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The Association's activities have always concentrated on supporting and spreading the ideals of brotherhood, unity in diversity and responsibility for the common good; this through the instilling of new ethical and social values.

Since its constitution in 1979, all the activities of the Association have been planned and conducted by the administrative body and by its members and supporters on a voluntary basis and have been offered to the public at no charge. The Association has always been financed exclusively by the voluntary contributions of its members and supporters.

Since its constitution and until 2007, the Association has run in Italy the Triangles and World Goodwill service activities of the Lucis Trust – a registered educational charity associated with the United Nations, Department of Public Information – that serve the common good through quarterly newsletters highlighting the power of meditation and the energy of goodwill in world affairs.

Since 1966, the Association has especially intensified its voluntary work in awakening public opinion and in the school education field.

The co-Founder and President of the Association, Sergio Tripi, was, from October 1996 to February 2001, the Representative to Italy of the United Nations endorsed University for Peace, working in Italian academic circles as leader and point of reference of both organizations. During this period, significant academic agreements were reached with the Rome University "La Sapienza" and the University of Bari, and seminars were held on the theme: the United Nations and Peace Education.

In the three year educational program (1998-2001) held jointly with the University of Bari's Interdepartmental Center for Peace Research and the Regional Institute of Educational Research in Puglia on the theme "Education and Awareness", the President of the Association, also in his capacity of Representative of the UN endorsed University for Peace, conducted that part of the program relative to the United Nations and its specialized Agencies which, for the teaching staff in that area, significantly increased their knowledge of peace education.

As from June 2000 a new editorial initiative was launched intent on contributing to improve public opinion: Good News Agency, a news bulletin that the Association emits in Italian, in English and in Portuguese and which carries news from the world of the UN, institutions, NGOs, service associations and volunteer groups. It is sent free through the Internet to more than 10 000 media and editorial journalists of the daily newspapers and periodical magazines and of the radio and television stations in 54 countries as well as 3 000 NGOs, universities and colleges. (Not to mention about 23 000 Rotarians in the world.)

The direct distribution of this e-newsletter is multiplied by the fact that many NGOs and service groups forward our publication to those on their mailing lists and/or insert a link to Good News Agency in their web sites. Today, we estimate that the global distribution of the Good News Agency be well over 200,000 copies and on the increase, considering the spontaneous distribution that has been generated. The concept of good news, that is being registered by consciousnesses, has started to call media's attention.

