



Global Learning Community - Quarterly report (January-March 2023)

The first quarter of 2023 was the beginning of a year of change and transition for the GLC. Helen Sworn, the founder and Executive Director of Chab Dai and the Global Learning Community departed from her position in March of 2023.

Since the beginning of the year the Secretariat has also been preparing for the Secretariat Change which will culminate in July with the community choosing a new secretariat for 2024-2027. Throughout these changes the GLC community actively connected and collaborated on calls, the planning of the ARAT conference, research focused community initiatives and providing resources and connections. The following report accompanies the [GLC Snapshot Report](#) and provides greater depth on the activities, connections and collaborations of those engaging with calls, the input of the Equity Partners and the Secretariat.

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

Community Monthly Calls

6 Community calls were facilitated in two time zones

The year began with Claudette Oligave and Maarten Pansier, Victorious Minds, Australia facilitated a discussion around how to meaningfully be a **trauma informed organisation** and presented a graphic that sparked discussion around how there is a spectrum for being trauma (un)aware to trauma informed.

In February, the Secretariat facilitated a conversation with the community on challenges, underlying assumptions and biases of why **national leadership** does not happen and where improvements can be made in the movement.

The March call was an open space for community members to **share stories and encouragements with Helen** as she finished her time at Chab Dai.

67 Community Members attended from 12 countries representing Southeast Asia, Europe, North America, Sub-saharan Africa, the Middle East, Australia and South America.

On average, **11 GLC members attended each call, 6 countries** were represented on each call and an average of 8 organisations were represented on each call.

Due to technical issues with the GLC Zoom account, Zoom views were not able to be tracked for this quarter.

Connecting and supporting collaborators

Throughout this quarter the Secretariat frequently connected and supported the GLC community. The Secretariat had **6 (21%) Member Catch Up Meetings/Catch Up calls and provided 9 connections (32%)** (Graph 3).

During this quarter the Secretariat began actively planning and preparing for Helen's departure as Chab Dai's Executive Director who steered the GLC project. The Secretariat team met in the UK for **a face-to-face meeting** to review the 2023 logframe and consider the core values of the GLC when considering the Secretariat change process.

Additionally, the Secretariat reviewed with member feedback the member joining form and the community welcome pack. Following the previous quarters data cleaning of the membership list, analysis of the GLC membership was conducted **to better understand the types of organisations, geographic locations and areas of primary focus.**

The Secretariat also **applied for additional project funding** for the GLC with a decision of this funding forthcoming.

4 Discovery Calls were held with potential new members with 5 ongoing applications pending. **5 new members** were added to the community.

Coalition and Network Leader Calls (AKA Cat Herder Calls)

Two Coalition and Network Leader Calls were held this quarter due led by Dr Emily Wyman on the collaborative advocacy and funding possibilities for networks and coalitions. Call attendees **indicated a desire to pursue further conversation on conceptualising what are the long term funding needs** and that there is an appetite for a group concept note.

In total, 19 community members attended the two calls, 5 countries and 8 organisations were represented.

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

Coffee Corner Calls

2 Coffee Corner Calls were held that focused on the following topic:

- **Suicide prevention with human trafficking survivors** - Dr. Laura Cordisco Tsai from the Eleison Foundation, Philippines. An outcome of this call is that Chab Dai sought out further training for its Survivor Restoration Team following their participation.

In total, **27 GLC members** and invitees attended the Coffee Corner Calls which represented **5 countries** and **6 organisations**.

Community Initiatives

3 community initiatives were active with GLC members collaborating and supporting one another. A brief summary of the initiatives is provided below.

1. GLC's Asia Regional Anti-trafficking Conference: Championed by The Freedom Story, Dark Bali, Red Oak Hope and Chab Dai.

ARAT planning for 2023 began and the location was set for a hybrid conference in Bali, Indonesia, July 17-19. The Secretariat Team also began joining ARAT planning meetings and supporting the planning committee in preparation for Helen's departure from her role within Chab Dai and the GLC.

2. Survivor Organisation Mapping Research: Championed by EverFree & Azadi Kenya

This project has finished data collection for the first phase of research with 30 surveys returned and 40 survivor-led organisations identified through web based searches. A preliminary analysis will be conducted in Q2 to determine the next steps of the project.

3. Greenlight Community Initiative Championed by EverFree

The GLC and EverFree entered into discussions for the potential of the GLC facilitating a community network for the Innovation Partners piloting the Freedom Greenlight tool. Six of the seven Innovation Partners are currently GLC members. The Freedom Greenlight is a participatory, strengths-based need assessment that puts the power back in the hands of survivors so they can identify their strengths and vulnerabilities, access the support they need, and attain lasting freedom. Upon intake into an anti-trafficking program, survivors assess their strengths and vulnerabilities across six dimensions. The tool aims to help both survivors and organisations providing aftercare services in understanding and improving survivor care services. The partnership between the GLC and EverFree will be finalised in Q2 of 2023.

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 Equity Partners continued to actively contribute within the community. Key highlights include:

- Kelsey Morgan (EverFree) championed the Survivor Organisation Research Mapping project and the Greenlight Community Initiative.
- Veerawit Tianchainan (Freedom Story), Lucy McCray (Freedom Story), Dalaina May (Dark Bali) and Jacq (Red Oak Hope) sat on the ARAT organising team.
- Amanda (Libero Intl), Elizabeth Scaife (FYN Global), Lucy McCray (Freedom Story) and Jacq (Red Oak Hope) volunteered to facilitate the Secretariat change application process.

However, Salvation Army withdrew as an Equity Partner due to the lack of capacity and remains an active member of the GLC.

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

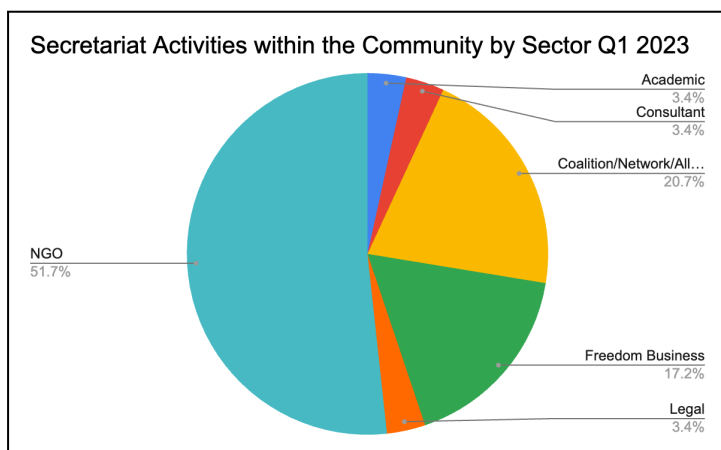
In these activities, the GLC mainly supported and interacted with **NGOs, networks and coalitions and freedom businesses** (Graph 1).

During the first quarter the Secretariat largely engaged with **global and Asia focused organisations** (Graph 2). The Secretariat began to have conversations with Dark Bali regarding a **joint application for the Secretariat Change Process** and actively worked to connect organisations interested in learning more about trafficking and exploitation in South Asia. The Secretariat also provided support for a **new network and coalition in Egypt** and a freedom business network. Additionally, the Secretariat continued to provide support to community members through face to face meetings and calls. The Secretariat had **4 Discovery Calls** (17%) with 5 new members accepted with 5 ongoing applications (Graph 3).

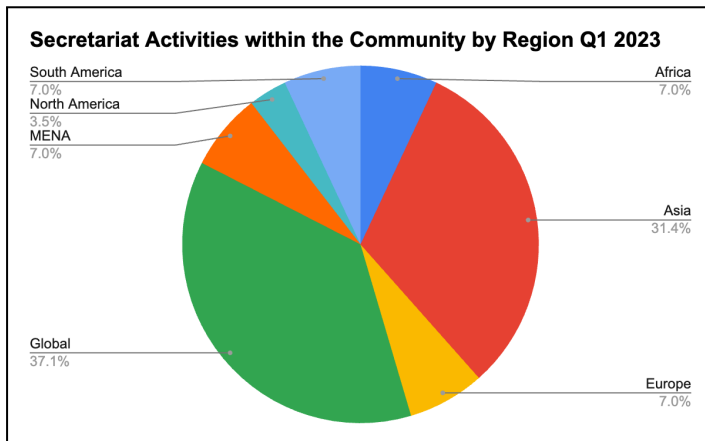
The GLC website had **1051 unique views from 39 unique countries**. The top 7 countries that viewed the website were the United States (24%), Pakistan (15%), the United Kingdom (15%), Spain (6%), Philippines (5%), Ireland (4%) and Germany (4%).

26 members were **subscribed to the People Library** which is in its pilot phase until July 2024.

Graph 1



Graph 2



Graph 3

