



A Responsible and Sustainable Economy:- *the co-operative way*

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Co-operatives work to put the global economy at the service of people, rather than as now, leaving people at its mercy!

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Our Gift : The International Year of Co-operatives



2012
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Cooperatives

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‘Co-operatives are a reminder to the international community that it is possible to pursue both economic viability and social responsibility’

Mr Ban Ki Moon, Secretary General, United Nations

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‘Co-operatives contribute directly to improve the standards of living of half the world’s population’

Background Paper, UN World Summit on Social Development

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Together employs over 100 million
people

Owned by over one billion of the
world's citizens

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Co-operatives have taken millions out
of poverty with dignity by helping
them to build their own co-operative
business





global300
an ica initiative

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The Global 300



The largest 300 co-ops and mutuals in the world are worth USD1.6 trillion

Equivalent to the 9th largest economy in the world

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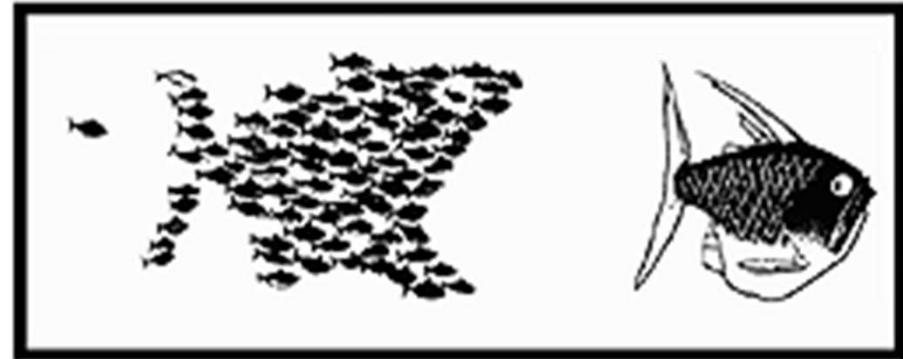
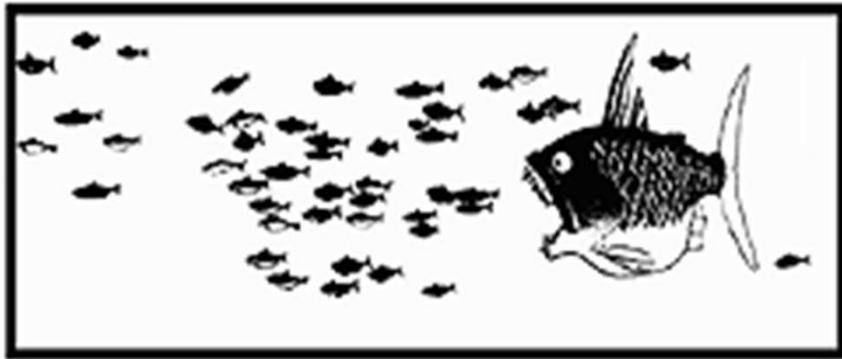
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1. Win the argument for a more diversified global economy
2. Promote our co-operative identity – not ‘brand’!
3. Harness the emerging economic and political powers to the co-operative cause
4. Strengthen the knowledge and recognition of the co-operative difference



Together we can make this happen!



Thank you

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