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There is an urgent need to measure volunteerism in order to include it among the greatest assets of nations, says a United Nations report

Bonn, 5 December 2011 (United Nations Volunteers) - The first [United Nations State of the World's Volunteerism Report \(SWVR\)](#) published today calls for making volunteer action an integral part of the new development consensus.

The report was launched at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, United States, and many countries around the world, coinciding with the marking of International Volunteer Day and the closure of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers.

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