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On April 8th, 2019, Utah International Mountain Forum (UIMF), a coalition of student clubs at Utah Valley University (UVU), hosted Mr. Richard Jordan who is a civil society activist who spent almost 40 years involving with NGOs at the United Nation (UN). During his involvement at the UN, Mr. Richard worked and represented many NGOs at the UN. He is also one of the co-founding editors of the Earth Negotiations Bulletin (ENB) and the Chairman of the NGOs Committee (Congo) at the UN. He also participated at the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro in 1992, and many other UN summits and forums.

In his presentation at UVU, Mr. Richard Jordan has spoken about his experience of participating and contributing to the UN activities. He spoke about the complex work and

responsibilities for the United Nations. Mr. Richard Jordan is a very smart and intelligent person because to clarify his point he told us about not only specific examples, but also people. He also explained how the NGOs and civil society could be engaged with the UN in order to implement adopted in 2015 Sustainable Development Goals.



Mr. Joel Frost introduces Mr. Richard Jordan to UVU audience

Mr. Richard also spoke about the UVU engaged learning model and how it helps our students to be active at international organizations, such as the United Nation. He praised also the UIMF team which hosted him and in particular Joel Frost, President of Foreign Affairs club. Joel successfully implemented a student engaged learning model in action, when members of his team were able as a group to learn new skills in working out all details of the visit of Mr. Jordan with faculty ready to provide them any advice when it was necessary. Students raised funds to bring Mr. Jordan to Utah from New York and accommodate him during five days of his stay in Orem,

UT, arranged his agenda, protocol among other things. Mr. Joel Frost is a non-traditional student, which means that he works in addition to being enrolled in classes and takes care of his family.

This was a great presentation of the knowledgeable person which was supported by a professional work of the UIMF student hosting team through student engaged learning.

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