



SOCIAL PARTICIPATION, CO-RESPONSIBILITY AND CO-MANAGEMENT

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What is the ICA?



- “the ICA is an independent non-governmental organisation which unites, represents and serves co-operatives worldwide”

What is the ICA?



- One of the largest and oldest NGOs in the world, established 1895
- Our members include 221 national and international organisations in all sectors of activity from 87 countries, representing over 800 million individuals worldwide
- Hold consultative status with the United Nations and its agencies

Vision



- To be prized as the organisation of reference which provides an effective and efficient global voice and forum for knowledge, expertise and co-ordinated action for and about co-operatives

Mission



The International Co-operative Alliance (ICA) unites co-operatives world-wide.

It is the custodian of *co-operative values and principles* and makes the case for their distinctive values-based economic business model which also provides individuals and communities with an instrument of self-help and influence over their development.

The ICA advocates the interests and success of co-operatives, disseminates best practices and know-how, strengthens their capacity building and monitors their performance and progress over time.

Co-operative Values



- Democracy
- Solidarity
- Self help
- Self responsibility
- Equity
- Equality

Co-operative Principles



- 1. Open membership
- 2. Democratic control
- 3. Member Economic Participation
- 4. Autonomy and Independence
- 5. Education, Training and Information
- 6. Co-operation among Co-operatives
- 7. Concern for Community

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ICA: Global Sectoral Organisations



- Agriculture (ICAO)
- Fisheries (ICFO)
- Banking (ICBA)
- Consumer (CCW)
- **Health (IHCO)**
- Housing (ICA Housing)
- Insurance (ICMIF)
- Tourism (TICA)
- Workers (CICOPA)

United Nations



COPAC

IASB

World Bank

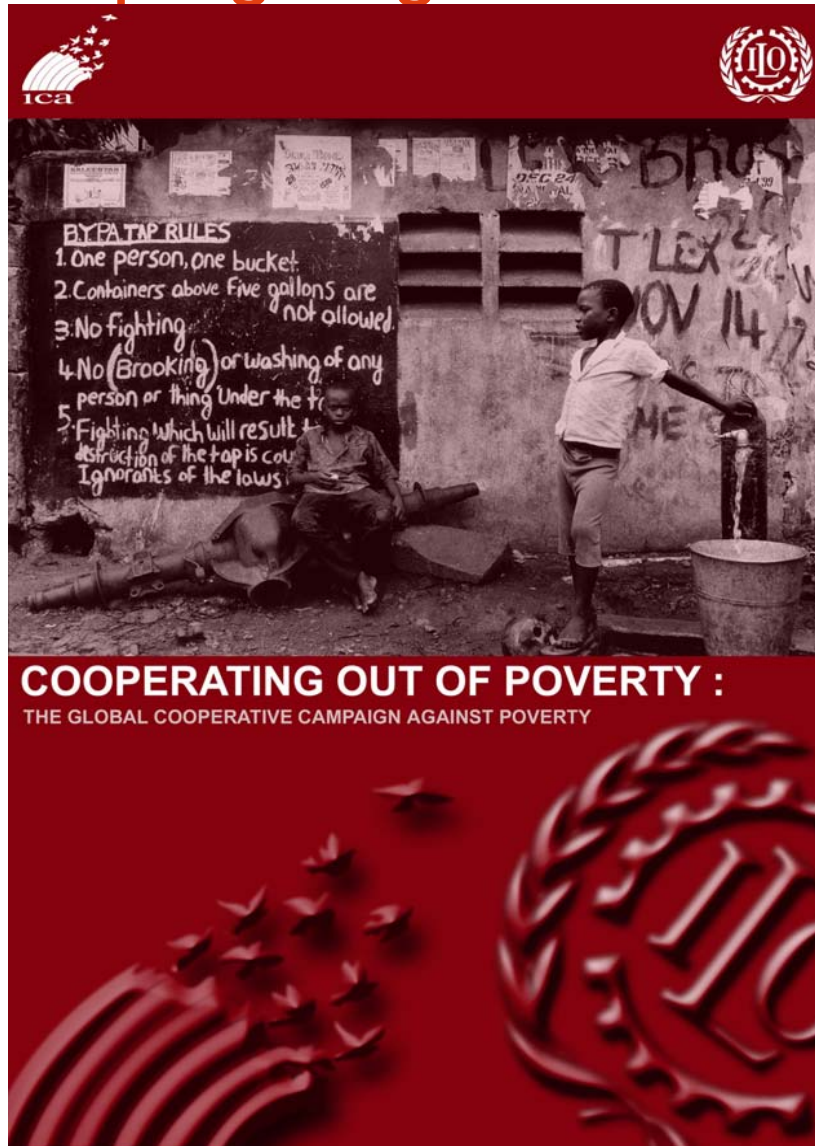


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Campaign against Poverty



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Global 300Project

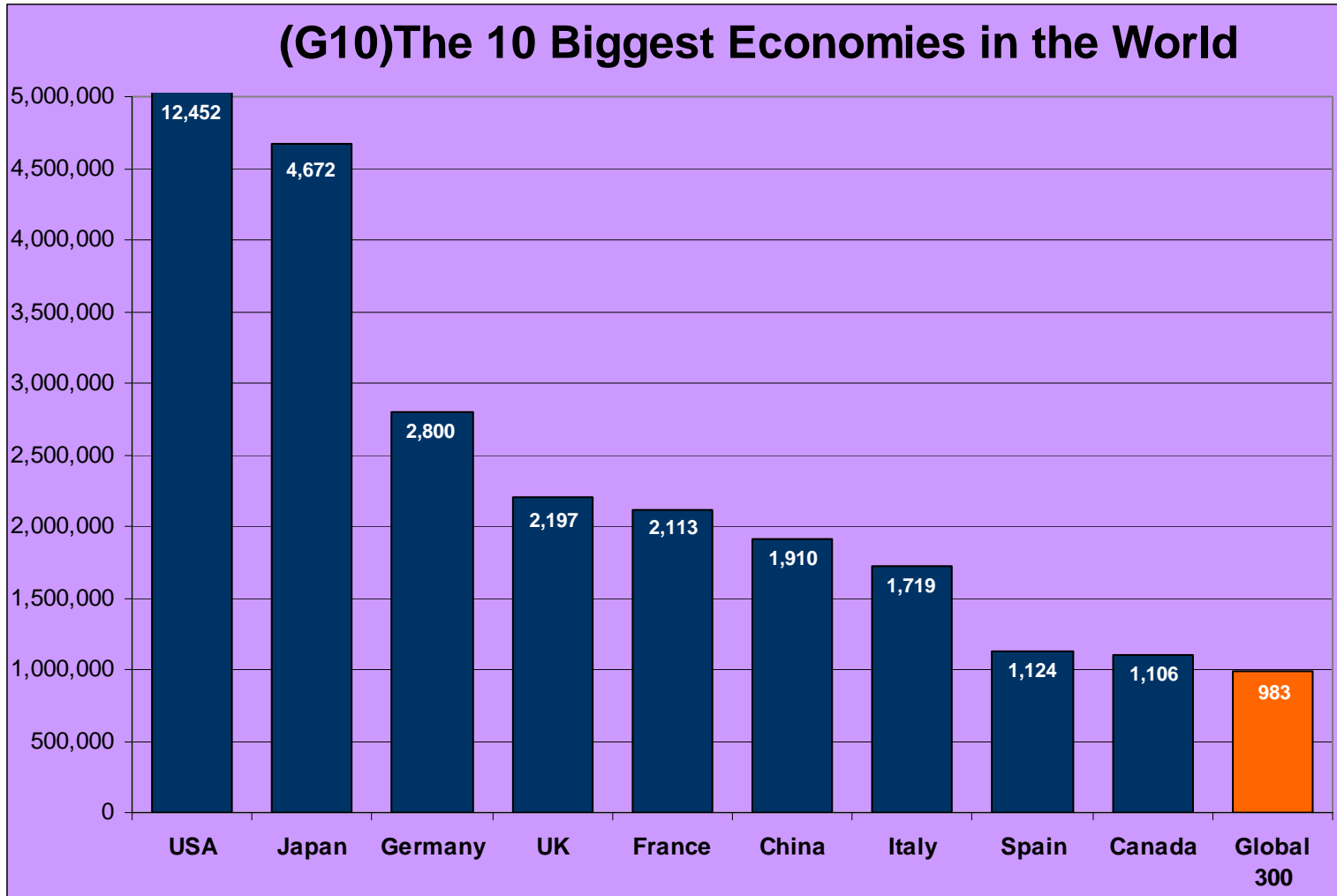


- Increase the profile of co-operatives, within their own industries, countries and internationally
- Demonstrate to government and other regulatory agencies the economic importance of co-ops and mutuals
- Modelling of good practice and highlight successful co-op business models and innovative approaches
- Create much improved statistical and data methodology to allow for better analysis of performance

Some real surprises!



- The aggregate size – larger than many would have thought
- The combined turnover of the Global 300 is almost USD 1 trillion dollars – USD 963 billion (EUR 755 billion)
- By way of comparison, Canada the 9th economy in 2004 had a GDP (nominal) of USD 979 billion
- Turnover ranges from a minimum of USD 600 million up to USD 53 billion





Do co-operatives make economies more competitive?

Country	Global 300 turnover % of GDP	Ranking Global 300 turnover % of GDP	Davos global competitiveness ranking 2006
Finland	21.1%	1	2
New Zealand	17.5%	2	23
Switzerland	16.4%	3	1
Sweden	13.0%	4	3

ICA Global300 CSR



- We are attempting to developed a measure which incorporates the best aspects of mainstream CSR reporting while taking account of the co-op difference

	<u>PEOPLE</u>
	<u>PRODUCTS</u>
	<u>PRINCIPLES</u>
	<u>ENVIRONMENT</u>
	<u>COMMUNITY</u>
	<u>DEMOCRACY</u>
	<u>DEVELOPMENT</u>

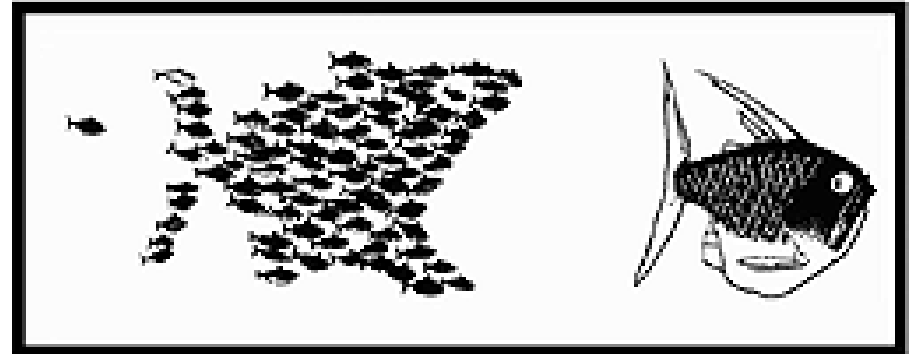
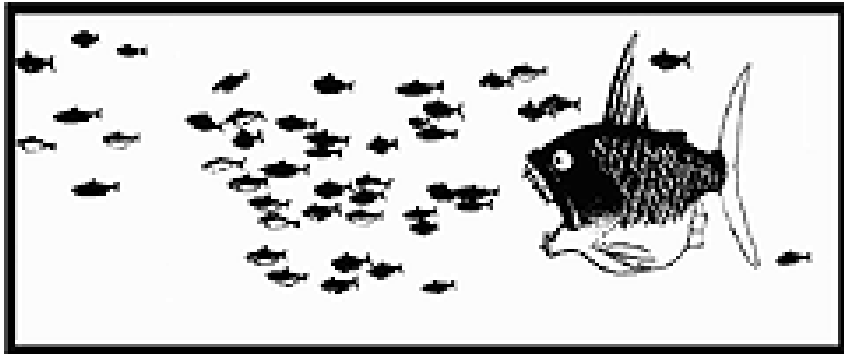


ICA
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World Co-operatives Exhibition

OCTOBER
23rd, 24th and 25th
From 1pm to 8pm
Lisbon - Portugal



Co-operation in practice



Thank you!

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