

The Institute of International Education (IIE)

The Institute of International Education, the world leader in the exchange of peoples and ideas, was founded in 1919 on the principle that educational exchange fosters an understanding of other peoples and cultures, and helps to make the world a safer place. Whether it is by rescuing threatened scholars, fighting for health, fostering mutual understanding, helping rebuild countries, repairing environmental damage, opening the American mind, or bringing power to people around the globe, IIE programs have a meaningful impact on the problems facing our world. IIE manages over 250 educational programs and services more than 20,000 individuals each year.



Technology and its Impact in the Middle East and North Africa Thursday, June 16 and Thursday, June 23, 2011, Google and Microsoft Silicon Valley Campus

The TechWomen program held a reception and panel discussion, welcoming the inaugural class of TechWomen-37 women who are emerging leaders in technical fields from Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, and Palestinian Territories - as they embarked upon a customized mentorship program with leading Bay Area technology companies.



Media Literacy: Promoting Civil Society Through New Media Technology Thursday, April 7, 2011, Hotel Nikko

IIE held an open discussion with delegates from around the world who visited San Francisco to explore the growth of new media technology and its impact on civil society. These leaders, who are representatives from both public and private organizations, shared their experience of developing social media platforms in the respective fields.



100 Women Initiative

Thursday, March 24, 2011, Hilton Financial District Hotel

IlE we celebrated the 100th anniversary of International Women's Day by welcoming over 100 Women Leaders from 90 countries to San Francisco. This delegation represented global leaders in public health, community engagement, human rights, government, social justice, media and academia. Three women leaders highlighted their innovative solutions to local challenges in their countries during a panel discussion.



The IVLP Gold Star Alumni Event

Tuesday, February 22, 2011, Hilton Financial District Hotel

To celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the partnership between the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) and the National Council for International Visitors (NCIV), the U.S. Department of State's Office of International Visitors launched the "IVLP Gold Stars' Tour: Alumni Connecting the World." Eighteen (18) IVLP alumni were selected from around the world based on significant achievements in their countries or local communities as a direct result of their IVLP experiences.



Fulbright Art Exhibit

Monday, February 7th to Friday, February 11th, 2011, IIE West Coast Center

The IIE West Coast Center was transformed into a temporary art gallery to celebrate the special talents of a number of Bay Area Fulbrighters at our eighth annual Fulbright Art Exhibit. We honored the artists at a reception on the second evening of the show and invited our members and supporters for an opportunity to meet and talk with the artists about their work.



IIE West Coast Center Holiday Reception December 8, 2010, Nikko Hotel

IIE WCC hosted a Holiday Celebration to honor and thank all members, supporters and volunteers of the organization for their active participation. Several members, home hospitality hosts and professional contacts received awards for their commitment and support of IIE WCC programs. The evening also celebrated IVLP's five year partnership with IIE WCC.



A New Beginning: Entrepreneurship and Business Innovation September 29, 2010, Hilton Financial District Hotel

As a direct result of President Obama's 2009 speech in Cairo on the importance of partner-ships between the U.S. and the Middle East, IIE WCC welcomed a group of leaders from Albania, Algeria, Austria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brunei, Chad, Egypt, France, India, Indonesia, Israel, Kenya, Macedonia, Malaysia, Mauritania, Netherlands, Niger, Pakistan, Qatar, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Syria, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda and Yemen to San Francisco. These delegates participated in an open discussion and reception with IIE WCC community members.



Haiti: Sustainable Urban Development and Reconstruction July 29, 2010, Hilton Financial District Hotel

Members and Supporters of IIE WCC joined 10 Haitian Engineers, Environmental Developers and Community Organizers for a Reception and Panel Discussion. The IVLP delegates from Haiti were visiting the Bay Area to examine approaches to urban environmental planning challenges and review policies on environmental issues that affect urban communities. The event was a great platform for both community members and the delegates to connect and share personal experiences and knowledge.



Volunteerism: United We Serve- Welcome from Maria Shriver April 29, 2010. Glide Memorial Church

California First Lady, Maria Shriver welcomed the 100 world leaders to San Francisco and spoke on the power of community service in California and across the world. This was followed by an interactive panel discussion with the delegates moderated by Karen Baker, California's Secretary of Service and Volunteerism.



Volunteerism: United We Serve- Reception and Panel Discussion April 29, 2010, Hilton Financial District Hotel

IIE West Coast Center, through the International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) and in partnership with the U.S. Department of State, welcomed over 100 world leaders from 100 different countries for a community reception and panel discussion on Volunteerism. This delegation was visiting San Francisco to examine volunteerism and community service in the Bay Area and consisted of non-government organization leaders, civic and community activists, government officials, educators and journalists.