

Samuel A. Worthington Bio

Sam Worthington is President and CEO of InterAction, the nation's largest alliance of US-based nongovernmental organizations working overseas. InterAction members manage over \$13 billion a year to decrease poverty and hunger, uphold human rights, safeguard a sustainable planet, and ensure human dignity for poor and vulnerable populations globally. With over forty working groups, InterAction leads, supports, and mobilizes its members to take collective action, improve the impact of their programs, increase their global reach, and advocate for efforts that advance human well-being around the world. Worthington has represented U.S. NGOs and their programs before the United States Congress, the administration, and numerous major national and international media.

Previously, Worthington served as Chief Executive Officer of Plan USA (1994-2006), a global child-focused development NGO. Worthington also sat on Plan's global executive management team and chaired Plan's national CEO team.

Among various advisory roles, Worthington serves on the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) at the UN, Advisory Council for Voluntary Foreign Assistance at USAID, Council on Foreign Relations, and the boards of the Alliance to End Hunger, CIVICUS, and Religions for Peace. Worthington's numerous leadership roles included the White House Task Force on Global Development and Poverty, he was a founding board member of the ONE Campaign, chaired the global NGO Impact Initiative on behalf of the UN Special Envoy for Tsunami Recovery (President Clinton), and served on the steering committee of the NGO Leadership Forum at Harvard University.

Worthington has a Masters degree with distinction from the Monterey Institute of International Studies and a Bachelor's degree from the University of Vermont. As a Fulbright scholar he completed post graduate research at the Institut Universitaire des Hautes Etudes Internationales in Geneva. He has received various awards and engaged in a program on non-profit leadership at the Harvard Business School.

Worthington and his wife Renée live in Bethesda, Maryland. They have three children Rachel, Jamie and Lindsay.