

Volunteering in addressing the UN Sustainable Development Goals

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) program was adopted by 193 states-members of United Nations Organization. It includes 17 goals and 169 targets such as fighting poverty and hunger, providing effective healthcare and quality education, ensuring economic development for the whole world and etc.

Realization of this program up to 2030 requires huge effort from every country of the planet because there are many problem regions and disproportion between wealthy and poor states is dramatically huge.

This is why people willingly helping to make the world better place are required to fulfill all of the SDGs. Volunteers can work without worrying about possible political or other profits because their only desire is to help others. UN is experienced in training and sending volunteers all over the world. For example volunteer-doctors cure people in countries which are not capable of establishing their own proper healthcare system.

However a simple desire is not enough. Effective volunteering means experience and ideas exchange between people from different countries. Different people have different skills and education. Coordinating them according their possibilities is a key for the most rational use of human recourses.

The author of this essay is orientalist and he faced the fact that coordinating people of different nations in any process is not as simple as it looks like. Even knowledge of English does not mean full understanding between all the members. That is why people able to speak both European and oriental languages are important for communication.

The one of Winter School's goals is cooperation between Russian and Korean students in practice. In author's humble opinion his skills as an orientalist will be useful in this matter.

Through lectures in RUDN University and practical experience of cooperation with foreign counterparts all of the members of Winter School will acquire new

skills and knowledge. They will be useful for future assisting in fulfilling SDG's as volunteers.

Such kind of events like Winter School in the framework of the Korea – Russia dialogue strengthen the world's volunteer movement and provide qualified people who will aid the whole planet full of problems.

Volunteer movement is one of the most important powers ensuring peace, stability and sustainable development of the Earth.