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On October 7, 2002, the Presidents of Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia and Tajikistan signed a charter in Chisinau, founding the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO) (Russian ODKB) (The Tashkent Treaty). Nikolai Bordyuzha was appointed secretary general of the new organization. On 23 June 2006, Uzbekistan became a full participant in the CSTO and its membership was formally ratified by its parliament on 28 March 2008. The CSTO is an observer organization at the United Nations General Assembly.

The charter reaffirmed the desire of all participating states to abstain from the use or threat of force. Signatories would not be able to join other military alliances or other groups of states, while aggression against one signatory would be perceived as an aggression against all. To this end, the CSTO holds yearly military command exercises for the CSTO nations to have an opportunity to improve inter-organization cooperation. The largest-scale CSTO military exercises held to date were the "Rubezh 2008" exercises hosted in Armenia where a combined total of 4,000 troops from all / constituent CSTO member countries conducted operative, strategic and tactical training with an emphasis towards furthering efficiency of the collective security element of the CSTO partnership.

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In seinem Programm vom 24. Juni 1987 verpflichtete sich das Deutsche Historische Museum der "Aufklärung und Verständigung über die gemeinsame Geschichte von Deutschen und Europäern".

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The EU has developed a single market through a standardized system of laws which apply in all member states, guaranteeing the freedom of movement of people, goods, services and capital. It maintains a common trade policy, agricultural and fisheries policies, and a regional development policy. Sixteen member states have adopted a common currency, the euro. It has developed a role in foreign policy, representing its members in the World Trade Organisation, at G8 summits, and at the United Nations. Twenty-one EU countries are members of NATO. The EU has developed a role in justice and home affairs, including the abolition of passport controls between many member states under the Schengen Agreement, which also incorporates non-EU states.

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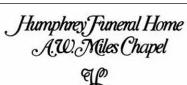
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chinery, tools and appliances. The IAM also represents a growing number of workers in the health care and hospitality sectors as well as office, technical and other white collar workers. The total North American membership of the IAM is 600,000.

L'AIM est un syndicat qui représente environ 40 000 travailleurs canadiens dans le transport aérien ainsi que dans les secteurs manufacturier incluant l'avionnerie, pièces pour automobiles, aérospatiale, autobus, électroniques, machinerie légère et lourde, outils et appareils ménagers.

L'AIM représente aussi des employés de bureau, techniques ainsi que des travailleurs collets blancs. Le nombre total de l'AIM en Amérique du Nord est de 600 000 membres.

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### International Atomic Energy Agency

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The IAEA is the world's centre of cooperation in the nuclear field. It was set up as the world's "Atoms for Peace" organization in 1957 within the United Nations family. The Agency works with its member states and multiple partners worldwide to promote safe, secure and peaceful nuclear technologies

The IAEA Secretariat is headquartered at the Vienna International Centre in Vienna, Austria. Operational liaison and regional offices are located in Geneva, Switzerland; New York, USA; Toronto, Canada; and Tokyo, Japan. The IAEA runs or supports research centres and scientific laboratories in Vienna and Seibersdorf, Austria; Monaco; and Trieste, Italy.

The IAEA Secretariat is a team of 2,200 multi-disciplinary professional and support staff from more than 90 countries.

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#### International Centre for Migration Policy Development

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The International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) was founded in 1993, upon the initiative of Austria and Switzerland. The organization was created to serve as a support mechanism for informal consultations, and to provide expertise and efficient services in the newly emerging landscape of multilateral co-operation on migration and asylum issues.

ICMPD today is an international organization with eleven member states (Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden and Switzerland), sixty staff members at its Vienna Headquarters, a mission in Brussels, and regional offices and representatives throughout Europe, CIS, Northern Africa and the Middle East. ICMPD holds UN observer status. The purpose of ICMPD is to promote innovative, comprehensive and sustainable migration policies and to function as a service exchange mechanism for governments and organizations

ICMPD's working philosophy is based upon the conviction that the complexities of migration challenges can only be met by working in partnership with governments, research institutes, international organizations, and civil society and its organizations.

This approach is reflected in ICMPD's working method and structural set-up, based on three interlinked pillars:

- Intergovernmental dialogues: with the aim to foster governmental discussion and enhance inter-state dialogue in the current debate on international migration, ICMPD acts as Secretariat to the consultative Budapest Process (50 European and Eurasian states), and to the Dialogue on Mediterranean Transit Migration, which brings together European as well as Mediterranean Arab states.
- Capacity building: with the aim to contribute to good migration governance and to strengthen national and regional capacities in order to deal with the current challenges in various fields of migration, ICMPD develops and organizes training and capacity building programmes, facilitates international and interagency cooperation, and supports governmental and administrative bodies in their institution building efforts and legal reform in areas such as asylum, visa, human trafficking and integrated border management.
- Research and documentation: with the aim to facilitate co-operation and synergy within and beyond the research community and to respond to an increased demand for a more policy relevant research,

ICMPD conducts policy-oriented, empirical research with a comparative, interdisciplinary and international approach. The ICMPD library offers one of the largest collections of migration-specific literature in Austria.

Together with profound understanding of our partners' working environment, ICMPD provides cutting-edge expertise, sound and policy-oriented research, proficiency in establishing information exchange mechanisms, strong program development and implementation skills, and wide-ranging international networking capacities.

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### **International Civil Aviation Organization**

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The International Civil Aviation Organization, a UN Specialized Agency, is the global forum for civil aviation.

ICAO works to achieve its vision of safe, secure and sustainable development of civil aviation through cooperation amongst its member states.

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### **International Court of Justice**

The Hague, Netherlands

The International Court of Justice (ICJ) is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations (UN). It was established in June 1945 by the Charter of the United Nations and began work in April 1946.

The seat of the Court is at the Peace Palace in The Hague (Netherlands). Of the six principal organs of the United Nations, it is the only one not located in New York (United States of America).

The Court's role is to settle, in accordance with international law, legal disputes submitted to it by States and to give advisory opinions on legal questions referred to it by authorized United Nations organs and specialized agencies.

The Court is composed of 15 judges, who are elected for terms of office of nine years by the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council. It is assisted by a Registry, its administrative organ. Its official languages are English and French.

Website: www.icj-cij.org

### **International Criminal Court**

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The International Criminal Court (ICC), governed by the Rome Statute, is the first permanent, treaty-based, international criminal court established to help end impunity for the perpetrators of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community.

The ICC is an independent international organization, and is not part of the United Nations system. Its seat is at The Hague in the Netherlands. Although the Court's expenses are funded primarily by States Parties, it also receives voluntary contributions from governments, international organizations, individuals, corporations and other entities.

The international community has long aspired to the creation of a permanent international court, and, in the 20th century, it reached consensus on definitions of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes. The Nuremberg and Tokyo trials addressed war crimes, crimes against peace, and crimes against humanity committed during the Second World War.

In the 1990s after the end of the Cold War, tribunals like the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and for Rwanda were the result of consensus that impunity is unacceptable. However, because they were established to try crimes committed only within a specific time-frame and during a specific conflict, there was general agreement that an independent, permanent criminal court was needed.

On 17 July 1998, the international community reached an historic milestone when 120 States adopted the Rome Statute, the legal basis for establishing the permanent International Criminal Court.

The Rome Statute entered into force on 1 July 2002 after ratification by 60 countries.

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## International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)

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INTERPOL is the world's largest international police organization, with 187 member countries. Created in 1923, it facilitates cross-border police cooperation, and supports and assists all organizations, authorities and services whose mission is to prevent or combat international crime.

INTERPOL aims to facilitate international police cooperation even where diplomatic relations do not exist between particular

countries. Action is taken within the limits of existing laws in different countries and in the spirit of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. INTERPOL's constitution prohibits "any intervention or activities of a political, military, religious or racial character."

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#### **International Crisis Group**

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The International Crisis Group is an independent, non-profit, non-governmental organization committed to preventing and resolving deadly conflict. The International Crisis Group is now generally recognized as the world's leading independent, non-partisan source of analysis and advice to governments, and to intergovernmental bodies like the United Nations, European Union and World Bank, on the prevention and resolution of deadly conflict.

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### International Dark-Sky Association

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### International Development Law Organization

Viale Vaticano, 106, 00165 Rome, Italy IDLO is an international intergovernmental organization dedicated to promoting the rule of law and good governance in developing countries, countries in economic transition and in those emerging from armed conflict.

We pursue our mandate on the belief that the establishment of the rule of law is an essential pre-condition for economic and social development. The rule of law provides the framework for achieving human security. It defines the role of the state and the relationship between the state and its citizens. It provides the rules for economic activity and the framework for guaranteeing of human rights. Without the rule of law, the universal potential for self-improvement and development cannot be realized. Without the rule of law violent conflict can become the norm.

IDLO provides training opportunities for legal professionals in developing countries, and technical assistance in support of legal and judicial reform. IDLO seeks to establish ISTINGS

sustainable impact in all of its work. It provides resources, tools and skills; not solutions. Improved laws and regulations and their more systematic application, improved legal skills and strengthened institutions of justice are the legacy of our work.

Since its establishment, IDLO has worked with over 18,000 legal professionals in 175 countries and supports 44 legally established IDLO Alumni Associations around the world, which contribute to the overall impact and long-term sustainability of the Organization's work.

Our Headquarters are based in Rome, Italy, and we have two Regional Offices: in Cairo, Egypt, covering Arabic-speaking countries, and in Sydney, Australia, covering the Asia Pacific region. IDLO currently operates Project Offices in Afghanistan, Indonesia and Kyrgyzstan.

In 2001, the United Nations General Assembly granted IDLO Permanent Observer Status which has permitted IDLO to establish a permanent liaison office at UN Headquarters in New York.

IDLO is funded by voluntary contributions from its 18 member states and from governments, multilateral organizations, private foundations, international businesses and individuals.

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### **International Development Research Centre (IDRC)**

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About Canada's International Development Research Centre:

To achieve self-reliance, poor communities need answers to questions like: How can we grow more and healthier food? Protect our health? Create jobs? IDRC supports research in developing countries to answer these questions. IDRC also encourages sharing this knowledge with policymakers, other researchers, and communities around the world. The result is innovative, lasting local solutions that aim to bring choice and change to those who need it most.

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### International Forum on Globalization

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An alliance of activists, scholars, economists, researchers and writers formed to stimulate new thinking, joint activity and public education in response to economic globalization.

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## International Fund for Agricultural Development

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IFAD is a specialized agency of the United Nations established as an international financial institution in 1977 as the outcome of a conference organized in response to the food crises of the early 1970s that primarily affected the Sahelian countries of Africa. The conference resolved that "an International Fund for Agricultural Development should be established immediately to finance agricultural development projects primarily for food production in the developing countries." One of the most important insights emerging from the conference was that the causes of food insecurity and famine were not so much failures in food production, but structural problems relating to poverty and to the fact that the majority of the developing world's poor

IFAD's mission is to enable poor rural people to overcome poverty.

populations were concentrated in rural

IFAD is dedicated to eradicating rural poverty in developing countries. Seventy-five per cent of the world's poorest people – 1.05 billion women, children and men – live in rural areas and depend on agriculture and related activities for their livelihoods.

Working with rural poor people, governments, donors, non-governmental organizations and many other partners, IFAD focuses on country-specific solutions, which can involve increasing rural poor peoples' access to financial services, markets, technology, land and other natural resources.

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### International Hydrographic Organization

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The International Hydrographic Organization is an intergovernmental consultative and technical organization that was established in 1921 to support the safety in navigation and the protection of the marine environment.

The object of the Organization is to bring about:

- The coordination of the activities of national hydrographic offices;
- The greatest possible uniformity in nautical charts and documents;
- The adoption of reliable and efficient

- methods of carrying out and exploiting hydrographic surveys;
- The development of the sciences in the field of hydrography and the techniques employed in descriptive oceanography.

The official representative of each member government within the IHO is normally the national Hydrographer, or Director of Hydrography, and these persons, together with their technical staff, meet at 5-yearly intervals in Monaco for an International Hydrographic Conference. The Conference reviews the progress achieved by the Organization and adopts the programs to be pursued during the ensuing 5-year period. A Directing Committee of three senior hydrographers is elected to administer the work of the bureau during that time.

This Directing Committee, together with a small international staff of technical experts in hydrography and nautical cartography, coordinates the technical programmes and provides advice and assistance to member states. All member states have an equal voice in arriving at agreed solutions to problems of standardization and in programming the work of the bureau, whilst any member may initiate new proposals for IHO consideration and adoption. Between Conferences such matters are normally accomplished by correspondence.

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## International Image Institute Inc.

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# **International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance**

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The International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA) is an intergovernmental organization that supports sustainable democracy worldwide. Its objective is to strengthen democratic institutions and processes.

International IDEA acts as a catalyst for democracy building by providing knowledge resources, expertise and a platform for debate on democracy issues. It works together with policymakers, donor governments, UN organizations and agencies, regional organizations and others engaged in democracy building.

International IDEA's areas of expertise include: constitution-building processes, electoral processes, political parties, democracy and gender, and democracy assessments. The Institute offers:

- Knowledge resources, in the form of expert networks, databases, handbooks and websites:
- Policy proposals to provoke debate and action on democracy;
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### International Labour Organization

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The International Labour Organization (ILO) is devoted to advancing opportunities for women and men to obtain decent and productive work in conditions of freedom, equity, security and human dignity. Its main aims are to promote rights at work, encourage decent employment opportunities, enhance social protection and strengthen dialogue in handling work-related issues.

In promoting social justice and internationally recognized human and labour rights, the organization continues to pursue its founding mission that labour peace is essential to prosperity. Today, the ILO helps advance the creation of decent jobs and the kinds of economic and working conditions that give working people and business people a stake in lasting peace, prosperity and progress

The ILO was founded in 1919, in the wake of a destructive war, to pursue a vision based on the premise that universal, lasting peace can be established only if it is based upon decent treatment of working people. The ILO became the first specialized agency of the UN in 1946.

Work is central to people's well-being. In addition to providing income, work can pave the way for broader social and economic advancement, strengthening individuals, their families and communities. Such progress, however, hinges on work that is decent. Decent work sums up the aspirations of people in their working lives.

The ILO is the only "tripartite" United Nations agency in that it brings together representatives of governments, employers and workers to jointly shape policies and programs. This unique arrangement gives the ILO an edge in incorporating "real world" knowledge about employment and work.

The ILO is the global body responsible for drawing up and overseeing international labour standards. Working with its member states, the ILO seeks to ensure that labour standards are respected in practice as well as principle.

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### **International Labor Rights Forum**

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An organization dedicated to achieving just and humane working conditions for workers worldwide. It is committed to overcoming child labour, forced labour and other abusive practices. It promotes the enforcement of labour rights through public education and mobilization, research, litigation, and collaboration with labour, government and business groups.

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### **International Maritime Organization**

Shipping is perhaps the most international of the world's industries, serving more than 90 percent of global trade by carrying huge quantities of cargo cost effectively, cleanly and safely.

The ownership and management chain surrounding any ship can embrace many countries and ships spend their economic life moving between different jurisdictions, often far from the country of registry. There is, therefore, a need for international standards to regulate shipping — which can be adopted and accepted by all. The first maritime treaties date back to the 19th century. Later, the *Titanic* disaster of 1912 spawned the first international safety of life at sea — SOLAS — convention, still the most important treaty addressing maritime safety.

The Convention establishing the International Maritime Organization (IMO) was adopted in Geneva in 1948 and IMO first met in 1959. IMO's main task has been to develop and maintain a comprehensive

regulatory framework for shipping, and its remit today includes safety, environmental concerns, legal matters, technical cooperation, maritime security and the efficiency of shipping.

A specialized agency of the United Nations with 168 member states and three Asaociate members, IMO is based in the United Kingdom with around 300 international staff.

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### **International Monetary Fund**

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The International Monetary Fund (IMF) is an organization of 185 countries, working to foster global monetary cooperation, secure financial stability, facilitate international trade, promote high employment and sustainable economic growth, and reduce poverty around the world.

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### International Organization for Migration

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Established in 1951, IOM is the leading intergovernmental organization in the field of migration and works closely with governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental partners.

With 125 member states, a further 18 states holding observer status, and offices in over 100 countries, IOM is dedicated to promoting humane and orderly migration for the benefit of all. It does so by providing services and advice to governments and migrants.

IOM works to help ensure the orderly and humane management of migration, to promote international cooperation on migration issues, to assist in the search for practical solutions to migration problems and to provide humanitarian assistance to migrants in need, including refugees and internally displaced people.

The IOM Constitution recognizes the link between migration and economic, social and cultural development, as well as to the right of freedom of movement.

IOM works in the four broad areas of migration management:

- Migration and development
- Facilitating migration
- Regulating migration
- Forced migration.

IOM activities that cut across these areas include the promotion of international mi-



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National HR association with eight Chapters, globally connected through affiliation with other IPMA associations throughout the world. We *promote excellence in the practice of human resource management* through professional certification, speaker's events, courses, workshops, national conferences, awards programs, newsletters and other information services to Human Resources (HR) practitioners across Canada.

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### International Telecommunication Union

ITU is the leading United Nations agency for information and communication technology issues, and the global focal point for governments and the private sector in developing networks and services. For nearly 145 years, ITU has coordinated the shared global use of the radio spectrum, promoted international cooperation in assigning satellite orbits, worked to improve telecommunication infrastructure in the developing world, established the worldwide standards that foster seamless interconnection of a vast range of communications systems and addressed the global challenges of our times, such as mitigating climate change and strengthening cybersecurity.

ITU also organizes worldwide and regional exhibitions and forums, such as ITU TELECOM WORLD, bringing together the most influential representatives of government and the telecommunications and ICT industry to exchange ideas, knowledge and technology for the benefit of the global community, and in particular the developing world.

From broadband Internet to latest-generation wireless technologies, from aeronautical and maritime navigation to radio astronomy and satellite-based meteorology, from convergence in fixed-mobile phone, Internet access, data, voice and TV broadcasting to next-generation networks, ITU is

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ITU is based in Geneva, Switzerland, and its membership includes 191 member states and more than 700 sector members and associates.

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### **International Tribunal for** the Law of the Sea

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The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea is an independent judicial body established by the Convention to adjudicate disputes arising out of the interpretation and application of the Convention. The Tribunal is composed of 21 independent members, elected from among persons enjoying the highest reputation for fairness and integrity and of recognized competence in the field of the law of the sea.

Pursuant to the provisions of its Statute, the Tribunal has formed the following Chambers: the Chamber of Summary Procedure, the Chamber for Fisheries Disputes, the Chamber for Marine Environment Disputes and the Chamber for Maritime Delimitation Disputes.

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#### International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources

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IUCN, the International Union for Conservation of Nature, helps the world find pragmatic solutions to our most pressing environment and development challenges. It supports scientific research, manages field projects all over the world and brings governments, non-government organizations, United Nations agencies, companies and local communities together to develop and implement policy, laws and best practice.

IUCN is the world's oldest and largest global environmental network – a democratic membership union with more than 1,000 government and NGO member organizations, and almost 11,000 volunteer scientists in more than 160 countries.

IUCN's work is supported by over 1,000 professional staff in 60 offices and hundreds of partners in public, NGO and private sectors around the world. The Union's head-quarters are located in Gland, near Geneva, in Switzerland.

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#### **Internet Archive**

The Internet Archive is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that was founded to build an Internet library, with the purpose of offering permanent access for researchers, historians and scholars to historical collections that exist in digital format. Founded in 1996 and located in the Presidio of San Francisco, the Archive has been receiving data donations from Alexa Internet and others. In late 1999, the organization started to grow to include more well-rounded collections. Now the Internet Archive includes texts, audio, moving images, and software as well as archived web pages in our collections.

Like a paper library, we provide free access to researchers, historians, scholars and the general public.

Libraries exist to preserve society's cultural artifacts and to provide access to them. If libraries are to continue to foster education and scholarship in this era of digital technology, it's essential for them to extend those functions into the digital world.

Many early movies were recycled to recover the silver in the film. The Library of Alexandria – an ancient centre of learning containing a copy of every book in the world – was eventually burned to the ground. Even now, at the turn of the 21st century, no comprehensive archives of television or radio programs exist.

But without cultural artifacts, civilization has no memory and no mechanism to learn from its successes and failures. And paradoxically, with the explosion of the Internet, we live in what Danny Hillis has referred to as our "digital dark age."

The Internet Archive is working to prevent the Internet – a new medium with major historical significance – and other "born-digital" materials from disappearing into the past. Collaborating with institutions including the Library of Congress and the Smithsonian, we are working to preserve a record for generations to come.

Open and free access to literature and other writings has long been considered essential to education and to the maintenance of an open society. Public and philanthropic enterprises have supported it through the ages.

The Internet Archive is opening its collections to researchers, historians and scholars. The Archive has no vested interest in the discoveries of the users of its collections, nor is it a grant-making organization.

At present, the size of our Web collection is such that using it requires programming skills. However, we are hopeful about the development of tools and methods that will give the general public easy and meaningful access to our collective history. In addition to developing our own collections, we are working to promote the formation of other Internet libraries in the United States and elsewhere.

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### Irish Traditional Music Archive

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The Irish Traditional Music Archive – Taisce Cheol Dúchais Éireann – is a national reference archive and resource centre for the traditional song, instrumental music and dance of Ireland. It is a public not-forprofit facility which is open, free of charge, to anyone with an interest in the contemporary and historical artforms of Irish traditional music. The Archive promotes public education in Irish traditional music through its own activities and through partnerships with others.

Established in 1987, the Archive is the first body to be exclusively concerned with the making of a comprehensive multi-media collection of materials – sound recordings, books and serials, sheet music and ballad sheets, photographs, videos and DVDs, etc. – for the appreciation and study of Irish traditional music.

The Archive now holds the largest such collection in existence, with coverage of the island of Ireland, of areas of Irish settlement abroad (especially in Britain, North America and Australia), and of non-Irish performers of Irish traditional music. A representative collection of the traditional music of other countries is also being made.

The Archive is situated at 73 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, with network-connected workstations in Dublin, Cork, Mayo and Donegal. It includes public rooms for ac-

cessing and studying materials; specialist rooms for digitizing, conserving, cataloguing and storing materials; and an audio and video recording studio.

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#### Kawartha Turtle Trauma Centre

Helping turtles in trouble.

Seven of the eight turtle species in Ontario are classified as "at risk." Most turtle populations are declining. The Kawartha Turtle Trauma Centre helps save Ontario's native turtles.

Globally turtles and tortoises are facing challenges from illegal collection for food and pet trades, habitat loss, increased predation, pollution, and growing networks of roads.

Since June of 2002 the Kawartha Turtle Trauma Centre has been saving injured native turtles and releasing them back into their natural habitat. The Centre is located in Peterborough, Ontario, and is a registered Canadian Charity.

Seeing a turtle basking on a log has always been a pleasant part of visiting Ontario wetlands. These species, something we once took for granted, are in trouble and need our help.

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### The Kidney Foundation of Canada

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The national, volunteer organization aims to improve health and quality of life of kidney disease patients. It provides information about kidney health, diseases and treatments; funds research; provides services for kidney patients; advocates for quality health care, and promotes organ donation. There are Branches across the country.

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Der hohe Rang der Sammlungen und ihre Vielfalt sind zum Großteil das Resultat der Vorlieben und Interessen von Persönlichkeiten aus dem Haus Habsburg, unter ihnen Kaiser Rudolf II. (reg. 1576–1612) und Erzherzog Leopold Wilhelm (1614–1662).

1891 fand die feierliche Eröffnung des neu erbauten Museums an der Wiener Ringstraße statt. Damit waren erstmals die kaiserlichen Sammlungen unter einem Dach vereint. Der prachtvolle Monumentalbau von Gottfried Semper und Carl von Hasenauer bildet seit damals den würdigen Rahmen für die von den Habsburgern über Jahrhunderte zusammengetragenen Kunstschätze.

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