

«We the Peoples: 50 Communities Awards»

The international citizens' initiative recognizing 50 communities in honor of the 50th Anniversary of the United Nations

Dear Ms. Rubinchik,

I am writing to inform you that the Socio-Ecological Union has been selected as one of 50 exemplary communities for the «We the Peoples: 50 Communities Awards». This program was founded by the Friends of the United Nations, a non-governmental organization, as a citizens' initiative in honour of the 50th anniversary of the United Nations. For purposes of the Awards, a community was defined as any group whose efforts are directed toward building a sense of «common unity» at a local, regional or global level.

The program has received nominations from all over the world. A Selection Committee, drawn from an International Panel of Advisors, has chosen 50 communities or groups which best meet the selection criteria and are from different geographic regions. These 50 communities were chosen because each one demonstrates positive and practical solutions to difficult problems and has inspiring lessons to offer to other communities and to United Nations. It is hoped that their lessons will inspire practical reform and rethinking about how citizens may help to achieve the mission of the United Nations as we enter the 21st Century.

The Socio-Ecological Union was chosen for demonstrating success in activities related to the category of «Environment and Sustainable Development».

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