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QUARTER 3
SUMMARY REPORT

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Introduction

The third quarter for the Global Learning Community (GLC) was filled with **internal growth and external connection building**. This quarter's activities and outcomes built off the work and conversations had within the community in the previous quarter.

The **Equity Partners were early adopters and champions of hosting and facilitating Coffee Corner Calls** on crucial topics of the community. **The Tech Group** continued to develop the forthcoming website where the Resource Hub and People Library will be hosted. **The Monthly Community Learning Calls** hosted during the quarter continued the theme of Mitigating Harmful Practices and honest, helpful conversations were had within the community.

Throughout this quarter the community has experienced growth and increased connection with the broader anti-trafficking sector. **The Secretariat** devoted attention to facilitating the activities and supporting the needs of the community. The following report presents the outcomes of the GLC's objectives and profiles key contributions by the community.

Spotlight - Research Project

Research Project: Sri Lanka

This quarter we are excited to **spotlight a GLC collaboration between R.M. Bandaranayake (Bandara) of The Youth Voice International and Glenn Miles PhD, independent researcher.**

This collaboration started at a GLC New Members Discovery call where Glenn and Bandara met and learned of their shared concern for **children in tea plantations in Sri Lanka**. Bandara has worked with this population and was keen to pursue this research as it would assist in their **advocacy efforts with more accurate information**. With support from Glenn and Jarrett Davis, an independent researcher they were able to design and use a survey with children in 3 groups;

- a) those still in school,
- b) those working in the tea plantations and
- c) those working in the city away from the plantations. .

They also decided to do **focus groups with parents and teachers** to hear their perspectives. The GLC will disseminate findings research is more than halfway completed.



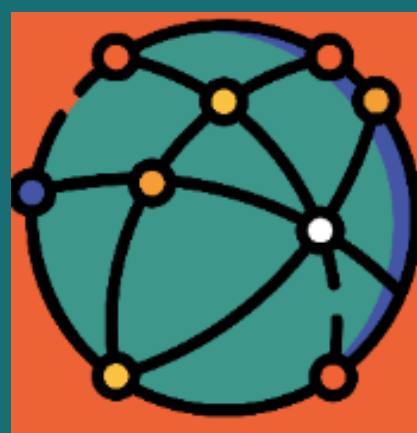
Spotlight - Coffee Corner Calls

Over the course of the third quarter **significant engagement** of GLC community members was seen in the uptake of interest on hosting Coffee Corner Calls.

Coffee Corner calls are short, one-hour calls that are not recorded and meant to be an open space for discussion and brainstorming. During this quarter there were two calls held focused on forced begging and children, led by Nicole Gallego, El Pozo de Vida and monitoring, evaluation, and learning, led by Lucy McCray, The Freedom Story.

To allow for as much access to the call as possible, each call was held in two time zones and Nicole assisted the GLC in running **the first call in Spanish!** Lucy received feedback that **the call was supportive and helpful to community members** as conversation was had on the challenges and struggles of monitoring and evaluation. Lucy will be using the questions and needs voiced in the call to assist in developing a series of discussions on monitoring and evaluation for the community.

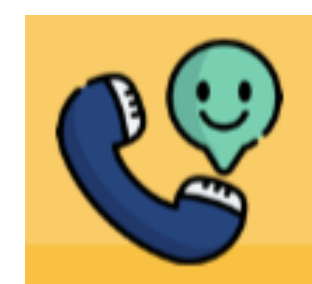
The Secretariat projects that this activity of the GLC will increase and continue to be steered by community in the months to come as there are now (at least) fifteen upcoming calls.



Objective 1: Connections

Objective 1: To inform, support and facilitate member development and connections within the anti-trafficking community, partners, and external stakeholders

- **2 Community calls were facilitated in two time zones** by the Secretariat, focussing on mitigating harmful practices and discussing new strategic frameworks for the GLC. On these four calls, the topics included: ARAT Recap: Exploring knowledge learned Mitigating Harmful Practices Series: Boards
- **55 Community Members** attended 2 monthly community calls
- On average, 14 GLC members attended each call, **8 countries were represented on each call**, and 14 organisations were represented on each call.
- **13 New members joined the GLC**
- On average, **29 meeting/connections per quarter were conducted by the Secretariat** to support GLC members in their unique needs/goals.
- **14 resources** (toolkits/research/articles/etc) were shared with community member's per quarter





Objective 2: Learning

Objective 2: To establish Learning Hubs and Community Projects that provide technical assistance and support for GLC members

Coffee Corner Calls

- **2 Coffee Corner Calls** on **monitoring and evaluation** and **forced begging with children** (in **Spanish and English**).
- On average, 10 GLC members and invitees attended on each call, **7 countries were represented** on each call, 4 organisations were represented on each call.



Coalition and Network Leader Calls (AKA Cat Herder Call)

- **2 Coalition and Network Leader Calls** were held on on **Ethical Research Frameworks** and **Networks** and a Paper Presentation on **Counter-trafficking Coalitions in the Global South**.
- On average, 9 GLC community members attended each call, **6 countries were represented** on each call, and 6 organisations were represented on each call.



Community Projects

- **2 Community Projects** were in development with the **Tech Group** meeting to assist with the website development and the **Monitoring and Evaluation group** starting with a Coffee Corner Call to assess interest and scope for their group.



Asia Regional Anti-Trafficking Conference (ARAT)

- The GLC, in collaboration with **Be Slavery Free, The Freedom Story and Chab Dai**, hosted the **4th ARAT** conference in July. ARAT brought together a range of diverse collaborators to share research, projects and discussed work within their respective regions.

- **410 registrations**
- **25 speakers**
- **27 countries represented**
- **186 Organisations attended**



Through ARAT sessions, participants developed **multi-sector learning and partnerships to improve responses to the issues of human trafficking and slavery in Asia**.

Sessions discussed trafficking **trends and changes over the last 3-5 years in the region** and this impact for the future as well as **identifying key industries and contexts for collaborative action**.



Objective 3: Equity Partners

Objective 3: To facilitate peer learning , coaching, connections and leading projects through a commitment of time up to 20% of their work week.

Throughout the quarter the **9 Equity Partners continued to actively contribute within the community.** Equity Partners provided valuable insights and discussion to the Monthly Learning Calls and presented in the Mitigating Harmful Practices Series.

Leanne Rhodes, (European Freedom Network) has provided valuable insights in the **Tech Group** and has greatly assisted with the website creation process. **Sophie Otiende, Leanne Rhodes (EFN), Nicole Gallego (El Pozo de Vida) and Jacq (Red Oak Hope)** worked closely with the **Wordsmith Group** to produce the GLC Mission Statement. **Lucy McCray (The Freedom Story) and Nicole** facilitated engaging and collaborative conversations during their **Coffee Corner calls**, as detailed above.

During this quarter one Equity Partner applicant, **Relentless**, withdrew due to taking a sabbatical.



Objective 4: Secretariat

Objective 4: To oversee and implement the administrative functions as the GLC secretariat

Throughout this quarter the Secretariat **developed and maintained key organisational functions of the GLC.** The Secretariat **held at least 4 meetings per month** devoted to **providing support for the Monthly Learning Calls, Coffee Corner Calls and all other needs members requested assistance for.**

During this quarter the Secretariat produced the Q2 Outcomes report and a Mid-Year Visual report. **A mid-year survey was also conducted to learn from the GLC** community about how their year was progressing and how their needs/interactions with the GLC may be changing. **The monitoring and evaluation framework for collecting how Equity Partners are contributing sweat equity** was developed and catch-up calls were started with 3 Equity Partners.

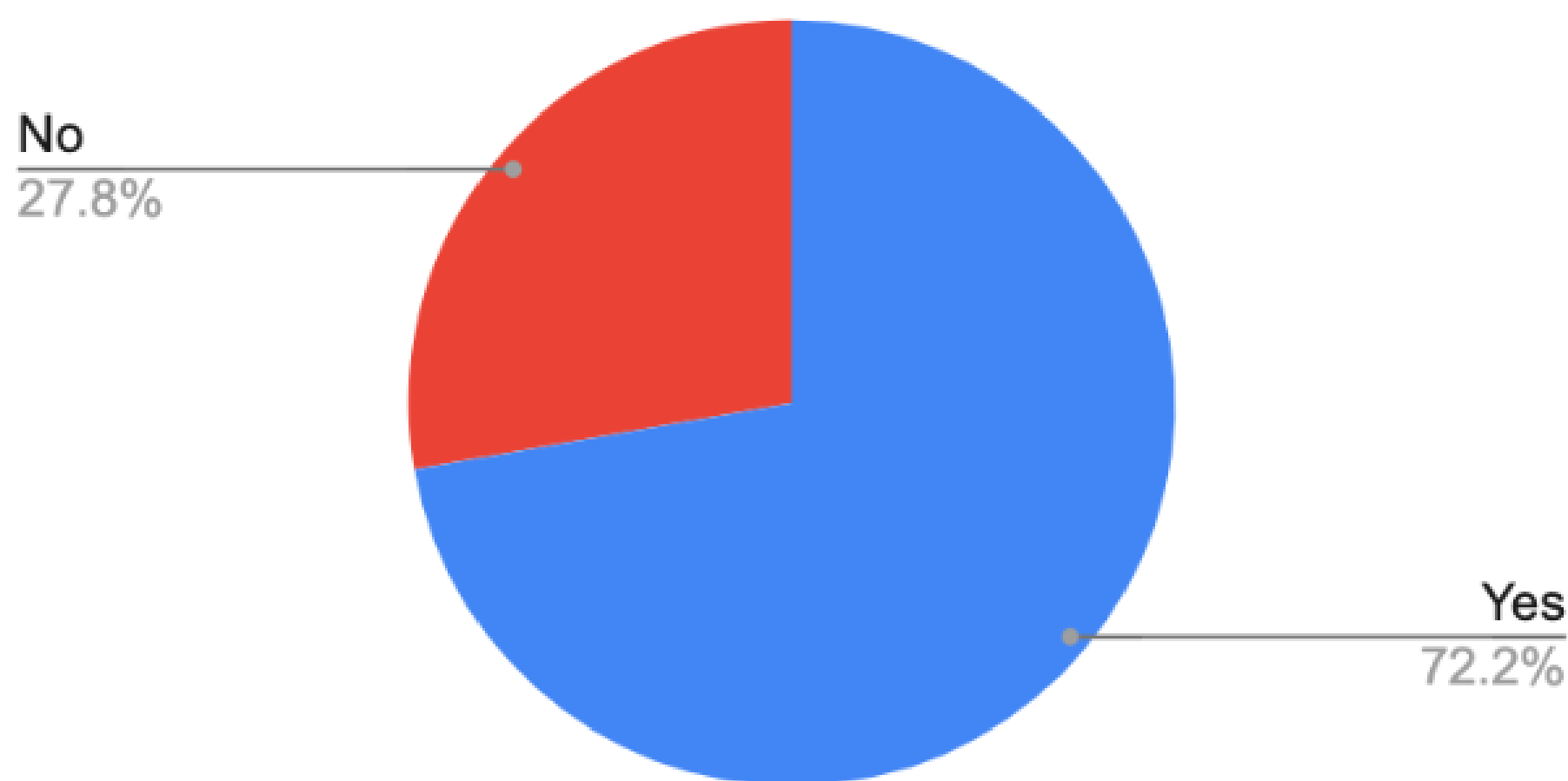
Finally, the Secretariat also **processed the joining forms and exploratory calls with 13 new members.** This also relates to the **increase in the Secretariat interacting with more non-GLC members than last quarter.** The GLC **interacted with 12% more non-members than in Q2** (see Graph 1 for Q3 findings).

For this quarter the Secretariat's activities main areas of focus were in **supporting/engaging with anti-trafficking programmes, conducting new member catch-up call, providing support through GLC member catch up calls, monitoring, learning and evaluation, and continuing the Equity Partner MOU process.**

Key highlights of supporting and engaging with anti-trafficking programmes on conversations around **mapping, data collection strategies and training.** In these activities the Secretariat connected and worked with mainly globally focused organisations (Graph 2). The Secretariat's activities were primarily focused on collaborating with NGOs (65.7%) and other networks (14.3%) (See Graph 3).

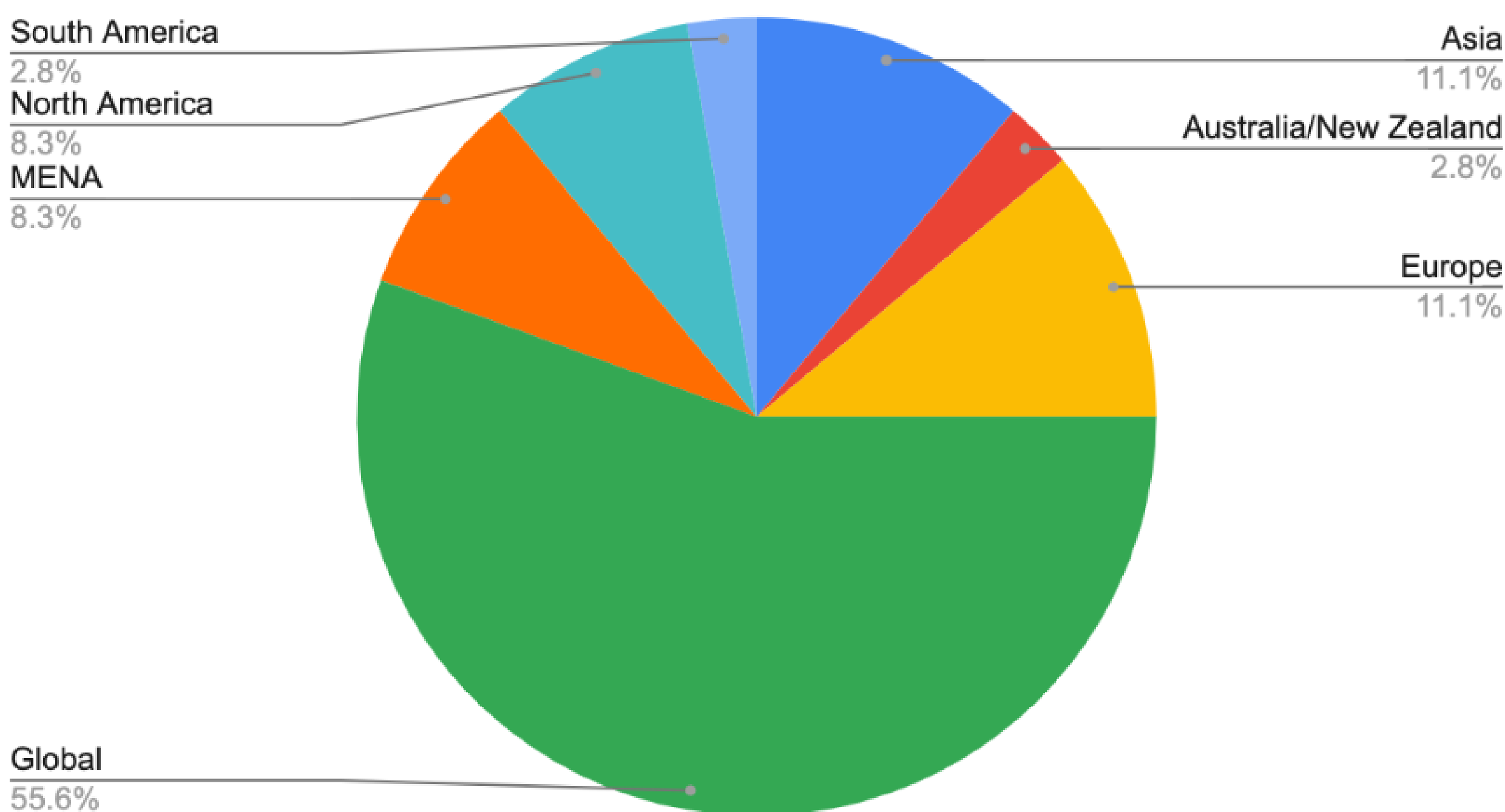
Graph 1

Secretariat Activities with GLC Community Members and Non-Members Q3 (n=36)



Graph 2

Regional Representation in Secretariat activities (n=36)



Graph 3

Sector Representation in Secretariat Activities Q3 (n=35)

