



Monday 17th October 2016,
UN End Poverty Day Gathering
Human Rights and Poverty Stone, Dublin 1



In **2017**, let's make every day, an **#EndPoverty** day!



On September 25th, 2015 world leaders pledged to do three extraordinary things by 2030: **To End Extreme Poverty**, **Fight Inequality and Injustice** and **Fix Climate Change**. They agreed 17 Global Goals for Sustainable Development to positively impact all people, in all countries of the world. The more people know about these Global Goals, the more successful they will be. If we all fight for them, our leaders will make them happen. That's why we need to help each other share these goals - in conversation, at home, at work or at school - **whatever it takes to #TellEveryone!** The year **2017** will mark both the **30th anniversary** of the International #EndPoverty Day and the **centenary** of the birth of Joseph Wresinski (1917-1988), the founder of this special day. Many events and campaigns will take place during the year. Updates will be available on www.17october.ie and on the international website www.joseph-wresinski.org.



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26 St. Stephen's Day	27 Christmas Day observed	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day
JANUARY 2017						
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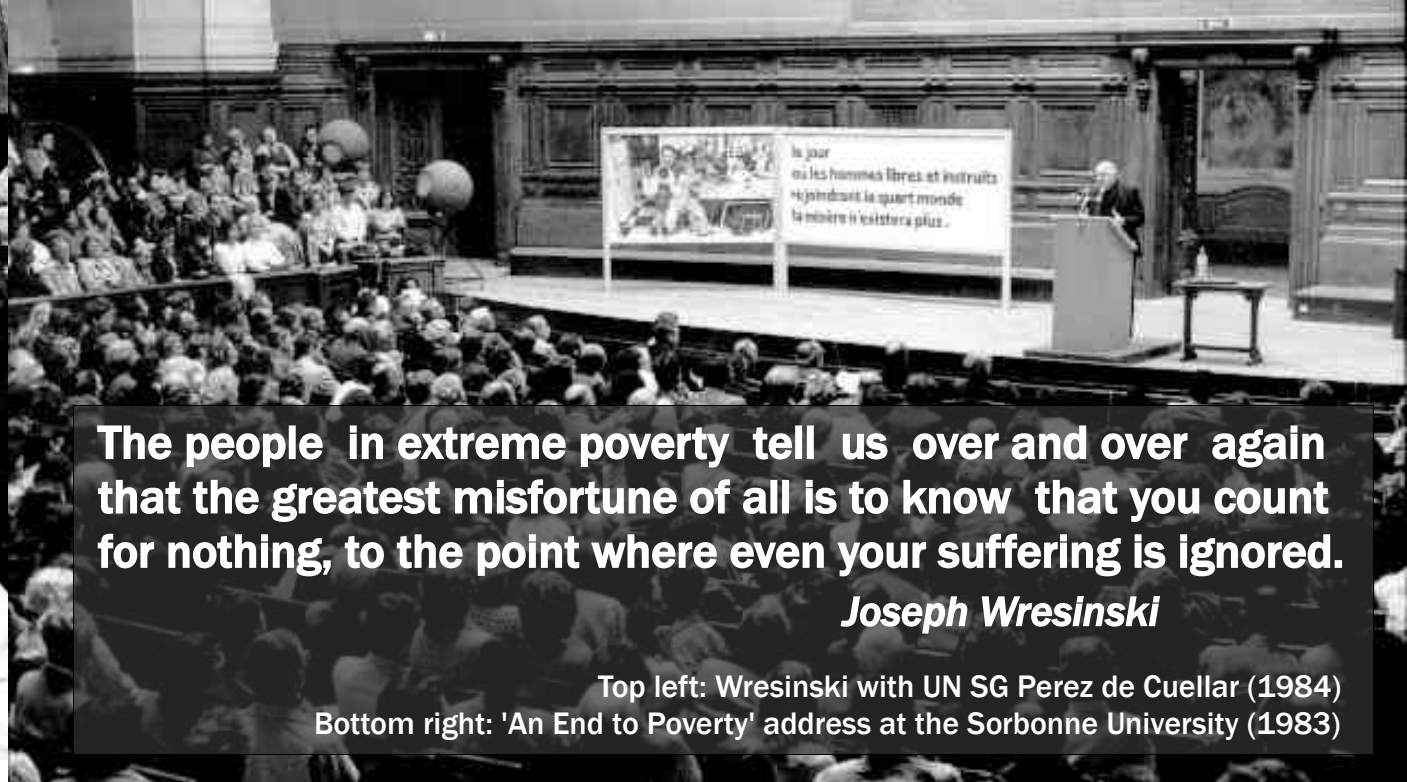
The 2030 Agenda is a plan of action for people, the planet and prosperity. It also seeks to strengthen universal peace in larger freedom. We recognise that **eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, is the greatest global challenge** and an indispensable requirement for sustainable development.

Preamble of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Ours can be the **first generation** to end poverty – and the **last generation** to address climate change before it is too late.

Ban Ki-moon





The people in extreme poverty tell us over and over again that the greatest misfortune of all is to know that you count for nothing, to the point where even your suffering is ignored.

Joseph Wresinski

Top left: Wresinski with UN SG Perez de Cuellar (1984)

Bottom right: 'An End to Poverty' address at the Sorbonne University (1983)

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FEBRUARY 2017						

On the 12th February 1917, **Joseph Wresinski** was born in a French internment camp. His young life was shaped by the experience of poverty. In 1957, working alongside residents of an emergency housing camp outside Paris, Wresinski founded what would later become **All Together in Dignity**, a worldwide movement refusing to accept the waste of human potential that poverty represents. In 1987, 100,000 people demonstrated in Paris in support of Wresinski's call to action which is carved in stone at the Trocadero Human Rights Plaza and since 2008 in Dublin near the Famine Statues: **“Wherever men and women are condemned to live in poverty, human rights are violated. To come together to ensure these rights are respected is our solemn duty.”** Earlier, in 1965, together with French sociologist Jules Klanfer, he first introduced the concept of “social exclusion”, now broadly used worldwide to describe the social impact of poverty. He is also the inspirational figure behind the 2012 **UN Guiding Principles on Human Rights and Extreme Poverty**.

Show your true colors



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Joseph Wresinski, the initiator of the UN End Poverty Day, had to struggle a lot as a child because his family was living in poverty. Later, Wresinski was convinced that children had an important role in fighting poverty. **"You, the children, can find special ways to make the world a better place and get rid of poverty"**. One very special thing children can bring are smiles, joy and friendship to those they meet, their family, the other children at their school... On End Poverty Day 2016, children were asked to draw a picture of something that they believe will bring happiness to the people gathered in Dublin on the 17th October.

Children have a Role to Play!

IF THE WORLD WERE A
VILLAGE OF 100 PEOPLE
WOULD YOU
???  ???
BE MORE LIKELY TO HELP?



63%

1%

15%



11%



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
27	28	29	30	31	1	2  World Autism Awareness Day
3	4	5	6	7  WORLD HEALTH DAY	8  I CARE FOR ROMA DIGNITY	9
10	11	12	13	14 Good Friday	15	16 Easter
17 Easter Monday	18	19	20	21	22  EARTH DAY APRIL 22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

86 would be able to read and write, 14 would not - 7 would have a college degree - 40 would have an Internet connection - 77 people would have a place to shelter them from the wind and the rain, but 23 would not - 1 would be dying of starvation, 15 would be undernourished, 22 would be overweight - 87 would have access to safe drinking water - 13 people would have no clean, safe water to drink... **If the world were a village of 100 people, would you be more likely to help?**

The 100 People Posters were prepared for 17th October 2016 by the NWICTDP, Henrietta Street, Dublin





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MAY 2017						

More than 30 events took place in Ireland to mark the 2016 UN Day for the Eradication of Poverty. Art works, exhibitions, reports, conferences, community gatherings, a theater piece, a fashion show, a candlelit vigil were prepared with strong involvement of local community members. Most of these events were financially supported by the Irish Department of Social Protection (DSP). The patchwork of pictures above presents some of the groups supported in 2016. More pictures at: www.17october.ie/gallery2016/ May 2017 is the month to apply for a new #EndPoverty Day grant! For a number of years now, the Social Inclusion Division of the DSP has supported the promotion of the UN Day for the Eradication of Poverty through grants to organisations and community groups under its *Public Awareness Funding Initiative Scheme* (www.socialinclusion.ie). **Don't miss the opportunity to submit a project!**

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
29	30 JUNE 2017	31	1	2	3	4
5 June Bank Holiday	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 World Refugee Day 	21	22	23	24	25
26 	27	28	29	30	1	2

I'm delighted to be given this opportunity to welcome you, Mister President. Because of Joseph Wresinski's vision, 30 years ago, around this Stone, we can speak as equals on a level field. Together we form threads of a tapestry of life, and together gathered here, we can create a better picture. Yes, this picture can be better, because **our past should not dictate our future**. I have this image in my head. Our shoes are together here today, close to the stone. **Tomorrow our shoes will be in different places, where justice has to be built**. Your shoes and our shoes will carry a message. In your listening to our message, today, more people in society may listen to it, tomorrow.

Paul Uzell – Welcoming address, 17 October 2016

Your testimonies are testimonies permeated by great courage, willpower and a determination to improve the landscape for fellow citizens experiencing poverty. **True citizenship** must be based on equality and the accordance of equal value to every citizen, including a basic level of rights and participation. (...) We must, as a nation, continue to strive to deepen our understanding of poverty in all its forms and dimensions, **ensuring that our policies focus on all aspects of poverty, including the shame, humiliation and social exclusion** that so negatively impacts on the human dignity of citizens living in poverty.

Michael D Higgins, President of Ireland – 17 October 2016



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Preparing the UN #EndPoverty Day with Jason and All Those Like Him.

July is usually a month to start to prepare the messages and the art pieces for #EndPoverty Day. Pictures from 2016 show people at work in Carrick-on-Shannon, Cork, Drogheda and Moynehall. **But year after year, friends of the Irish 17 October Committee leave us too soon**, like Jacko, Christopher, Teresa, Debbie, Paddy, Susan, Artur and so many others. They wanted to gather at the 17 October Stone for all those whose lives are even harder than theirs. However, their struggle, which is our struggle, continues. In September 2016, Jason passed away. He is with us.



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people ÷ poverty = injustice

education X young people
= opportunity

community + empowerment
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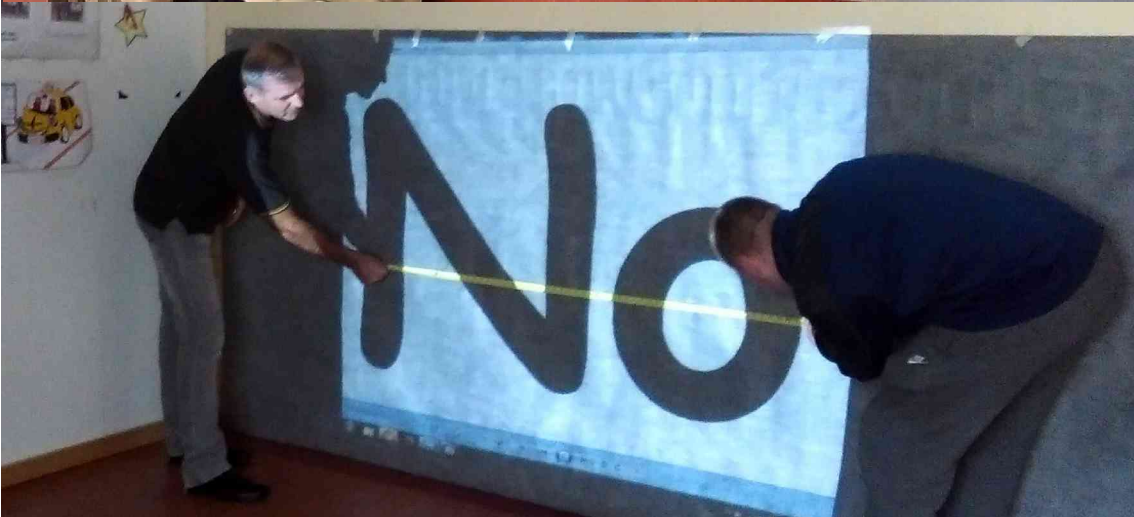
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7 August Bank Holiday	8	9	10	11	12 	13
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AUGUST 2017

To mark the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, the students of the **Cork Life Centre** created a wall mural with the support of the Splattervan crew. The TG4 programme *Imeall* came and filmed the painting of the mural and interviewed staff and students. The students of the Centre also produce a video to call on Irish citizens to **End Educational Poverty**. On 17 October 2016, John Lonergan, former Prison Governor, unveiled the mural and launched the video.





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SEPTEMBER 2017						
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On **25th September 2015**, the Irish President and the Taoiseach were in New York to represent Ireland at the historic United Nations Summit to adopt the 2030 Agenda. On **25th September 2016**, Ban Ki-Moon said “Fifteen years may seem a long time, but it can pass in the blink of an eye. We have no time to waste.” On **25th September 2017**, two years after the adoption of the 17 Global Goals, let's make sure Ireland has started to walk the walk and kept its promises!

No Poverty Leave No One Behind No Hunger

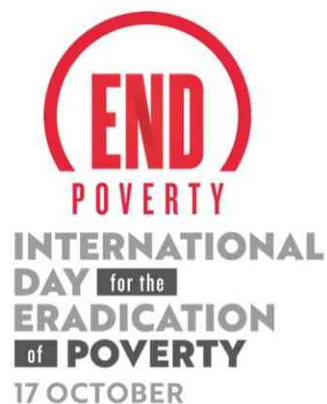
To contribute to the promotion of the 2030 Agenda as well as to the observance of the 17 October 2016, **the students and trainers of the North Wall Community Training Centre**, Dublin 1, created a 32 meter long banner focusing on Goal 1 and Goal 2 of the Agenda.



The **Waterford High Hopes Choir** with Phil Brennan – Human Rights and Poverty Stone – 17 October 2016

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS
2 INTERNATIONAL NON-VIOLENCE DAY REMEMBERING GANDHI	3	4	5 World Habitat Day	6	7	8
9	10 World Mental Health Day	11 10th October WHd World Homeless Day	12	13	14	15
16 WORLD FOOD DAY - OCT 16	17 INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 October Bank Holiday	31	1	2	3	4	5

OCTOBER 2017



“Whether in the aldeas of Guatemala, the mornes of Haiti, the slums of Africa or Asia, or the shantytowns of Europe, wherever families are trapped in the most intolerable poverty **they sing their dignity.**“

Joseph Wresinski

On **17th October 2017**, children and adults all around the world will join their voices and **sing together to break the silence of poverty.** 2017 will mark the 30th anniversary of Joseph Wresinski's 1987 call to action. The International Committee for the End Poverty Day launched a global campaign to involve choirs and organise **concerts to celebrate human dignity.** From 14 to 17 October 2017, hundreds of radio stations around the world will participate in a global broadcast centered around the events at the United Nations in New York.



PLEASE BE KIND,
DON'T LEAVE ME
BEHIND!

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30 October Bank Holiday	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 International Day for Tolerance	17	18	19 world toilet day 19 NOVEMBER
20 Universal Children's Day	21	22	23	24	25 WORLD DAY AGAINST GENDER VIOLENCE	26
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
NOVEMBER 2017						

On the 17th October 2016, the 'Smile Drawings' of over 120 children were hanging up on the trees near the Human Rights and Poverty Stone and the Famine Statues, like beautiful fruits. Joseph Wresinski said: **"You the children are suns that sing, who laugh to cheer up those who are sad, you are lucky because every year your heart grows bigger and bigger"**. In 1967 Wresinski created the International Children Solidarity Network TAPORI. If you are interested in finding out more about this network visit <http://en.tapori.org>. A very special thanks to the children and teachers of **St. Brigid's School - Glasnevin, St. Joseph's School - Fairview, St. Laurence O'Toole's School - North Wall, Scoil Mhuire - Marino** for their 'Smile Drawings'.







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25 Christmas Day	26 St. Stephen's Day	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve

‘Object Poverty’ is a socially engaged art project and exhibition created by the SAOL Project to mark the 2016 UN International Day for the Eradication of Poverty. The project involved asking over 200 hundred people from a range of societal/occupational contexts this simple question: **"In your opinion what object(s) represent(s) poverty?"**. The photographic exhibition translates and presents responses to this fundamental question. If you are interested in finding out more about SAOL project visit www.saolproject.ie





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JANUARY 2018						



**Growing
Together to Leave
No One Behind**

In 2018, the members of the Irish Committee for the UN End Poverty Day will invite Irish citizens to join the **“Leave No One Behind” Conversations**. The Committee wants to play an active role in the promotion of the **17 Sustainable Development Goals** (SDGs or Global Goals), specifically seeking all possible ways to “Leave No One Behind” with the understanding that **no goal will be met unless it is met for everyone.**





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OCT 17
#endpoverty <http://overcomingpoverty.org>

This calendar has been prepared by the Irish 17 October Committee. It covers three events of 2016: the unveiling of the 17 October Stone Information Board, the first anniversary of the adoption of the 17 UN Global Goals for Sustainable Development and the annual UN #EndPoverty Day observed throughout the country. This calendar is also the Committee's chance **to thank all the stakeholders who supported or sponsored its work.**

More information on the work of the Irish 17 October Committee is available at www.17october.ie.

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