"THESE ARE THE ACTIONS
THAT COUNT.
OUR THOUGHTS,
HOWEVER GOOD THEY MAY BE,
ARE FALSE PEARLS UNTIL
THEY ARE TURNED
INTO ACTIONS.
BEE THE CHANGE
YOU WISH TO SEE
IN THE
WORLD".

Mahatma Gandhi

STORIES OF CHANGE, RESPONSIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION

This year our social appraisal is more full of faces and stories than ever before: those seen through the eyes and the hands-on contact of the educators, the volunteers and our office staff. Men and women who have played a part in the story of L'Albero della Vita by sharing part of their experience, their best intentions and their major abilities.

They are stories about the lives of the children, the youngsters, the mothers and the fathers from the communities: stories of difficulty and desperation, of glimmers of light and new beginnings, of proposals and promises, all with one common denominator, namely improvement. The story of L'Albero della Vita has indeed always been one of commitment to improvement and certainty in the hope that a desire to grow will always find a way, the means and the help required in order to become a reality. The new reality is always better than we ever dared to hope and is ready to reveal that there is always a better way, as long as we remain vigilant and ready to act. As long as we allow ourselves to get involved.

2013 was the year of participation and of taking part. The question that has guided us is the same as it has always been, namely: how can we learn to take responsibility and to give the right answer? And how can we stimulate everyone around us in order to display this responsibility? This year however, the question was even more shared with the children and the youngsters to whom we are committed, turning into the right to take part, to take responsibility and to grow up from childhood with an awareness of our personal role we play in our own lives, in our own living environment and in the outside world with which we may interact progressively as we grow up.

This year the number of projects aimed at creating places for participation and leadership, places in which to deliver tools and methods, have multiplied; activities in which we have attempted to bring together children and policy makers, jointly building up a sense of fruitful exchange that helps turn the needs, desires and opportunities viewed by the youngsters into the stimulus for policies and actions that affect their lives and their room to grow within society.

Internally, we took on a major task, namely the "Plan for L'Albero della Vita's participation in Italian projects and services", which will enable us to stimulate and guarantee renewed vigour and add new methodologies in 2014 to this dimension that is such an important part of our work.

Participation was also the main theme of the Eurochild Annual Conference – "Building an inclusive Europe: the contribution of children's participation" – which we organised for November in conjunction with the Municipality of Milan, the National Children and Adolescents Protection Authority and the PIDIDA network. The Conference was attended by 280 representatives from 28 countries, who got the chance to interact with 18 world renowned speakers and 32 organisations with proven experience in workshop participation, speaker corners and study visits.

A week earlier in Brussels, together with the Patrizio Paoletti Foundation, we presented the conference entitled "Human Inner Design - Shaping a new role for European citizens and institutions in times of change" at the European Parliament. The key message? In order to re-launch the citizens' Europe we need to invest in the innate ability to proactively interpret current changes, starting with early childhood, from education through to core capacities, encouraging active citizenship and social leadership.

Participation is one of the three main cornerstones of the European Union recommendation on - "Investing in early childhood in order to break the vicious cycle of social disadvantage" - issued by the Commission on 20th February 2013 and the topic of the conference of the same name that we ran in Milan in November in order to reveal its contents to the institutions and organisations operating in the Italian non-profit sector and to highlight the need to give additional impetus to our country's childhood policies in times of crisis.

It is precisely this issue of the crisis and increasing childhood poverty that leads us to turn the page to 2014 and to revisit our commitment, through our projects, through our advocacy work and through our social communication, to the million Italian children (1 in 10) who are living below the absolute poverty threshold. This figure, which has increased by 50% in 7 years, has lead us to back up the invaluable education task that has always differentiated us from other organisations by making a commitment to guarantee basic rights, such as the right to proper feeding and appropriate medical care, on the outskirts of our country's major cities.

A commitment that is once again only possible thanks to the commitment shown by many others: operators, volunteers, backers and partners that have given us their passion and abilities, vision and practicality. As President of this organisation since 15th November 2013, I wish to express my profound gratitude to all of these people and organisations, and in particular to Patrizio Paoletti, from whom I gathered the testimony of the unwavering hope that the great work that has been done with the greatest responsibility to date may yet continue on for a long time.

Kindest regards

President. L'Albero della Vita Foundation



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L'ALBERO DELLA VITA FOUNDATION'S SUCCESS IN FIGURES

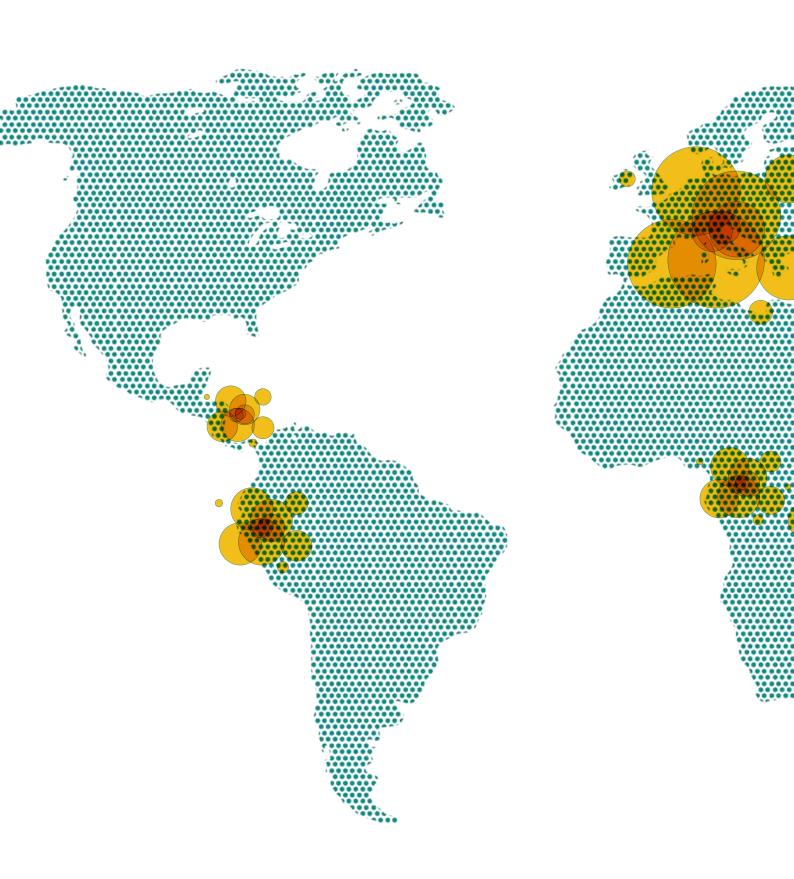


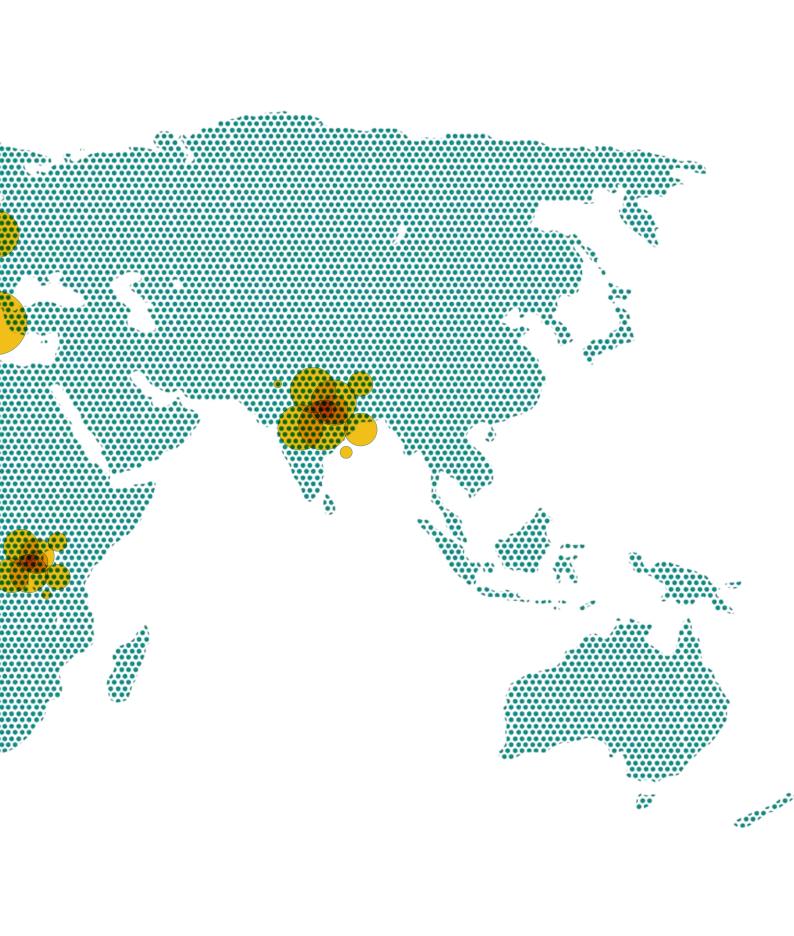
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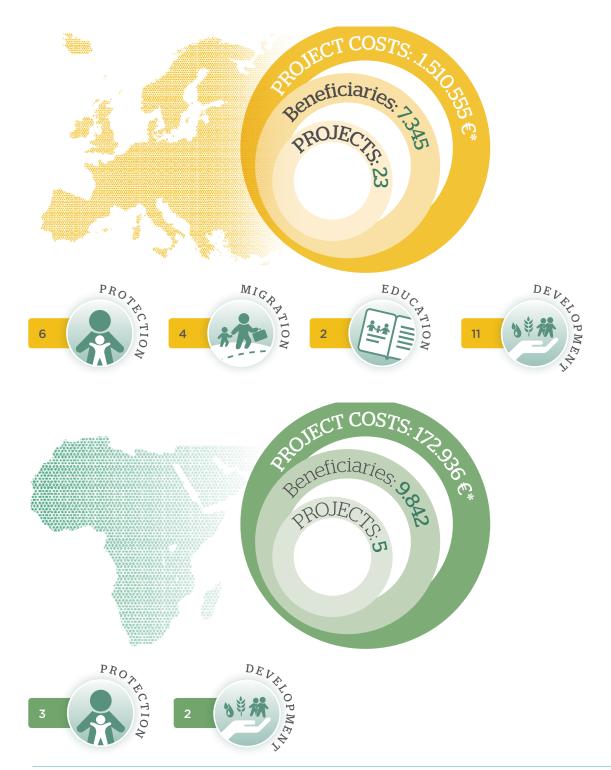
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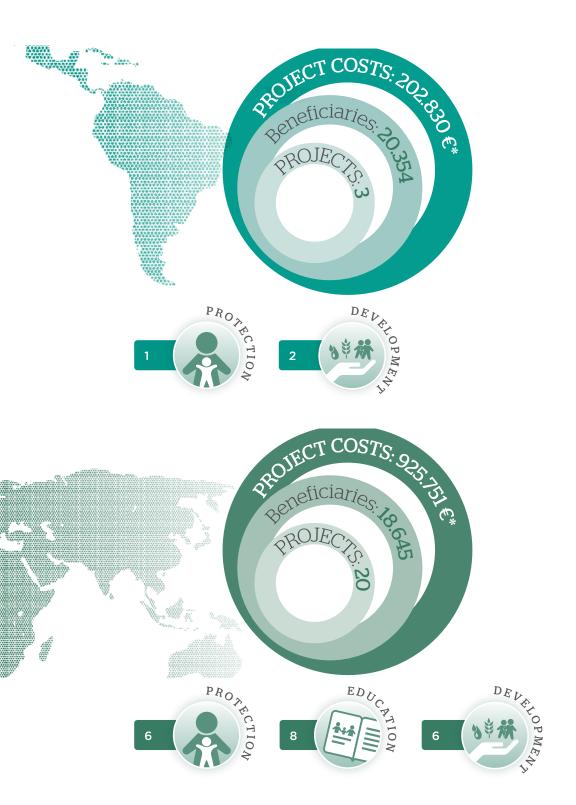




Areas of intervention



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THE ORGANISATION

Its history

L'Albero della Vita was founded by the fireside in Assisi at Christmas 1996, when a group of men and women, united by the desire to find a purpose and to live more meaningful lives, decided to give life to a great organisation that could make a difference to the lives of many children and youths in difficult conditions all over the world. In April 1997, the Voluntary Association was established followed a few months later, in January 1998, by the Social Cooperative.

In the early years of its history, up to 2003, L'Albero della Vita focused mainly on creating host projects for minors outside their original family for children and youths, mainly carried out in the Lombardy region of Italy. The first educational communities for minors were established, "La Bussola", "ZeroSei" as well as the "Vivi ciò che Sei" day centre.

In July 2004, L'Albero della Vita Foundation was founded, with the intention of promoting the development of the organisation and its projects in Italy and throughout the world, committing itself to implementing "Pedagogy for the Third Millennium" in its activities and methodologies. New reception facilities were opened (in Sardinia, Sicily, Apulia, Campania and Umbria), foster family networks, educational projects relating to rights and development within schools. The first projects got underway in India and then in Peru, thanks to the important contribution made by the Child Sponsorship Programme (SAD).

Between 2008 and 2009, L'Albero della Vita experienced a new stage of development, promoted by the great commitment made to campaigns and by many supporters: private entities, institutions as well as Italian and international foundations. Projects were started in Eastern Europe and in Africa (Kenya and Congo).

Its eligibility as a Non-Governmental Organization was issued by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs on 14th December 2009: since then, the project activities have been developed in all continents according to the principles and approaches of international cooperation. Research activity, advocacy and networking aimed at promoting positive system changes is divided among the institutional actors and those working within the private social organisation sector.

It was around 2010 that L'Albero della Vita organisations' international expansion stage was converted into concrete plans: 'in 2011, the "Tree of Life International Foundation" was founded in Switzerland; in 2012 "Nadácia Pre opustené deti" was founded in Slovakia and "Nadační fond na pomoc opuštěným dětem" in the Czech Republic. This was organisational growth aimed at ensuring sustainability, continuity and development to the corporate mission and social projects of L'Albero della Vita in favour of children in difficulty worldwide.

(*) In 2000, the Patrizio Paoletti Foundation for Development and Communication was founded and which is the owner of the PTM (Pedagogy for the Third Millennium) method and approach. L'Albero della Vita is among its founder members.

Its vision

L'Albero della Vita strives to achieve a world where every single person is free to seek a greater awareness of him/herself and of his/her own purpose in this world; it works towards the achievement of a self-education process aimed at the continuous improvement of oneself and of one's own contexts of reference.

A world where the dignity of childhood is recognised and which it is entitled to as well as its own genuine potential regarding innovation and its contribution to be safeguarded and developed within every environment by means of coherent approaches and appropriate methodologies.

L'Albero della Vita's vision of man and of what he/she is capable of becoming has been inspired by the "Pedagogy for the Third Millennium" principles and approaches of the Patrizio Paoletti Foundation for Development and Communication.

Its mission

Since its foundation, L'Albero della Vita has committed itself to promoting effective actions aimed at ensuring well-being, protecting and promoting rights, encouraging the development of children, their families and the communities to which they belong, both in Italy and in the world.



Its values

In carrying out its activities on both a national and international level, L'Albero della Vita acts as both the bearer and the interpreter of the following values:

- > INTEGRITY: such as focusing on the lives of the children and youths to whom we are committed; such as the loyalty and adherence to the vision, the mission, the Articles of Association, the regulations and the ethical principles for a correct management.
- > **PROFESSIONALISM**: such as a competent approach to work-related issues, in all project stages; such as focusing on the maximum impact, effectiveness, efficiency and quality of all interventions.
- > RESPONSABILITY: such as the deep understanding of the social role that we have undertaken as well as our commitment to consciously working in favour of the beneficiaries of the activities and to have a correct relationship with all stakeholders.
- **PASSION**: such as knowing how to empathically become involved in the lives of children and their families, to recognise the importance of the situations we encounter on a daily basis and to strongly stick to the real meaning of every one of our social activities.
- > **PARTNERSHIP**: such as the inclination towards considering that the whole is always greater than the sum of its parts and that each achievement is the result of the ability to create deeply-rooted alliances and collaborations.
- > **PARTECIPATION**: such as the integration of several players and levels in the decision-making processes and as regards the management of the activities; such as the necessary involvement of children and youths in the decisions that regards their lives in all intervention contexts.
- > VISION: such as the search for an attentive and far-sighted interpretation of social phenomena, their meanings, scenarios and what they may develop into: such as the pre-figuration and planning that are ready to define important objectives and to project oneself towards new achievements.
- > **LEARNING**: such as the inclination to learn from everything and anything, within any kind of context and condition; such as the commitment undertaken towards monitoring and evaluating activities with the aim of optimizing methodologies and improving results.
- > **PROACTIVITY**: such as the continuous research for solutions for improvement and effective responses; such as the interpretation of life as a great source of opportunities, resources and contacts ready to meet our needs when we seek assistance from them.

Approaches, methodologies, inspirations

APPROACHES AND Pedagogy for the Third Millennium

METHODOLOGY Participative approach

Approach relating to the Rights of the Child

Qualitative approach

APPROACHES AND Preventive approach

INSPIRATIONS Proximity and social cohesion approach

> Systemic approach Intercultural approach

Pedagogy for the Third Millennium

The "Pedagogy for the Third Millennium" Method (PTM), conceived by Patrizio Paoletti and by a team of professionals specialising in different disciplines, aims at elaborating and selecting ideas and tools in order to encourage the development of human potential.

Today, the PTM is a pedagogical system, the incisiveness of which is supported by the results of the psychological research carried out in collaboration with the University of Padua, the neuroscientific research performed with the Bar Ilan and the La Sapienza Universities in Rome, carried out on the different applications of this method, in particular relating to the in-class training of teachers, educators and parents coming from different social and cultural backgrounds.

The encounter with the PTM aims at increasing relational, project and operational skills within the contexts of social interventions, in particular working together with staff in order to learn how to:

- properly represent ongoing events;
- exactly prefigure one's role and perform it independently and competently;
- > be able to change in a changing world;
- > adapt oneself to the required speed of change;
- > show the necessary resilience/flexibility that such change requires.

As regards Pedagogy for the Third Millennium, the role of education is that of supporting the natural desire to learn that is present in every child and in every man. The educator's first duty is therefore that of promulgating the desire to gain knowledge and to that end, the necessary support must be given by means of training with the formation of ideas-an instrument of Observation, Mediation, and Transfer.

The international network

L'Albero della Vita was founded in 1997 in Italy as a Voluntary Association and soon afterwards, in 1998, as a Social Cooperative for the management of social-welfare reception services for minors. In 2004, the establishment of the Foundation aimed at giving impetus to the Italian and international projects, to the communication campaigns, fund-raising events and advocacy actions in Italy.

As from 2010, new legal entities have been established in Europe - firstly in Switzerland and subsequently in the Czech Republic and Slovakia - giving life to an international network aimed at promoting ADV's mission, vision and values in other contexts in the North of the World.

As from 2010, three foreign branch offices of the Italian Foundation have been established in the South of the World: a Liaison Office in India and two operational offices (Branch Offices) in Peru and Kenya.

Affiliated networks

During the course of 2013, L'Albero della Vita has reinforced its presence in terms of networking on the Italian, European and global networks of which it is a member by participating in conferences, initiatives, campaigns and thematic working groups. In particular, 2013 saw L'Albero della Vita involved in the co-organisation of the Eurochild Annual Conference - the most important European network for children - entitled "Building an inclusive Europe: the contribution of children's participation", held in Milan (Italy) from 13th to 15th November. During the course of the year, L'Albero della Vita was also involved in promoting the consolidation of a network of local players regarding the protection of rights for children in the various foreign Countries in which it operates.

L'Albero della Vita strongly believes in the importance of networking in collaboration with other players coming from the private social sector, institutions and universities, by promoting the exchange of good practice as well as experience, by creating partnerships and actively contributing towards to networking advocacy actions in order to give voice to the needs and to contribute towards the definition of laws and policies in favour of well-being, the rights and development of children, both in Italy and throughout the world.

EUROPEAN NETWORKS

EUROCHILD (*)

This was the first European network to promote the rights and well-being of children. It is funded by the European Union, among its members, there are 170 organisations and secondlevel co-ordination groups in 35 countries.

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS PLATFORM

This is a FRA (Fundamental Rights Agency of the European Commission) platform, the objective of which is to encourage the meeting and the exchange among European civil society organisations as regards the issue of human rights..

GLOBAL NETWORK

CRIN

Child Rights Information Network

This global information network deals with the rights of minors; it has over 2,000 members coming from 150 countries (85% NGOs; 75% organisations with their headquarters in Developing Countries).

IFCW

International Forum for Child Welfare

This is a global network of NGOs, institutions and universities that deal with the quality of life during childhood and adolescence. Every year, it organises a world forum to be held in a different country. In 2012, L'Albero della Vita organised a Forum in Naples (Italy).



(*) L'Albero della Vita takes part in this network by having one of its representatives as a member of the governing body.



GOVERNANCE AND RESPONSABILITY

Identity card



Company name Date of establishment Registered office Administrative offices Legal status

ONLUS (socially useful Non-Profit Organisation) NGO (Non-Governmental Organisation)

Tax Code and VAT

L'Albero della Vita Foundation ONLUS 29/07/2004 Piazza Luigi di Savoia, 22 - Milan - Italy Via Vittor Pisani 13 - Milan - Italy Foundation Enrolment in the Milan Prefectural Register 16/02/2005, serial number 576, page 955, volume 3

Status obtained on 22nd February 2005 Recognition of eligibility obtained by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Ministerial Decree of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs N° 2009/337/005408/1 dated 14/12/2009 N° 04504550965

Corporate bodies

PRESIDENT

President until 14th November 2013

President starting from 15th November 2013

Patrizio Paoletti

Abbruzzi Ivano

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

In 2013 Maurizio Montesano held the office of CEO performing administrative functions. As from 24th November, the position of CEO was taken over by the President of the Foundation by means of a resolution of the Board of Directors

BOARD OF AUDITORS

Cirillo Gennaro Enrolled in the Register of Auditors at n° 95123 and (President) published in n° 87 of the Italian Official Gazette on

02/11/1999

Barbara Manfredini Enrolled in the Register of Auditors at n° 79647 and

(Standing statutory auditor) published in supplement n° 50 of the Italian Official Gazette

- IV special edition of 25.06.1999

Amedeo Stangherlin Enrolled in the Register of Auditors at n° 122067, provision

(Standing statutory auditor) dated 27/7/2001 published in supplement n. 67 of the Italian

Official Gazette - IV special edition of 24/08/2001

SUPERVISORY BOARD

Board members in office during 2013 End of term of office

Luca Esposito Merricone (President)08/11/2013Rosanna Manfè(regular member)08/11/2013Ivano Abbruzzi(regular member)08/11/2013

The new supervisory board Assignment

Avv. Paola Polliani(President)30/01/2014Avv. Giuseppe Vaciago(regular member)30/01/2014Avv. Aldo Lopez(regular member)30/01/2014

FOUNDER MEMBER COMMITTEE

L'Albero della Vita Association onlus L'Albero della Vita Social Cooperative Patrizio Paoletti Foundation Patrizio Paoletti Association onlus Abbruzzi Ivano Amadei Marie Therese Galiè Antonella

Gianini Stefano Montesano Maurizio Paoletti Paolo Paoletti Patrizio Pelladoni Laura Selvaggio Antonella Sinigallia Alberto Davide

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Directors holding office during 2013

Paoletti Patrizio (President) Gianini Stefano (Vice-President) Montesano Maurizio (CEO) Galiè Antonella Vaglieco Alfredo Selvaggio Antonella Emilio Vitali

End of term of office

1	4/11/2013
1	4/11/2013
1	9/03/2013
1	4/11/2013
1	4/11/2013
1	4/11/2013
-	31/03/2014

The new Board of Directors

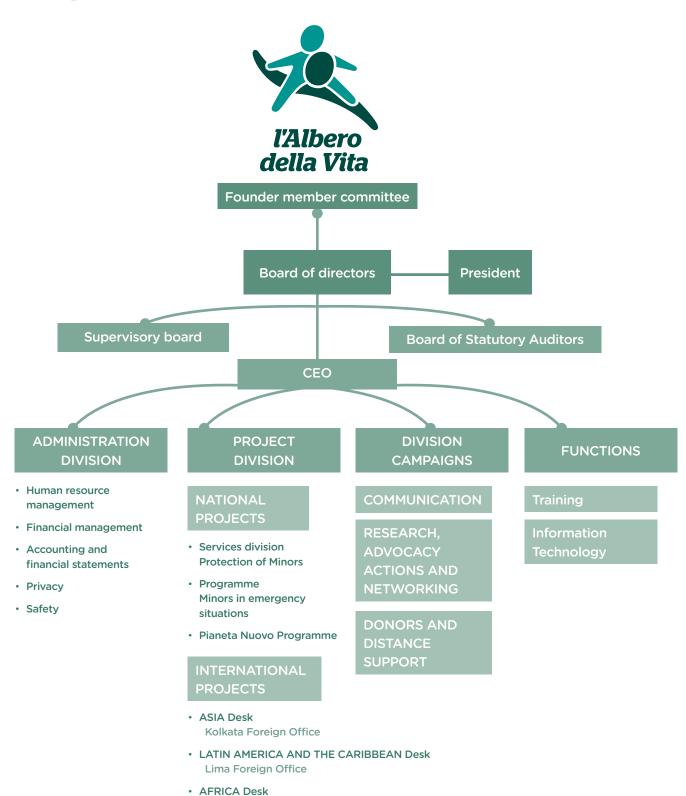
Abbruzzi Ivano (President)
Parenti Giuliana (Vice-President)
Valloggia Roberta
Zambaldo Ilaria
Francesco Merolla
Barbara Delfini

To be appointed

15/11/2013
15/11/2013
15/11/2013
15/11/2013
15/04/2014
23/05/2014



Organization Chart



Nairobi Foreign Office

Ethical code and administrative responsibility

L'Albero della Vita promotes the values that form the basis of its activities and it guarantees the implementation of such by means of an **Ethical Code** that was approved by the Board of Directors in 2009. The Code is based on the founding principles of – INTEGRITY, THE QUALITY OF PEOPLE, THE IMPORTANCE OF COLLABORATIONS– and within this document the following is defined:

- 1. GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF CONDUCT: compliance with laws; the safeguarding of the quality of organisation efficiency as well as the Foundation's reputation and image; respect, honesty and integrity; correctness; co-operation and collaboration; effectiveness; responsibility, the control and professional growth of people; as well as a few provisions relating to the protection of work places and environments.
- 2. GUIDELINES RELATING TO RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTERNAL ENTITIES AND THE LOCAL COMMUNITY: comprehension of the context; knowledge of the needs and characteristics of the entities and the relative partners; effective, transparent communication; relationships with the media.
- 3. GUIDELINES FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND CORRECT GOVERNANCE: the guarantee for good administration (accounting records and reports); safeguarding of the transparency and control of the institutional activities; ensuring best practice in selecting beneficiaries; regulations regarding donations and orders issued to suppliers.

At the same time in which the Ethical Code was being formalised, in 2009, L'Albero della Vita decided to equip itself with a **management control system** for the prevention of crime, in accordance with what is specified by Legislative Decree n° 231 entitled "Regulations governing the administrative responsibility of legal persons, Companies and associations, including those with or without legal personality" dated 8th June 2001, that introduced a regime of administrative responsibility of Entities for certain crimes into the Italian legal system (expressly stated in Articles 24 et seq.) if committed in the interest or to the advantage of the Entities by individuals that, de facto, either manage or control the Entity, or by their subordinates.

The Organisation, Management and Control Model implemented have a preventive function and the **Supervisory Board**, elected by the Board of Directors is in charge of ensuring that this is complied with.



AREAS Of INTERVENTION

L'Albero della Vita has always been committed to protecting minors from situations of serious vulnerability, focusing above all on the prevention, aimed at reducing life risks caused by phenomena such as violence, national or international of children. child labour, infanticide, physical and psychological abuse, negligence caused by adults, extreme forms of poverty, the use of child-soldiers in war areas.

L'Albero della Vita works especially in favour of children and youths who live in situations of personal, family and social fragility, often outside their original family environment and who run the risk of falling prey to child prostitution, organised crime or any form of social deviance.



L'Albero della Vita gives great importance to the education of children and youths, providing them with stimuli in order to grow, most importantly guaranteeing them access to elementary and secondary education: where institutions, communities and families do not sufficiently safeguard this right; in fact, the organisation aims to provide an incentive towards school-attendance together with various activities regarding the prevention and fighting against the phenomenon of early-school leaving. In full awareness of the fact that, especially in poor environments, education is the real key to development.

The educational commitment of L'Albero della Vita can also be seen through development and global education with the aim of providing young people and those who care for them with stimuli and tools in order to better understand themselves in their relationship with the outside world which we belong to and with which we relate to in a global dimension.



L'Albero della Vita pays a great deal of attention to significant migratory phenomena associated with climatic, economic and geo-political change that have influenced mankind in our historical period.

Our organisation is fully aware of how much these phenomena are affecting these migrant and/ or transnational families and it tries to safeguard individuals who are more fragile and face the threat of social exclusion: minors who have difficulties of social integration as well as the left-behind children (children who have been left behind by their migrant parents, often in inadequate conditions).



L'Albero della Vita undertakes to **fight against poverty** and its effects in those regions of the world characterised by social and economic disparities as well as infrastructural deficiencies, by carrying out operations in order to ensure human rights of primary importance such as safety and food sovereignty, access to adequate medical treatment, to water and healthcare services. Moreover, it promotes social and community development by means of the empowerment of women and families, it provides support for income-generating activities and the resilience of communities frequently hit by humanitarian emergencies.





SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES





Educational and residential support for disadvantaged children in South 24 Parganas District- West Bengal, India



Project description

The objective of the project was to prevent and reduce early school leaving and to promote the completion of the secondary school education of 459 children coming from poor and socially-excluded families' resident within the suburban and rural areas to the South of Calcutta, within the South 24 Parganas District (West Bengal - India). This project lasted for the entire 2013 academic year.

The project raised the families' awareness of the importance of education and they were provided with financial aid in order to meet with school expenses (tax and fees, books, educational material and school uniforms). Moreover, the project supports children in the learning process in order to improve their performance and to reduce the risk of having to repeat the school year thanks to an after-school lessons and tutoring programme preparing the students to face examinations.

Beneficiaries 459 minors aged between 7 and 18 belonging to socially and economically

disadvantaged families

PUS Partner

City West Bengal - India

Duration 12 months 73.373 € 2013 cost 80.444€ Total cost

L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD) Funding

HEALTH-RELATED ASPECT OF THE PROJECT

Health and Nutritional Assistance and Communicable Disease Prevention for Disadvantaged children in South 24 Parganas District - West Bengal, India.

Project description

The health-related aspect of the project proposed to improve the health conditions of the 459 children taken care of with the aim of supporting their full physical and cognitive development. The project provides food support for children in the after-school centres and it ensures regular medical check-ups in order to monitor the children's health conditions and to supply drugs and treatment in case of need. Last but not least, the project spreads regulations and basic good practices on the subject of hygiene, the transmission of illnesses and water management among the children.



Educational support for disadvantaged children in South 24 Parganas District, West Bengal, India



Project description

Thanks to the Distance support tool, the project creates the ideal conditions so that 429 children coming from poor families in conditions of social exclusion can complete their studies. The project helps the families to pay education-related costs (tax or fees, books and educational material, uniforms) and their awareness is raised towards the importance of education for their children's future. On the other hand, it directly supports the children in their studies, guaranteeing a service including after-school lessons and preparation for the exams in order to increase their performance, it reduces the risk of having to repeat the school year and it avoids early school leaving.

Beneficiaries 429 minors between the ages of 7 and 18 belonging to socially and

economically disadvantaged families

Partner **NISHTHA**

City South 24 Parganas District, West Bengal, India

12 months 40.039 € 2013 cost 65.681€ Total cost

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

HEALTH-RELATED ASPECT OF THE PROJECT

Health and Nutritional Assistance and Communicable Disease Prevention for Disadvantaged children in South 24 Parganas District - West Bengal, India.

Project description

Apart from the educational aspect, the Child Sponsorship Programme (SAD) provides nutritional and medical support for 429 children assisted, with the aim of favouring the full physical and cognitive development of these children. For this purpose, the project gives daily nutritional support to the children in the after-school centres and it organises a monitoring system of the growth and health conditions of the children that ensures medical check-ups, treatment and drugs - when necessary. The project promotes good hygienic and healthcare practices that contribute towards the reduction of the occurrence of the most common illnesses associated with water, hygiene and the healthiness of the environment...

Educational and residential support for disadvantaged minors in 5 Districts in West Bengal, India



Project description

Thanks to the educational aspect of the Child Sponsorship Programme support tool, the project intends to favour the primary education of the children coming from poor families in conditions of social exclusion. In order to break down the barriers relating to the completion of their studies, the project helps the families of 744 minors to pay education costs (tax or fees, books and educational material, uniforms), including access to accommodation services. Apart from this, the project contributes towards the improvement of the children's performance thanks to the after-school, tutoring services as well as assistance in preparing for exams.

Beneficiaries 744 minors aged between 4 and 18, belonging to socially and economically

disadvantaged families

Partner Don Bosco Development Society Kolkata (DB/DOC)

City 5 districts in West Bengal: Kolkata, Mushidabad, Nadia, Darjeeling,

North 24 Parganas

 Duration
 12 months

 2013 cost
 143.916 €

 Total cost
 167.471 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

HEALTH-RELATED ASPECT OF THE PROJECT

Health and Nutritional Assistance and Communicable Disease Prevention for Disadvantaged Minors in 5 Districts of West Bengal, India.

Project description

The health and nutritional aspects of the Child Sponsorship Programme (SAD) intend to improve or maintain the ideal health conditions of the 744 children assisted with the aim of guaranteeing their growth and full physical and cognitive development. Inside the residential facilities, the project ensures the children the provision of daily meals, while outside these facilities, the nutritional support of the children is guaranteed within the facilities where the after-school lessons are held. Regular medical check-ups monitor the state of health of these children, allowing the necessary intervention in case of illness and the need for treatment and assistance.

Educational and residential support for disadvantaged minors in Jalpaiguri District West Bengal, India



Project description

The aim of the project is to prevent and reduce the phenomenon of early school leaving and to promote the completion of secondary school education of 486 minors most of who come from the families of labourers who work in the plantations in the Dhupquri area, in the Jalpaiguri District. The project helps the poorest families to pay education costs, including residential service; it also raises their awareness as regards the importance of education for children and it supports their studies thanks to after-school lessons as well as preparation to face exams in order to increase their performance and to reduce them having to repeat the school year.

Beneficiaries 1.036 minors (486 children assisted thanks to distance support and 550 were

> supported without recourse to distance support yet who attends evening school) aged between 6 and 18, belonging to socially and economically

disadvantaged families

Santa Teresa Provincial Delegation of Carmelite Fathers Partner

Dhupguri Block, Jalpaiguri District City

12 months 107.287 € 2013 cost 130.638 € Total cost

L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD) Funding

HEALTH-RELATED ASPECT OF THE PROJECT

Health and Nutritional Assistance and Communicable Disease Prevention for Minors in Jalpaiguri - West Bengal, India

Project description

Child Sponsorship Programme (SAD) mechanism with the aim of guaranteeing the growth and full development during the years of their education. The project provides a monitoring system of the state of health and nutrition of the children that includes periodic medical check-ups and treatment in case of need together with daily nutritional support for the children within the residential facilities and that of a periodic nature for those who live elsewhere.

Educational support for disadvantaged minors in Karbi Anglong District - Assam, India



Project description

The project developed within the context of the Child Sponsorship Programme. As regards its educational aspect, the project intends to prevent the early school leaving of children coming from the poorest families of the area by helping them to pay the education-related costs (enrolment fees, uniforms, books, educational material) while increasing the awareness of the importance of education throughout the community. Moreover, the project supports the children in their studies right from a pre-school age, by means of setting-up a kindergarten service for 60 children aged between 2 and 6. As for older children, after-school lessons and support in preparation for exams are provided.

Beneficiaries 520 children, 100 directly supported and 420 indirectly supported

Partner Santa Teresa Provincial Delegation of Carmelite Fathers
City Koilamati area, Karbi Anglong District, Assam State, India

 Duration
 12 months

 2013 cost
 29.506 €

 Total cost
 59.013 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

HEALTH-RELATED ASPECT OF THE PROJECT

Health and Nutritional Assistance and Communicable Disease Prevention for Disadvantaged Minors in District of Karbi Anglong District - Assam, India

Project description

The project developed within the context of the Child Sponsorship Programme. As regards its health-related aspect, the aim of the project is to maintain an adequate state of health and nutrition of the children and to favour their regular growth as well as to help them in their studies. The project helps to guarantee a regular meal for all children attending kindergarten as well as the distribution of nutritional products for the older children. The project implemented a constant monitoring system of the children's state of health and so it was possible to intervene in case of illness. Finally, the project encourages good hygienic practices among the children to be carried out throughout their daily lives.





Project description

The project developed within the context of the Child Sponsorship Programme. The area covered by the project is one of the most vulnerable in India as regards natural disasters. The Sunderban people live scattered on hundreds of islands: it is difficult to reach schools, hospitals and the city.

For this reason, as regards its educational aspect, the project implemented a residential service for children coming from remote villages, allowing them to attend schools and to benefit from educational support. Moreover, the project helps families pay education-related costs (enrolment fees, uniforms, books, educational material)

Beneficiaries 50 children aged between 5 and 10 Partner Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur (PUS)

Mathurapur I block, Sundarban region, South 24 Parganas District City

West Bengal, India

12 months Duration 17.932 € 2013 cost Total cost 39.260 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

HEALTH-RELATED ASPECT OF THE PROJECT

Health and Nutritional Assistance and Communicable Disease Prevention for disadvantaged children in Sunderban area of South 24 Parganas District - West Bengal, India

Project description

The project develops within the context of the Child Sponsorship Programme. As regards its health-related aspect, the aim of the project is to guarantee the maintenance, relating to the benefitting children, of an adequate state of health and nutrition and to favour the regular growth as well as to help them in their studies. The project foresees guaranteeing regular meals to children resident in the centre and it implements a periodic check-up system of the state of health of the children assisted. Finally, the project promotes good hygienic practices among children to be carried out throughout their daily lives.



Capacity Development of MCS for Immediate Action Against Disaster and Education-Friendly Services



Project description

Project description

The aim of the project is to make the Mount Carmel School of the Carmelite Fathers in Dhupguri a safer and better-equipped environment where to carry out the educational activities for children attending primary and secondary schools. The main infrastructural interventions to be carried out are: the implementation of safety measures within the school to protect against the overflowing of the river behind the school thanks to construction of new embankments, the installation of a fire prevention system; the creation and the outfitting of science, physics and IT labs; the creation of two basketball courts; the levelling of the main access drive to the school.

557 children who attend the Mount Carmel School of the Carmelite Fathers Beneficiaries

in Dhupguri

Partner Santa Teresa Provincial Delegation of Carmelite Fathers

St. Paul Centre, Dhupguri, Jalpaiguri District, West Bengal - India City

3 years 2013 cost 7.500 € Total cost 45.971€

L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD) Funding

Training course for teachers working within the schools under FADV sponsorship programme



Project description

L'Albero della Vita Foundation, in collaboration with its pedagogical partner Patrizio Paoletti Foundation, organises training programmes on pedagogical techniques and the educational process for the personnel of its partner organisations and the teachers of the Child Sponsorship Programme (SAD). The training course is carried out by specialised trainers based on a multiannual training programme.

Beneficiaries 170 teachers and coordination personnel of the Child Sponsorship

Programme (SAD)

Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur (PUS) Partner

> Nishtha **DBDOC**

City South 24 Parganas and Kolkata districts - West Bengal - India

Duration 12 months 29.553 € 2013 cost 30.000 € Total cost

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

Empowerment of tribal women through vocational training on stitching



Project description

This project proposes to provide technical and practical training in tailoring for 102 girls and women (18-25 years of age) coming from the tribal areas of the tea plantation area of Dhupguri. The project uses professional training as a tool for the social emancipation of the women who, thanks to this course in tailoring, can safely gain access to the labour market, earn an income and consequently gain greater independence and more power over decisions that influence their own lives.

Beneficiaries 102 teenage girls and women aged between 18 and 35
Partner Santa Teresa Provincial Delegation of Carmelite Fathers

City St. Paul Centre, Dhupguri, Jalpaiguri district, West Bengal - India

 Duration
 3 years

 2013 cost
 8.000 €

 Total cost
 69.242 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

Community participatory approach to fight against communicable diseases through home based sanitation



Project description

The project intervention aims at reducing the incidence of communicable and water-related illnesses – especially malaria – by improving hygienic and healthcare infrastructures of the village of Lakikanto where mainly labourers who work in the tea plantations live, in conditions of poverty and social exclusion. Moreover, the project intends to increase the beneficiaries' capabilities to prevent and face the main health problems associated with water and the healthiness of the environment. The project has seen the building of 140 lavatories and 140 hand pumps installed on concrete platforms fitted with an adequate drainage system for the unused water.

Beneficiaries 140 families in Lakikanto

Partner Santa Teresa Provincial Delegation of Carmelite Fathers

City St. Paul Centre, Dhupguri, Jalpaiguri District, West Bengal - India

 Duration
 3 years

 2013 cost
 10.750 €

 Total cost
 57.263 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

Women Empowerment and Livelihood Development Through Livestock



Project description

The aim of the project is to contribute towards fighting against the poverty of the tribal families in the tea plantation areas thanks to the promotion of domestic animal rearing micro-activities. Therefore, the project foresees the creation of domestic infrastructures and enclosures where courtyard animals are kept alongside the training of beneficiary families, especially the women, as regards the animal rearing and sales techniques. At the same time, the project implements awareness-raising activities relating to the correct nutrition of children among the beneficiary mothers.

300 families within the villages of Lakikanto, Dhupguri, Gairkata and Huldibari Beneficiaries

Partner Santa Teresa Provincial Delegation of Carmelite Fathers

St. Paul Centre, Dhupguri, Jalpaiguri District, West Bengal - India City

Duration 28 months 3.005 € 2013 cost Total cost 46.000 €

L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD) Funding

Income Generation Program (IGP) Support for the disadvantaged woman from rural communities in South 24 Parganas District, **West Bengal**



Project description

The aim of the project is to fight against the poverty of the beneficiary families by promoting the role of women in the development of income-generating activities. The women benefitting from the project activities will receive training and support in order for them to create functional mutual-aid groups so as to create a community savings and loan system. This allows everyone to set-up micro-activities thanks to which they can contribute to the family income and obtain greater decision-making power as regards issues relating to their own family. The project carries out a significant in-training action on the beneficiaries as regards the public social protection schemes to which they are entitled and on the relative access methods.

Beneficiaries 400 vulnerable families residing in 9 villages in the Sonarpur block

Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur (PUS) Partner

South 24 Parganas, West Bengal - Sonarpur block City

Duration 3 years 22.836 € 2013 cost 89.696 € Total cost

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

Home Based Sanitation Project Support for the disadvantaged Communities in the districts of South 24 Parganas, West Bengal



Project description

With the aim of contributing towards the improvement of the state of health of the 350 beneficiary families within 8 villages of the 24 South Parganas district to the south of Calcutta, the project foresees the installation of domestic lavatories co-funded by the beneficiary families, their training on the use and maintenance of the infrastructures as well as raising the awareness of the community as regards good hygienic and health-related practices.

Beneficiaries 350 families
Partner NISHTHA

City South 24 Parganas, West Bengal - Sonarpur block

 Duration
 3 years

 2013 cost
 18.491 €

 Total cost
 98.606 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)

Improved water sources and water management for Karbi communities in Koilamati, Assam



Project description

The project intends to improve the access to safe water sources for the Karbi people with the aim of preventing the outbreak and diffusion of water-related illnesses, especially malaria, intestinal infections and skin diseases. In the two-year period, the project proposes to restore the duct that brings water to the villages downstream, to prepare a tap system and long-lasting, safe water collection points. In the remotest villages, the project will be able to guarantee safe water thanks to 10 hand pumps installed on concrete bases which will be accessible also to people with special needs.

Beneficiaries 1000 families in the Koila Mati area

Partner Santa Teresa Provincial Delegation of Carmelite Fathers
City Koilamati area, Karbi Anglong District, Assam State, India

 Duration
 24 months

 2013 cost
 12.504 €

 Total cost
 42.093 €

Funding FADV 25.000 € - Calcutta Mission 17.000 €

Day care centre:

support for Disabled and Cerebral Palsy children in South 24 Parganas District



Project description

The project is aimed at alleviating social exclusion and negligence in which the most part of disabled children live. Therefore it supports the activities carried out by a day centre where 50 children with various types of physical and mental disabilities can have access to a physiotherapy service with specialised equipment and professional personnel. Moreover, the project staff works together with the caregivers - mothers and fathers - in order to improve their capacity to provide care thanks both to the training carried out at the centre and during the home visits, as well as to increase access to the public social protection schemes to which they are entitled.

Beneficiaries 50 children suffering from physical or cognitive disabilities

Partner

City South 24 Parganas District, West Bengal - Baruipur and Joynagar blocks

Duration 3 years 2013 cost 7.959 € 40.000€ Total cost

L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD) Funding

Prevention of Trafficking of Disadvantaged Girl children in the District of South 24 Parganas, **West Bengal**



Project description

The project proposes to prevent and fight against the trafficking of children and small girls in 10 villages of the South 24 Parganas District, especially by means of in-training activities and raising the awareness of children and youths in 9 schools, promoted by peer-topeer approaches both at school and in the villages. At a community level, the project has reinforced child protection mechanisms, increasing the awareness of the target communities as regards the dynamics of child trafficking and the risk situations, therefore facilitating the establishment of local children protection committees. A key tool of the project is the manual for youths on trafficking, that is, how to prevent it and how to react in case of abuse.

Beneficiaries 6.000 teenage girls and 60 younger girls

Partner **NISHTHA**

South 24 Parganas - Mograhat Block City

Duration 3 years 9.438 € 2013 cost 45.490 € Total cost

L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD) Funding

Emergency fund for the medical treatment of children with life-threatening illnesses



Project description

The Emergency Fund (EF) is a fund that puts economic resources at the disposal of the partner organisations with the aim of providing medical assistance to children suffering from serious health problems. Every single case identified during the course of the project is monitored during the diagnostic, treatment/care, rehabilitation and convalescence stages. Moreover, the project staff supports the family in order for them to acquire the necessary skills to care for the child throughout all stages and it contributes towards putting the family into contact with the networks and resources available in that territory.

Beneficiaries The Emergency Fund is at the disposal of seriously ill children aged between

0 and 18.

Partners Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur (PUS) - Don Bosco Development Society,

Calcutta

City West Bengal

Duration 2 years 2013 cost 0 €

Total cost 20.000 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Child Sponsorship Programme - SAD)



Support networks development for the prevention of early marriage among disadvantaged girls in West Bengal



Project description

With the aim of contributing towards the reduction of the harmful practice of child marriage as well as the reinforcement of the child protection system within the Murshidabad district, the project combines three elements: it reinforces the personal skills of the youths, so that they are able to acquire greater negotiating power as regards the decisions that affect their lives; it promotes community dialogue, in order to increase the in-training activities on the negative consequences of child marriage and to promote positive examples of girls who by delaying the age in which they marry - have completed their studies and have improved their social status; it increases the collaboration among the several players involved in child protection, including local protection committees.

2.700 direct beneficiaries, divided as follows: 2.000 youths aged between 11 Beneficiaries

> and 15 who attend the schools that have been chosen to take part in the project; 200 young girls who receive individual counselling; 60 young girls aged between 16 and 18 who receive professional training; 5 members of the Gram Panchayat; 5 members of the local police force as well as another 20

stakeholders.

Partner Don Bosco Development Society Calcutta

Bankura District - West Bengal City

24 months

2013 cost 0€

40.000 € Total cost

L'Albero della Vita Foundation Funding



Means of transport for disabled children within the Bankura District



Project description

Thanks to a donation received from the L'Albero della Vita Foundation, it has been possible to equip the Kenduadihi Bikash Society Centre for disabled children with a new school bus to allow the disabled children to reach the centre to attend school for assistance and to participate in training activities.

Beneficiaries 91 disabled children coming from economically and socially vulnerable

families in Bankura

Partner Kenduadihi Bikash Society (KBS)
City Bankura District - West Bengal

Duration 12 months

2013 cost 0 € Total cost 8.630 €

Funding Calcutta Mission (7.000 €)

Contribution made by KBS partner (1.630 €)

Physiotherapy support for children with disabilities and cognitive disorders within the South 24 Parganas District



Project description

Thanks to a donation received from the L'Albero della Vita Foundation, together with its own economic resources, it has been possible to equip the PUS day centre for disabled children in Baruipur with a hydrotherapy tub, a treadmill, an electronically-reclining table, a Gunthrie Smith Frame, tutors and audio-visual material products regarding physiotherapy and the training of the beneficiary mothers.

Beneficiaries 50 children with physical or mental disabilities that regularly attend the

centre in Baruipur

Partner Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur (PUS)
City South 24 Parganas District - West Bengal

Duration 12 months

2013 cost 0 € Total cost 9.738 €

Funding Calcutta Mission (8.000 €)

L'Albero della Vita Foundation (1.738 €)

Projects in Latin America and the Caribbean



TOTAL N° OF PROJECTS

Developing Andean Community 1: promotion of sustainable development in the Pamparomás rural district - Phase 1 (PERU)



Project description

The project intends to implement an eco-sustainable production and consumption model within 25 Andean communities within the Pamparomás Rural District that ensures the increase of the beneficiaries' incomes as well as food safety. Such objective is reached by means of the installation of drip and spray irrigation systems, the training of the "campesinos" of the community as regards the agro-ecological management of the plot of land as well as the recovery of the Andean traditional products and the promotion of a safe, healthy diet for the Campesino families. Moreover, the project foresees global education itineraries in Italy in order to raise the awareness of the local people as regards the importance of environmental protection and the promotion of the Andean traditional culture.

Direct 150 family groups composed of 300 adults (150 fathers and 150 mothers), beneficiaries: 600 sons and daughters and 450 relatives

belonging to the family group.

These people are "Quechua Campesinos" resident in the 25 target

communities situated in the Andean area of Pamparomás, along several agro-

ecological levels situated between 2.000 and 3.700 metres high.

Final 780 family groups (for a total of 5.200 people) belonging to the 25 target beneficiaries: communities + 3.200 people are residing in the district that can have indirect

access to new agro-ecological and zootechnical technologies. Moreover, 5.000 citizens of the Lombardy Region and the Peruvians residing within the Lombardy region may take part directly or who will indirectly receive information through the conferences and the photographic exhibition

organised during the course of the project.

Partners Junta De Desarrollo Distrital De

Pamparomás - JDDP

Pamparomás Municipal government ONG ANDES- Asociación Andina de

Desarrollo Sostenible Civil Association Alianza para el Desarrollo Tumi

ADTUMI (Italo-Peruvian NGO with its

headquarters in Milan - Italy)

City Rural district of Pamparomás

 Duration
 2 years

 2013 cost
 6.707 €

 Total cost
 270.586 €

Funding Cariplo Foundation: 120.000 €

L'Albero della Vita: 83.302 €

Others: 68.284 €



Developing Andean Community 2: promotion of sustainable development in the Pamparomás rural district - Phase 2 (PERU)



Project description

The project intends to create an eco-sustainable production and consumption model within the context of a local development process that ensures the increase of income and food safety within the rural district of Pamparomás. The project is carried out in 17 rural communities within the Province of Huaylas with farming families belonging to the most vulnerable social group's resident within the Andean communities. Such objective is reached by means of the installation of drip and spray irrigation systems, the training of the "campesinos" of the community as regards the agro-ecological management of the plot of land as well as the recovery of the Andean traditional products and the promotion of a safe, healthy diet for the "Campesino" families.

Beneficiaries The direct beneficiaries of the project are 102 family groups composed of

> 204 adults, 450 sons and daughters and 450 relatives belonging to the same family groups. These people are "Campesinos" and belong to the Quechua ethnic minority that is resident within the 17 target communities situated in the Andean area of Pamparomás, along several agro-ecological levels

situated between 2.000 and 3.700 metres high.

Junta De Desarrollo Distrital De Pamparomás - JDDP Partners

> Provincial municipality of Huaylas NGO ANDES- Asociación Andina de

Desarrollo Sosteniblenible

Peru - Ancash Region - Huaylas Province City

Pamparomás District

2 years 92.461€ 2013 cost 319.000 € Total cost IEC Funding CEI 130.000 €

FADV 86.740 € Others 102.260 €



Help Haiti's people in the poorest slum Whaf Jeremie of Port-au-Prince - phase 2 (HAITI)



Project description

The project provides medical assistance to the people in the Whaf Jeremie Slum, the poorest slum in Haiti with 50.000 people who live in an extremely degraded environment which does not even have any basic infrastructures.

This project reinforces the work carried out by the missionary Sister Marcella Catozza who manages the Clinica San Franswa, the only medical facility in Whaf Jeremie.

L'Albero della Vita Foundation provides the clinic with the necessary equipment and it bears the costs relating to the normal medical and healthcare assistance activities in favour of the local people. Moreover, the project supports the Nutrition Programme, providing RUTF Ready to Use Therapeutic Food, for undernourished children. Lastly, the project deals with the promotion of the Rights of the child, by involving and motivating youths who are resident in the Slum and encouraging them to take measures so as to prevent violence against children.

Beneficiaries 5.000 children as well as 3.000 youths and adults who live in the Whaf

Jeremie slum who have the Clinica San Franswa as their only access to medical assistance, 5.000 children who receive nutritional assistance thanks

to programmes implemented by the clinic. 3.000 families who receiv

information and have their awareness raised as regards the Rights of the Child. The Franciscan Missionary Fraternity (FFM) of Sister Marcella Catozza plays

an active role during all the project implementation stages (processing, per

formance, monitoring and assessment).

Apostolic Nunciature of Haiti

City Whaf Jeremie, Port-au-Prince

 Duration
 12 months

 2013 cost
 64.500 €

 Total cost
 185.400 €

Partners

Funding Peretti Foundation: 40.000 €

L'Albero della Vita Foundation: 62.700 €

Franciscan Missionary Fraternity

(FFM): 82.700 €



Projects in Africa



Sustainable livelihoods for vulnerable slum dwellers in Nairobi slums: bamboo micro-enterprise support and urban farming for poverty reduction and environmental conservation (KENYA)



Project description

The initiative intends to enhance the value of the use of bamboo within the Nairobi slums not only as an income-generating resource but also as a strategy in order to fight against the environmental problem that puts the health of the most vulnerable people, such as women and children at risk.

Moreover, this project proposes to create a training centre within the slum in Korogocho and to reinforce the training of the one that already exists in Huruma in order to offer new employment opportunities for young people and women training them as regards the appropriate techniques relating to bamboo cultivation and processing, with the aim of obtaining many different furnishing items. At the same time, the intervention foresees an aspect of urban agriculture for private use on the premises of the primary school near Korogocho, thanks to which vegetable gardens were created in sacks above ground level involving both the students and their families.

Beneficiaries Direct beneficiaries: 500 families within the slum in Korogocho

Final beneficiaries: inhabitants with the slums of Korogocho and Huruma.

Partners COOPI Kenya

Other organisations, formal and informal groups that are operational within the slums and government departments,

in particular: Kenya Bamboo Centre (KBC); Legend Youth Information Organization; Family Hope Charity; National Environment Management Authority (NEMA); Cefa;

Combonian Fathers of the Slum

in Korogocho (Nairobi).

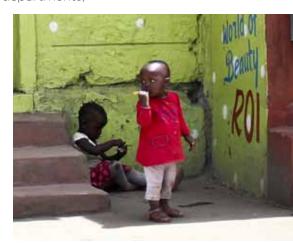
City Slums in Korogocho and Huruma (Nairobi)

Duration12 months2013 cost29.072 €Total cost77.581 €

Funding SFD € 30.000

L'Albero della Vita Foundation 30.881 €

COOPI 9.900 € (valued) Beneficiaries 6.800 € (valued)



Livelihood Diversification in Arid and Semi-Arid Lands: Integrated Rural Development Programme in Samburu County - Kenya



Project description

The project intends to contribute to the improvement of the means of sustenance as well as food and nutritional safety of the Samburu and Turkana pastoral communities in the Arid and Semi-Arid areas of the County of Samburu, located in northern Kenya. In this context, the strategy of the project foresees the integration of an Integrated Agricultural System (IAS) based on the interaction of elements of agriculture, forestry, rearing and apiculture with the aim of making the best use of the available resources in order to create development and income-generating opportunities, minimising any impact on the environment. At the core of the IAS, there is the constitution of the community agro-pastoral Committees that have the purpose of reinforcing the local capabilities of promoting development dynamics, through a bottom-up approach, and to establish self-mutual aid dynamics throughout the communities.

Beneficiaries Direct beneficiaries:

year 1 - 100 families for a total of 600 people

year 2 - 120 families year 3 - 140 families A total of 2.160 people

Final beneficiaries: 24.000 people, or rather the entire population

of the target communities of Lodungokwe,

Maralal and Tuum

Collective Community Action (CCA): Partners

Dioceses of Maralal; Fathers of Yarumal;

Caritas Maralal;

Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock

of the County of Samburu.

County of Samburu, specifically in the Maralal, City

Lodungokwe and Tuum districts

3 years 40.000€ 2013 cost 130.000 € Total cost

Caritas Italiana 90.000 € Funding

Collective Community Action (CCA) 10.000 €

L'Albero della Vita Foundation 30.000 €



Towards a Community-based Child Care Approach: Intervention at the Governmental Children's Institutions in Kenya



Project description

This proposal has the aim of contributing to the improvement of existing services within the public reception centre for minors in Kenya. In these centres, many children and youths live in inadequate conditions due to the lack of appropriate facilities and services. The project therefore aims at reinforcing and improving the quality of the services provided both through the implementation of training modules for the personnel who deal with the care of such minors:

- by means of new basic services provided within the institutes such as psychological counselling and education
- through the rehabilitation and equipping of the infrastructures. Moreover, the intervention focuses on the process of recovery and reintegration of the minor following the conclusion of his rehabilitation process.

Beneficiaries

Partners

Direct beneficiaries: 450 children in the 3 governmental institutes in Kenya:

- 120 in the Nairobi Children's Rescue Centre involving children aged between 0 and 6
- 160 in the Wamumu Rehabilitation School

- 170 in the Kabete Rehabilitation School involving children aged between 7 $\,$

and 17

- 120 government personnel either employed or working on a voluntary basis within the 3 reception centres. Collective Community Action (CCA);

Kenyan Governmental Department for the care and protection of minors (Department of Children's Services,

Ministry of Labour).

City Kenya: Counties of Nairobi and Kirinyaga

 Duration
 21 months

 2013 cost
 30.192 €

 Total cost
 65.258 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation 49.267 €

CCA: 2.562 € Others: 13.428 €



Mother and child survival in Korogocho and Kayole slums



Project description

The project intends to be a solution to the high maternal and infant mortality rates in the capital city of Kenya, Nairobi, by working in the most vulnerable areas, that is, in the slums of the city. The project is based on two pillars: an infrastructural aspect that foresees the restructuring of the ground floor of the clinic in Kayole where there is the first operating theatre for caesarean sections and complicated births created during the previous project; a mortality prevention aspect by means of the mother-child survival programme, implemented through a network of community healthcare professionals who go, from house to house, to examine the pregnant women and their children, intervening in case of malnutrition and undernourishment, explaining to the women the importance of prevention, nutrition and vaccinations.

3.000 pregnant women and 3.000 children (approx. 1.200 of these will be Beneficiaries

> included in the nutritional programme) identified within the slums who will be included in the Mother and Child Survival programme during the two-year

project.

15 healthcare professionals working within the community clinics in the slums that will receive training on the subjects of reproductive health, nutrition as

well as pre and post-natal care.

Indirect beneficiaries will include all inhabitants of the two slums in Korogocho and Kayole, estimated to be around 650.000 people.

Provide International; Partners

African Population Health Research Centre (APHRC);

Kenyan Ministry of Health

Slums in Korogocho and Kayole in Nairobi City

22 months Duration 34.997 € 2013 cost 87.805€ Total cost

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation 47.936 €

Provide International: 39.323 €

Private donors: 545 €



Democratic Republic of Congo "Education, healthcare and food security for children in M'Budi and Mpila slums, Kinshasa.



Project description

The project aims at guaranteeing continuous and long-term support to minors who attend the Groupe Scolaire Tshiseleka both by means of the implementation of a series of interventions aimed at the completion of the cycle of primary and middle school education, and through the organisation of recreational activities planned within the context of an after-school lesson service.

Part of the project is also dedicated to the professional training of the school staff guaranteed by the Patrizio Paoletti Association ONLUS.

Moreover, this intervention offers basic healthcare assistance services to the 612 students of the Groupe Scolaire Tshiseleka thanks to an agreement made with the Mozart Polyclinic.

612 children and youths aged between 6 and 18.

Approximately one third of the children taken into consideration within the catchment area (the students attending the Groupe Scolaire Kinshasa), in ordinary conditions, cannot afford to pay for primary or secondary education

due to the high rate of poverty per capita of the heads of the families calculated in relation to the national poverty threshold of the family to which

they belong.

100% of the same sample taken into consideration did not have the possibility

to avail of primary healthcare assistance that is not free of charge.

Groupe Scolaire Tshiseleka, Patrizio Paoletti Foundation; Embassy of the Partners

> Democratic Republic of Congo in Italy; The Congolese primary and secondary school called "Groupe Scolaire Tshiseleka"; Education Centre for Everyone (CEPT- Centro Educazione Per Tutti) of which the Groupe Scolaire Tshiseleka

is a member.

City Mont N'Gafula, Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo

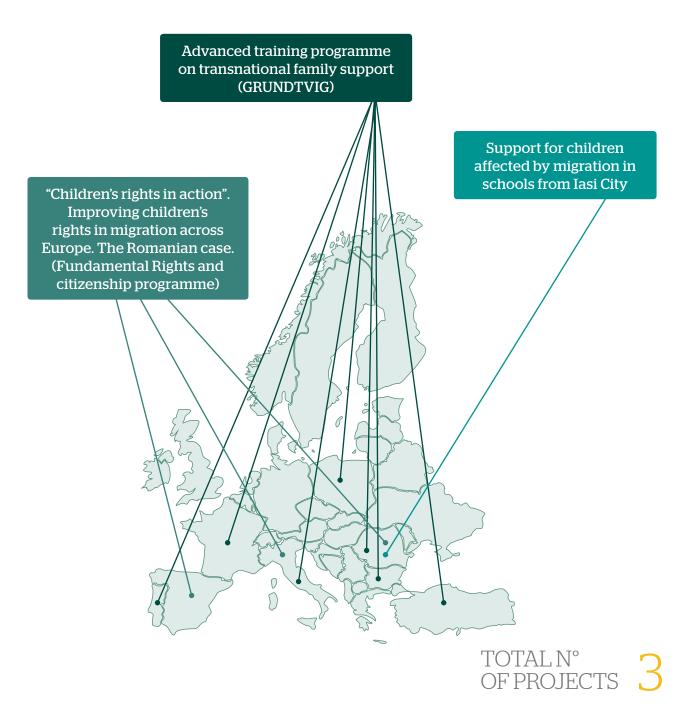
12 months 2013 cost 43.385 €





SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN FIJROPE

Projects in Europe



"CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IN ACTION". IMPROVING CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IN MIGRATION ACROSS EUROPE. THE ROMANIAN CASE. (FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND CITIZENSHIP PROGRAMME)

Project description

Understanding the needs of minors who have migrated from Romania to Spain and Italy in order to develop good practices and to reduce their vulnerability by protecting their rights.

Beneficiaries Italy: 20 regional administrators, 110 provincial administrators,

50 organisations that work within the field of migration, 250 schools that, according to the data provided by the Ministry of the Interior, have 30 % foreign students, 150 university students for a total of 1.000 people. Romania: 46 social service departments, 42 psycho-pedagogical departments, 42 school inspectorates and other local specialists for a total of 4.500 people.

Spain: 49 provinces, 100 municipalities and 17 autonomous communities, 50 organisations that work within the field of migration, 200 schools that have 30% immigrant students in their classrooms, 120 university students for a total of 1.000 people.

total of 1.000 people.

Other European countries: 200 specialists and institutions who work towards the promotion of the Rights of the Child.

The final beneficiaries of this research are all Romanian children affected by the migratory phenomenon.

Ismu (Italy), the Universities of Barcellona (Spain) - Department of Pedagogy,

Ires (Spain), Alternative Sociale Association (Romania)

CityMilanDuration2 years2013 cost112.936 €Total cost376.731 €

Partners

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (37.000 €)

European Commission (299.731 €)

Others (40.000 €)



ADVANCED TRAINING PROGRAMME ON TRANSNATIONAL FAMILY SUPPORT (GRUNDTVIG)



Project description

The project intends to promote a more complete understanding of the phenomenon of the transnational family. In order to do this, each, partner organises a national meeting with the aim of visiting the national context and encountering the experiences relating to the theme of the project itself. The preparation of the national meeting on behalf of the host organisation includes a second-level analysis of the services/training possibilities/projects/documents and reports relating to the transnational family.

Throughout the two-year project, by gathering together the ideas and the different national experiences, the partners produce an Advanced Training Programme for the psycho-social support of the transnational family. The course is divided into modules thanks to which several aspects associated with the management and the protection of the transnational family are dealt with.

Beneficiaries 400 Stakeholders involved in the assistance, protection, formal and informal

> training of the migrants and their families (social workers, teachers, sociocultural mediators, members of public security forces, migrant associations,

statutory bodies).

Partners 8 organisations:

• L'Albero della Vita Foundation (Italy) - coordinating organisation

• Alternative Sociale (Romania)

• Partners Bulgaria Foundation (Bulgaria)

Polish Migration Forum (Poland)

• Soleterre - Strategie di Pace Onlus

• ALC Association (France)

• Teia Amiga - Associação (Portugal)

Afyonkarahisar Barosu (Turkey)

7 countries involved:

Italy, France, Romania, Bulgaria, Poland, Portugal and Turkey

Duration 2 years 2.273 € 2013 cost 15.000 € Total cost

European Commission Funding

Permanent Learning Programme € 15.000

SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AFFECTED BY MIGRATION IN SCHOOLS FROM IASI CITY



Project description

To contribute towards the protection and the promotion of the rights of minors involved in the migration process as well as the reduction of the negative effect of migration on minors. The project aims at providing support to children affected by migration ("left-behind children" or children who returned after a migratory experience). Approximately 120 children belonging to the two categories will receive support relating to the development of the necessary skills and competencies required for their social and educational re-integration /re-adaptation within the 2 Youth Centres, on the basis of the project programme developed. At least 50 re-migrant children (who have returned after a migratory experience) who risk developing a psycho-social disorder (emotional, behavioural, attention or relational difficulties) as well as their families, who will receive direct psycho-social services in order to reduce the negative consequences of re- migration..

Beneficiaries 326

120 children involved in migration take part in the activities offered by the

two Youth Centres

50 minors who have returned to their home country following a migratory

experience

50 parents and foster families 10 AAS voluntary workers

6 voluntary teachers

Partner Association Alternative Sociale (Romania)

City Romania, Iasi
Duration 15 months
2013 cost 13.000 €
Total cost 37.962 €

Funding L'Albero della Vita Foundation (28.080 €)

Others (9.882 €)



Activities carried out in Italy

Services aimed at the protection of minors and families

LA FENICE

Туре **Educational Community for Minors**

City Silì (Oristano)

Beneficiaries Reception community for 10 children aged between 6 and 18

> who live in conditions of serious family and social hardship, with previous experiences of neglect and/or abandonment, also coming

from the criminal circuit.

Intervention The educational interventions are focused on comprehension, specifications

re-elaboration and where possible on the normalisation of the minors' life experience so that each minor is able to build him/ herself up to become an independent and effective individual, rebuilding ties with the adult figure. The pre-eminent individual educational objectives include the development and consolidation of personal and social skills with the aim of achieving progressive

independence.

2013 Costs € 386.481 direct costs**

2013 Proceeds € 234.994 fees from the referring Municipalities and direct fees

^{**} Not including coordination, supervision, administrative management costs

LA RONDINE

Type Flats for the independence of mothers and children

City Milan

Beneficiaries The project hosts single-parent (mother-child) family groups in

a second reception situation that is, coming from an initial stage of dedicated psycho-social-educational intervention or from a situation of economical, residential, working distress or with slight socio-educational difficulties and that require support during the

social re-integration stage.

Intervention In La Rondine, the family group is hosted and assisted by means specifications of pedagogical counselling activities to support mothers, children

of pedagogical counselling activities to support mothers, children and the overall family group and through accompanying activities relating to the integration of these individuals into the working world as well as support given throughout the entire path to

achieve independence.

2013 Costs € 103.133 direct costs*

2013 Proceeds € 105.872 fees from the referring Municipalities and restricted

donations

^{*} Not including coordination, supervision, administrative management costs

FOSTER CARE SERVICES

Services to promote and support hetero-family foster care

City Lombardy provinces and the surrounding areas

Beneficiaries Minors aged 0-18, young adults, mothers with children

Intervention Awareness raising, the selection and training of foster families; specifications matching, hetero-family foster care project development and

support

2013 Costs € 132.590 direct costs*

2013 Proceeds € 154.575 fees from the referring Municipalities and restricted

donations

FOSTERED INDIVIDUALS - MUNICIPALITY OF MILAN

Туре Temporary Association of Companies for the management of

foster families within the Municipality of Milan

City Milan

Beneficiaries Minors aged between 0-18, young adults, mothers with children

Intervention Awareness raising, the selection and training of foster families; matching, hetero-family foster care project development and specifications

support

2013 Costs € 10.520 direct costs*

2013 Proceeds € 7.209 fees from the referring Municipalities

^{**} Not including coordination, supervision, administrative management costs

CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY PROGRAMME

PROJECT	LOCATION	2013 Costs
In-training and guidance helpdesk for Afghan minors	Rome	25.719 €
A sail for hope (Una vela per sperare)	Genoa, Naples	22.411 €
Immortal leap (Salti immortali)	Naples	9.732 €
Stories in play (Storie in gioco)	Bari	20.280 €
Promoted on the field (Promossi sul campo)	Reggio Calabria	4.616 €
Participation and if kids ruled the district ?? (Partecipazione e se i ragazzi governassero il quartiere??)	Palermo	8.620 €
Hiphop&rap@unquartiereacolori.to	Turin	8.205 €
Music and colour for sampy	Genoa	8.000€
Tutor in the mother tongue (Tutor in lingua madre)	Reggio Emilia	3.200 €
Behind the Mirror (Dietro lo Specchio)	Venice/Mestre	3.750 €
Love beauty and food: the alphabet of emotion (Amore bellezza e cibo: l'alfabeto delle emozioni)	Milan	3.625 €
Looks Beyond - The kids photographing the periphery (Sguardi Oltre - I ragazzi fotografano la periferia)	Milan	8.000 €
Emergency Syria (Emergenza Siria)	Milan	6.766 €
SOS ALDEA	Milan	14.307 €

PIANETA NUOVO PROGRAMME

PROJECT	LOCATION	2013 Costs
PIANETA NUOVO Global and Development Education School Workshops	Rome, Lamezia, Catanzaro, Sora, Rieti, Reggio Calabria, Crotone, Cosenza	73.955 €
PLANET STAR Micro Youth Centre for students	Rome, Catanzaro	10.000 €



FUND-RAISING EVENTS

AWARENESS-RAISING CAMPAIGNS AND FUND-RAISING EVENTS

In 2013, the Foundation has worked intensely with the objective of expanding the portfolio of supporters, by opening new fund-raising channels that aim at involving high-potential players and giving continuity to supporters that are already active. The main tools to carry this out are is as follows:

- Direct mailing campaigns;
- > The "5 per thousand" campaign;
- The solidarity text message campaign;
- > Child Sponsorship Programme (SAD)
- > Face to face campaign;
- Company-wide campaign.

DIRECT MAILING CAMPAIGNS

In 2013, we contacted more than two million people during our "Progetti d'amore per i bambini" direct mailing campaign and more than one million people during our "Medici in Prima Linea" campaign.

At the end of the year, the supporters that had donated money to the two campaigns were as follows:

- > 121.939 donations were made to the "Progetti d'amore per i bambini" campaign raising funds amounting to a total of 4.124.677 €
- > 42.851 donations were made to the "Medici in Prima Linea" campaign raising funds amounting to a total of 1.355.226 €

THE "5 PER THOUSAND" CAMPAIGN

The ""5 per thousand"" tool is an important fund-raising asset for L'Albero della Vita that has given great support to institutional activities as a whole. The funds raised in 2013, coming from the same destinations as in 2011 (the final year for which the Italian Revenue Office provided the relative lists), amounted to \bigcirc 1.230.931 thanks to the preferences of 47.152 Italian tax-payers in favour of the Foundation.

As regards the promotion of the ""5 per thousand" "tool, in 2013, L'Albero della Vita channelled the campaign on a national level through 8 newspapers, billboards in underground stations and 1 important website as well as awareness-raising actions carried out using the direct mailing process to 254.943 people.



THE SOLIDARITY TEXT MESSAGE CAMPAIGN

In 2013, the solidarity text message campaign was carried out in order to support the host communities situated throughout Italy, which host minors who have been removed from their original families due to abandonment, violence, negligence, abuse and degrading treatment.

The text message campaign was carried out in the press, on the radio, on TV and on the internet and it was promoted through research activities seeking free advertising space as well as press office activities. Moreover, during the text message campaign, many satellite and local TV networks broadcast the TV commercial free of charge.

Also through research activities seeking free advertising space, the text message campaign commercial on the radio was broadcasted free of charge – and therefore programmed – on many national radio stations. The press office activities focused on the production of several advertorials both in print and online. In fact, throughout the campaign the press office activities focused on the several online newspapers with the promotion of the campaign banner on many websites and portals.

Finally, the text message campaign was also promoted through L' Albero della Vita's own communication channels. In particular, the following actions were carried out:

- > The sending of DEM to L'Albero della Vita supporters with an invitation to support the text message campaign;
- > Reference is made to the campaign on the website of the Foundation;
- Dissemination of the campaign through the Facebook and Twitter social networks

CHILD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME (SAD)

In 2013, we raised funds amounting to a total of \in 1.162.856 from contributions made by supporters that were distributed as follows:

- > 731.327 € (62,9%) were allocated to the Child Sponsorship Programme projects in favour of children, families and local communities in India, Congo and Peru;
- > € 262.754 (22.6%) were allocated to the Child Sponsorship Programme fund that is used for the creation of projects in other developing countries;
- > € 168.775 (14.5%) were allocated to active support management: for expenses relating to correspondence sent to supporters as well as administrative management costs.

This year, the Child Sponsorship Programme Fund (SAD) will be allocated to more beneficiaries, thanks to further impetus given as regards raising awareness towards the Child Sponsorship Programme (SAD) as well as a punctual correspondence with our supporters that has allowed us to raise more funds than ever and thanks also to the optimisation of the management of some of the projects carried out.

In 2013, from the Child Sponsorship Programme Fund (SAD) raised during previous years, € 169.501 was allocated to projects supporting minors, families and communities in developing countries as follows:

- > 30.540 € to Peru;
- > 25.033 € to Haiti;

- > 100.369 € to Kenya;
- > 13.558 € to the poorest areas of the Romanian Moldavia.

L'Albero della Vita does not use the supporters' contributions for the awareness-raising campaigns and the development of the Child Sponsorship Programme.

THE "FACE TO FACE" CAMPAIGN

We are fully aware of the importance of being able to depend on a portfolio of supporters that choose L'Albero della Vita to which they make regular and long-term donations, guaranteeing a continuous flow of money towards our projects and therefore it is possible to make a better and more stable planning of how we can use such resources; in 2013 we activated the "face to face" campaign that aimed, in fact, at the acquisition of regular donors. Through this tool, a team of "face-to-face fundraisers", who, on behalf of L' Albero della Vita, raise the citizens' awareness of the importance of becoming loyal supporters through a series of in-training activities regarding the Foundation, its mission and its projects carried out throughout Italy and all over the world.

In 2013, approximately 600 people became regular donors to the L'Albero della Vita Foundation.

COMPANY AND ENTITY-WIDE CAMPAIGNS

Also in 2013, several companies and private bodies have confirmed their support given to L'Albero della Vita projects. In particular, in 2013, approximately 60 companies gave their support to L'Albero della Vita in different ways:

- by supporting a project carried out in Italy or Abroad;
- > by carrying out corporate volunteering programmes for their employees;
- by means of specific forms of collaboration between companies and entities that promote fund-raising activities among clients of the company itself or its employees;
- by means of the donation of money, assets or services on behalf of the company.

As for private bodies, the type of donor has been as follows: banking foundations, private foundations, associations and charitable bodies.

In 2013, L'Albero della Vita Foundation projects were selected to receive funding and they received contributions from:

- > Committee for Charitable Actions in Favour of the Third World of the Italian Episcopal Conference:
- Cariplo Foundation;
- Caritas Italiana;
- Nando Peretti Foundation;
- Missione Calcutta Association ;
- Open Society Foundation.

The economic resources collected from companies and private bodies amounted to a total of € 311.784





THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2013 Annual Financial Statements is composed of and is accompanied by the following documents available online on L'Albero della Vita website - www.alberodellavita.org:

- Profit and Loss Account
- > Statement of Assets and Liabilities
- Explanatory Notes
- > Report of the Board of Statutory Auditors
- > Certification issued by the Independent Auditing Company

.INDICATORS OF ACTIVITY.

Fixed assets	2013
Intangible fixed assets	39.492
Tangible fixed assets	883.529
Financial assets	938.074

Receivables	2013
Clients	536.218
Tax payments	953
Others	47.013

Short-term financial assets	2013
Other securities	1.866.000

Liquidity	2013
Bank	5.187.031
Cash	5.338

.INDICATORS OF LIABILITIES.

Net worth	2013
Endowment Fund	100.000
Statutory Reserves	2.632.639
Funds earmarked by Third Parties	1.387.440
Funds allocated to Social Projects	2.473.284
Surplus Income	620.070

Severance Indemnity	2013
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Payables	2013
Suppliers	1.462.561
Tax payable	51.238
Pension and Social Security Institutions	40.624
Others	98.961

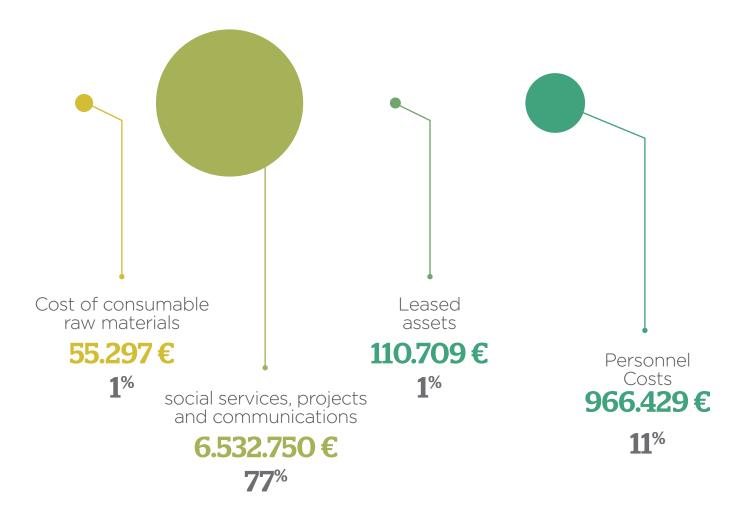
INCOME INDICATORS	2013
Agreements with Public Bodies	494.885
Contributions from Project Institutions	132.864
Contributions from Companies and Private Bodies	311.784
Contributions from Private Parties	6.486.074
Restricted Contributions used	197.712
Other Income	160.713
"5 per thousand"	1.230.931
Bequests	1.250

SUMMARY OF COSTS	2013
Costs of Consumable Raw Materials	55.297
Social Services, Projects and Communication	6.532.751
Leased Assets	110.709
Personnel Costs	966.429
Amortisation and Depreciation	84.090
Change in Inventory	-123
Other provisions	400.000
Other Operating Costs	309.814
TOTAL	8.458.970

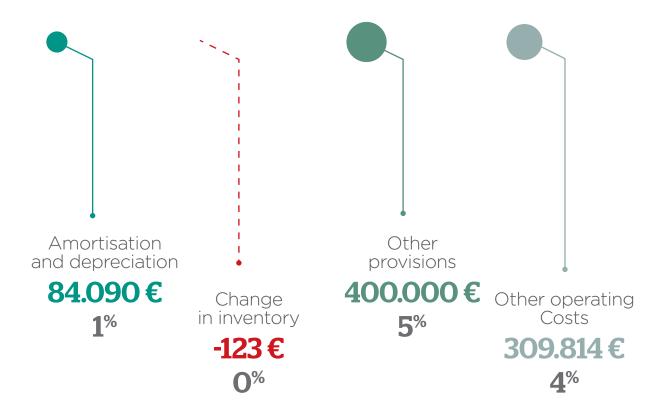
COST OF CONSUMABLE RAW MATERIALS	2013
Purchase of domestic community management and services	5.155
Purchase of miscellaneous consumables	8.453
Purchase of small equipment	307
Purchase of small equipment from foreign suppliers	
Games and teaching materia	806
Stationery	8.224
Fuel and lubricants	3.503
Purchase of 626 materials	293
Purchase of miscellaneous consumables from foreign suppliers	4.945
Raw Materials received as a donation	23.606

LEASED ASSETS	2013
Leases	99.533
Hiring venues	4.786
Rentals	6.389

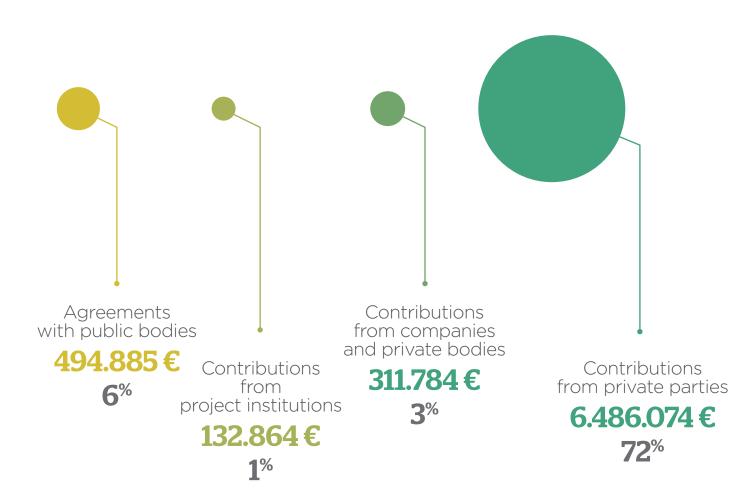
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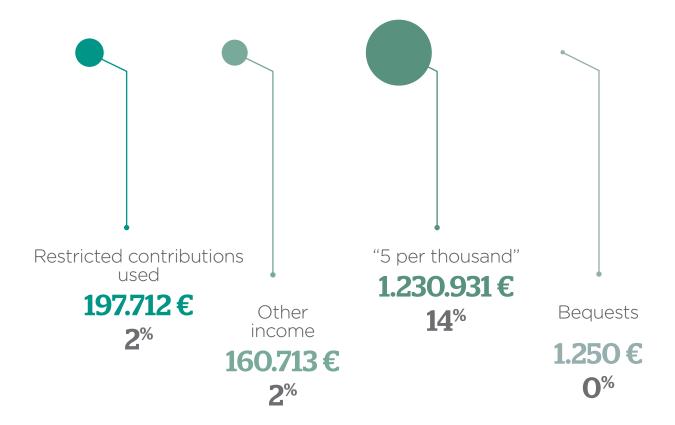


TOTAL COSTS 8.458.970 €



INCOME INDICATORS 2013





SOCIAL SERVICES, PROJECTS AND COMMUNICATION	2013	SOCIAL SERVICES, PROJECTS AND COMMUNICATION	2013
Maintenance	24.893	Bank and postal costs	88.684
Utilities	41.675	Cleaning costs	9.583
Meals and overnight stays	21.161	Law 626 examinations and	1.600
Web domain and database maintenance	59.372	services Software program costs	2.491
Training	220.929	Administrator remuneration	96.129
Social projects and communication	4.641.001	Administrator remuneration contributions	13.795
Social projects - subcontracted	353.181	Technical assistance fee	29.908
to third parties	0.175	Third-part technical services	201.888
Transport	8.135	Visas costs	464
Reimbursements	76.780	Personnel search consultancy	1.665
Consulting services	348.963	services	
Occasional collaborations	10.582	Exchange rate loss	7.823
Service charges	22.055	Rights/fees	107
Temporary staff	4.934	Graphics and post-production	13.760
Advertising	193.270	services	
Membership fees	800	Events	8.426
Insurance	24.182	Deposit	2.458
		Miscellaneous	2.044