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Foreword

Hello everyone,

It is with great pleasure that I present the 1st Progress Report for the 2009-2010 IFSA year.

Progress Reports are produced quarterly and will be the first of three. It is produced to inform the whole IFSA organisation of the work our elected officials are doing.

Officials write about the work they are doing and also what they plan to do in the coming months. We are a very busy team and I am very proud to present the work that is being done by everyone.

If you would like to get involved in any way, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the organisation; we can be reached at our website www.ifsa.net.

Happy reading and keep up the great work.

Kind regards,

Alex Slattery,
Vice President 2009-2010

List of abbreviations

Alumni	Alumni IFSA students, previous students involved with IFSA
CFA	Commonwealth Forestry Association
CIFOR	Centre for International Forestry Research
EFI	European Forestry Institute
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organisation
IFISO	Informal Formal of International Students Organisation
IFSA	International Forestry Students' Association
IPC	International Processes Commission
IUFRO	International Union for Forestry Research Organisations
MCPFE	Ministerial Conference
UNCBD	United Nations
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNFF	United Nations Forum on Forests

President- Florent Kaiser

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Fulfil President job as is it stated in the Strategy and Statues
- Represent IFSA at international meetings
- Continue ongoing projects: do not let project of former generation become forgotten and not become activated
 - Inform about outgoing projects like CIFOR, Forestry Education global plan etc.
 - Check the statues
 - Talk to responsible persons
- Try to get new possibilities of funding for IFSA which can be used all over the world
 - Close cooperation with Fundraising commission
 - Look for funds, grants and sponsors from more global acting associations
- Strengthen the communication and involvement of Asia, Africa and America
 - Support regional meeting and attend it (or someone from IFSA 7 will attend)
 - Strong cooperation with RRs
 - Get new LCs
 - Open for any other action if it necessary
 - P&P
- Work as a team with IFSA 7 and other Officials: Not allow necessary commissions to become inactive
 - Support, give ideas and kick IFSA Officials
 - Interim, IFSA7 meeting

Work done:

- IFSA external work:
 - EFI AC 2009, Dublin: refresh partnership; improve internship possibilities for IFSA Students. Meeting wide range of partners.
 - Forest Based Sector Conf, Brno. First Contact with the FAO and first presentation of the “Global Action Plan for Forestry Education”
 - IUFRO Board meeting, Buenos Aires: refresh and improve partnership, new projects envisioned, preparation of IUFRO WC 2010
 - World Forestry Congress, Buenos Aires: Promotion of IFSA. Presentation of the “GAPFE” in a session of Forestry Education. Contact to Alecif.
 - Silva Network Conference, Thessaloniki: Refresh partnership. Presentation of the GAPFE. Gathering of ideas for forestry education commission. Promotion of IFSA among students.
- Other IFSA external work: introduction to all partners. Refreshment and improvement of other partnerships. Development of new partnerships like IUCN. Supported and assisted LOs in their work.
- IFSA internal work:
 - Familiarizing with position (task and duties, methods of work)

- Get to know the team (IFSA7 and Officials)
- General leading and supporting of the IFSA7
- Contribution to the GAPFE
- Gathering of information for forestry education commission
- Preparation of INTERIM

Problems encountered:

- Overloading of myself with IFSA work
- Work and time management. Lack of IFSA “free time” (during the day but also during month).
- Communication problems within IFSA7 and also between IFSA7 and Officials led to de-motivation of concerned persons.
- Delegation of work in IFSA7 was not done properly.

To Do:

- Start to look for alternative funding possibilities for the IFSA.
- Forestry education commission is to be launched
- Partnership with IUCN
- Solve problems of IFSA (structural)

Vice President- Alex Slattery

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Ensure continuous communication exists between IFSA Officials
 - Update contact list continuously
 - Daily respond to and check emails
 - Announce upcoming events to Officials
 - Address problems as they occur
- Maintain good communication between IFSA7
 - Update contact list
 - Daily respond to and check emails
 - Ensure Skype meetings are attended monthly by majority of IFSA 7
 - Assist IFSA 7 with any problems/issues as they occur
- Motivate Officials and encourage efficiency
 - Send friendly emails that are clear in purpose and are concise
 - Remind Officials about upcoming deadlines
 - Assist Officials whenever possible
- Spread IFSA knowledge and information
 - Announce upcoming events to Officials
- Ensure quarterly reports by IFSA Officials are written and received
 - Email reminders to Officials
 - Outline details of appropriate content required in the reports
 - Includes emailing LCs for updates on their processes and annual progress of goals

Work done:

- Written two event newsletters
- Helped with the submission of two IFSA7 newsletters
- Familiarised myself with my role
- Sought information about the next IFSS in Korea, 2010.
- Welcomed all of IFSA world, said hello
- Managed IFSA world, familiarised myself with this also.
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Problems encountered:

- At times difficulties maintaining focus on IFSA priorities.
- Time management, whether it is too little or too much time focused on IFSA tasks that have been detrimental to other aspects of my life. This will be fixed through experience and the support from previous IFSA7 and other officials. I am really looking forward to the personal interaction, assistance and experience that interim will provide.
- Poor communication with fellow IFSA workers.
- Poor communication about assigned tasks within IFSA7 crew.

To Do:

- Improve the management of daily tasks, making them small enough so I am able to achieve them but still challenging.
- Travel to interim!
- Help IFSS 2010 with planning
- Help EU-grant, and assist the president in finding more sources of major financial assistance that will compliment the EU-grant whilst assisting countries outside of the EU.
- Have fun ☺ this is very important, and will continue the efficiency of the IFSA7 crew.
- Maintain great communication with all of IFSA world
- Continue to improve the communication of all of IFSA through the yahoo account and promotion of the forum.
- Prepare for the next Progress Report and release this one!
- Format Event Newsletter with help of PnP

Treasurer- Dan Burgar**Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:**

- To fulfil the Treasure work as it is mentioned in the IFSA Statues
 - Check IFSA Strategy regularly
- Get the EU Grant
 - Plan the budget
 - Work together with RRs, Heads of commissions, Los and IFSA7
- Work and maintain contact with Fundraising commission
 - Regular contact with Head of Fundraising commission
 - Help them to plan ideas for fundraising

Work done:

- Checking the budget and accounting documents to get used to the work
- Sent e-mail to officials 2008/2009 and informing them about refunding possibility
- Access to the account and updated the accounting excel document
- Change over with Florian (ex-treasurer)
- Contacted Eva Moser from the European Commission responsible for EU Grant
- Sent the e-mail to new officials asking them for the budget for this year
- Created receipts and send them to the LCs-
- Get in contact with Fundraising commission
- Started working on the budget (collecting information from LO's, Heads of commissions, and secretariat
- Refunding for the last year
- Talk with Julius (LO CFA) about lowering participation fee at CFA conference in 2010
- preparing for information day in Brussels (with Torben) and after the meeting made the report of the information day in Brussels
- Reading agreement between IFSA and EU
- Changing the budget for 2009
- Uploaded the new version of membership fee list to the Filezila

Problems encountered:

- Sometimes I don't have enough time for my faculty

To Do:

- Attend INTERIM
- Try to get even more involved in IFSA and more involved in other IFSA work not only the treasurer's work

Executive Secretary- Torben Lenhart**Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:**

- To keep the Secretariat running like it is mentioned in the Strategy and improve working
- Working in the Secretariat with a good time management
 - Strongly work together with IFSA 7
 - Skype meetings, Interim, IFSA7 meeting
 - Good communication via yahoo group
 - Close contact with president
- Make the Secretariat more popular in the IFSA world
 - Setting up opening hours (for calling) Bring them to website and mail them to everywhere
 - Get new IFSA people in the LC Freiburg and maybe one who like to help in the Secretary position
 - Making PPP for the incoming students

- Printing flyers/posters
- Organise a welcome BBQ together with LC Freiburg
- Spread IFSA knowledge
- Inform as much as possible about what is going on
- Getting contact with LCs to spread knowledge
- Improve myself

Work done:

- Sorted the material I had from the IFSS and put it in the Secretariats archive
- Compiled the evaluation of the evaluation forms about the GA09
- Completed contracts of new officials (All contracts are now in the Secretariat)
- Started working with FileZila
- Started working on the Wikipedia-problem which showed up
- Helped Darren with the annual report and financial report
- Started to work on the registration of the new IFSA-Direction (called the court in Freiburg, gathered forms and details of people, settled up a to do list, started to make the needed translations of statutes and minutes)
- Made the minutes of the 1st IFSA7 Skype-meeting (and outcomes)
- Fixed everything for the Mathisle Hut in Hinterzarten as location for Interim
- Scanned & forwarded postal mails such as EU-Grand-financial-situation or a membership application from a new LC in the U.S.A.
- Snail mailed IFSA-News to Bibliotheks
- Updated the -yearbook of international organisations- data
- Sent receipts to some LCs
- Mailed all the unpaid bills and bank statements to Dan (always)
- Start to start a new system of work-organization for secretariats work
- Worked on Dan's bank-registration
- - Meeting with Postbank (new contact now there) to register Dan as new official account holder
- Worked with Bell on the new IFSA-News
- Participated on the “Info & Networking Day” in Brussels (& made outcomes)
- Compiled a “new ideas & improvement” form (mail)
- Made a work plan for the EU-Grant
- Got the printing of IFSA-News to Freiburg
- Worked in the Secretariat on the approaching move of the Secretariat to another room (Cleaned up – sorted out – packed in)
- Posted sometimes on the Forum (events, P&P etc.)
- Started to think about a workshop list for IFSS 2010
- Organised a LC meeting for the new bees in Freiburg
- Started to scan old IFSA-News to digitize it for the future (&Bell)
- Started to work on new Certificates
- Worked out a recommendation letter for Amalia's visa for her trip to Europe (based on Florent's recommendation letter for Metia)
- Made a “Twitter” account: IFSA Secretariat
- Faxed IFSA nomination letter to UNFCCC Secretariat
- Ordered a new printer (in order: I made a registration to office-discount.net)
- Miscellaneous

Problems encountered:

- Sometimes the Time-Management when I have busy-times in University

To Do:

- Help as much as I can with the EU-Grant
- Finish the registration of new direction
- Finish the account registration for Dan & change the account-language to English
- Moving the Secretariat
- Planning the Workshops for IFSS
- Making new Certificates
- Snail mailing new printed IFSA-News to all LC's (maybe sending news to Universities without an LC to spread IFSA)
- Organizing Interim together with LC Freiburg
- Scanning all old IFSA news to save them for the future and helping Bell to make a special IFSA-News
- Participating in UNFCCC/COP15 & Interim
- Setting up calling hours for the Secretariat (almost done)
- To continue the “normal” work in the Secretariat (mail forwarding, mail answering, snail mail sending etc.)
- Maybe find a successor for the sec. Job
- Doing the cancellation of the contract of the credit card system which costs money every month but was not in use for years now.
- A lot of stuff which will come up eventually ...(and also what I forgot at the moment)

Council- Amalia Anindia**Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:**

- Make sure that contact details of LCs and Officials are updated
- Contribute in receiving the EU Grant
- Assist upcoming new members in successful application
- Make sure that statutes and law of IFSA are followed within IFSA
- To maintain contact and assist Direction, commissions and RRs

Amalia has been assigned the regional responsibility of Asia, Southern Africa and Oceania, as well as the commission responsibility of Publications & Promotions,

Work done:

- Familiarizing the council work,
- Join the mailing list and forum,
- Made an official mail, and introductory,
- Study the Statutes,
- Keeping contact and help Asia Regional Representative, South Africa Regional Representative, and Oceania Regional Representative.
- Keeping contact and help Publication and Promotion Commission,
- Made a calendar draft for IFSA7,

- Attend Asia Skype meeting,
- Assisting new interested members collaborating with RR,
- Council Meeting,
- “Chase” unpaid membership fee,
- Send 2nd warning letter to LC Cunares,
- Checked PALERMO application,
- Send around LC activities form to RRs and some LC.

Problems encountered:

- Giving decision and appropriate responses for certain case. Consulting with previous council helps a lot.
- Communicating with RR’s. It makes thing difficult if RR’s didn’t reply emails, because RR’s are the “bridge” for LCs and the main board. Sometimes you just need to kick people, and keep sending those emails, but sadly this method didn’t always work, so I hope there will be a better solution in the future.
- LC activities for EU grant, receiving let replies or even no reply. Trying to send those emails, but still better communication solution is needed for the future.

To Do:

- “Chasing up” the LC activities form and compiling them,
- Work on new associate member (Mr. Sajad Ghanbari) “Welcome letter” etc,
- Council Meeting,
- Help assist IFSS 2010 OC with Alex.
- Maintain Contact and keep motivating the RRs and Commission,
- Assist new member to successful application, etc

Council- Mikaela Berglund

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Mikaela has been assigned the regional responsibility of Northern Africa, Latin America and Southern Europe, as well as the commission responsibility of

Work done:

As I came back from IFSS Indonesia the first things I did was to read the statues and by-laws. I focused on understanding what was expected from me and started to introduce myself on both the forum and to my Regional Representatives and the Commissions. I helped to update the membership contacts from Indonesia and started to approve my first application. As the weeks have gone by I have approved some more members, kept contact with the RR’s, tried to get in touch with some LC’s to get

the membership fees and also tried to check the forum once in a while. We also had a council Skype meeting and have now started the work with the EU-grant. As for the rest I have just tried to respond to questions or problems coming my way.

Problems encountered:

Getting in touch with people and keeping up on what they have been doing. It sometimes feels like the days doesn't have enough hours that I don't have time to do as much as I'd like.

To Do:

The main thing on the list right now is the EU-grant; we need to get the activity – lists from the LCs. We are having a council meeting soon regarding all that need to be done on our part. I also have to try to get in better contact with my regions and I have been thinking about having a Skype meeting with each region. Otherwise I need to keep up the work with the fees and the possible new members that haven't completed their applications.

Council- Eva Ortvold Erichsen

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

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- Contribute in receiving the EU Grant
- Assist upcoming new members in successful application
- Make sure that statutes and law of IFSA are followed within IFSA
- To maintain contact and assist Direction, commissions and RRs

Eva has been assigned the regional responsibility of Northern America and Northern Europe, as well as the commission responsibility of Fundraising and EP.

Work done:

- I have sent out an introduction to myself on mail to my RRs and on the forum
- Been in continuously contact with the RRs
- Evaluated the application form from Washington and still waiting for feedback from them
- Attended NEIS
- Attended WFC, and tried to help with the GAPFE presentation
- Sent out request for the LC activity form to the LCs in my regions – many times
- Attended as many Skype meetings as possible
- Been available on Skype for whatever needed
- Commented on the CFA survey from Julius

Problems encountered:

- Time, I have had to many things this autumn, and time has therefore been a big limit in my work
- Response from LCs (here
- [List any problems (if any) that you have encountered in your position. Mention any difficulties you are having, how you have handled these

problems and suggest solutions to improve future problems should they occur. Please also mention any affects these problems might have had on your IFSA work.]

To Do:

- follow up on membership fees
- follow up on warning letters and expelling
- continue the contact with Anne and Tero
- Try to motivate the North American region further while there

Alumni- Branislav Petrovic

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Contact all of Alumni
 - Send emails all of them
 - Find the addresses
- Inform them about Alumni web
 - Mail to them
- Promote the possibility of becoming the supporting member
 - Ask their help via email
- Try to introduce the webpage among Alumni
 - Communicate with IFSA7 and Alumni
- Create the Alumni contact list
 - Compile all of the mails and details that Pavlina, Joe, Geoff has collected

Work done:

- Try to contact Alumni
- Started making the contact of all alumni

Problems encountered:

- Bad communication and lack of time
- Personal problems

To Do:

- Finally talk to Pavlina and create final list of alumni
- Contact alumni

EFI- Mikko Nivala

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Making a good partnership between IFSA and EFI
 - To participate in the EFI Annual Conference in Dublin
 - Visit the EFI headquarter in Joensuu
 - Report monthly for IFSA 7
- To spread information about IFSA-EFI cooperation to forestry students
 - Share the information about meetings and conferences
 - Give presentations at events like NERM
 - Be active on the IFSA Forum
- Find new cooperation ways
 - Internships
 - Sponsors
 - Consulting
- Make a good change over
 - Update Job Description of EFI LO

Work done:

- Familiarized myself with my new position
- Made a budget for my costs and my followers cost for next year
- Participated EFI Annual Conference in Dublin and reporting that together with Florent.
- Introduce myself to IFSAworld and EFI staff.
- Share the information about EFI meetings
- Talked with Risto Päivinen (Director of EFI) about new possible ways to cooperation.
- Share the information about Internships possibilities (they have internship places open nearly all the time)
- Started new topics in IFSA forum about EFI.
- Share the information about EFI in my LC.

Problems encountered:

- Less of time because of starting of new period of studies
- Hard to get contact last EFI Liaison Officer because she had many busies
- Alone working

To Do:

- Participating EFI's pre-Christmas party and visiting to EFI's headquarter
- Time schedule for working
- Find new cooperation ways
- Keep sharing the information
- Better communication with IFSA 7
- Make a presentation of EFI and IFSA in our university "Exchange day".

CFA- Julius Adewopu**Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:**

- Sustain and improve upon the CFA-IFSA relationship
- Work towards giving IFSA an impressionable and resounding representation at Commonwealth Forestry Congress, 2010.
- Explore opportunities that might be of great benefit to IFSA members.

Work done:

- Familiarizations with involved parties (CFA Youth Officer, CFA, Technical Director, former CFA-IFSA Liaison Officer, and IFSA executives).
- Composing a message that heralds the mission of IFSA, and got it published on CFA webpage www.cfa-international.org, and also published in September issue of CFA newsletter.
- Attended the VOIP-based annual AGM of CFA (on Skype) and contributed significantly in the discussions.
- Made efforts to secure a spot for IFSA on the UN-REDD 3rd Policy board meeting in Washington D.C.
- Facilitated IFSA representation at PEFC stakeholders' meeting in Switzerland by providing necessary linkages.

- Initiated a discourse with PEFC contact person on the possibility of IFSA-PEFC partnership – ended in a deadlock!
- Resolved the issue about the CFA-YFA advert in IFSA newsletter, which CFA paid for long ago but the service terms with IFSA appeared as not honoured.
- Initiated Correspondence with the person in charge of CFC, 2010 papers and presentation scheduling at British Forestry Commission towards giving IFSA a presentation slot.
- Conceptualized a theme for IFSA representation at CFC, 2010; commenced communications with IFSA 7 (and other pertinent parties) on the modalities, and commenced composition of the entire survey.

Problems encountered:

- The main challenge is the brevity of time demands in executing pertinent tasks. Also, it challenges my courage to progress when I send out emails to IFSA officials (and some other parties) and I get no feedback at all/ non-timely feedback.

To Do:

- Proceed with the CFC, 2010 survey and analyse the results.
- Maintain communication with already established contacts and continually strive to hoist IFSA's banner.

CIFOR- Ika Satyasari

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Prepare IFSA-CIFOR cooperation
 - Arrange MoU between IFSA and CIFOR
- Keep contact between IFSA-CIFOR
 - Visit the headquarter when sign the MoU
 - Maintain good and regular contact with LO from CIFOR
 - Always copy the mails to IFSA7
- Promote CIFOR within IFSA
 - Forward CIFOR newsletter, advertisements and events that can be joined by IFSA students
- Encourage IFSA students to be the volunteer for internship at CIFOR

Work done:

- Prepare IFSA-CIFOR cooperation
 - Arrange MoU between IFSA and CIFOR
 - Send the draft of MoU to the contact person from CIFOR (Miss. Satria Oktarita –an assistance of communication in Director General's Office of CIFOR)
 - Visited the CIFOR headquarters and got opportunity to have discussion with CIFOR people (Miss. Satria Oktarita & Mr. Efransjah – Senior External Relations Advisor of CIFOR)

- Mr. Efransjah said that CIFOR always welcomes partnership offering from IFSA. They will help IFSA as they can do. They recognize IFSA as a student association not international organization or governmental institution. Therefore a signed-MoU between IFSA and CIFOR is not crucial.
- Keep contact between IFSA and CIFOR
 - As I mentioned above, CIFOR though that we need not to build MoU. The draft of MoU that ever we made was good enough. CIFOR will try to help IFSA when we ask them without MoU.
 - I do maintain good communication with contact person from CIFOR. She is Miss. Satria Oktarita.
 - I always CC every email related my job to IFSA president and other IFSA-7. I usually share to IFSA-7 if I face some difficulties. It was not rare, I also shared to Sofie (the previous councillor) regarding my work since she experienced enough in handling IFSA job and she ever helped me arrange the MoU.
- Promote IFSA and CIFOR
 - Advertised CIFOR event to IFSA mailing list
 - I helped Metia (the sub-coordinator of UNFCCC) contact CIFOR person regarding Forest Day 3 (the side event of UNFCCC) that will be held in Denmark
 - To be the channel between CIFOR and IFSA LC-IPB when CIFOR need my LC to help them in some events.

Problems encountered:

- I had tried to propos the MoU to CIFOR but the CIFOR people's answer is like I mentioned above. I hope you (the IFSA board) understand it and receive the result happily☺.
- Lack of time and very busy but I am sure I can arrange my schedule well

To Do:

- Asking to Miss. Saria Oktarita about CIFOR events in 2010 that can be followed by IFSA students
- Arrange estimation budget regarding my job (like: operational budget and budget that we need to send our delegates attending CIFOR event) and give it to Dan (the treasurer).

FAO- Jennifer Schuchmann

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Strengthen the contact to FAO Forestry department
 - Ensure that Forestry Department staff know IFSA well
 - Find a person at the Forestry Department who is like a focal point
- Inform IFSA members about FAO activities, meetings, publications and internship possibilities
 - Forward all information to all IFSA-members trough IFSAworld mailing list

- Inform RRs about activities in their region
- Work towards a Memorandum of Understanding between IFSA and the FAO Forestry Department
 - Prepare a draft
 - Discuss the draft with IFSA 7 and Forestry Department of FAO
- Encourage FAO Forestry Department to hire IFSA members as volunteers for internships
 - Work together with EP commission
 - Establish the contact to FAO Forestry Department for interested IFSA members
- Inform FAO Forestry Department about IFSA activities regularly
 - Send the newsletter
 - Send information via email about regional meetings, activities and IFSS
- Continue the work done by Nicolas Dolidon
 - Meeting with Nicolas and get informed by him about necessary information

Work done:

- informed myself about the structure and the aims of FAO in the internet
- first contacts with former contact persons from Nicolas via email
- introduction letter to the Forestry Department of FAO by email
- Participation at “Forest based sector – Conference” in Brno, Czech Republic. Meeting with Jan Heino, Assistant Director-General and Head for the Forestry Department of FAO, getting to know each other and first exchange of ideas about the partnership of IFSA and FAO.
- emails exchanged with Jan Heino, to find a special contact person at FAO
- Participation at World Forestry Congress 09 in Buenos Aires, Argentina:
 - meeting again Jan Heino
 - during the Congress and until someone else is found contact person for IFSA is Moujahed Achouri, meeting with him during the Congress, first setting up of concrete ways of cooperation:
 - Getting to know each other, IFSA should know more about FAO and FAO as well about IFSA, therefore I will go as soon as possible to Rome, Italy, for 2-3 days to get to know the Forestry Department of FAO, there I will be able to make a presentation about IFSA and inform the Forestry Department staff about IFSA.
 - possibilities for IFSA-students for internships at Rome but also at the Regional Offices
 - Possibilities for IFSA-students to attend FAO-meetings and workshops, especially from the region, the meeting or workshop will take place.
 - FAO-staff participating in IFSA-meetings as observers or lecturers at regional and international level
 - maybe later on Memorandum of Understanding
 - meeting and talks with Nicolas Dolidon, former LO FAO, about what has been done and what he can imagine from the cooperation

- informing Jan Heino, Moujahed Achouri and other FAO staff about the session on Forestry Education at WFC and about the “Global Action Plan for Forestry Education”(GAPFE)

Problems encountered:

- until now I didn't have any problems

To Do:

- planning with Moujahed Achouri when there is a good opportunity to go to Rome, headquarter of FAO, hopefully before UNFCCC/COP15 in Copenhagen
- in Rome: getting to know the different working areas of the Forestry Department, get to know the contact person for IFSA, work on a concrete plan, how all the ideas above mentioned should be realized, presentation about IFSA and maybe as well about the GAPFE
- after Rome: writing an article about FAO Forestry Department for IFSA News, maybe with an interview of someone from FAO, but mostly to inform IFSA about the diversity at FAO in the different regions
- Attending UNFCCC/COP15: Climate Change is one of the biggest issues actually at FAO, informing IFSA-students about the involvement of FAO
- participating at INTERIM

IFISO- Sofie Blanchart

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Inform IFSA students about IFISO activities and events
 - Forward emails to the LCs
 - Promote the information on the website and Forum
- Organise delegations for the main IFISO meetings and communicate the outcome
 - Make sure a report is available for all IFSA members
- Encourage local initiatives of cooperation between students associations
 - Establish contact between student associations on a local level and then in international level
 - Upload information about the different local associations and their locations and then in international level
- Keep IFSA 7 and the president known about IFISO and ongoing projects
 - Forward selected mails and regular Skype meetings

Work done:

- Introduction of IFSA and myself to IFISO (with Florent)
- Promote various IFISO events (organisation of the Leadership Summer School, BEST meeting, etc)
- Try to learn more about IFISO and its organisation...
- Register to and help organizing the winter meeting in Italy
- Start working on a database of all the IFISO members in each country/city, this has to be discussed before and during the winter meeting

Problems encountered:

- Time management problems, those should be better after I finish in December.
- A lack of information transfer within IFISO which makes it hard to understand easily how the organisation works and what has been done in the past.
- It's hard to motivate IFSA students for IFISO events, there is too much information sent to our members and nobody really answers to the invitations... The LCs show little interest in IFISO events.

To Do:

- Attend the winter meeting and develop a nice database of IFISO members around the world.
- Find a way to motivate the LCs concerning IFISO events
- See how we could improve the organisation and data transfer within IFISO
- Try to put local members of different ISISO members in touch so that they can enhance the cooperation.

IUFRO- Michael Rivoire**Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:**

- Gather people and launch projects in the new IUFRO liaison group. Note: this group has not been created during IFSS. It will rather be made of the students attending IUFRO World Congress 2010.
- Continue an efficient communication between IUFRO and IFSA and help students
- Gather ideas and people for the world congress in 2010 to have good representation of students.
- Find a successor.

Work done:

- Participation to the IUFRO Board Meeting in Buenos Aires, October 2009. Wrote a report about it.
- Attended the World Forestry Congress in Buenos Aires, October 2009. Participated to the Congress Scientific Committee.
- Usual tasks: forwarding IUFRO newsletters, sending emails to the president and headquarters, etc...
- Prepared an advertisement for IUFRO2010; also asked the WebComm to put a specific part on ifsa.net.

Problems encountered:

The only "problem" is the approaching deadline for abstract submission for IUFRO2010. I will have to urge people to submit abstracts.

To Do:

Invite speakers to the session on education for IUFRO World Congress 2010.
Organize the student delegation for IUFRO2010.

Asia- Wie Dae Hyung

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Keep in contact with IFSA7, RR, Head of commission
- Good communication with all LC in Asia
- Hold a regular on-line meeting for detail discussion
- Make a supporting team for support ARR
- Encourage non IFSA people in Asia to join IFSA

Work done:

- Collect LC activity report from LC in Asia
- Help potential people who can join IFSA
- Organize supporting team
- Held two Skype meeting for detail discussion
- Preparation for upcoming ARM at Taiwan

Problems encountered:

- Some LC didn't reply to my e-mail
- Difficult to decide proper time for on-line meeting

To Do:

- Encourage people to participate ARM in Taiwan
- Collect remain LC activity report
- Hold Skype meeting more than 2 times before ARM
- Help people who interest to join IFSA

Latin America- Isabel Perdomo

Did not submit report

Northern Africa- Tolulope Daramola

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Continue to support interested member in joining IFSA
- Provide support for the members in terms of external funding for their various projects and programs
- Maintain communication within the region

Work done:

- Maintained contacts within the region

Problems encountered:

- Not listed

To Do:

- Continue working on goals

North America- Anne Bernard**Goals for 2009-2010:**

- Find new LC's in North America
 - Organize a meeting with New Brunswick
 - Contact Universities in United States
- Organise a regional meeting in North America
 - We want to invite people from North America and/or other part of the world to come to Canada to discover our forestry and to discuss problems that we are facing.
- Organise activities in our LC
 - International dinner
 - Promote IFSA in our University
- Create a real work team in North America
 - Find new members in our university
 - Once a month we want to have a meeting to plan and follow the evolution of the activities.
- Have a good communication with IFSA 7
 - Send regularly report of our activities

Work done:

- We have find new members to create a real work team. For the moment we are eleven (at the end of that report, you will find a list with all new members' name)
- On the 19th of November, we will have our first international dinner. We are now working on that.
- Once a month, we meet to talk about the evolution of the activities.
- At the beginning of the semester, we did a presentation about IFSA to inform all forestry students in our university.
- We create a partnership with another organisation to join more people in our activities.

Problems encountered:

- In our University, we have a lot of associations and activities for the few students we are. For this reason, it is hard to motivate new members to help us. We try to distribute jobs but students are really busy so it will take more time to reach our goals.
- Concerning the regional meeting, we need to join other universities in North America. Because it is a lot of work, we plan it for 2011.

To do:

- Contact other universities in North America.
- Contact New Brunswick University.

Northern Europe- Tero Sivonen

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- To fulfil the tasks described in the job description of RR in the IFSA-Strategy
- To promote IFSA to universities that are not yet members of the Association.
- To promote IFSA's functions and webpage to the LC's
- To deal information to LC, about the happenings of the region.
- To participate IFSA's meetings in my area

Work done:

- Participated NEIS in Denmark (16.-21.8.2009.)
- Held and IFSA lecture in Helsinki campus for the freshmen.
- Introduced my self on the IFSA-forum and via mail to the LC's of North-Europe
- Ensured good communication with my LC's.
- Currently updating LC-contact data.
- Currently helping Councillor Eva with next NEIS (probably in Sweden).
- Currently helping one Swedish girl from Alnarp to join IFSA.
- Puzzling with Councillor Eva where to hold the next years NERM, since England appears not to be able to.

Problems encountered:

- Just that some of the LC's don't answer my mails. (but I guess it's normal)

To Do:

- Find NERM-2010 host.
- Search for some potential new LC's.
- Finnish the LC-contact data list.
- Provide more info to the LC's.
- (I'll leave the thing of providing me more time for my IFSA-works to the Gods of Asgard.) ;-)

Oceania- Kevin Peachey

Did not submit report

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year (at IFSS):

- Increase awareness of students about IFSA in his region
 - Contact both early-year and graduate students in current LCs
 - Update and maintain contact to LCs
- Contact New Zealand, Lismore and Papua New Guinea to increase number of LCs in region
 - Contact through email common lectures
 - Send information to these possible LCs
- Contact Australian Forest Science Masters program to inform students of program
 - Contact head of Master program

- Join the Master program blog to communicate with and inform students
- Involve all students in Australian LCs with IFA (Institute of Foresters Australia) activities
 - Contact with IFA
 - Contact all Australian LCs

Southern Europe- Bernardo Crespi & Jelena Nedeljkovic

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Promote IFSA in our region
 - IFSA presentation at different Faculties
 - Attend events in our region
- Try to find new LCs and to reactive the old ones
 - Contact faculties that are not members
 - Try to motivate them to become part of IFSA
 - Send emails and visit LCs in order to keep them active
- Keep Southern Europe page on IFSA website constantly updated
- Inform LCs about IFSA events, encourage and help them to organise events
 - Help LCs to raise money or find a link to sponsors
 - Help LCs to find speakers to their events
 - Share information about events in other regions and send invitations for attending IFSS

Work done:

- IFSA presentation at Faculty of Forestry
- Keep SE web page at IFSA web site update regularly
- LC contact list is updated
- Keep LC informed about internships and news from professional forestry world
- Bernardo has helped create the Italian national LC network. It's called AUSF ITALIA, it's a confederation that joins the almost totality of the Italian LCs to share information and organize national events. The president of this confederation is Fabio Natalini a member of Bernardo's same LC. In this moment my LC is the official direction centre in Italy and now we are reorganize the Italian system for a better development.
- Bernardo has also established contacts with some Italian LCs for the inscription to IFSA. Two LCs (AUSF from PADOVA and MOLISE) are working to become members and AUSF TORINO LC wants to become a member again.
- Pass and share information to other SE LCs.

Problems encountered:

- Main problem for Jelena was lack of time. Fortunately, Bernardo was great support and he did a lot of jobs by himself!

- I know that I didn't do so much work for the first 3 months, but, I have already re-organize myself and I'm sure that I'll be much more dedicated to this job in future! (Jelena)

To Do:

- Help Mikaela with LC Activities form
- Motivate LC to organize more events
- Keep promoting IFSA in region (we'll probably do not need visa for EU after 19.12, which will allow Jelena to travel in EU easier)
- In February Bernardo will go to Portugal (Algarve University in Faro) to see if it is possible for them to create a new IFSA LC.

Southern Africa- George Henuis

Goals set for 2009 – 2010 IFSA year:

- Update and maintain contact with current LC's
 - Gather existing information from previous Regional representative
 - Keep in regular contact with LC's
- Find and establish contact with possible new LC's
 - Find new LC's
 - Promote IFSA and possible membership
- To promote IFSA within region (including other regions throughout Africa)
 - Promote IFSA within own LC
 - Promote IFSA to any other institutions
- Schedule a meeting with local LC's
 - Travel to new LC's
- Be available and willing to any needs of IFSA Officials
 - Constantly check mails
 - Do what is needed

Work done:

Maintained contact with other South African LC (Saasveld)

Good contact with IFSA officials (Amalia Anindia and Alex Slattery)

Gathered existing information from previous Regional Representative (John Eggers)

Promoted IFSA within own LC

Gathered contact details (and contacted) of possible new members from:

- Nigeria
- Kenya
- Namibia
- Democratic republic of Congo
- Democratic republic of Cameroon

Problems encountered:

Only one reply from all the above mentioned. Therefore I did not manage to recruit any new members for IFSA during this time. I also did not receive any reply from existing member - Cunares (Zambia).

To do:

- Continue search for possible new members (by including alternative communication methods)
- More contact with other IFSA officials and IFSA members
- Schedule a meeting for the first quarter of 2010.
- Promote IFSA to other institutions.

Exchange Program- Yasemin Öztürk

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Include the advertisement of university exchange possibilities into the role of Exchange Programme
 - Find new partnerships
- We want to create a bigger database with people to contact when you look for internship or university exchange possibilities. Therefore we should develop a regional approach in the commission which different commissioners in charge of different parts of the world
 - Keep all the commissioners active
 - Stay in touch with them and follow the application processes
- Develop more long-term partnership which are the most efficient ones, for example by workshop more closely with the Liaison Officers
 - Contact to CONAF and CORMA and some other new possible partners
- Need to update EP webpage and add tables for there to each country
- Contact for professional partners university exchanges and possible PhD positions

Work done:

- Keep all the commissioners active.
- I send to IFSA world application information for internship at IUFRO
- I participate to WFC and we had good contacts with other organizations from Nepal, India and Honduras for the internship we are talking for now the opportunities.

Problems encountered:

- Lack of time because I am studying and working at Faculty and I had second job outside university a little bit time problem but we will save this problem for sure.

To Do:

- I am trying and I am in contact with some organization in Asia to have internship too
- On 17th November I am going to China in Guilin for China's country-led initiative (CLI) on "Forests for people: the role of national forest programmes and the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests" so I will have some contacts there.

Fundraising- Bibilotte van der Horst

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- To improve the contact list of potential sponsors (by checking the contact information and getting new companies)
- To improve the sponsorship package (by presenting IFSA better and updating the context of the letter)

- To look for foundations and grants (by checking the internet)

Work done:

- Familiarize myself with the position
- Set up a list of new potential sponsors and put the old and new document together, by the end of November, everyone on the list will be emailed
- We had a Skype meeting about improving the letter that we send to the companies and we made some updates, we also concluded we need other letters for universities, government, NGO's (that will be done next month)
- We found a site with grants, but we still have to work out if there are any grants we can get.

Problems encountered:

- I had a problem with my commissioners, some of them never answered any of my emails after they subscribed at the IFSS, so I had to do a lot of work on my own. I only had 2 active commissioners. So I went looking for new ones and found to girls from my university who wanted to join. But there are still not many commissioners and I'm not glad with the way the other people just ignored my mails, I thought it was a bit rude. so in the future, people who subscribe need to be sure they have the time to help!!

To Do:

- At the moment we are sending the sponsorship package to all the old and new companies we had/found
- We are now working on grants and we have to make a letter we can send to them (we want to use the old letter as a template)
- We are working on the other letters we want and we need to make 'thank you' letter

IPC- Chavdar Zheley

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Inform to all IFSA students about everything what happens among International Processes
 - Maintain contact with IFSA president
 - Mails to IFSA yahoo group
 - Using Forum and webpage
 - Mails to all IPC commissioners
- Schedule his work time properly
 - Try to find at least one hour per day time for IFSA work
- Prepare delegations to meetings, help them to participate and motivate people to go to meetings
 - Count the people who participate
 - Help fundraising
 - Help to find accommodation
 - Give information
- Participate as many meeting and events as he could in International Processes

- It depends fundraising, schedule and interests
- Inform coming professional partners' events and international meetings. Share the knowledge (reports and information) in IFSA Forum

Work done:

- Contacting the ex IPC Head 2008/09 – Yan Hadril from Chez Republic to make short change over for the position, but he hasn't been active at all. He said that he has been doing nothing. So I start to do my work and to reach the goals be myself.
- Just make short introduction to all commissioners and the rest of IFSA people. Gave information about me on the vice president and pictures for the website.
- Have been read the forum and discuss on it.
- Registration for the Interim and prepare my trip and presentation about IPC general.
- Make two Skype meetings and write the minutes on one of them with the head of Sub com CBD, UNFCC, UNFF and MCPE. They have been really fruitful and pleasant. Everybody doing great job. Mainly the conversation was for UNFCCC and CBD. Noting so much happened with UNFF and MCPE. They have been lasting around 3-4 hours and it was difficult to arrange the people to gather together in the same time as Tolulope is in America and there he is minus 9 hours from GMT, and Yusuf is in Borneo and he is + 6 hours GMT.
- Make my registration to participate in Forest day 3 and also for the field trip on 14 Dec.
- Help with contacts and e-mails Metia for the UNFCCC, also become responsible for the accommodation and try to find friends and cheap hotels to help the people which haven't got still place to stay. Had discussion about the rest Sub heads for the UNFCCC. Writing and answering on e-mails on asking people for participation on the conference. Asking Florian about ELSA and their nomination for observe. Trying to help Metia to find funds about the travel to Europe as part of participation on UNFCCC and Interim.
- Helping on Yusuf for CBD matters. Start discussion to be host on the third Youth Symposium for biodiversity, try to motivate people and to spread the information to the rest of IFSA members about HoB project. Helping Yusuf to find some IFSA members for some information as they have been participate in COP 9. Also watching the progress for IFSA registration for CBD 10 in Japan, 2010. Try to motivate Yusuf to be a representative on IFSA for International Year on Biodiversity.
- Keeping close contact with all of the Sub head by Skype everyday and try to help them if some problem show up.
- Working hard to find new IFSA professional partners as IUCN, UNESCO, FACE, CIC and IUGB or to include them in the work on IPC.

Problems encountered:

- Actually the problem is what to do with the position, no change over and no one to help.
- Keep the motivation on the IFSA members as mainly do not know what to do and how to do it.
- Except this there is no problems occur permanently

To Do:

- Work more deep on professional partners. IUCN, UNESCO, FACE, CIC and IUGB. Will make offer for the IFSA 7 on the Interim how we can be closer with this organizations and what we have to do to be professional partners with them.
- IUCN
- UNESCO
- FACE
- CIC
- IUGB
- Keep the same contacts and connections with the rest of IPC members as up to now and to update the information for the IPC on the website and the rest of IFSA members.
- Helping Jenny for the MCPE and Tolulope for UNFF next year and continue to follow the process with the CBD, COP 10 in Japan, 2010.

Language- Yagmur Butun**Goals Set for 2009-2010 IFSA Year:**

- To make sure that translations be on time
- Be in touch with all commissioners
- To help Promotion and Publication Commission about their proof-readings
- To translate Fundraising Commission's letters into the company's preferred languages
- Find out new commissioners
- To translate IFSA Wikipedia webpage to different languages

Work Done:

According to our goals, we have already done 12 proof-reads for Promotion and Publication Commission, whole of them have been delivered to the related commission on time. From the beginning of our term we have one new native Spanish speaker, also who can speak English and German as well. I am on contact with all commissioners by sending some e-mails besides; everybody has the contact details of all of us.

Problems Encountered:

We have tired to translate some documents (statues) for IFSA, but none of the native German speaker commissioner had time to do those translation so, Torben (the executive secretary) did them in the place of us. On the other hand about doing the proof-reads for P. & P. Commission, finding some new native English native speaker was a problem.

To Do:

Translate what IFSA means in as many languages as possible. Also due to one of our aims we will translate IFSA-Wikipedia webpage. We are all ready for help Fundraising Commission about their letters, whenever they ask from us. As I explained about an occurred problem, we really need to find more commissioners.

Publications and Promotions- Bell Yeh

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Publish high quality IFSA news
 - Give a strict deadline and encourage all IFSA members to write something
 - Interview with experts, professors, scholars and researchers for advice and publish them on the news
 - Create some new paragraph on IFSA news and keep the good things we have
- Update promotion materials, ex posters and other materials
 - Work with commissioners to design new materials
 - Be sure to update all the events happened in IFSA (IFSS, partners meetings and other IFSA events)
- Save more resources
 - Try to use eco-friendly materials for promotion
 - Promote more on Internet
- Contact with new LCs and promote IFSA to all of them
 - Once IFSA gets new LCs, we will send them e-magazine (IFSA News) and provide them as much as possible
- Cooperate with IFSA 7, Web commission, Language commission, LCs and Regional representatives
 - As main goal 3, we would like to promote through the Internet, we need to work with the Web commission
 - Once IFSA7 has something to promote, we will try our best to promote them to all LCs
 - For IFSA News, we will have foreign language section so we need to cooperate with language commission
 - Most of all we will contact with all RRs for new issues

Work done:

- Finish editing 50th issue and publish 49th issue
- Find 2 more commissioners. 3.
- Hold regular online meetings (5 times)
- Distribute every minute of online meeting.
- Next, I kept contacting with each commissioners; thanks for Internet, I often sent them emails or left messages on their Facebook, and with all these helps, I strengthened our communication in P&P commission.

Problems encountered:

- Motivation: Honestly, maintaining such an international commission is really difficult; selecting most suitable times which can be the best for commissioners living in different time zones is always makes difficult. However, we had some big online meetings and some small online discussions; small discussions were for those who couldn't join our online meetings. I let every commissioner to express their own feelings and ideas any time they want because a commission is to organize everyone's motivations and wills. Everyone gets dissimilar schedules, and this makes it difficult to hold online meetings or assign commission work for commissioners. Owing to

the various schedules, some might not get motivated in commission work. I try to set up one calendar for all commissioners to fill in their own schedule to make sure everyone has some free time to work. I also spare things small and easy instead of asking commissioners to finish one big thing; with this way, commissioners may be more willing to work for IFSA P&P Commission.

- Proof-reading: Another problem is proof-reading. Doing proofread is essential in editing, so we must need a group of people who are native speakers to help us out. Unfortunately, there are only 2 native speakers, Darren and Tom in the commission; if we would ask our language commission to help us, it's still hard because they only have Kevin and Julie as native speakers. To solve this, I send our articles to everyone once I received them.
- Not Following Deadline: so many people handed in articles late. To solve this problem, I will try to announce what we want earlier so that they wouldn't feel heavy pressure for deadlines., and it is the same true of proof-reading, I must tell those who are responsible or interested in writing earlier to make sure everything would not come together so close.

To Do:

- Brochures
 - Must 'release' before UNFCCC
 - Deadline for handing in articles is November 8
 - Deadline for proof reading is November 11
 - Editing and designing time, November 20 to 25
 - Printing is November 26
- Special Issue
 - Recollecting articles deadline is November 20
 - Deadline for articles is December 10
 - Deadline for proof reading is December 15 to 18
 - Editing time is December 19 to 27
 - Release will be January 1

Web- Frauke Thorade

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Keep the website updated
- Keep the forum updated
- Support the Alumni project website
- Check possibilities for an IFSA Wikipedia

Work done:

- Organising ourselves:
 - WebComm had 4 written Skype meetings with changing participants, where we shared information by whom and how the work can be done
- Updating the website
 - Upload the following documents
 - IFSA7 introduction letter
 - IFSA News 48

- Update about events and exchange program availabilities
 - Change member's details
 - Upload the pictures of the new IFSA team
 - technical improvements
- Updating the forum
 - Administrate new users
 - change some description of sections
- Link the @ifsa.net email addresses to the new officials

Problems encountered:

- Projects such as building the alumni website and an IFSA Wikipedia or designing the website for the climate project requested more than the normal IFSA working time. If we are still to do them it would be helpful to meet in person or take time off to have an intense internet conversation. Such a period would be needed at least to start these projects

To Do:

- Continue communication
- Continue with updating the website and the forum
- Other projects like alumni, climate for and IFSA Wikipedia website if time of several commissioners allows it

MCPFE- Jennifer Schuchmann

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Keep IFSA students informed about the MCPFE meetings and activities
 - Forward emails of MCPFE mailing list to IFSA students through the relevant IFSA mailing list
- Help IFSA members to get additional information on MCPFE
 - Collect all possible information on MCPFE
 - Answer questions for interested IFSA members
 - Put some information or interested articles on MCPFE in IFSA News
- Help IFSA members to join a MCPFE meeting
 - Inform IFSA members about MCPFE meetings
 - Help IFSA members with preparations and registration

Work done:

- I informed myself about MCPFE at the internet
- attended the IPC Skype meeting

Problems encountered:

- I had too little time to do more and I also didn't see the importance of doing more, but now when the exams are done I will try at least to inform IFSA-students about the meetings at the regions

To Do:

- update the meetings of MCPFE at the event newsletter

UNCBD- Yusuf Bahtimi

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Send IFSA delegation to attend CBD meetings
 - Contact the Montreal about possible meetings which IFSA delegation can attend. Inform via the forum.
 - Contact the OC of COP10
 - Build communication with fundraising commission
 - Contact commissioners, head of commission, also IFSA president
- Write articles on IFSA news and so on; mainly about biodiversity and what forests can do for it
 - Build communication with P and P commission
 - Build communication with web commission
 - Contact the commissioners
- Organise and co-ordinate biodiversity events (local region)
 - Contact the RR's
 - Contact the commissioners for collecting information about biodiversity events in each continent/ country

Work done:

- Have change over and transfer knowledge with Ramon Perea, head of sub commission CBD 2007-2008
- Got support and many information from Ministerial Environment of Republic Indonesia
- Contacted SCBD and got official letter and emails for send delegation to COP 10 next year in Nagoya, Japan
- Have contact people who was attend the Second International Symposium on Biodiversity and get information from them about Youth Accord
- Have contact and discussion with WWF about youth group of Heart of Borneo, it's about youth action to protect one 7 Mega biodiversity places in the world.
- Make draft of IFSA existing plan for Youth Group of Heart of Borneo

Problems encountered:

Well my problem in running the job is lack of communication with other official's, mainly when I need suggestions at found the new idea. To solve the problem, I think we must increase our communication again between officials

To Do:

- Seminar and open dialogue with forestry students and related science in Borneo Island, under the theme climate change effect on Indonesia Biodiversity, what Youth Can Do.
- Prepare IFSA Indonesia material for contribution in Indonesia Position on COP 10, Nagoya. This matter we have prepared together with Indonesia Ministerial Environment and other NGO's.
- Participating in Aichi/Nagoya International E-Conference on the Post 2010 Biodiversity Target (ANIEC 2010), CBD.
- Make IFSA be partner of CBD on celebrate the 2010 International Year of Biodiversity.
- Contact again people who was attend second International Symposium on Biodiversity about our possibility to attend the third International Symposium on Biodiversity
- Finishing IFSA existing plan for Youth Group of Heart of Borneo

UNFCCC- Metia Lembasi

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Structuring the idea of IFSA for UNFCCC CoP15
 - Keep contact with the previous sub-head commissioner of UNFCCC
 - Have discussion about the issue with him
- Provide proper information about UNFCCC CoP15 for IFSA members
 - Being active in IFSA forum
 - Email information of CoP15 to IFSA members
- Creating a strategic campaign for CoP15
 - Get involved with the world youth organizations (350. Org, taking it global, it's getting hot in here, etc.)

- Leading youth action
- Draw more attention from IFSA people to do some action regarding climate change and encourage them
 - Have discussions with Jenny (Germany) about LC's competition in combating climate change (Climate fighting project)

Work done:

- Keep in Contact, have discussions, do change over and transfer knowledge about UNFCCC with former UNFCCC sub head, Franz Klingler, Germany 2007-2008 and Moriz Vohler, Germany 2008-2009. I sent some emails to Fotis Buras but can not reach him because he is in Army.
- Keep in touch with People in UNFCCC secretariat to inform them about the change made related IFSA contact point for UNFCCC and get the information regarding UNFCCC events.
- Have a communication with people from another organization (e.g. ELSA) that want to attend the convention and asked IFSA to nominate them.
- Get the update about UNFCCC issues and news and spread it to IFSA world mailing list and IFSA forum.
- Having Contact with others youth organization to get update about international youth movement and UNFCCC preparation.
- Having discussion about UNFCCC preparation with UNFCCC commissioners and others member that interested to attend the convention in IFSA forum and mailing list.
- Registering IFSA member to be an Observer at UNFCCCC.
- Attending UNFCCC Intersessional meeting and other climat change related event.
- Providing proper information about UNFCCC/COP 15 to IFSA delegates to UNFCCC and Assisting IFSA delegates' needs as well I can.
- Working together with Jenny and others to hold the LC's climate change competition.

Problems encountered:

- Lack of people interest to write in IFSA forum and member who interested to participate didnt really aware with the deadline which had been made.
- So far so good ☺.

To do:

- Coordinating IFSA delegates at UNFCCC and set a schedule during the convention.
- Keep in touch with other youth organizations regarding IFSA cooperation with them to held Side event.
- Preparing IFSA stuffs for UNFCCC (materials for side event, activities during the meeting, etc).
- Keep assisting IFSA delegates and keep them update with UNFCCC latest issues and information.

UNFF: Tolulope Daramola

Goals set for 2009-2010 IFSA year:

- Co-ordinate IFSA activities for the UNFF in 2011
- Support intended IFSA participants getting grants to support their travelling to the US.
- Have as many possible IFSA representatives at the next UNFF conference.

Work done:

- Kept in touch with IFSA correspondent in the UNFF office
- Had a Skype meeting with all the participants of the last UNFF, was briefed about their activities at the forum.

Problems encountered:

- No details were updated from the last head of sub commission, Natalie.

To Do:

- Continue to work on the goals of Head of UNFF.