

Press Release

Kenya-Korea Webcam Event to Bond Children across the World on the Net

Non-Profit Organization Pangaea Holds Kick-Off Event of Its East African Implementation

Non-Profit Organization Pangaea holds its kick-off Webcam event of its East African implementation on Saturday June 25 from 9:00am at Southern Sun Mayfair Nairobi, Kenya and from 3:00pm on the same day at MIZY Center of Korea UNESCO in Seoul, Korea, connecting two locations via web cameras so children in two countries can meet and play games together to get to know each other.

- ✓ **Date & Time:** Saturday June 25 from 9:00am to 12:00am
- ✓ **Venue:** Palm Room, Southern Sun Mayfair Nairobi
Parklands Road, Parklands, Nairobi
- ✓ **Co-Hosts:** Maneno World, Nairobi, Kenya
MIZY Center of Korea UNESCO, Seoul, Korea

Pangaea is aiming to start its activities in multiple countries in East Africa going forward with this event as a kick-off. African children's past participation to Pangaea activity (see Appendix 1 and 2) has incited multiple positive changes to children. One of the past Pangaea participants in Kenya became interested in computer and is now studying at British Columbia Univ. In Japan, too, children has fostered friendship with their Kenyan peers, eliminating their previous fears just because of different colors of skin, and showing their sympathy toward their Kenyan friends at the occasion of the earthquake in Kenya. Mizy Center of Korea UNESCO holds its regular Pangaea activity once a month.

About Pangaea

Pangaea is the non-profit organization that researches, develops and implements Universal Playground where children across the world can meet, communicate and bond for the realization of the diversified global society that learns how to communicate smartly with the positive use of information and communication technology for peacemaking. It is named after the ancient supercontinent when five continents were a single piece.

What is Universal Playground?

The world is divided by the difference of nations, cultures, languages, time zones and social statuses. Imagine Universal Playground as the park where children across the world are waiting in the same queue for their turn of swing or slide regardless of these differences, realized with the use of ICT. First, they are shy. But as they meet many times and incidentally bump into each other, the conversation starts and they may become friends.

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Media: Maneno World (Kenya)

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How do you like communicating in pictures?

Project Pangaea is developing a program for young people around the globe to communicate using pictures. The pictures below have been sent by young people in Japan seeking to communicate with other young people in Africa. Each set of pictures tells a story. Please write and tell us what you think these pictures are saying. The most interesting stories will be published in Manenoworld. If you want to be part of this project please send us pictures that tell a story. Then write your story on a different piece of paper and send both to us. We will forward to Japan and send you their responses. Remember to include your name, school, parents' name and telephone number.

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Recently, Yumi Mori, the international president of Project Pangaea, visited Manenoworld and had an opportunity to meet most of the members of this project in Kenya and Uganda. We all got involved in different activities, communicating in symbol language; it was all a lot of fun.

It is all very interesting to see the different interpretations being given to the pictures you have submitted plus others from across the globe. Some of you have written to us asking what kind of drawing / photo to send. You can send a drawing or photo on any of the following categories:

- 1) What you wear when you go to school
- 2) Favorite playground
- 3) Food
- 4) Cool plants or flowers
- 5) School e.g. a classroom
- 6) Popular game
- 7) Unique building
- 8) Snack
- 9) Musical instrument
- 10) Familiar animal
- 11) Fruit
- 12) School route (that should contain children going to school)



Date: Spring 2006

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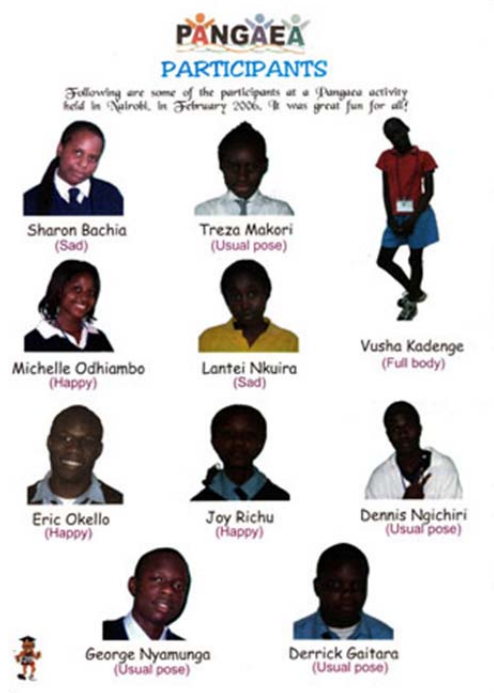
OBJECTIVES

- Creating a "bond" among children around the world
- Crossing national and regional boundaries

HOW

Through various activities, PANGAEA provides opportunities for young people to "bond" – break language, social background and geographical barriers and feel like one.

In this issue we feature pictures drawings from young people in Kenya and Japan, sharing their dreams of a home.

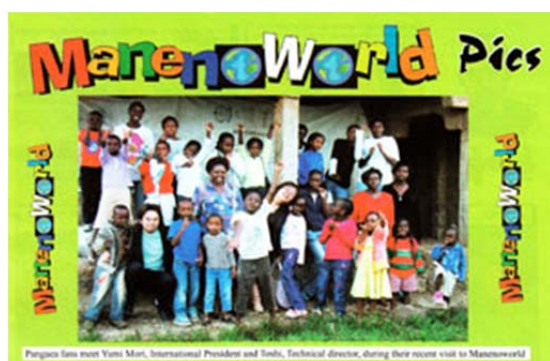


Date: Summer 2006

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PANGAEA PARTICIPANTS

Following are some of the participants at a PANGAEA activity held in Nairobi, in February 2006. It was great fun for all!



Date: Fall 2006

Media: Maneno World (Kenya)

Maneno World Pics

PANGAEA fans meet Yumi Mori, International President and Toshi, Technical director, during their recent visit to Manenoworld