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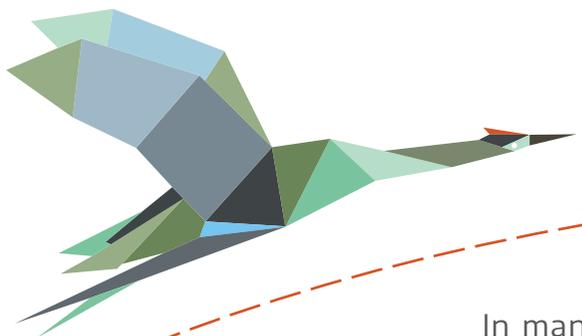


TRIENNIAL REVIEW

2016 - 2018

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1 FOREWORD

The 2016-2018 period has certainly been very rich in changes for our European societies.

In many ways, we have witnessed a weakening of social cohesion in our societies. Terrorist attacks have questioned our core values while facing migration and integration challenges. Polarisation and political fragmentation seem to have become the new norm, hence testing the emergence of a viable consensus.

In light of this context, European foundations have engaged in or reinforced their work to address sensitive social inclusion challenges in their 'territories', and in some cases in their international work. Interestingly for NEF, foundations are more and more inclined to work collaboratively to embrace European solidarity. For example, in 2017, the Civitates consortium was born. It has gathered 16 foundations conscious that "the fast pace of social, economic and technological change makes it imperative to adapt the institutions of democracy to the requirements of the 21st century. The legitimacy of democracy – and its future – depends on the ability to open up new, attractive ways to engage with all citizens." [1]

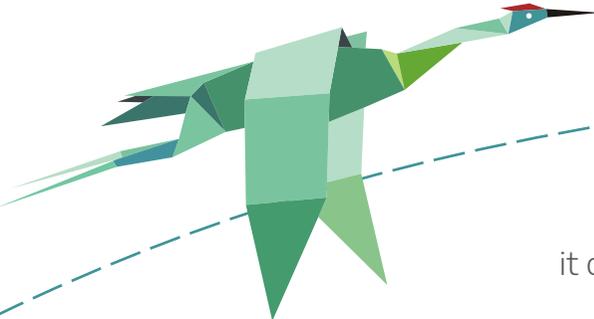
Thus, it is not the time to question collaboration; collaboration is imperative if all the stakeholders working on a specific issue want to see transformative changes happen. Therefore, the purpose of an instrument like NEF can be re-affirmed: to facilitate the gathering of the forces within foundations and with other actors. Two years ago, NEF celebrated its 40th anniversary and we were happy to share with its founder, Raymond Georis, with former colleagues and current partners, the developments of the network.

In this report, you will discover how NEF has been able to support the incubation of several pooled funds during this period. We also feature how some of our long-lasting initiatives have adapted and tested new approaches to strengthen the capacity of civil society organisations to preserve and uphold our European values and our common interests with respect to economy, climate, culture, environment and security.



Dominique Lemaistre
Chairwoman of the NEF Board

[1] Council fo Europe

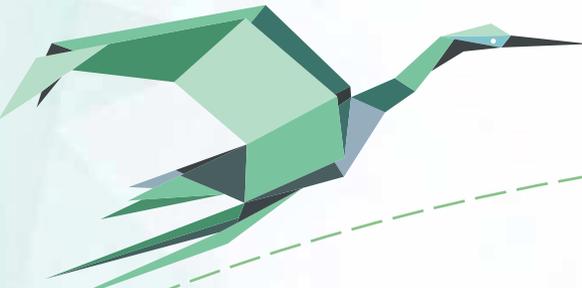


2 NEF MISSION

Within the European philanthropic landscape, NEF is a “hybrid” organisation: while a non-profit federation, it offers fee based services to donor clients.

The Network of European Foundations (NEF) was created by leading European philanthropic organisations with the objective of contributing to social inclusion, democracy and international development through strategic collaboration and sharing of best practices. NEF works in partnership with actors including foundations, non-profit organisations, government, institutions and academia, acting at both a European and global level.

NEF offers direct, fee-based services to donor clients and can act as a hosting structure for projects involving multiple donors focused on a common cause. NEF can follow up on projects throughout their lifecycle, while providing both strategic and operational support in line with the motto: “*Partnering for Impact*”.



3 WHAT OUR PARTNERS SAY ABOUT NEF

'The most valuable service is to have a neutral partner to manage all foundations' collaboration. The coordination and governance of the network is very important.'

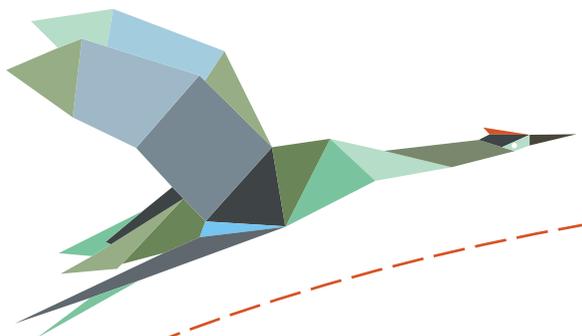
NEF is a 'very important reliable mechanism seated within the networks of Euro funders that extends the reach of funders into issue areas and geographies where philanthropy is still emerging'.

'NEF is reactive, reliable and flexible.'

'NEF works in subsidiarity, respecting the SC members' responsibilities and opinions, but being able to provide advice and share experiences of other pool funds'.

"NEF hosts our collaborative fund in a discrete account, administering sub-grants efficiently, handling donor reporting and renewal funding efficiently, providing fund managers and grantmaking committees latitude to propose and approve sub-grants smoothly, collaborating with donors and fund managers to co-manage the pooled funds'.

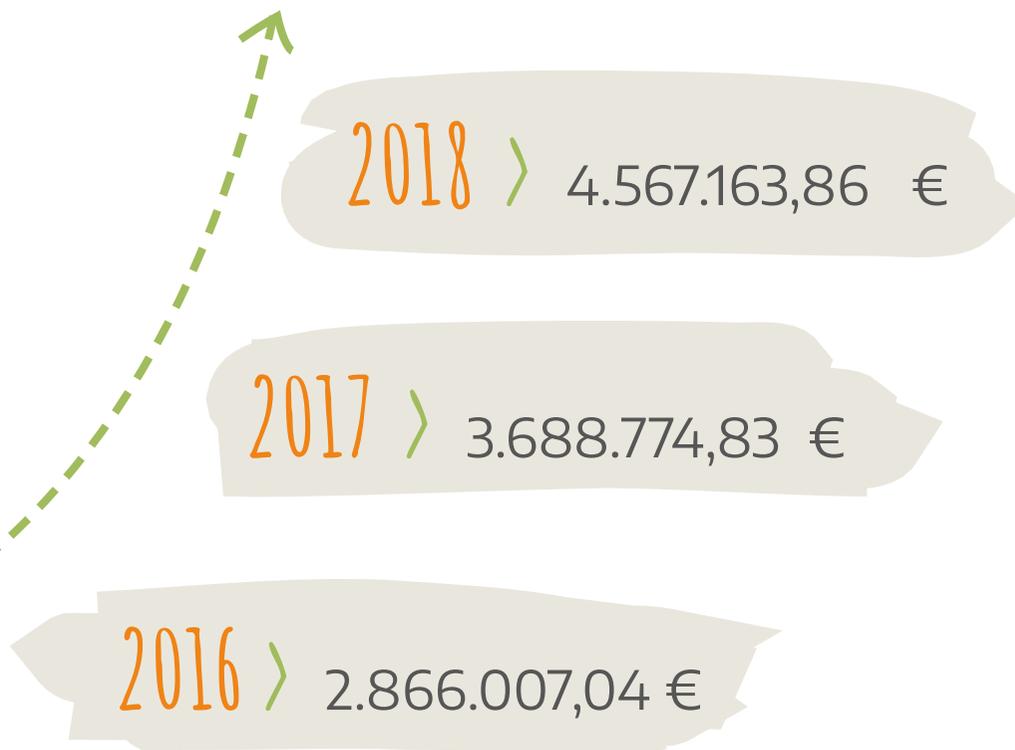
'Active support from NEF has been very much appreciated to step in and take over during troubled times for the programme'.



4 KEY FIGURES



TOTAL FINANCIAL GRANTS FROM 2016-2018



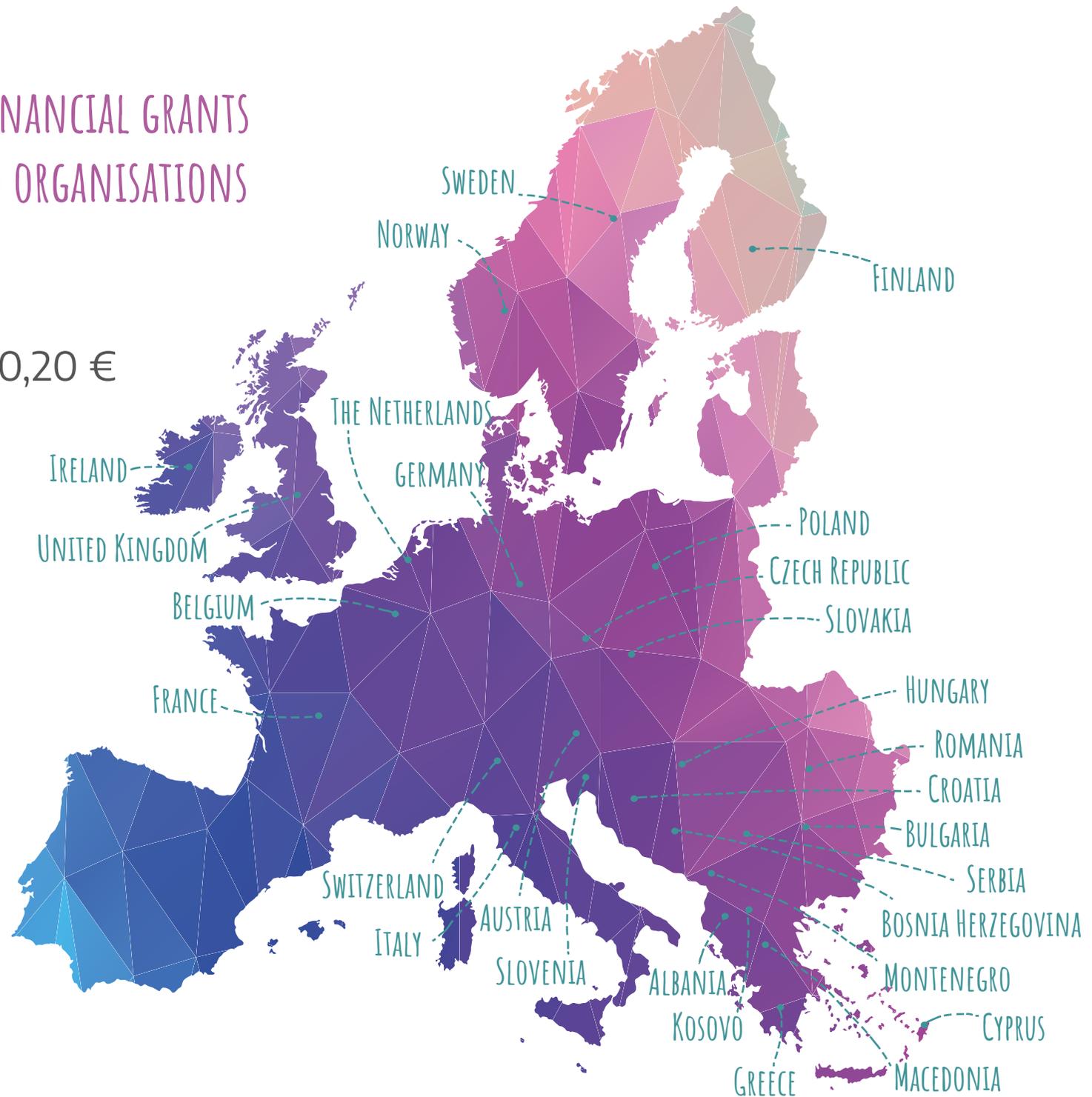
TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS IN THE WORLD

2018 > 2.245.023,66 €

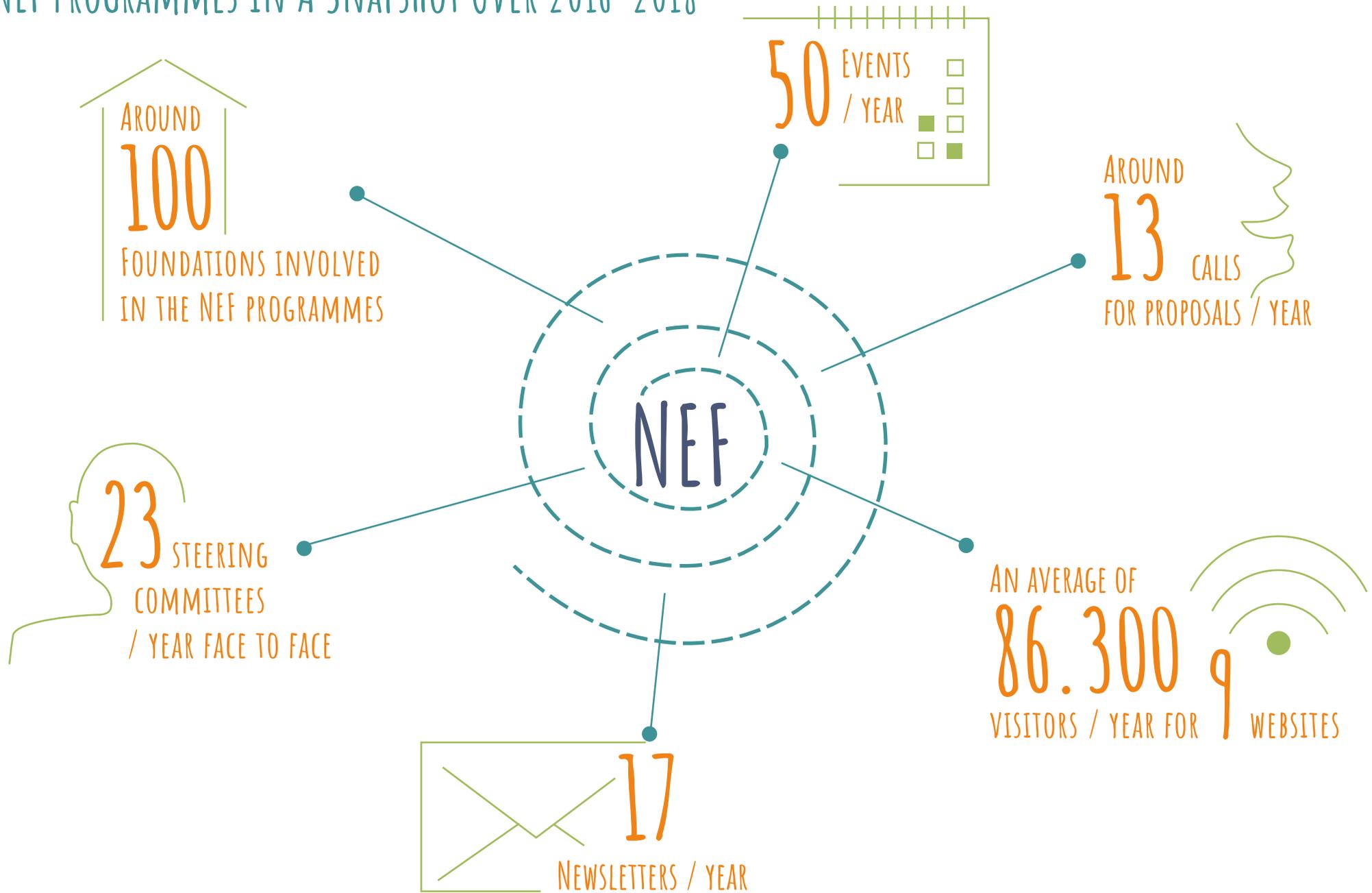


TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS IN EUROPE

2018 > 2.322.140,20 €



NEF PROGRAMMES IN A SNAPSHOT OVER 2016-2018



NEF'S RESOURCES PER FIELD



NEF WEIGHT IN COMPARISON WITH OVERALL PROGRAMMES



5 2016-18 IN PICTURES



2016

In February 2016, the European Fund for the Balkans received the Champion of Regional Cooperation award for best achievements in cooperation in South East Europe for the year 2015, a recognition presented by the Regional Cooperation Council.



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The Joint Action for Farmer Organisations in West Africa launched its first call for proposals in July 2016 under the theme: “Reinforcing provision of sustainable services for small-scale rural entrepreneurs”.

Incubation of Children Rights and Violence Prevention Fund - NEF supported the set-up of the office in Uganda and its re-granting to Community Base Organisations in Eastern Africa.



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2017

EPIM supported Missing Children Europe conference: “Lost in migration: working together in protecting Children from disappearance- Malta” - January 2017.

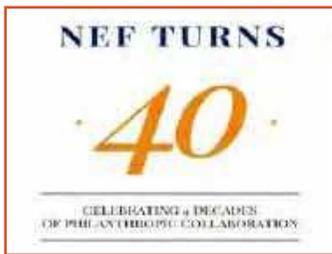


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European Practice Exchange on De radicalisation - job-shadowing visits of practitioners across Europe.



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NEF celebrated 40 years as a launching pad for joint projects among foundations, being the eldest philanthropic support organisation in Europe.



The European Foundations' Initiative on Dementia award ceremony took place in Sofia, on 22-23 January 2018, under the auspices of the Bulgarian Presidency of the European Union.

2018

The Annual Forum of the 2017 generation allowed 18 new FutureLab Europe members to join the community for active citizenship.



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In April 2018, Civitates became public with the launch of its first call for coalitions 'Fostering Coalition-Building among Civil Society Organisations to address the shrinking space for civil society in Europe'.

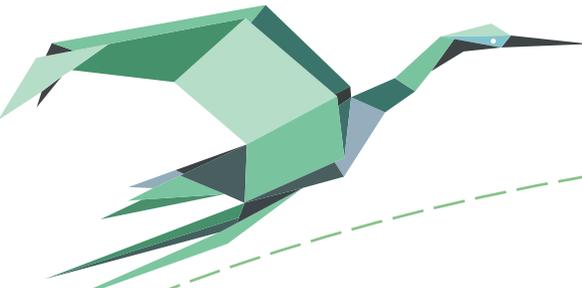


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Transform held its first conference on "Making the case for Integrated Community Care" in Hamburg in September 2018.



2019



6 HIGHLIGHTS FROM PROGRAMMES

This section aims to illustrate, through three meaningful shared initiatives, what is being accomplished more concretely. These three initiatives stand at different stages with regards to their development. They each belong to a different focus area for NEF – social inclusion, democracy and international development.





The European Programme for Integration and Migration

The European Programme for Integration and Migration (EPIM) is supported by 25 private foundations with the goal to strengthen the role of civil society in building inclusive communities and developing human and sustainable responses to migration, based on Europe's commitment to universal human rights and social justice.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

An increase of arrivals of migrants in Europe has pushed the issue to the top of political agendas and public attention. Relevant policies are decided at the highest political level, making civil society involvement more challenging than ever. At the EU-level, the policy context has experienced both hurdles and rapid changes. Agreements have been reached on quick fixes and action plans while long-term reforms, e.g. for the Common European Asylum System (CEAS), have been put on hold for an indefinite period of time. This change in operational context has required a mindset shift for civil society actors who seek a presence in both types of processes

> WHAT EPIM COULD ACHIEVE AS A COLLABORATIVE ENDEAVOR:

EPIM contributed to:

- ⦿ Generate new momentum around Alternatives to Detention (ATD) at the EU level through the collection of systematic evidence of the positive impact of ATD pilot projects funded in Bulgaria, Poland and Cyprus.

- ◎ Enhance Civil Society Organisations (CSO) collaboration in the field of EU mobility, which has long been characterised by a relative lack of coalition-building and advocacy coordination. EPIM clustered four organisations in its grants portfolio to connect and combine their thematic expertise and engage in regular information exchange and joint advocacy.
- ◎ Build momentum on the issues concerning strategic communication on migration among a larger philanthropic community in Europe and CSOs from Member States. Bring this momentum at an EU-level through a series of meetings, capacity development support and sharing of resources. This action resulted in a number of strong partnerships and coordination.
- ◎ Strengthen the use of the Asylum Information Database (AIDA) as evidence to carry out more strategic advocacy, shape legal decisions and policy-making. AIDA findings have influenced co-legislators during negotiations on the CEAS reform, with a significant impact on the position of the European Parliament (EP) on all CEAS reform files.
- ◎ Increase awareness, exchange and collaboration at Pan-European and national levels on the protection of children and youth on the move. This was the result of bringing actors, good practices and evidence together, for instance by supporting joint advocacy, commissioning evaluations, organising meetings and pro-actively connecting key actors.

> SNAPSHOTS OF EPIM'S IMPACT

A new law on guardianship was passed in July 2018 in Greece which provides the **opportunity to scale a real guardianship system under government responsibility**. Until now in Greece, overstretched public prosecutors have held the legal responsibility for often hundreds of unaccompanied and separated migrant children at the same time, and could not provide the individualised care that would be required. The EPIM grantee organisation METAdrasi established a guardianship network for unaccompanied and separated children in 2014, filling in this key gap, and through the EPIM project have raised awareness on the needs of unaccompanied and separated children, advocating for the reform of the legal framework for guardianship in Greece. As a result, METAdrasi is now in conversations with the relevant Greek authorities to transfer the know-how gained through the EPIM-supported pilot for a guardianship network to the authorities.

Through timely engagement with targeted actors and consensus-building, the [European Citizen Action Service \(ECAS\) successfully advocated for the adoption of a European Commission’s regulatory fitness and performance \(REFIT\) platform opinion](#), which recommends that the European Commission adopts a Communication on its 2004 Citizenship Directive. The REFIT Platform, which includes EU and national government officials, agreed in November 2017 that a new Communication could address grey areas and gaps in the Directive, and would be beneficial for citizens and public administrations alike.

[The Migration Policy Group \(MPG\) mobilised the major EU NGOs and facilitated their advocacy on the criminalisation of citizens who support migrants](#), leading to policy advocacy opportunities with the European Parliament and the European Commission (EC). As a result, the EC invited MPG and other NGOs to discuss the exemption of criminalisation of humanitarian assistance to migrants, and MEPs passed a resolution on Guidelines for Member States to prevent humanitarian assistance from being criminalised.

> LOOKING AHEAD

Will key questions about the future of European societies and how we are dealing with migration issues affecting our political and social framework be discussed in a way that allows for civil society involvement?

EPIM agreed on a new five-year strategy, with a starting budget of 6.3 million EUR for 2019-2023. For the first time, EPIM’s plans have been developed within a long-term perspective (more than three years).



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Civitates

Since 2017, 16 philanthropic foundations have come together to form Civitates, a consortium committed to protecting and expanding civil society at a time when the fundamentals of democracy are being challenged like never before. Civitates will focus on two vulnerable areas:

- The shrinking space for civil society
- A healthy digital public sphere

On the one hand, Civitates strengthens civil society coalitions across Europe to fight back against the civic shrinking space. On the other, Civitates supports CSOs in their push for a healthy digital public sphere in which public and democratic values are safeguarded.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

Thirteen European Union member states including France, Italy, Austria and the United Kingdom were described as countries where civic space is narrowing, not to mention Hungary and other Central and Eastern countries. Law enforcement feels emboldened to harass NGO workers, laws are passed which erode the public's right to freedom of assembly and expression while censorship is on the rise.

Likewise, further intensifying the vulnerability of democracy is the manipulation of the digital space and the unfettered influence of a handful of technological players who dominate the public sphere. The lack of transparency and accountability on the part of players, and the impact it has on the quality of public discourse, is another worrying trend.

> WHAT CIVITATES COULD ACHIEVE AS A COLLECTIVE ENDEAVOUR

2018 is the first operating year of Civitates, which implies that it is still too early to report on the long-term effects of the initiative. Through Civitates, foundations' partners test new approaches in dealing with the new challenges that Europe is facing.

There are already a few markers that are worth mentioning.

- ⦿ In total, Civitates has raised more than 4.5 million euros for its first funding period of 2018-2020.
- ⦿ Within one year, this collaborative initiative has become fully operational: set up of the secretariat team and governance scheme, development of the strategy and launch of its first call for coalitions.
- ⦿ Civitates is an act of political courage. Importantly, NGOs flag the boldness of the foundations participating in Civitates as they have decided to engage in those controversial issues. The support gained through Civitates provides legitimacy to the CSOs and it also saves them from weathering the storm alone, in fighting back against their 'shrinking space'. Being part of a European network enables them to connect the dots and transfer experiences from one context to another. Likewise, the fund and its grantees send a firm collective message that democracy prevails and can only be achieved by securing a strong, independent and enabled civil society and a healthy digital public discourse.
- ⦿ 13 coalitions in 9 countries will be supported financially, coupled with capacity development activities during 1.5 years. All coalitions are cross-sectoral and involve a wide range of civil society actors.

> LOOKING AHEAD

How can European societies defend the integrity of public discourse? Will polarisation and misinformation continue poisoning the capacity of our democratic system to build a sustainable consensus around the political center?

Civitates has collectively begun to tackle these issues and will also look at how to support independent journalism in the coming period.

Partners' foundations are ready to jointly explore new fields such as the digital information ecosystem. In this perspective, they are looking to gather expertise to define their entry point into the issue and their leveraging effect.



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Fikra

Fikra supports community development initiatives in the North West of Tunisia that contribute to the societal transition following the Arab Spring. Thanks to an integrated approach to support (subsidies and capacity building), Fikra has supported the elaboration and implementation of about sixty projects that have proven relevant and useful for the community.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

The Tunisian government seeks to promote and expand the development of social and solidarity economy (SSE). Until recently, Fikra was considered to be a pioneering SSE programme dedicated to a fragile and underdeveloped region in Tunisia.

> WHAT FIKRA COULD ACHIEVE AS A COLLECTIVE ENDEAVOUR

From the very beginning of the programme in 2013, Fikra has been pursuing two main objectives:

- ① Locally, encouraging collective dynamics for action and commitment by reinforcing the community leadership skills of individual project holders and by promoting the creation of a supportive environment.
- ② Contributing to the improvement of living conditions for communities in the North-Western Tunisia by supporting their economic, social and cultural development.

A six-year implementation of the programme has led to a significant impact at both individual and community levels.



At the individual level :

- ⦿ In total between 5,000 and 5,500 individuals have directly benefited from the programme, through many ways (ex: project holder, family members, local contributors)
- ⦿ Among those beneficiaries, there was a large majority of women and young adults
- ⦿ Among project holders, about 90% were qualified people living in the targeted rural and isolated areas of the North West and without a job
- ⦿ Fikra has enabled these individuals to develop entrepreneurial skills, self-confidence, social networks and, in most cases, to improve their revenues.



At the community level :

- ⦿ Local figures have emerged that contributed to create a community of entrepreneurs with diverse experiences (a source of inspiration for future entrepreneurs)
- ⦿ The renovation of existing or the installation of new infrastructures has improved the living conditions of large groups (up to several hundred of people including children)
- ⦿ Some projects have introduced new practices by local population, in the area of agriculture for instance (medicinal plants, honey, barley production, rabbit breeding, etc.).

> LESSONS LEARNED:

The specificity of the Fikra approach combined as series of key success factors:

- ⦿ A large scope, in terms of area of activity
- ⦿ Financial grants
- ⦿ Individual coaching
- ⦿ Training sessions

This approach has been referred to as a “recipe for success” by project holders and non-profit organisations participating in the programme as sponsors.

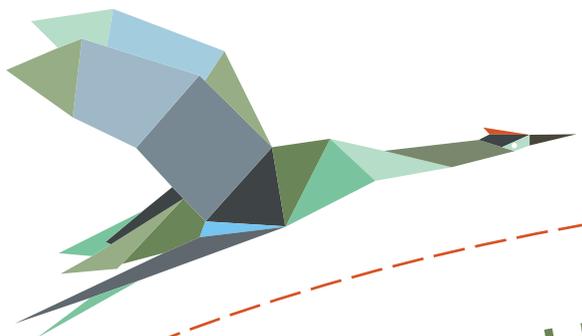
In fact, in 2019, 75% of the projects that have received financial support are considered as “successful” (the goals have been reached and/or the project is pursuing its expansion).

> LOOKING AHEAD

How can Tunisians be driven in the mobilisation of their capacities to participate in the improvement of their conditions of living?

The learnings of Fikra should be disseminated widely to inspire and encourage other actors to support the development of similar projects.





7 FIELDS OF ACTION

SOCIAL INCLUSION



EUROPEAN FOUNDATIONS'
INITIATIVE ON DEMENTIA





Transform

The overarching aim of the TransForm Forum, which was initiated in 2017 by 6 partner foundations, is to trigger the interest of and to inspire action by policy-makers, key stakeholders and practitioners in order to foster integrated community care (ICC). It seeks to achieve this through:

- Finding and analysing promising practices in integrated community care; and
- Learning from their experiences and impact.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

Integrated Community Care requires fundamental changes in our approach to healthcare. It means shifting away from problem-based, disease-oriented care to a goal-based, person-centered care aiming at enhancing the quality of life of vulnerable individuals and improving population health amongst communities. This entails the development of new forms of collaborations across diverse contexts and settings.

> WHAT TRANSFORM COULD ACHIEVE

The first transnational conference “Making the case for integrated community care” took place in Hamburg, Germany, on 24-26 September 2018. Around 80 participants, among whom were practitioners, policy makers and distinguished experts, convened to discuss and explore the potential of integrated community care. Next to presentations and debates, participants had the opportunity to visit inspiring local initiatives. The project foresees another 3 transnational conferences that extend until 2020, in order to analyse ‘promising practices’ in integrated community care and to learn from their experiences and impact.

> LOOKING AHEAD

How can we support communities in developing their models of caring for their people?

How can we foster the engagement of people and communities as co-producers of care?

The purpose of TransForm is to explore how ICC might best operate and to promote this new and promising approach.



European Foundations' Initiative on Dementia

European Foundations' Initiative on Dementia (EFID) 2017 call for awards focused on the meaningful participation of people with dementia. The awards aimed to:

- Empower people with dementia as individuals living with the condition
- Respect their dignity, autonomy and right to self-determination
- Support people living with moderate and/or severe dementia to express their own interests and wishes regarding treatment and care
- Support the emergence of a stronger voice and participation of people with dementia at all levels
- Support the creation of peer-support groups.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

Communities are the places where citizens, policy-makers and civil society can join forces with people with dementia to create sustainable environments and promote active citizenship. To live well with dementia, communities must support people with dementia, facilitate the expression of their remaining abilities and their right to self-determination. Meaningful participation of people with dementia in society is crucial in changing the perception of the condition and to make their priorities heard by stakeholders, decision-makers, researchers, social and health care professionals, business, etc.

> WHAT EFID COULD ACHIEVE

12 projects were awarded for their work on “Valuing the expertise of people living with dementia”. The conference and the awards ceremony took place in Sofia, on 22-23 January 2018, under the auspices of the Bulgarian Presidency of the European Union. Two workshops with EFID grantees were organised during the reporting period.

> LOOKING AHEAD

EFID acts as a catalyst for creating learning and partnerships among the awardees and other organisations, with the aim of strengthening the role played by civil society in supporting dementia-friendly initiatives in Europe.



European Practice EXchange

The European Practice EXchange (EPEX) aspired to take up the challenge of amplifying, strengthening and connecting practitioners' voices. EPEX is a small international network of organisations and individual members working in the fields of primary, secondary and tertiary prevention of radicalisation and exit work both within and outside of prison. EPEX seeks to add and broaden views upon a wide range of extremisms in order to get to a more nuanced and holistic understanding of the challenges European societies face.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

Policy-makers across Europe have recognised the need to engage civil society actors in the efforts responding to the (global) challenge that radicalisation poses. Especially on the level of primary (and to a much lesser degree sometimes also in secondary) prevention work, there has been acknowledgement that civil society organisations can be perceived as more legitimate actors, compared to governmental institutions.

> WHAT EPEX COULD ACHIEVE

The EPEX publication provides a summary of shared learnings created during the EPEX project. Practitioners worked together to co-create the publication. The publication is to be released at the beginning of 2019.

> LOOKING AHEAD

Why does security rather than cohesion dominate the view from which our European societies are looking at prevention? What lies behind the – sometimes – exclusive focus on violent extremism while disregarding activities that address more prevalent forms of extremism?

EPEX's final publication will provide insight into some of these highly debated topics through a collection of diverse practitioners' views and practices.

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The European Fund for the Balkans (EFB) is a joint initiative of European foundations that envisions, runs and supports initiatives to strengthen democracy, foster European integration and affirm the role of the Western Balkans in addressing Europe's emerging challenges. The 2015-2020 programme strategy is based on three overarching areas: Capacity Development, Policy Development and Regional Cooperation. Their synergetic effects are focused on continuous "Europeanization" of the policies and practices of the Western Balkans countries on their way to EU accession, through merging of the region's social capacity building with policy platform development, and a culture of regional cooperation.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

The state of democracy and freedom has been backsliding or stagnating in the countries of the Western Balkans over the past decade. The recent rise of illiberal tendencies in several EU member states has called into question the EU's transformative power of its enlargement policy, in particular in the Western Balkans region. While the EFB celebrated its 10 year anniversary, its capacity to influence the regional integration processes has been widely recognised, by generating the social capital and technical expertise required for these endeavours.

> WHAT THE EFB COULD ACHIEVE

In February 2016, the EFB received the Champion of Regional Cooperation award for best achievements in cooperation in South East Europe, a recognition presented by the Regional Cooperation Council. For the 10th anniversary of the Fund, more than 250 people coming from various fields (politics, journalism, academia, arts and culture, business, philanthropy,...) gathered to discuss the future of the region. To date, more than 200 government officials have benefited from this program, and they now form a large regional community working towards the Europeanization of the Balkans.

> LOOKING AHEAD

How will the EU sharpen its focus on monitoring the aspiring members on their paths to stable and prosperous democracies governed by the rule of law?

How will the Civil Society Forum funded by the EFB continue to bring the attention of decision-makers to the issues which were not focused upon in the yearly Summits, in parallel of the Berlin Process?



FutureLab Europe

FutureLab Europe enables young Europeans aged 20-30 from across the continent (EU and non EU countries) to shape the future of Europe through their civic engagement. The programme has supported a network of young Europeans engaged in civic activities for the concrete implementation of projects in relation to democratic values in Europe, equal opportunities for young people and European identity.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

There is a growing disconnect between our continent's democratic institutions and the populace of Europe. Among young Europeans, often perceived as more EU-friendly than previous generations, the electoral participation is about 30% below that of older voters, already really low. Nevertheless, European decision-makers recognise the fact that youth engagement in society serves as an important tool for democratic development. The objective of FutureLab Europe is to allow its members to enhance their credentials as European citizens and to take action in support of the European idea, in particular on topics related to democratic values in Europe, equal opportunities for young people, and European identity.

> WHAT FUTURELAB COULD ACHIEVE

The 6th and 7th generations of 'Futurelabbers' could be assembled during 2016-2018 benefiting from the new direction of the programme. Those 34 young people developed jointly 10 local/national projects fostering their active citizenship. As in previous editions, they were also invited to Brussels for the annual forum to interact and exchange with European policy makers.

> LOOKING AHEAD

How can new forms of civic engagement foster the empowerment of young people and their active citizenship? How can local communities be supported in investing in long-term youth initiatives that could break social exclusion of disadvantaged young people? Futurelab Europe was completed at the end of 2018, after having assembled a community of 105 participants from 30 countries, EU and non-EU, focus.

Other projects funded through NEF
during 2016-2018



European Philanthropy Research and Learning Initiative

The European Philanthropy Research and Learning Initiative (EPLI) aims to promote research and learning in the European philanthropy sector. In this period, EPLI explored the evolving roles of philanthropy and government entities in addressing societal challenges and supporting the common good.



New Pact for Europe

The New Pact for Europe aims to promote a European-wide debate on reform proposals addressing some of the fundamental questions - the migration/refugee crisis, internal and external security, as well as economic and social challenges - which need to be answered to develop an effective response to the multi-dimensional crisis Europeans are facing.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT



JAFOWA

Joint Action for Farmer Organisations in West Africa



The logo for JAFOWA, featuring the acronym in a bold, serif font.

Joint Action for Farmer Organisations in West Africa

Joint Action for Farmers Organisations

The Joint Action for Farmers Organisations in West Africa (JAFOWA) envisions and supports a dynamic and equitable farming movement in West Africa. Through enabling organisations of smallholder farmers, pastoralists and fishers to create and manage local food systems, the programme should benefit families and communities in their region, support ecologically sustainable farming practices and promote leadership of women and youth.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

In West Africa, Farmers Organisations have succeeded in the recognition of family farming as a relevant model. It has been officially acknowledged in the regional agricultural policy of West Africa (ECOWAP). However, the omnipresence of the agroindustry as the preferred model for the food system development, from the states as well as from the donors' community, reminds us that it is an uphill battle.

> WHAT JAFOWA COULD ACHIEVE

After the launch of its call in 2016, JAFOWA has supported eight farmers' organisations by awarding them grants and developing their capacity in Burkina Faso, Ghana and Senegal. Its specific theme was: "Reinforcing provision of sustainable services for small-scale rural entrepreneurs". Three workshops were held in the region during 2017-2018 with a view to strengthen the capacities of the farmer organisations on topics they selected.

> LOOKING AHEAD

If Farmers Organisations have in some instances managed to influence pieces of legislation and regional policy in favor of agroecological production, they still struggle to obtain their enforcement. Key questions for the future are: How to contribute to the change of scale of the agroecological transition? How to strengthen the position of young people and women in accessing opportunities that will increase their power and resources and improve their living conditions? These are some of the issues JAFOWA will continue to address.



The Evaluation Fund- Reducing Violence against Children

The Evaluation Fund is a pooled funding initiative that aims at reducing violence against children by supporting rigorous evaluations of childhood violence prevention interventions in low- and middle-income countries. These evaluations are expected to expand the evidence base in the sector and improve policies and programmes, thus ultimately contributing to eradicate violence from the lives of children.

> KEY TRENDS DURING THE PERIOD

The field of violence against children has evolved greatly since the start of this fund, integrating into the Sustainable Development Goals as a specific target (16.2) and making its way onto national and international policy agendas relating to health and social development.

> WHAT THE EVALUATION FUND COULD ACHIEVE

During this period, the Fund has begun a strategic review process to evaluate its added-value and future in the field. To work in line with this growing momentum to end violence against children, the Evaluation Fund has decided to focus on Tanzania and Uganda for its next call, due to their national commitment to end violence against children as Path-finding countries.

> LOOKING AHEAD

The Fund aims to enhance the technical support it provides to its research partners through its next call for proposals. Furthermore, the Fund will release its studies through evidence briefs in order to highlight examples of local interventions that have demonstrated a reduction in violence against children.

How to ensure that there is meaningful policy-uptake of the eventual findings among national and regional actors, as well as among cross-cutting sectors?

Other projects funded through NEF during 2016-2018



Children's Rights and Violence Prevention Fund

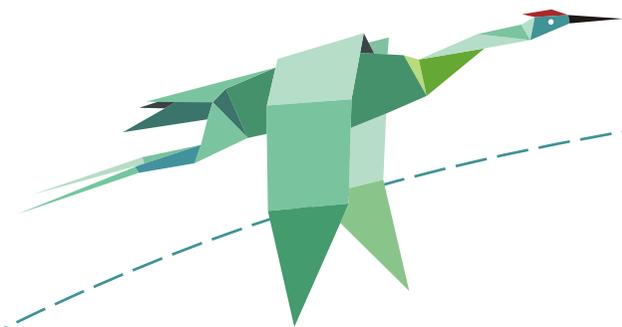
CRVPF is a regional intermediary and social justice organisation with a mission of preventing violence against children in their homes, communities and schools and provide support to adolescent girls to have better chances and make decisions that are affecting their lives. Through NEF, CRVPF has provided grants to 17 community organisations and local NGO's working with families, communities and schools in Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya and Ethiopia.



Elevate Children Funders Group

Elevate Children Funders Group (ECFG) is a network of philanthropic organisations committed to advancing philanthropy that supports children and youth facing adversity. ECFG focuses on the full lifespan of targeted children and youth, from birth to adolescence with a focus on children facing threats of violence, abuse, exploitation and neglect.

8 GOVERNANCE & ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT



Articles of Associations

Article 19 was added following GA of 7/11/2017. It states that any modification to the bank accounts of the association requires the signature of the director and the treasurer or chair of the association.

NEF Board of Directors

The Board of Directors meets twice per year. The board is currently composed of:

Chair

DOMINIQUE LEMAISTRE

Director, Fondation de France

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Vice-Chair

FRANZ KARL PRÜLLER

Member of the Board of ERSTE Stiftung

.....

Treasurer

LUC TAYART DE BORMS

Managing Director,
King Baudouin Foundation

.....

Secretary

RUI ESGAIO

Director of the President's Office,
Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian

Member

MARCO DEMARIE

Head Research Department and
Philanthropy and Community Unit,
Compagnia di San Paolo

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Member

JOACHIM ROGALL

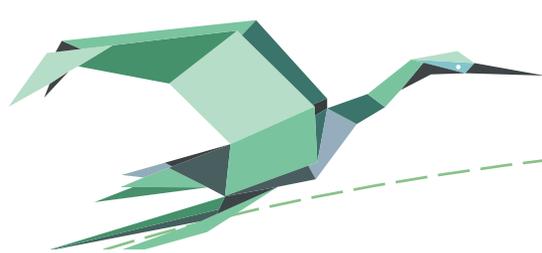
Executive Director,
Robert Bosch Stiftung

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Member ex officio

PEGGY SÄLLER

Executive Director, NEF



9 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

BALANCE SHEET STATEMENT 31/12/2016-2017-2018

ASSETS	2016	2017	2018	LIABILITIES	2016	2017	2018
FIXED ASSETS	60	60	1 426	EQUITY	1 002 075	1 043 310	1 534 594
EQUIPMENT	0	0	1 366	CAPITAL	150 000	150 000	150 000
Equipment	8 580	8 580	10 629	Starting funds	150 000	150 000	150 000
Equipment depreciations	-8 580	-8 580	-9 263	RESERVES	417 088	417 088	877 088
FURNITURE	0	0	0	General reserve	305 629	305 629	305 629
Furniture	24 128	24 128	24 128	Social reserve	111 459	111 459	111 459
Furniture depreciations	-24 128	-24 128	-24 128	Funds Reserves	0	0	0
CASH GUARANTEES	60	60	60	Epim social reserve	0	0	460 000
				Alliance Guarantee Fund Reserve	0	0	0
				ACCUMULATED RESULTS	434 987	476 222	507 506
CURRENT ASSETS	6 713 258	7 464 383	7 299 801	CURRENT LIABILITIES	5 711 243	6 421 133	5 766 634
DEBTORS	174 944	727 976	418 424	SUPPLIERS AND COMMERCIAL DEBTS	185 357	58 167	391 164
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	13 781	44 258	21 483	OTHERS DEBTS	0	0	0
BONDS, SECURITIES & DEPOSITS	415 473	415 473	415 473	FISCAL AND SOCIAL DEBTS	64 153	84 437	68 257
CASH & BANK	6 105 023	6 256 055	6 442 956	Taxes	0	0	0
ACCRUED INCOME	3 165	20 120	0	Social charges and wages	64 153	84 437	68 257
DEFERRED CHARGES	872	501	1 465	ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME	5 461 733	6 278 529	5 307 213
				Deferred charges	21 930	0	0
				Deferred income	450 000	550 000	0
				Funds projects to carry forward	4 989 803	5 728 529	5 307 213
TOTAL ASSETS	6 713 318	7 464 443	7 301 227	TOTAL LIABILITIES	6 713 318	7 464 443	7 301 227

PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
31/12/2016-2017-2018

PROFIT AND LOSS	2016	2017	2018
INCOMES			
Membership Fees	188 464	178 446	176 184
Recup. NEF Staff Costs	435 841	566 163	739 012
Financing Of Projects	5 556 740	6 060 212	6 634 847
Cost Contributions From Projects	143 089	134 669	127 294
Other Operating Items	954	6 421	602
Financial Income	6 946	3 021	2 895
Exceptional Items	13 950	0	0
Total Incomes	6 345 984	6 948 932	7 680 834
EXPENDITURES			
RUNNING COSTS	75 062	83 141	103 042
Rent	13 621	18 161	12 906
Stationary & Office Materials	5 227	1 462	2 265
Postal Charges	390	498	725
Communication	2 377	2 772	1 770
Costs Social Secretariat	4 023	4 674	4 851
Insurance	293	1 954	1 548
Travel Costs	4 949	1 633	4 491
Lunch / Accomodation Costs	2 663	914	1 889
Meeting Costs	6 191	3 272	1 730
Publications	5 034	0	75
Consultancy Fees & Service Providers	29 291	33 745	60 403
Other Costs	1 003	14 056	10 389
STAFF (INCL. SOCIAL CHARGES)	657 729	761 043	909 278
DEPRECIATIONS	787	0	683
PROVISIONS	25 151	0	0
PROJECT COSTS	5 556 740	6 060 212	6 634 847
FINANCIAL COSTS	4 115	3 301	1 700
Total Expenditures	6 319 584	6 907 697	7 649 550
PROFITS/LOSSES (*)	26 401	41 235	31 284