

The Global Alliance for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy

The Global Alliance for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy (GAPMIL) is an effort to promote international cooperation to ensure that all citizens have access to media and information competencies. Yet, organizations from over eighty countries have agreed to join forces and stand together for change. This pioneering initiative was launched during the Global Forum for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy (MIL) which took place from 26 to 28 June 2013. The Global Forum for Partnerships on MIL (GFPMIL) was held at Nikon Luxury Hotel, in Abuja, Nigeria, under the theme "Promoting Media and Information Literacy as a Means to Cultural Diversity".

Hence, the Global Alliance for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy seeks to globally reposition Media and Information Literacy around the core objectives of: articulating key strategic partnerships to drive MIL development globally and its application to eight key development areas: governance, citizenship and freedom of expression; access to information and knowledge for all citizens; development of media, libraries, Internet and other information providers; education, teaching, and learning - including professional development; Women, children and youth, disabled and other marginalized groups; linguistic and cultural diversity as well as intercultural and interfaith dialogue; women, children and youth, persons with disabilities and other marginalized social groups; health and wellness; business, industry, employment and sustainable economic development; agriculture, farming, wildlife protection, forestry and natural resources conservation as well as other areas (<http://www.unesco.org/new/en/communication-and-information/media-development/media-literacy/global-alliance-for-partnerships-on-media-and-information-literacy/>).

Pan African Alliance on Media & Information Literacy

The Pan-African Alliance on Media and Information Literacy (PAMIL) is the Global Alliance for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy (GAPMIL) Regional Chapter for Africa. It was agreed upon by African participants at the UNESCO/UNAOC Global Forum for Partnership on MIL (GFPMIL) conference in Abuja, Nigeria, June 26-29, 2013. PAMIL is planned as an independent alliance among the different organizations and individuals that are working on Media and Information Literacy across the African continent.

PAMIL (<http://www.pamil.info/>) was created to promote and strengthen partnership in Africa on Media and Information Literacy (MIL) to be a clearing house for children, youths, teachers, researchers, parents, media and information literacy professionals and initiatives across Africa. PAMIL currently operates a Provisional Secretariat to enable the African MIL community speak with one voice on diverse issues and build an effective Pan-African alliance that will have legitimacy to engage with political leaders and other community service organizations in Africa.