

## **United Nations Activity Report**

<u>"International Day of Education for Global Citizenship</u> — Why is it important? Insights and cross cutting practices" on 17 July 2019 was a side event to the <u>High-Level Political Forum (HLPF)</u>. The forum was convened under the auspices of the <u>Economic and Social Council</u> (ECOSOC) and included a three-day ministerial meeting.

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The room was divided into smaller groups for intimate discussions at one point, which allowed attendees to learn more about each other and the work individuals and groups are doing related to education for global citizenship.

During the African Dialogue at the United Nations (May 21-23, 2019), Secretary General António Guterres stressed durable solutions by both local leadership and global cooperation, along with long-term approaches — inclusive education and life-long learning — for conflict prevention, poverty reduction, acceptance of diversity, and solidarity among nations and their peoples. Education for Global Citizenship is a vital part of this action plan and is relevant to all nurses.

The topic of global citizenship is a concept that can be integrated into nursing curriculums. I recommend that Sigma continues to be engaged with meetings related to this topic and highlights the relevance of this education to nurses who provide care for globally diverse populations.

The summary of the meeting that has been explained and the individual actions have universal application to our members and our mission of advocacy and advancing world health, because peaceful societies promote healthful environments. The drumming and music brought everyone together in appreciation for peaceful societies that are educated about global citizenship.