

Annual Report 2017
What your donation achieves!



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Hello!

In 2017 we were able to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Jugend Eine Welt. An appropriate moment to begin new projects for the future and to look back in gratitude on what has already been achieved.

I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate my thanks to all those who made it possible for us to support over 2,700 aid projects for disadvantaged children and young people over the past two decades.

Our anniversary celebration on 12 May in Vienna gathered guests from near and far: donors who have supported us right from the start, former and current volunteers and above all project partners from Bolivia, Ecuador, Ghana, India, Liberia and Tunisia who gave stirring talks about the important work they do.

Their message to us was clear: Our support is more necessary than ever! In 2017, for instance, in South Sudan, to mitigate the effects of the catastrophic famine. All over Africa, hunger and destitution are forcing young people to leave their homes. In his address, Brother Lothar Wagner SDB warned against underestimating the dangers to society worldwide if an entire generation has to sit "on packed suitcases". Fr. Marcelo Farfán from Ecuador explained how prudent support can help gifted young women and men to make the most of their talents.

We took the opportunity offered by our anniversary to launch new projects for the coming years and decades. One visible sign of this is the new Jugend Eine Welt website that went live in 2018 after lengthy preparation. The site also provides information on voluntary work for people of all ages. In 2017, we were able to expand this activity considerably. 2017 was also the year in which we were able to distribute donations and revenue from the Jugend Eine Welt Privatstiftung for the first time.

I am very pleased with these developments and ask you to continue supporting us for the next 20 years. Thank you very much for all the support that helps young people the world over to live well!

Reinhard Heiserer Director, Jugend Eine Welt





13 MONTHS* OF SOLAR POWER PER YEAR

Great interest in the new Jugend Eine Welt solar training programme

In many African countries, renewable forms of energy are a growing economic sector and essential for development. However, local specialists

with the relevant training are needed to plan and install solar equipment, service it and if necessary repair it. With the support of the

"There is great interest in the course because it covers many practical aspects"

Irita Opara, expert in renewable energy at Jugend Eine Welt

Austrian Development Agency (ADA), the threeyear (2016-2018) Jugend Eine Welt solar energy programme addresses this need by training solar engineers under the motto of "13 months of solar power per year"*.

By the second year of the project, word had spread about the quality of the training: "There is so much interest in the course because it covers not just the theory, but also many practical aspects," says Irita Opara, an expert in renewable energy at Jugend Eine Welt. Other institutions such as development organisations, state vocational schools and universities are now enquiring about courses in solar engineering. Every year, 20 teachers and 120 students receive training in photovoltaics in the solar energy workshops. The courses are also open to electrical engineers who are already working and wish to add to their skills.

One of these is 24-year-old Kinfe N. from the area

* The motto refers to the Ethiopian calendar which has 13 months.

around Adwa. With his newly acquired knowledge he can help promote solar power by supplying larger systems. "Now I can offer my customers

> guidance, planning, the sale and installation of bigger solar arrays and have already sold and installed 16 larger systems for churches

and private homes," says the young engineer enthusiastically.

The "13 months of solar power" scheme is running in the four Don Bosco vocational training centres in Adwa, Addis Ababa, Gambella and Dilla, with more sites planned. From 2019, the successful concept is to be extended to other Don Bosco training centres in Uganda, Rwanda, Malawi, Zambia and western Africa. A pilot project is also starting in Chile.



The training course enabled Kinfe N. to begin a professional career in the solar power trade.

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LIFE-SAVING EMERGENCY RELIEF IN SOUTH SUDAN

Don Bosco projects supply the population with the essentials

In 2017, the famine and refugee crisis in South Sudan worsened still further. Amid this adversity, the Don Bosco project partners of Jugend Eine Welt never abandon the people, helping thousands with safe places to stay, emergency famine



The water pump in Gumbo was repaired with help from Austria.

relief on site and education projects. A cry for help reached us direct from Gumbo from the Don Bosco sister Lourdes: "The situation is very grave, there is not enough food, children are fainting with hunger (...) please help us..." In Gumbo alone, 300 families received urgently needed food with the support of Jugend Eine Welt, and many people were saved from starvation in Juba too. In addition, the unbureaucratic, direct emergency relief organised by Jugend Eine Welt meant that funds were available to repair the water pump in Gumbo.

Overall, around 18,000 internally displaced persons found shelter in the three Don Bosco refugee camps in 2017, and the number is still rising. Thanks to the active support of donors in Austria it was possible to buy new plastic sheets to cover the refugees' tents which had been destroyed in torrential rain and storms. Outside the camps, the Don Bosco Sisters in South Sudan run several kindergartens, elementary schools, health posts and vocational training centres for women. In addition, thousands of children and adolescents

"The situation is very grave, there is not enough food, children are fainting with hunger."

Sister Lourdes from Gumbo in March 2017

receive elementary schooling and vocational training at the Don Bosco schools.

"What is most important is that there is enough to eat and some degree of normality in their daily lives which are otherwise dominated by hunger, hopelessness and violence," says Hannes Velik, head of the project department at Jugend Eine Welt. We thank all our donors for the emergency relief we were able to grant in South Sudan in 2017!





ORGANIC FARMING AS A CHANCE

Training for a new generation of farmers in Chennai/India

The agricultural college in Sagayathottam is very highly regarded in the region: it trains young women and men as farmers. Recently, courses have begun to focus on organic farming. During our visit to the college, director Fr. Alphonse Arulanandam explained that there are many reasons for switching to organic farming: "The shift to organic promotes food security here in the region because the hardy plants, which had been forgotten, produce a yield even without the use of artificial fertilisers. In recent years the price of fertiliser has risen, much to the detriment of agriculture here which depends on the industry. Plus, of course, the chemical products put tremendous strain on the environment. The change also makes economic sense because the market for

The agricultural college in Sagayathottam is linked with another site in Bangalore and, in the transnational "Green Don Bosco" programme, contacts are maintained with a project in the Philippines which is also planning the cultivation of moringas. At all these sites, external aid is only necessary in the

initial phase of the changeover because the pro-

jects should become self-sustaining very quickly.

regarded as a showcase model of organic soil culture that has positive effects for the entire region.

In addition, a modern training centre is being estab-

lished where farmers can attend practical courses

in sustainable methods of cultivation.

"The shift to organic farming promotes food security here in the region."

Fr. Alphonse Arulanandam

organically grown produce and medicinal plants is growing rapidly and good prices are paid for them." In particular, moringas are planted. In recent years, moringas have been rediscovered as extremely hardy old medicinal plants. They are especially resistant to drought. But other plants with medicinal properties are also being cultivated, such as the evergreen neem tree, the Indian gooseberry tree amla, and lemon, mango and guava trees. The use of sustainable permacultures and water-saving drip irrigation that penetrates directly down to the tree roots creates a near-natural, resource-conserving cycle. The medicinal plant farm in Sagayathottam is







In the training centre run by the Don Bosco Sisters, many girls experience a feeling of security and self-confidence for the first time.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR GIRLS

Scholarship scheme as an important way of fighting poverty

In the Philippines, many young girls still live in highly precarious circumstances and are particularly vulnerable to exploitation. The danger of poverty is especially great for immigrant families with low qualifications, with girls and women most at risk. They are forced to work as domestics under terrible conditions, drift into prostitution and have in many cases been the victims of degrading treatment.

The school project run by the Don Bosco Sisters in Minglanilla in the south of the metropolis of Cebu City seeks to remedy this situation with an elementary school, secondary school and a technical college for a total of 460 girls. As a direct response to Typhoon Haiyan, a disaster management centre was built in 2014/15 with the support of Jugend Eine Welt which also houses the school.

Through the scholarship scheme co-financed by Jugend Eine Welt, another 161 girls aged 13 to 17 who cannot afford the school fees received an allround school education and psychological treatment and support from social workers in 2017, giving them a chance of leading an independent and rewarding life. Many girls are now able to focus on learning for the first time without having to contribute to their family's financial survival at the same time. The Sisters also help them to come to terms with their traumatic past experiences. At the centre they experience a feeling of security for the first time and gain self-confidence. The Sisters adopt an integral approach, involving the girls' families and providing support that goes far beyond educational advancement.



The joy of graduating another class.

"The school's mission is to work for the poor, and we do this first and foremost through education. We thank you, especially on behalf of the girls of Minglanilla and their parents, for your support of our scholarship programme. Thank you for helping us with our work for these young girls."

So says Sister Evangeline in her message of gratitude.







SCHOLARSHIPS GIVE HOPE

Chance of continued education with a scholarship scheme for 110 adolescents a year

"The scholarship gives us hope

of a better life"

Scholarship holder Miguel talking to Jugend Eine Welt

The difficult economic situation in Ecuador means that many families cannot afford to send their children to school. Rather more than 20% of the population still live below the breadline. But in the province of Esmeraldas in the north-west of the country the figure is approximately 60%, way above the national average. It is children and young people who suffer the most.

To provide these marginalised young people with the safety net of education the Jugend Eine Welt project

partners run a stateelementary, approved secondary and vocational school in Vuelta Larga, a suburb of Esmeraldas. In the

2017/2018 school year, Jugend Eine Welt helped 110 of the 3,279 pupils to attend school, thereby enabling them to take a three-year vocational training

course in computer science, electronics or mechanical engineering. School attendance, guaranteed by the scholarship, is often the only stable aspect of their lives. For most of those who receive a scholarship it is the first time that they have ever had the chance to continue their education. Scholarships are only awarded to young people living in "catastrophic"

Miguel* is one such young person. His father died just as he started school and now the family only has

> and his sister now exhibit signs of deficiency. But when he starts talking about school his eyes begin to shine: "I have learned

many practical things at school so I can repair lots of things at home like broken appliances and wiring." Says his mother: "His father would be proud of him if he could see all the things that Miguel has already achieved."

The staff at the school are faced with numerous dayto-day challenges. Apart from finding the money for the school fees, uniforms and equipment, many other things are lacking as well: "Lots of pupils have difficulty finding the money for the bus fare to school and very often arrive with empty stomachs," says principal Fr. Julian Flores. "Their school work suffers greatly as a result, and that's why we offer several meals

every day." (*Not his real name)

conditions. enough money for one meal a day. As a result, Miguel

to scholarship holders free of charge at the canteen The school building in Esmeraldas.

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Encounters, cordiality, friendship and the exchange of knowledge were the main features of the trip to Ecuador in 2017.

FRIENDSHIP TRIP AROUND ECUADOR

For its 20th anniversary, Jugend Eine Welt staged a "friendship trip"

Led by Monika Mlinar, a founding member of Jugend Eine Welt and a member of the board, a group of 15 friends from Austria undertook a tour of this diverse South American country – avoiding tourist routes and clichés. During the tour, visits were paid to some of the social projects funded by Jugend Eine Welt.

The trip, organised jointly by the intercultural travel agency Maquita in Ecuador, Jugend Eine Welt and Amigotour Austria, had a very varied itinerary and gave the participants an insight into a colourful assortment of projects and activities. "Much has improved in the country," reports Monika Mlinar, "but the poor side of Ecuador is now better hidden. Quito's old quarter has been spruced up a bit; you hardly see any street vendors, and young shoe-shiners are immediately sent packing by the police. But it is evident from

the various projects being carried out by the Salesians that there is still much to do and that the support of Jugend Eine Welt is very important."

Starting in Ecuador's capital, Quito, the group visited Don Bosco projects in the Amazon rain forest; in Ambato the Austrians met up with two volunteers, Tamia and Aron of Volontariat bewegt, the Jugend Eine Welt organisation that arranges periods of voluntary work, and the two gave an impressive account of their lives and the work they are doing for

street children. In Cuenca, at the Universidad Politécnica Salesianos, Bernardo Salgado demonstrates how important the Don Bosco education bond issued by Jugend Eine Welt is for the university's success. Padre Javier, vice chancellor of the university, convinced the visitors: "This idea has a future. It gives many young people the chance to live a good life." And in Quito the group finished the tour with a visit to another project for the chicos de la calle, the street children.

"I heard many positive success stories from volunteers, the pounding noise of the major cities, salsa music that makes you want to dance, strange animal sounds and the voices of people sharing their knowledge with us." Evelyne S., participant







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Tamia and Aron in Ambato (photo, left) with the chicos de la calle in Quito.











A NEW HOME FOR REFUGEES

Our Don Bosco Flüchtlingswerk creates new apartments for teenage refugees

On 25 April 2017, building work started on the new home in Inzersdorf, Vienna, in which the Don

Bosco Flüchtlingswerk will provide temporary accommodation for up to

How does a young refugee feel, far from home and not speaking the language?

30 unaccompanied minors who have fled their home countries. The new building, which will be ready for its first occupants in June 2018, provides the perfect environment for educational work and care of young people in the spirit of Don Bosco.

In September 2017, the Don Bosco Flüchtlingswerk extended an invitation to the "Sale für Alle" youth centre in Vienna to mark the "Long Day of Flight". Under the motto of "Feel like a refugee", visitors were able to experience first-hand what minors face when they arrive in Austria to apply

for asylum. The aim was to draw attention to the stigmatisation, the sometimes overlong asylum

procedure and the constant uncertainty that young asylum seekers face with

regard to their future lives.

The event attracted a great deal of interest, and 150 visitors were given a new identity and the biography of a young refugee for the duration of the workshop. First stop was initial reception where a fictional client card or ID was issued. Further stations, such as "Interview at the Austrian Office for Immigration and Asylum", "Determination of applicant's age" and "Language course", showed the participants the situations that fleeing people have to face. One of the participants reported afterwards that, "I felt particularly odd when my age was being determined. Now I have at least some idea of how refugees must feel amid the jungle of bureaucracy, especially when they are far from home and don't speak the language. Thank goodness they have the Don Bosco Flüchtlingswerk as a contact point!"

The Don Bosco Flüchtlingswerk is a joint initiative run by Jugend Eine Welt, the Salesians of Don Bosco Sisters.









Jugend Eine Welt's education team visits school classes and youth groups

The Jugend Eine Welt education team arose from the wish expressed by numerous volunteers to continue doing voluntary work following their return to Austria. The team's activities were significantly extended in 2017. The members of the team give talks and hold workshops at schools, parishes and other institutions. On the one hand they give an account of their experiences during their voluntary work abroad, thereby increasing awareness of global interdependencies and challenges. On the other they offer a wide selection of workshops on topics relating to development policy. The aim is to show, along with the young people, how every one of us can contribute to creating a fairer and sustainable world.

In 2017 we were able to hold over thirty workshops at schools. The topics were the volunteers' reports of their experiences on the one hand, and issues such as "One world - one plan! (Sustainable Development Goals)" or "Life on the street - street children the world over" on the other. The feedback about the workshop, which was free for schools, was positive in every respect. Initially, we were chiefly active in and around Vienna, but towards the end of the year we were able to found a second education group in Graz. We look forward to many interesting encounters in the coming years.



Ready for new experiences: the enthusiastic volunteers at the send-off party prior to their departure.

VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION

VOLONTARIAT bewegt inspires young volunteers

VOLONTARIAT bewegt is a joint initiative of Jugend Eine Welt and the Salesians of Don Bosco that was founded in 2012. It offers young adults aged between 18 and 35 the opportunity to do a period of (voluntary) social work for ten to twelve months in Africa, Asia or Latin America. The volunteers are assigned to institutions run by the Salesians of Don Bosco and the Don Bosco Sisters where they work as teaching assistants and help with leisure activities in youth centres, homes for street children, schools or vocational colleges.

In 2017 alone, 42 young women and men went out to nine countries: Ethiopia, Ecuador, Ghana, India, Colombia, Malawi, Mexico, Cameroon and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. In total, 76 volunteers, including 36 people doing their alternative community service, were working in the VOLONTARIAT bewegt programme in 2017.

Jugend Eine Welt has been sending volunteers abroad for periods of work since 1997. To date, over 600 young people have taken advantage of this opportunity.

A highlight for the volunteers of 2017 was the official send-off they received from Austria's President Alexander Van der Bellen on 11 July. For the first time, volunteer social workers were invited to the Hofburg in Vienna for an official send-off by the head of state. This is a nice gesture on the part of the republic of Austria that shows its recognition and appreciation of the voluntary work performed through VOLON-TARIAT bewegt. Jugend Eine Welt wishes all the volunteers a successful stay abroad.



An initiative of





OUR GLOBAL NETWORK

Jugend Eine Welt: Project partners in a total of 132 countries

Jugend Eine Welt primarily supports Don Bosco projects in Africa, Asia, Latin America, Eastern Europe and the Middle East. In 2017 we were able to support 102 projects in 32 countries. We thank all our donors who have helped to make small miracles of life possible all over the world.

Jugend Eine Welt funds or takes part in numerous initiatives in Austria and abroad which share our commitment to poverty eradication, global fairness and the concerns of Don Bosco. Apart from the Don Bosco Flüchtlingswerk and VOLONTARIAT bewegt these include:

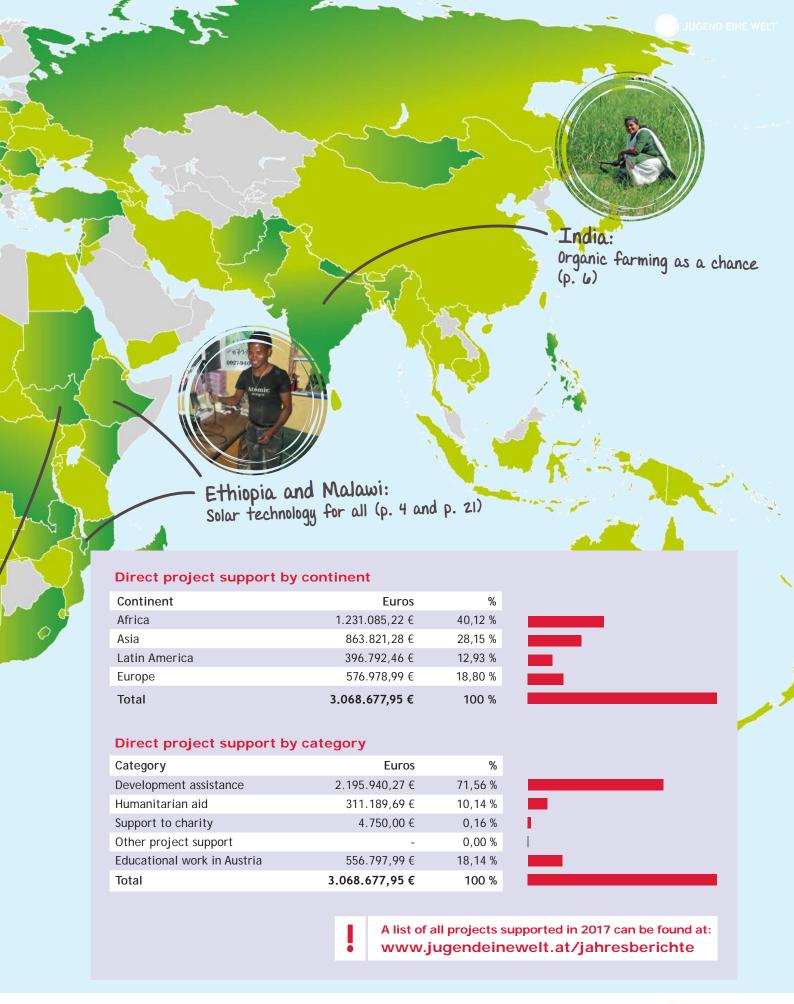
























NEW PROGRAMME FOR SENIORS

Since 2017 seniors have had the chance to do voluntary work

Jugend Eine Welt gives people wishing to help in a sustainable way the chance to spend several months working as volunteers on a social project. Professional preparation, support during the assignment and above all careful selection of the volunteers and project partners guarantee that the period of work is a rewarding experience for both sides.

Choosing the International Day of Older Persons on 1 October as a fitting date, Jugend Eine Welt presented a new programme for sending volunteers abroad: "Senior Experts Austria" gives seniors the chance to pass on their expert knowledge and experience as volunteer workers in Africa, Asia, Latin America or Eastern Europe.

The new scheme, which attracted great interest right from the start, brings together supply and demand: on the one hand, retired people with professional experience and experience of life who want to do something useful and have an interest in development cooperation; and on the other, educational institutions and small enterprises, most from the worldwide Don Bosco network, that want to benefit from the specialist knowledge of qualified senior citizens. Most of the costs are covered by Jugend Eine Welt, funding partners and the project partners which ensures that it is motivation and suitability that determine who is able to undertake an assignment with Senior Experts Austria.

The first seniors began preparations for their stays

abroad towards the end of 2017, and their work was due to start in the first months of the following year. These preparations include individual consultations covering the applicant's CV, professional experience, wishes and aims, along with group workshops with other volunteers. The volunteers appreciate this mutual exchange very much.

The volunteer programmes may only be a small part of the work done by Jugend Eine Welt in terms of the number of participants, but they are nevertheless important in terms of what they achieve: If we want to take sustainable steps to help disadvantaged children and young people have future prospects, we must make active efforts to achieve a fairer world. Volunteers who have returned to Austria and give accounts of their rewarding experiences abroad therefore become ambassadors of the one-world idea and support our work in Austria.

Jugend Eine Welt wishes all the volunteers a successful stay abroad.



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THINK SUSTAINABLY - ACT GLOBALLY

How Jugend Eine Welt implements the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

On 26 September 2017, the new civil society platform SDG Watch Austria was launched. 130 nonprofit organisations and organisations of civil society are taking part. Jugend Eine Welt was heavily involved in preparing the platform's foundation and is also represented on the board. This coalition aims to take steps to ensure that the 17 SDGs are in fact implemented in Austria and that Austria also promotes their implementation worldwide.

Jugend Eine Welt's work has always been geared not merely towards "helping out" individual disadvantaged young people in the short term, but to making a sustainable contribution so that they can lead independent lives. We attach particular importance to the fourth goal, "quality education for all": we are committed to helping children and young people all over the world have a good education and consequently a good life, for instance by means of scholarship programmes (see p. 7 of this report). However, education projects alone are not enough. That is why Jugend Eine Welt's project partners deliberately promote projects for sustainable development and poverty eradication as well. The solar energy programme in Ethiopia, for example, (p. 4 of this report) is a specific measure targeted at reaching the seventh SDG, "affordable and sustainable energy".

Again and again it becomes apparent that educational activities are not enough to ensure a successful life: education can only reduce poverty

where there are ways and means to earn a living and where stable political and social conditions exist.

To address this problem, Jugend Eine Welt recently began supporting the transnational programme "Moringa – back to nature" (p. 6 of this report). The so-called "horseradish tree", or Moringa oleifera, was already known in India as a plant with medicinal properties thousands of years ago. However, in recent decades it has been largely forgotten. Cultivating the tree makes it possible to regain the use of soils that have been rendered infertile by decades of over-exploitation. This creates opportunities for earning a living in rural areas. The training programmes at the agricultural colleges also accept destitute young people and enable them to escape the spiral of poverty in which their families have in many cases been trapped for several decades.





Financial Report 2017 Efficient funding the world over

Balance of accounts for 2017	31.12.2017 Euros
A. Fixed assets	
I. Intangible assets	14.181,91
II. Tangible assets	24.514,72
III. Financial assets	
	62.290,51
B. Liquid assets	
I. Reserves	7.441,41
II. Receivables and other assets	
a) Receivables from affiliated undertakings	100,00
b) Other receivables and assets	10.566,33
III. Cash in hand, credit at financial institutions	1.748.808,75
	1.766.916,49
C. Prepayments and accrued income	11.003,17
Total assets	1.840.210,17
A. Capital resources	
I. Reserves and provisions for use according to the statutes	448.301,58
B. Liabilities for donations yet to be disbursed as assigned	
1. Liabilities for donations yet to be disbursed as assigned	631.578,54
C. Accrued liabilities	
1. Other	65.723,98
D. Payables	
1. Accounts payable for supplies and services	13.754,61
2. Amounts owed to affiliated undertakings	160.000,00
3. Other liabilities	404.568,47
	578.323,08
E. Prepayments and accrued income	116.282,99
Total liabilities	1.840.210,17

The Year 2017

Thanks to our donors' unflagging and tremendous willingness to help, we were able to support a total of 102 projects in 32 countries. With the help of the emergency aid fund we were able to respond to urgent appeals from South Sudan which was in the throes of a terrible famine. The three-year programme with the ADA begun in 2016 was continued in 2017, and there are plans to extend it.

We were once again able to keep the costs of administration very low, at 6.59% of total expenditure.

The many single and regular donations made by private individuals form the backbone of our work. Thanks to several large donations and bequests we were able to

Rooted in Austria.
Active in the world.
Jugend Eine Welt uses the funds donated efficiently.

support a number of projects at the end of the year whose implementation had long been in doubt. Anniversary Year

In 2017 we celebrated our 20th anniversary. And in this special year, we were able to launch several larger-scale projects. We are still looking for donors so that we can continue them.

Thank you for your support!

Jugend Eine Welt -Don Bosco Aktion Österreich

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Financial report Donation seal of approval 2017

Sources of funds	Euros	
I. Donations received	4.485.373,50	79,75
a) non-dedicated donations	1.573.055,38	
b) dedicated donations	2.912.318,12	
II. Membership fees	225,00	0,00
III.Operating income	605.666,30	10,77
a) operating income from public funds	532.480,98	
b) other operating income	73.185,32	
IV. Other income	992,02	0,02
a) Asset management	521,30	
b) miscellaneous other income	470,72	
V. Release to income of liabilities for donations yet to be disbursed as assigned	155.899,17	2,77
VI. Appropriation of reserves	376.331,96	6,69
Total	5.624.487,95	100,00

1. Expenditure for purposes stipulated by the statute 3.898.815,80	69,32
a) Project work 2.987.343,20	
b) Education/advocacy/information 911.472,61	
II. Fundraising 864.597,74	15,37
III. Administrative costs 370.417,48	6,59
IV. Transfer to liabilities for donations yet to be disbursed as assigned 490.656,92	8,72

Total 5.624.487,95 100,00



EDUCATION OVERCOMES POVERTY

Give young people a future and act sustainably with Jugend Eine Welt

Jugend Eine Welt – Don Bosco Aktion Österreich is an Austrian aid organisation that has been working to improve the future prospects of children and young people on the margins of society around the world since 1997.

Following the principle "Education overcomes poverty", Jugend Eine Welt supports aid projects, schools, programmes for street children and education projects in Asia, Africa, Latin America, the Middle East and Eastern Europe.

Jugend Eine Welt's project partners are primarily works of the Salesians of Don Bosco (16,000 Salesians in over 130 countries) and the Don Bosco Sisters (13,000 sisters in over 90 countries) as well as some smaller religious orders and local NGOs. Through our worldwide network, disadvantaged children and adolescents are given the chance of a better future: they are taken in and shown affection, can go to school again, receive training and, above all, are cared for in every respect and so have the chance to lead a successful life.

The Jugend Eine Welt project partners live with the children and young people entrusted to their care. They are thoroughly familiar with the local situation which means that they are extremely reliable partners, even in the event of natural disasters or situations of armed conflict. In the case of a disaster, the Jugend Eine Welt centres often serve as refuges. This means that Jugend Eine Welt can help quickly and unbureaucratically. However, supporting reconstruction work is equally important:

this is because young people are particularly badly affected by natural disasters and armed conflicts and the resulting movements of refugees. There is often the danger of the emergence of a "lost generation".

In Austria, Jugend Eine Welt works to make these global interdependencies visible and is untiring in its efforts to raise funds. These are used to help children and young people who are given a future by Jugend Eine Welt's worldwide projects. Jugend Eine Welt and our partners give young adults and adults with professional experience the opportunity to do a period of voluntary work in one of our social projects that are conducted all over the world.

For over 20 years we have been working with the conviction that the life's work of the pioneer of social work and patron saint of young people Don Bosco is worth continuing on a global scale so that the lives of young people the world over are a success.

Jugend Eine Welt has carried the donation seal of approval since its introduction.





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BUILDING BRIDGES TOGETHER

A celebration to launch us into the next 20 years

On 12 May, Jugend Eine Welt celebrated its 20th anniversary at the Don Bosco Haus in Vienna with a large number of friends from all over the world. In those twenty years, we have been able to fund over 2,700 aid projects for disadvantaged children and young people under the banner of "Education overcomes poverty!", have received and passed on donations and funds of EUR 70 million and have sent 600 volunteers abroad with our partners. At the ceremony, project partners from Bolivia, Ecuador, Ghana, India, Liberia and Tunisia were invited to speak, and described their work which, though often arduous and dangerous, is always rewarding.

"For over 20 years, we have been trying to build bridges between those who need help and those who can provide it," said co-founder Reinhard Heiserer in his address, and he thanked all those who support Jugend Eine Welt either morally or financially.



Keynote speaker Hans-Jürgen Dörrich from the German partner organisation Don Bosco Mondo encapsulated what it is that constitutes the "Don Bosco spirit" in the Jugend Eine Welt projects: "At Don Bosco, help is active and practical, and is given where the need is greatest."

Project partner Brother Lothar Wagner, who was working in Sierra Leone until recently and from 2018 will be in South Sudan, also underlined just how closely the projects funded by Jugend Eine Welt are geared to the actual needs of disadvantaged children. "We are so happy that you're there; you are needed and will hopefully stay at our side for a long time to come!" And it is not just the financial support that is appreciated, but also the opportunity to swap expertise and feedback, as Sister Maria Rohrer from Tunisia pointed out. In that country, the Don Bosco Sisters look after young people who come from Sub-Saharan Africa and find themselves stranded at the Mediterranean. Franz König, who had returned from a six-month period of voluntary work in Ethiopia just in time for the celebrations, gave an insight into the international assignments for volunteers, which Jugend Eine Welt had been able to extend considerably in 2017, and closed with this touching thought:

"I now appreciate far more the wealth of opportunities we have here in Austria."



ETHICAL INVESTMENT = MODERNISATION

Bonds and interest-free loans

For twelve years now, Jugend Eine Welt has offered an opportunity for ethical investment using two instruments:

Don Bosco Bond

Signatories of a Don Bosco bond are chiefly legal persons, especially foundations, dioceses and religious orders. More details and reports are available at www.jugendeinewelt.at/helfen/faires-geld/

Interest-free loans

Private individuals have the possibility of granting Jugend Eine Welt an interest-free loan. The money provided in this way has since become an indispensable pillar of the work Jugend Eine Welt does. For example, it enables advance financing of relief measures in the event of an emergency, meaning we can help immediately and unbureaucratically even before we receive donations following an appeal. Funds from ethical investment can also be used for larger investments which, though financially secured in the long term, require liquid assets in the short term.

An example of this from the past year is the Don Bosco Tech Okhla vocational training centre in India's capital Delhi: Every year, several hundred young women and men from disadvantaged families all over India can attend a high-quality vocational training course. Because the existing premises are far too small, an additional building is

under construction. However, funds that had already been promised were released late and there was a risk of the building work having to be stopped. This would also have put the phases of construction at risk that had already been completed. Jugend Eine Welt was able to provide bridge financing using interest-free loans, and the building work could carry on.

Fr. Cyriac gratefully writes about this aid: "In early August we were able to install the electrical cables, and on 16 August courses were already taking place on the ground floor of the new building. The students were selected from disadvantaged families all across the north of the country. With the extension we can offer even more young women and men the chance of high-quality training despite their families' poverty. In the long term, we'll be able to close the gap between poor and rich."

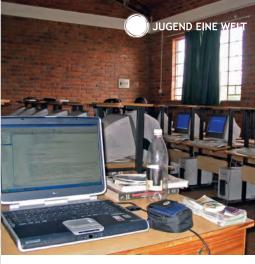
In 2017, the total amount of sums entrusted to Jugend Eine Welt as interest-free loans rose by 12% compared to the previous year. We were especially delighted that many lenders turned their loans into a donation as an anniversary gift; in this way we received a total of €52,000 in extra donations.

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Hannes Velik (left), Dr. Katharina Müller, Reinhard Heiserer

DONATIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

First payouts were allocated to projects in West Africa and India

The Jugend Eine Welt Privatstiftung ended its first full year of activity at the end of 2017. With the interest earned on and the capital distributed from the sums paid in (cash donations, securities, bequests etc.) support was granted to projects in India, Ghana and Malawi.

Many Don Bosco priests work as school principals or heads of social centres and have to continue their training to meet the specific challenges. However, the necessary funds are not usually available. Thanks to the donations from the Jugend Eine Welt Stiftung, eight priests were able to attend training courses in education, social work or school management in the period under review, and this will directly benefit the young people for whom they are responsible.

In addition, we were able to use funds from the Jugend Eine Welt Stiftung to support a solar technology project in Malawi. Malawi's electricity supply depends almost entirely on the hydroelectric power stations on the Shire River. However, increasingly frequent droughts mean that water levels are now low. As a result, not only has water been in short supply in recent years, but electricity shortages have become a serious problem too, also for the Don Bosco technical school in Lilongwe. The school provides quality training for young women and men, especially those from poor families. Recently, though, 80% of the lessons have

been interrupted by power outages. These outages pose a particular problem during the exams in computer and network engineering that are certified by Microsoft. We were able to use funds from the Jugend Eine Welt Stiftung to provide a first instalment of the planned investment in a solar workshop which will in future serve as a nationwide training centre for prospective solar engineers. In the mid-term this will significantly improve the quality of the lessons and the career prospects of those who successfully complete the course.

We are very pleased with the successful start of the Jugend Eine Welt Stiftung in our 20th anniversary year and extend a very warm welcome to new donors.

We would be happy to give you details of how you can support the Jugend Eine Welt Stiftung and take advantage of tax benefits, and of other possibilities for long-term donations. Let us know your wishes and ideas and we will provide unbureaucratic assistance with putting them into practice. We will also take the bureaucracy off your hands.

Advice and information

free and without obligation by telephone on +43 1 879 07 07-30 or by e-mail to stiftung@jugendeinewelt.at



THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

Your contributions make our work possible

In 2017 Jugend Eine Welt celebrated its 20th anniversary. That we have been able to help children and young people at risk around the world for more than two decades is down to all those who finance, support and advertise our work. For that, you deserve a big **THANK YOU!**

Donations

Thanks to your donations we can give boys and girls from the poorest of backgrounds a

brighter future. They have the chance to go to school, learn a trade and grow up healthy. Even small amounts can achieve great things in Africa, Asia, South America, the Middle East and Eastern Europe.

Our heartfelt thanks go to everyone who supported us with a donation in 2017!

Taking action together for a good cause

At birthday parties or weddings, parish fêtes and sporting events: in 2017, a large number of people who feel an affinity with Jugend Eine Welt once again collected donations for our projects. We are especially grateful to all the dedicated teachers who raised money for street children together with young people and sometimes even went into the streets themselves, as well as the many dedicated members of one-world groups, schools and parishes who share our belief in the one-world idea.

In 2017, for example, we had intensive contact with the Ambato action group in the parish of Christkindl in Steyr which sells "building blocks for education" every December in aid of street children in Ecuador. Together with the group we

prepared the visit to Austria of Sr. Narciza from Ambato/Ecuador in January 2018.

For many children, being able to go back to school is a longheld dream that comes true.







Street children are constantly watchful. Great patience is needed to form a bond with them and help them.

Interest-free loans, contributions to the foundation, regular donations and wills

Our aim is sustainable assistance. That is why we thank all the people who make it possible for us to plan far into the future with their regular donations, interest-free loans and contributions to the Jugend Eine Welt Stiftung.

Our special thanks go to all the donors who remember us in their wills. Their willingness to do good even after their passing carries our work in favour of vulnerable young people into the future.

Corporate cooperation

More and more companies are practising social responsibility and showing commitment in aid of disadvantaged people to make the world that little bit better. We are grateful that many businesses and firms showed their solidarity again in 2017 and made one-off donations, funded entire projects or supported us by providing their services at reduced rates or donating goods.

A will: a very special form of support

We would like to say a very big thankyou to our longstanding donor Mrs B. who died in 2017 having reached a great age. Mrs B. not only supported us during her lifetime but also bequeathed money to us in her will. We are delighted that we can use the money she left us to help children and young people who still have their whole lives ahead of them.



Jugend Eine Welt is a partner of the bequest platform "Vergissmeinnicht.at - die Initiative für ein gutes Testament". We regularly hold information sessions without obligation on matters relating to inheritance law, advance directives and much more. We would be pleased to give you details of how you can help after death.

"For the young I do things that verge on recklessness."

St. John Bosco (1815-1888)

In the spirit of Don Bosco, a pioneer of social work,
Jugend Eine Welt and its partners support
education and social projects all over the world
that provide disadvantaged young people with a
future. To achieve this, no obstacle is too big.

Your donation and your commitment give children and young people a future.

Thank you!

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