in the work going forward!

This year, 2015, is one of remarkable progress. We have deepened our foundational thematic work in the Learning Hubs, including the launch of the Peace & Conflict Hub and the completion of a Scoping Study through the SGBV Hub. In addition, we have cultivated a new outward focus, through the broader and more visible sharing and presentation of the knowledge gathered through our Hubs. Our members were many of the authors or commentators in the breakthrough Lancet Series launched this year on "Faith-based Healthcare", the first series by the premier medical journal to focus on the interplay of religion and public health. In July 2015, we co-convened the Religion & Sustainable Development Conference, engaging the Learning Hub Chairs and membership in bringing forth to development practitioners, policymakers, and religious leaders the best evidence on effective partnership between public sector and faith groups. McKinsey & Company helped us to prepare for the Conference with their report on "Building More Effective Partnerships between Public Sector and Faith Groups". We continue this work by co-leading the formation and implementation of the Evidence Pillar of the Faith-based Action Framework, a plan for joint action which was affirmed by 70+ FBOs during the launch of the SDGs in September 2015. Due in part to our efforts, we are seeing an increased appetite in secular policymakers and development practitioners for understanding the evidence of the distinct contributions of faith groups, and for learning how to best engage. We acknowledge how much of this has been achieved by the unstinting work of our coordinator Jean Duff.

This October, JLIF&LC Steering Committee members at our Annual In-person meeting discussed the strategic questions of whether and how JLIF&LC should evolve and grow. The conversation focused on distilling a clear purpose, mandate, scope, and governance for the JLIF&LC in its future growth. The Steering Committee agreed that JLIF&LC should continue for an additional 3-year period, but must be grounded in clear objectives, adequate resources, and strengthened governance. The Steering Committee approved the continuation of the JLI's agile and low resource structure, recognizing the need for greater clarity in its governance and membership. We agreed to strengthen JLI's core mandate of knowledge management, and also recognized the priority of more effectively communicating evidence to the broader development community. We discussed the life cycles of Learning Hubs, and how they may best be supported to germinate, flourish, and, complete their work.

Early 2016, we will discuss in detail JLI's next steps, with the new operational plan and budget in hand. More conversation is needed to implement these plans for JLI's future, but we are optimistic about the future opportunities.

Looking back three years, and forward to three more, we are struck by the enormous work that can be accomplished through the combination of generous volunteer leadership, a dedicated part-time staff, and through the joint learning processes contained in the Hubs. Somehow, the JLIF&LC seems a fitting reflection of the very groups on whose behalf we advocate: communities of outwardly humble resources, but rooted in extraordinary goodwill, steadfast relationships, and faith in what is possible to achieve.



Matthew Frost
Co-Chairs, Joint Learning Initiative on Faith & Local Communities



Rob Kilpatrick

Coordinator's Perspective

As a result of the Steering Committee's visionary leadership, the spirited voluntary work of the Learning Hub Co-chairs and their activist Hub members, the breakthrough cross-sector gathering of the Religion & Sustainable Development Conference, and the tireless efforts of a superb team of co-workers and freelance specialists, including Helena Manguerra, Ben Clowney, Katie Roett, Aeysha Chaudry and many others, JLIF&LC is positioned to contribute substantially to supporting full engagement by policy makers and practitioners of faith groups in development.

Key developments frame JLIF&LC opportunities going forward. Among them are:

- Movement on the Religion & Sustainable Development Conference recommendations for more effective partnerships between religious and faith based groups and public sector and secular partners
- Increase in positive attitude towards cross-sector partnerships; new relationships fostered through JLIF&LC supported exchanges
- Increase in positive attitude towards availability and credibility of evidence: "the question is not whether to engage but how"
- Increased visibility for JLIF&LC as neutral, trusted cross-sector platform for evidence and convening
- JLIF&LC is an active principal in key international cross-sector processes to increase engagement of faith community in ending extreme poverty and achieving global goals including the UN DUF process, the World Bank Moral Imperative process, and the German led coordination process.
- Evidence named as one of three pillars in the new Faith-based action Framework; JLIF&LC Coordinator nominated to moderate the Evidence Working Group to refine objectives and develop Action plan,
- JLIF&LC active in the development of working groups (and possible new Learning Hubs?) in measurement and metrics for faith-based interventions; faith-based financing; Gender and feminism
- JLIF&LC Resilience Learning Hub centrally engaged in preparation for Global Religious Forum of the World Humanitarian Summit, working in close collaboration with the Partnership for Faith & Development

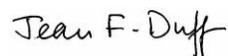
JLIF&LC has to set its response to these opportunities in the context of real limitations of resources—both financial and human—and ask ourselves some tough questions about how JLIF&LC should respond to these evolving circumstances.

As JLIF&LC gears up for the next three years with the preparation of the 2016-2018 implementation plan and budget, we are keeping key strategic questions in mind:

1. Given the current state of engagement by religious and faith-based groups in development, what are the needs for evidence and guidance now?
2. Where are those needs being met and where are the gaps?
3. What do stakeholders need and want from JLIF&LC going forward?
4. What should be the scope of JLIF&LC activity going forward
5. What kind of structure is appropriate for JLIF&LC for the future?

It has been a privilege to serve JLIF&LC as part-time Coordinator since January 2013. We couldn't do it without you! I am constantly astounded by the talent and goodwill of all who are collaborating in this work of service, and give thanks for your continued commitment to gathering and communicating the best evidence for faith activity and contribution to the wellbeing of local communities, through the JLIF&LC.

Deo Gratias!



Jean Duff
Coordinator, JLIF&LC

December 2015

About JLIF&LC

An international collaboration on evidence for faith groups' activity and contribution to community health and wellbeing.

JLIF&LC was formed in 2012, and initially funded, by a **broad collaboration of international development organizations, UN agencies, academic institutions and faith groups**. This group was drawn together by a single shared conviction: there is an urgent need to build our collective understanding of the potential of local faith communities for improving community health and well-being.

Our Vision: Full and appropriate engagement of faith groups for community health and well-being, towards a world without poverty.

Our Goals:

- Cross-sector, multi-religious, cross disciplinary, collaborative learning platforms
- Accessible and useful knowledge management platform for development policy makers and practitioners to drive full and appropriate engagement with faith groups
- Robust evidence and smart communication to transform the quality, effectiveness, and impact of partnerships between faith groups and the development community.

The 2014 Annual meeting the JLIF&LC Steering Committee meeting clarified that the JLI's focus is as a **knowledge management platform and not engaged in research directly**. In some cases, the Learning Hubs usefully identify research gaps as part of their Scoping Study process and have stimulated gap-filling research (eg: Henry J Luce funded study led by Alastair Ager, and with cooperation from Resilience Hub members of LFCS work with Syrian refugees in Jordan). In carrying out its work, JLIF&LC seeks to collaborate with existing research centers and academics to disseminate their findings where relevant to JLIF&LC goals and to secure opportunities and resources to strengthen and publicize their work. For example, JLIF&LC was instrumental in shaping the Lancet Faith-based health Care Series and bringing many partners into writing teams, as well as obtaining DFID funding for the SGBV Scoping study.

Learning Hubs

JLIF&LC gathers, manages and shares information relating to the activity and contribution of faith and local faith communities (LFCs) to community health and wellbeing. JLIF&LC 'Learning Hubs' bring together a diverse group of practitioners, academics, faith leaders and other stakeholders in a joint learning approach organised around specific thematic foci including HIV and Maternal Health, Immunization, Resilience in Humanitarian and Disaster Situations, Capacity Building, Peace & Conflict, and Gender-based Violence. These Hubs engage practitioners, policy makers and donors in assembling the best available evidence in the form of scoping reports, developing actionable policy and programmatic recommendations, and providing briefings. In so doing, JLIF&LC seeks to contribute to transforming the quality, effectiveness and impact of partnerships between LFCs and other development actors, affecting outcomes at all levels. JLIF&LC Learning Hub approach was inspired by the experience of the Joint Learning Initiative on Children and HIV/AIDS.

Learning Hub Co-chairs

Hub Name	Co-Chairs, Affiliations
HIV and Maternal Health	Azza Karam, UNFPA Julie Clague University of Glasgow Christo Greyling World Vision, Channels of Hope
Resilience	Alastair Ager, Queen Margaret University - Edinburgh, & Columbia University Helen Stawski, Islamic Relief Worldwide
Capacity Building	Rachel Carnegie, Anglican Alliance Jean Duff, Partnership for Faith & Development
Immunization	Jill Olivier, University of Cape Town
Sexual & Gender-based Violence	Veena O’Sullivan, Tearfund Elizabeth Dartnall, SVRI Diana Arango, World Bank Group
Peace & Conflict	Lucy V. Salek (Moore), Islamic Relief Worldwide Sarah Pickwick, World Vision Alpaslan Ozerdem, Coventry University

Membership

Diverse international stakeholders are engaged as ‘Friends of the JLIF&LC’, newsletter recipients, and working members of Learning Hubs. There are approximately 170 JLIF&LC members, including Steering Committee members and members engaged in Learning Hubs. A broader network of around 600 individuals is maintained as ‘Friends of JLIF&LC’. JLIF&LC does not have a formal membership structure at this time.

Governance

The initiative is guided by a Steering Committee, co-chaired by Matthew Frost and Rob Kilpatrick, with support from a part-time Coordinator, Jean Duff. The Steering Committee meets quarterly by telephone with one meeting per year attended by members in-person, as possible. The Steering Committee reviews progress against the 5 agreed goals (see page 4). Monthly and as needed calls are held between quarterly meetings between the Coordinator and the Co-Chairs to discuss progress against goals and to address issues as they come up. JLIF&LC is not a free-standing non-profit. Tearfund serves as JLIF&LC fiduciary agent, managing and reporting on finances, for which it receives a management fee.

Steering Committee Members as of November 2015

Name	Affiliation
Mark Webster	ADRA, Australia
Rachel Carnegie	Anglican Alliance
Chris Bain/James Marchant	CAFOD
Loretta Mingella/Paul Valentin	Christian Aid
Jørn Lemvik	Digni
Rob Radtke/Abigail Nelson	Episcopal Relief & Development
Richard Santos	IMA World Health
Atallah Fitzgibbon/Helen Stawski	Islamic Relief
John Drew	McKinsey & Company
Jean Duff	Partnership for Faith & Development
Chris Blackham	Samaritan's Purse
Matthew Frost	Tearfund, Co-Chair
Rob Kilpatrick	Traid Mission, Co-Chair
Sally Smith	UNAIDS
Azza Karam	UNFPA
David Ponet	UNICEF
Jill Olivier	University of Cape Town
Julie Clague	University of Glasgow
Dan Ole Shani	World Vision International

JLIF&LC 2013-2015 Key Goals and supporting activities¹

Please see detailed objectives and progress on the [2013-2015 plan](#)

Goal 1: Increase the impact of the four existing Learning Hubs in influencing policy, praxis and funding (please see *Learning Hub Updates* as annex to this report)

- Hubs deliver valuable Scoping Report, Policy briefs, briefings, conference presentations, and stimulate new cross sector relationships, partnerships and research
- 2/4 Hubs relatively inactive after delivering important Scoping Report (HIV and MH) and productive exchange leading to collaborative paper, and new partnerships (Capacity Building)
- Resilience Hub: active and engaged
- Immunization: delivered state of the Art Scoping report
Challenge: haven't convened a Learning Hub around the report; limited dissemination

Goal 2: Establish two new Learning Hubs, building on experience from existing Hubs

- New Hubs established
- Challenge: Hub co-chairs need more support from JLIF&LC to make progress

Goal 3: Facilitate exchange of information and learning across Hubs; identify and deepen understanding of key cross-cutting themes

- RSD conference fostered understanding and collaboration across Hubs
- Challenge : much opportunity to do more than more to facilitate exchange

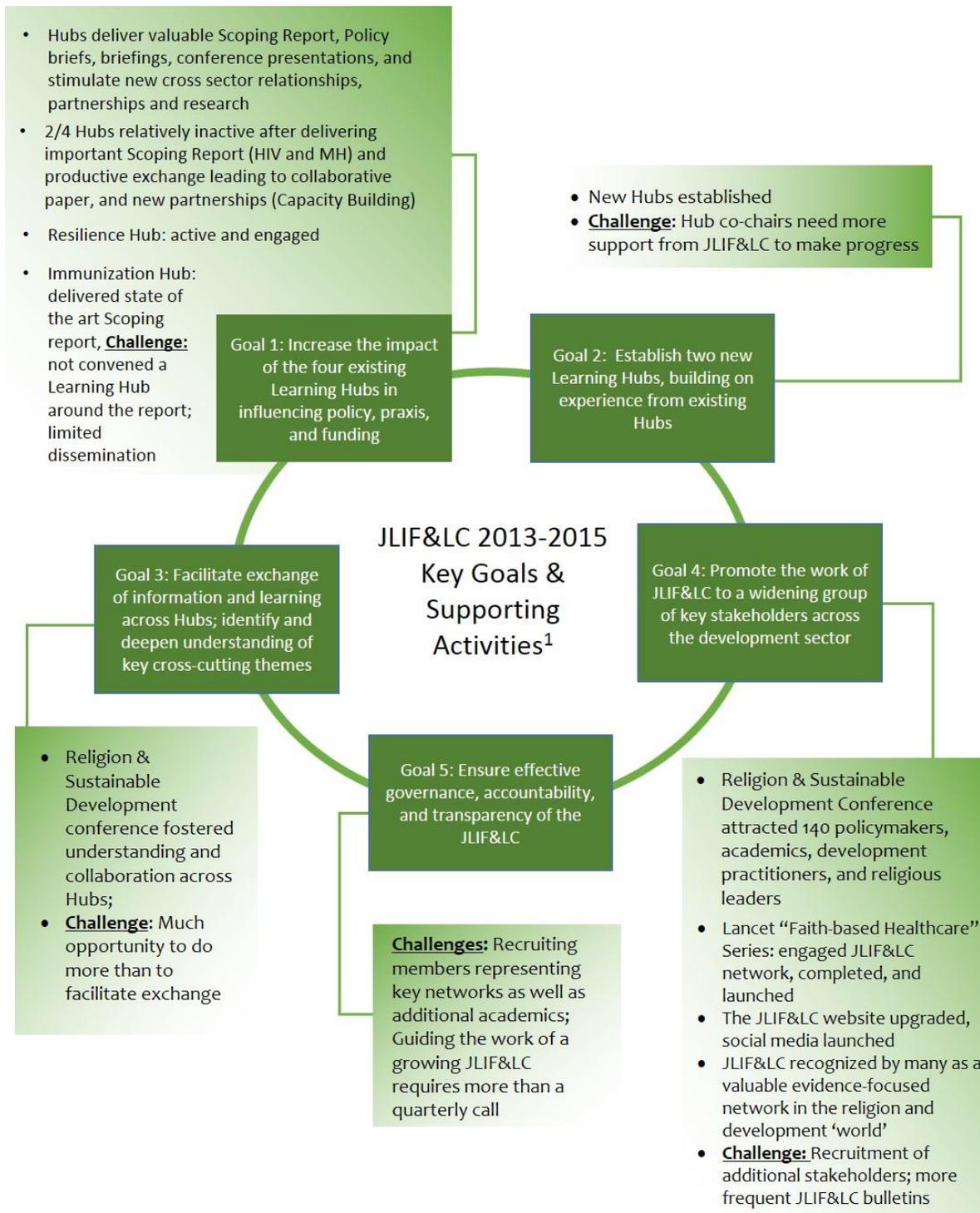
Goal 4: Promote the work of the JLIF&LC to a widening group of key stakeholders across the development sector

- Religion & Sustainable Development Conference attracted 140 policymakers, academics, development practitioners, and religious leaders
- Lancet “Faith-based Healthcare” Series: engaged JLIF&LC network, completed , and launched
- the JLIF&LC website upgraded, social media launched
- JLIF&LC recognized by many as a valuable evidence focused network in the religion and development ‘world’
- Challenge: recruitment of additional stakeholders; more frequent JLIF&LC bulletins

Goal 5: Ensure effective governance, accountability and transparency of JLIF&LC

- Challenges: Recruiting members representing key networks as well as additional academics guiding the work of a growing JLIF&LC requires more than a quarterly call

¹Based on approved Summary Operating Plan July 2013-2015 - <http://jliflc.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/JLI-FLC-Summary-Operating-Plan-2013-2015-11.docx>



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Communications Activities

RSD Conference

The Religion & Sustainable Development conference brought together more than 140 leading policymakers, development practitioners, academics, and religious leaders. The two-day working meeting focused on the evidence for developing stronger partnerships between public sector and faith groups.

JLIF&LC proposed, organized, convened and secured funding for the conference, working in close collaboration with the conference co-hosts the World Bank Group, BMZ, USAID, GHR Foundation, DFID, and World Vision. Drawing on JLIF&LC Resilience and SGBV learning Hubs, and on JLIF&LC Steering Committee member expertise in Health Systems Strengthening and HIV & Ebola, four thematic Sessions were designed to present the best evidence including case studies, methodologies and stories relating to faith engagement. JLIF&LC members were actively involved in shaping the conference through the Planning Committee and attended the conference in Washington. IMA World Health served as fiduciary intermediary for the conference.

Conference Proceedings and Post-Conference Resources disseminated to 513 known individuals (conference participants and their supporting staff, pre-conference survey interviewees, conference staff, Lancet Faith-based Health-care launch attendees, and individuals who had shown interest in the conference outcomes). The Key Findings & Recommendations were also translated into French and for dissemination through the 10 francophone Christian Health Association (CHA) networks, each with an average membership of approximately 100-200 individuals.

Post conference resources included:

- [Full Conference Proceedings](#)
- [Key Findings & Recommendations](#) (English)
- [Key Findings & Recommendations](#) (French)
- [Conference Video YouTube Channel](#)
- [Flickr Photo Gallery](#)

“Building More Effective Partnerships between Public Sector and Faith Groups”

The “Building More Effective Partnerships between Public Sector and Faith Groups” report serves as a source of information about needs of policy makers for evidence regarding effective partnership, and functioned as well as a guide and framing document for the Religion & Sustainable Development conference. In close collaboration with JLIF&LC, McKinsey & Company produced the report pro-bono. The report was guided by 40 interviews with policymakers, development practitioners, and academics. The report was disseminated in print copy to all attendees of the Lancet “Faith-based Healthcare” Series Launch event, and the Religion & Sustainable Development Conference.

The “Building More Effective Partnerships between Public Sector and Faith Groups” report is the most viewed resource on the JLIF&LC website, with 287 page views.

The Lancet “Faith-based Healthcare” Series

The Lancet “Faith-based Healthcare” Series is the first Special Issue by the Lancet dedicated to the intersection of faith and health. A number of JLIF&LC members helped to shape the “Faith-based

Healthcare Series” and served as co-authors of papers, including Sally Smith, Jill Olivier, Azza Karam, Julie Clague, Atallah Fitzgibbon, and Jean Duff.

The “Faith-based Healthcare” Series was launched on July 7 as part of the Opening Session of the Religion & Sustainable Development Conference at the World Bank with approximately 175 attendees. Several Lancet authors also presented papers at the “Building Partnerships between Religion and Health”² panel at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Follow-on papers building on RSD conference

Jill Olivier on behalf of the JLIF&LC is working with leading presenters from the RSD Conference and others to prepare several major articles and commentaries to be published in the Journal of Religion and International Affairs in an issue focused on Religion and Development, scheduled for publication September 2016. Research to support and coordinate these articles will be supported in part by a grant from DFID.

Case Studies

Following the Religion & Sustainable Development Conference, the Global Delivery Initiative associated with the World Bank, (<http://www.worldbank.org/reference/GDI/>) expressed interest in developing case studies from work of faith-based organizations. JLIF&LC nominated three organizations to pilot the creation of case studies with GDI and will continue to be involved in the review process of the case studies as they develop.

Newsletters

In 2015, we mailed three JLI&LC Newsletters (June, July, and September 2015). Newsletters provided updates on recent resources and news from Learning Hubs, and highlighted upcoming events. Several Hubs also sent newsletter updates to members. There are currently 172 subscribers to the JLIF&LC Newsletter, which consists of members of JLIF&LC Hubs and Steering Committee members. A broader list of JLIF&LC’s network contains 695 subscribers.

Social Media & Logos

JLIF&LC social media and logos have been updated. Logos are available for download on the Steering Committee page of the JLIF&LC website.

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JLIF&LC Logo



Social Media logo



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JLIF&LC recently launched its social media presence in September 2015 on Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn. Posts from the JLIF&LC website are now automatically linked to Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn. JLIF&LC manages the Religion & Sustainable Development LinkedIn Network.

² <http://csis.org/event/building-partnerships-between-religion-health>

Social media links:

- Facebook: www.facebook.com/jliflc.connect
- Twitter: www.twitter.com/jliflc
- Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTEOMK9b1yF3AsifSgfZXlg>
- LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/grp/home?gid=8347573&trk=my_groups-tile-grp

Social media engagement is still in early stages. The number of connections per platform are as follows: Twitter (59), Facebook (40), and Religion & Sustainable Development LinkedIn (54). A YouTube channel was also created to host the Religion & Sustainable Development conference videos.



Twitter page

JLIF&LC Website

Following the launch of the upgraded website in August 2014, JLIF&LC has been adding resources and members to the Learning Hubs, and supporting news postings and e-newsletters.

For the Religion & Sustainable Development conference, we were able to make some further upgrades to support Online Information platform. This platform allowed the dissemination of a great deal of information by 40+ speakers at the conference in very limited time. Eighty-six percent of all speakers uploaded at least one resource in support of their presentations. By posting more detailed remarks, research papers, case studies etc, speakers were able to focus on the key points re the evidence and refer back to the detail online, with many conference attendees accessing these resources in real time during the conference presentation. This serves also as an enduring information resource from the conference. More than 220 resources were added to online database from the conference.

We are grateful for the continuing good work of our webmaster, Ben Clowney at Hands-up.

JLIF&LC website Analytics Report³

The number of JLIF&LC Website users has increased every quarter since the upgrade was launched in August 2014 now averaging about 37 sessions per day, and about 1000 users per month. After a spike in activity related to the RSD conference, average site usage has increased in the current three-month period following the conference. The website Analytics report shows very active use of the JLIF&LC conference on-line information platform around the conference.

With 287 page views, the “Building More Effective Partnerships between Public Sector and Faith Groups” report produced by McKinsey & Company is the most viewed resource on the website. Interestingly, a non-conference resource, the Capacity Building Learning Hub’s collaborative paper on Theory of Change –Faith based community mobilization, is a close second. The analysis shows a good mix of Learning Hub-related and conference related resources among the most popular “views”.

Challenges

- Increasing traffic to the website
- Improving the functionality of the resource search functions
- Creating accessible thematic resource sites to which resources from inactive Hubs and new themes can be directed.
- Webmaster recommends we move the site off the Tearfund server

Financial Report⁴

In 2015, JLIF&LC F&LC has continued to operate with a part time staff on a limited budget of £70,000 with income supplied by donations from members of the Steering Committee.

Additional funds of \$215,423 were secured to prepare, manage, convene and stage the Religion and Sustainable Development conference, from co-host governments, and from faith-based and philanthropic partners. These funds were managed on behalf of JLIF&LC by IMA World Health – Please see Financial Reports (Conference Final Financials by IMA). A modest surplus of \$11,000 was returned to JLIF&LC for ongoing operating expenses. Supplemental funding of £32,942 was granted by DFID towards research in preparation for the conference, and research to support the preparation and dissemination of papers building on work presented at the RSD conference.

We expect to end the year with approximately £25,000 in hand.

A detailed operating plan and budget which will support activities and staffing for 2016-2018 is being developed for the Steering Committee based on the strategic decisions made at the recent Annual meeting,

³ See Annex II: Detailed Analytics Report)

⁴ For more detailed financial reports, please see here: <http://jliflc.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/4.-Financial-Reports.pdf>

Annex I: Learning Hub Updates

Hub Name: HIV and Maternal Health	Hub Co-Chairs: Azza Karam, Julie Clague and Christo Greyling
Hub status: Objectives accomplished; Hub is dormant; occasional additions to on-line evidence resources	Number of members: 31
Hub accomplishments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lively cross sector meetings of Learning Hub members; • Scoping report and annotated bibliography completed and disseminated; • Presentation of report at technical meetings 	
Recommendations re: this Hub going forward: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move to inactive status • Hub materials to thematic listing • Continue to post relevant Faith and HIV & Maternal Health related materials under a thematic focus 	

Hub Name: Capacity Building for Local Faith Communities	Hub Co-Chairs: Rachel Carnegie and Jean Duff
Hub status: Inactive	Number of members: 43
Hub accomplishments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 in-person working meetings for exchange of information and methods related to capacity building for local faith communities • Extensive cross-sector and multi-faith sharing of approaches, methodologies, and measurement frames for capacity building for LFCs • New relationships and partnerships fostered through the Learning Hub, which produced a Theory of Change for Capacity Building for LFCs, and many case studies posted online 	
Hub Challenges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hub leadership has been a challenge....folks just too busy, some duplication of effort at Tearfund/Umoja Working Group 	
Recommendations re: this Hub going forward: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer this work to Umoja Working Group staffed by Tearfund • Brief Umoja leadership and share contact information for Hub members • Invite Umoja network to share resources with JLIF&LC for online posting 	

Hub Name: Immunization Hub	Hub Chair: Jill Olivier
Hub status: Inactive	
Hub accomplishments:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scoping study on LFCs and immunization • Annotated bibliography • Briefing for GAVI: evidence for faith-based engagement in vaccine and immunization • Consultation with GAVI staff on preparation of GAVI policy brief "approach to engagement with Faith-based Community" 	
Recommendations re: this Hub going forward:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fold into a new Hub on Neonatal, Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health 	

Hub Name: Gender-based Violence	Hub Co-Chairs: Veena O’Sullivan, Elizabeth Dartnall, Diana Arango
Hub status: Active	Number of Members: 80
Hub accomplishments:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With support from JLI, secured DFID funding for Scoping Study prepared by Lisa le Roux, Stellenbosch University • Members actively involved in provided input to Scoping report-- [#] members participated in scoping study • SGBV Hub Co-chairs planned and hosted a session at the July RSD conference, which included the Scoping Study, a case study of "The Church is Silent No More" in Burundi, and five expert commentators • Recruited new Co-Chairs: Diana Arango, World Bank Group, Elizabeth Dartnall, SVRI • Presentation the scoping study at a Satellite meeting at the SVRI conference in Capetown this September. Have developed an action plan to take this work forward for 2016 	
Challenges:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have been proactive in accessing funding for specific pieces of work and therefore a face to face meeting of members has not yet happened. • Need to expand membership and organise greater involvement along preferred themes which would lead to sub Hubs and engage in greater joint working. 	
Recommendations regarding this Hub going forward:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest in facilitating thematic sub Hub's with a lead facilitating the work going forward. • Expand membership to actively include other faiths (it is currently dominated by the Christian faith) • Expand the ‘active’ Hub membership with a focus on different faiths and communities • Strengthen the core co-chairs • Develop priority research questions/themes • Development of tools and partnership frameworks • Funding access 	

Hub Name: Peace & Conflict	Hub Co-Chairs: Sarah Pickwick, Lucy Moore, Alpaslan Ozerdem,
Hub status: Active, Launched in July 2015	Number of Members: 24
Hub accomplishments:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 attendees at the Launch meeting of the Peace & Conflict Hub in July 	
Recommendations re: this Hub going forward:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ex: Focus in 2016 on World Humanitarian Summit work, in conjunction with the Resilience Learning Hub 	

Hub Name: Resilience in Humanitarian and Disaster Situations	Hub Co-Chairs: Alastair Ager & Helen Stawski
Hub status: Active	Number of members: 22
Hub accomplishments:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy brief, active shaping of UNHCR Faith and Protection Dialogue (2012) • Scoping report (2013) • Hub actively supported the completion of research on LFCs and humanitarian response among refugees in Irbid, Jordan (2014) • Policy brief outlining NGO partnership recommendations from Irbid research for RSD Conference (2015) • Hub Co-chair planned and hosted a working session at the RSD conference on humanitarian response (July 2015), at which the Irbid report and other case studies and evidence related to Faith engagement was also presented. • Hub leadership actively engaged in shaping the Global Religious Forum of of the WHS for (May 2016) – Co Chairs on GRF Steering Group and primarily responsible for organising evidence related outputs. • Academic hub members involved in various research initiatives into different dimensions of faith based humanitarianism. Several funding bids from UCL and Oxford pending (JLIF&LC Hub a supporting partner). 	
Hub Challenges	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintaining interest from members – who are often stretched across many working groups and consortia. • Motivating members to produce collective ‘Learning Hub’ products such as policy briefs– unclear whether members see these are adding value to their own work. • Real interaction and dialogue are challenging through quarterly meetings. • Individuals move organisations and it takes time to convince new members of the value. • The Hub begun in 2011 and may have run its course. 	
Recommendations re: this Hub going forward:	
<p>Focus on delivering evidence based products and key stakeholders for the GRF-WHS (October 2015 – May 2016). Collate current evidence on key areas of focus; distil and communicate partnership policy implications; identify key stakeholders from across all faiths and religions and ensure representation and perspectives are included from different regions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the key objectives and future of the Hub post WHS-GFS. • Consider how energy and lessons generated by this Hub can support GBV and Conflict Hubs. 	

Annex II: Detailed Website Analytics

Summary

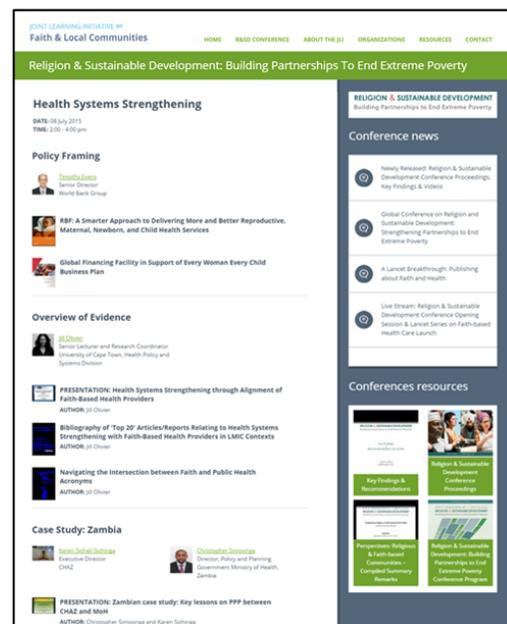
The JLIF&LC website has been live since August 2014, a span of approximately 15 months. This update on the analytics covers the entire span that the website has been live since August 2014.

Since the launch of the website the number of **users has increased every quarter**. The Religion & Sustainable Development Conference led to more than double the average web traffic in the time period around the conference. The volume of traffic fell after the initial spike from the conference but remained substantially higher in the months following the conference compared to pre-conference.

Religion & Sustainable Development Conference and its sustained Effect on JLIF&LC Web Traffic

In July 2015, JLIF&LC co-convoked a conference on Religion & Sustainable Development in Washington, DC on building more effective partnerships between faith groups and the public sector. A new section of the website was created as the “R&SD Online Information Platform”, which served as repository of resources for the conference. The Online Information Platform was organized by conference session; each online session contained links to in-depth resources submitted by speakers in support of their brief remarks at the conference.

Over 85% of speakers at the conference submitted at least one resource in support of their speakers. A total of 227 resources were submitted between April – July 2015 to the R&SD Online Information Platform for the conference.



Following the conference, the R&SD Online Information Platform has remained online and fully accessible as a living archive of resources from the conference. The R&SD Online Information Platform also holds the Post-Conference Resources of the R&SD Conference, including the Key Recommendations & Findings, Full Conference Proceedings, and more.

Because JLIF&LC organized and co-hosted the conference, as well as maintained the Online Information Platform, the website received a spike in traffic in July around the conference dates. Another spike was recorded in September, when the Conference Proceedings and Recommendations were disseminated.

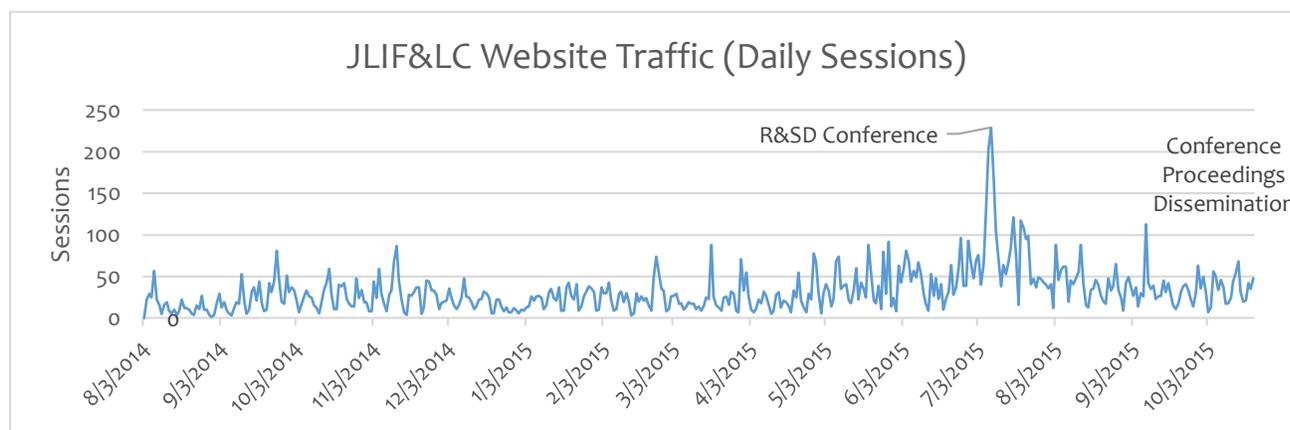
Initial traffic in the three months following the conference has remained higher than average. From February to April 2015, the average sessions⁵ per day was 24.5. In the period following the conference from August to Oct 2015, the average sessions per day was 36.9.

It can be speculated that since the Religion & Sustainable Development Conference Proceedings were disseminated on September 8, this spike in web traffic would skew the average session/day after the conference. The website did receive a total of 113 sessions on the day that the Conference Proceedings were disseminated, before falling back to average on September 9. However, if the traffic from September 8 is disregarded when calculating the average sessions/day in the time period from August to October 2015, the average sessions/day only falls slightly to 36.0. Thus, it can be concluded that the average number of sessions/day post-R&SD conference remains higher than the pre-R&SD conference sessions/day, even when removing the effect of the Conference Proceedings dissemination.

Detailed Website Analytics

The analysis compares website activity during five three-month time periods. Since August 2014, a total of 10,070 unique users have used the site.

	All time	Aug 14 – Oct 14	Nov 14 – Jan 15	Feb 15 – Apr 15	May 15 – Jul 15	Aug 15 – Oct 15
Unique Users	10,070	1,218	1,380	1,595	3,787	2,090
Sessions	14,384	1,964	2,186	2,178	5,032	3,024
Page Views	40,385	6,980	5,814	5,127	14,392	8,072
Average Sessions/Day	32.3	21.3	23.8	24.5	54.7	36.9



Sustained Post-conference interest in Conference Resources

⁵ Sessions refers to a group of interactions that take place in a website. A session can contain multiple page views. A single user can open multiple sessions per day. A session ends after 30 minutes of inactivity with the site, or at midnight.

Conference participants were encouraged to view associated resources online in support of each speakers' remarks. The sessions were heavily viewed before and during the conference. Additionally, after the conference, materials continued to be reviewed, both immediately following the conference and after August 1, three weeks after the conference had ended.

The top five sessions attracting the most interest was the Religious and Faith-based Communities Perspectives, Scale, Humanitarian Assistance & Disaster Relief, Ebola & HIV, and the Lancet "Faith-based Healthcare" Series.

Analysis of JLIF&LC Web activity relating to specific RSD conference sessions

RSD conference session title	Total Page Views	Unique Page Views	Total Page Views	Unique Page Views	Total Page Views	Unique Page Views
	All Time		July 10 – Oct 21, 2015		Aug 1 – Oct 21, 2015	
Religious and Faith-based Communities	539	345	309	207	72	49
Scale	384	212	141	91	94	61
Humanitarian Assistance & Disaster Relief	271	151	92	70	42	31
Ebola & HIV	234	111	119	60	74	35
Lancet Series Launch	234	161	99	59	28	22
Health Systems Strengthening	205	101	64	39	38	20
Multilaterals	197	94	43	31	26	14
SGBV	153	96	68	49	44	30
Religion & Politics	131	86	45	39	16	12
Public Sector Leadership	127	82	44	27	6	6

JLIF&LC Resources with Top views

"Building More Effective Partnerships Between Public Sector and Faith Groups", commissioned by JLIF&LC and produced by McKinsey & Company is the most viewed individual resource on the JLIF&LC website. Below are the resources with the top views.

The Religion & Sustainable Development Post-Conference Resources page, which is a compilation of resources from the conference such as Conference Proceedings, Videos, and Key Findings and Recommendations, has been viewed 222 times by 144 unique visitors.

	Page Views	Unique Page Views
Building More Effective Partnerships Between Public Sector and Faith Groups – JLIF&LC/McKinsey Report ⁶	287	235
A Theory of Change for Faith Group Mobilization ⁷	281	231
Faith, Secularism, and Humanitarian Engagement: Finding the Place of Religion in the Support of Displaced Communities ⁸	140	103
Religion & Sustainable Development Full Conference Proceedings ⁹	138	113
Local Faith Communities and Immunization for Community and Health Systems Strengthening: A Scoping Study ¹⁰	129	96
Local Faith Communities and the Promotion of Resilience Humanitarian Situations: A Scoping Study ¹¹	117	96
HIV and Maternal Health: Faith groups’ activities, contributions, and impact: A Scoping Study ¹²	116	87
Summary of Building Faith-Enriched Partnerships Faith-based Resources for Sustainable Development – Dean Pallant R&SD Conference Remarks ¹³	89	68
Religion & Sustainable Development Key Findings and Recommendations ¹⁴	81	69

⁶ <http://jliflc.com/resources/building-effective-partnerships-between-public-sector-and-faith-groups/>

⁷ <http://jliflc.com/resources/theory-change-faith-group-community-mobilization/>

⁸ <http://jliflc.com/resources/faith-secularism-humanitarian-engagement-finding-place-religion-support-displaced-communities/>

⁹ <http://jliflc.com/resources/rsd-conference-proceedings/>

¹⁰ <http://jliflc.com/resources/local-faith-communities-immunization-community-health-systems-strengthening/>

¹¹ <http://jliflc.com/resources/local-faith-communities-promotion-resilience-humanitarian-situations-scoping-study/>

¹² <http://jliflc.com/resources/hiv-maternal-health-faith-groups-activities-contributions-impact/>

¹³ <http://jliflc.com/resources/summary-building-faith-enriched-partnerships-faith-based-resources-for-sustainable-development/>

¹⁴ <http://jliflc.com/resources/key-findings-recommendations/>