



INTER-AFRICAN COMMITTEE (IAC)

Campaigning to Reach Zero Tolerance to Harmful Traditional Practices

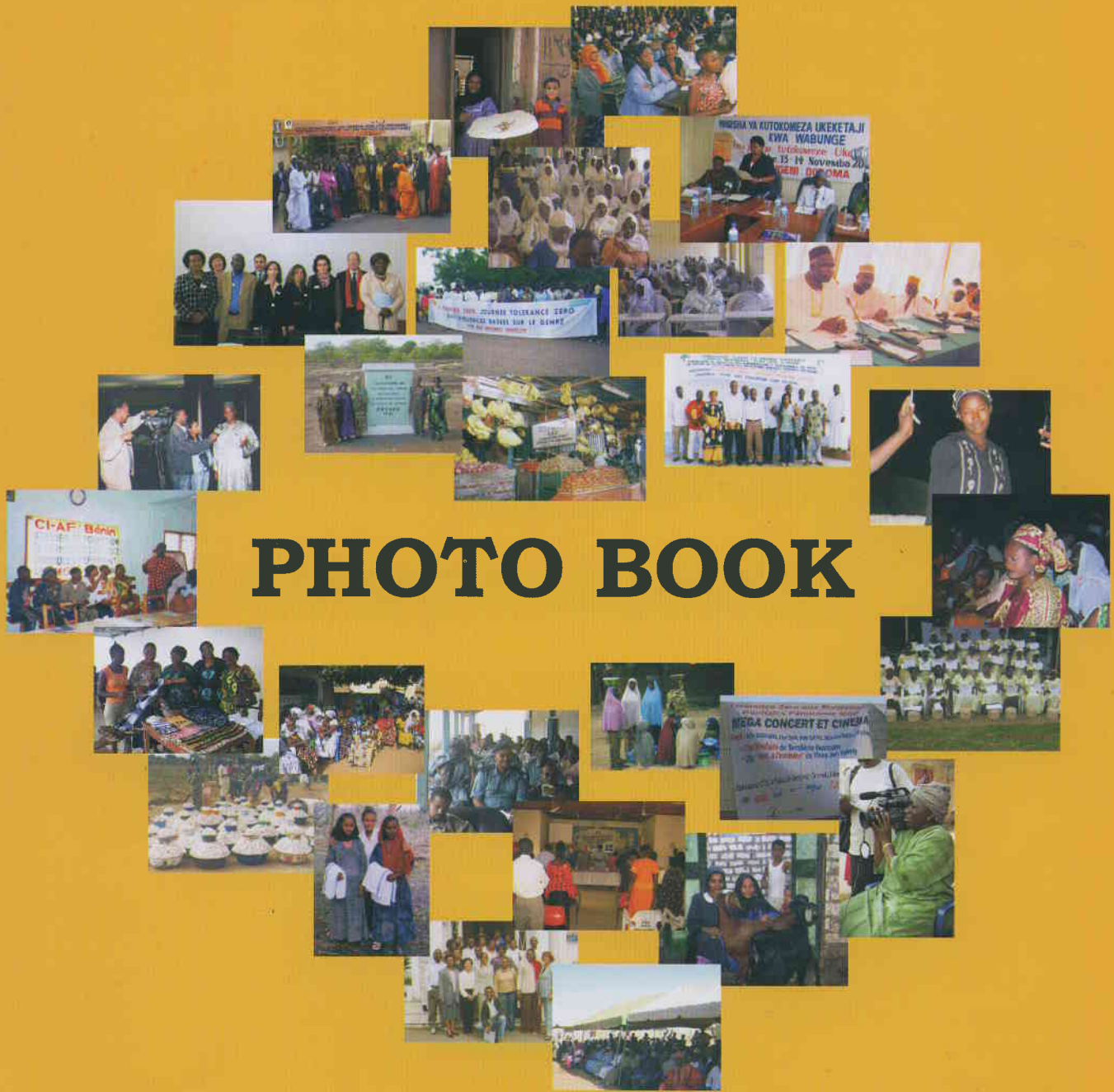


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Symposium for Religious Leaders in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, 2007.



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Excerpts from the October 2007 Abidjan Declaration of Commitment by religious leaders:

“We, Muslim and Christian religious leaders, representing countries where the Inter-African Committee on Harmful Traditional Practices (IAC) has members, joined together in a symposium in Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire), through the initiative of IAC...

... [are] convinced that Female Genital Mutilation had no religious basis in the Holy Bible, or in the authentic Christian traditions; nor in the Noble Quran, or in the authentic Islamic traditions,

... commit ourselves to participating actively in the struggle for the total elimination of FGM not only in our respective countries but also wherever it exists,

... call on Christians and Muslims to abandon this practice in all its form.”

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WORKING WITH LEGISLATORS

TIC for Legislators is aimed at reaching and convincing parliamentarians, lawyers and other policy makers. Sessions are organised to stimulate discussion and debate regarding legal protection for women and girls against FGM and other harmful traditional practices, and to provide impetus for legal instruments to be adopted and enforced.



Tanzania Workshop on FGM for legislators, 2007.



Legislators Workshop with police participants, Sudan, 2007.



Workshop for legislators, Benin.