

Evaluation of Focal Themes

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Alternative Development Models (Barbara Küppers)





Instruments and process

- Project work in Latin America, South East Asia, South Asia and to a lesser extent Southern Africa, in Germany and Mideast neither projects nor discussion
- Board decided not to establish International Working Group (also not mentioned in DC decision)
- Working group of German Volunteers existent (ÜTAG)



Most important results

- Approximately 40 projects on the topic supported
- Not relevant for all regions, in some regions it cannot be discussed openly for political reasons
- High interest among German volunteers to discuss the topic, which
 is partly being done in the process of situation analysis
 ("Standortbestimmung") and strategy processes



Recommendations

 Volunteer delegates have presented a motion to continue the focal theme



Right to Play (Claudia Berker)





Instruments and process

- International Working started in July 2015, but it proved impossible to maintain a group (diversity of members, time and other resources)
- Good integration into project work in about 70 projects (either as method or in the advocacy for the right itself)
- World Play Day (28 May) celebrated by tdh partners in currently nine countries (number growing)
- International Play Association important ally
- So far, volunteer groups did not pick up on the topic



Most important results

- Has gained more prominence and recognition within tdh
- Focal theme has led to the allocation of time and space for reporting and discussion (however, not in working resources)
- A Chance to Play gave the topic a boost
- Many publications by tdh and partners (play manuals, street soccer methodology, etc.)
- More importance in project work than before



Recommendations

- "Play" has a bigger potential than what is currently visible, tdh should be prepared to consider the promotion of a "neglected" child right and exploiting a niche
- Play is also a methodology to achieve other goals
- Strategy plus dedicated resources to further promote the topic needed
- In advocacy working in partnerships would be possible
- IWG does not seem the right tool to work on the topic
- Integrate the exploration of the theme into the structures of regional offices and coordinate with HO
- No motion on the Right to Play foreseen

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