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About the Founder

George Soros was born in Budapest, Hungary, in 1930. He survived the Nazi occupation of Budapest and left communist Hungary in 1947 for England, where he graduated from the London School of Economics. While a student at LSE, he became familiar with the work of the philosopher Karl Popper, who had a profound influence on his thinking and later on his professional and philanthropic activities.

In 1956, George Soros moved to the United States, where he began to accumulate a large fortune through an international investment fund he founded and managed. Today he is Chairman of Soros Fund Management LLC.

George Soros has been active as a philanthropist since 1979, when he began providing funds to help black students attend Capetown University in apartheid South Africa. Today he is Chairman of the Open Society Institute and the founder of a network of philanthropic organizations active in more than 50 countries in Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union, Africa, Latin America, Asia, and the United States. These foundations are dedicated to building and maintaining the infrastructure and institutions of an open society. In 1992, Mr. Soros founded the Central European University, with its primary campus in Budapest.

George Soros is the author of eight books: *The Alchemy of Finance*, 1987; *Opening the Soviet System*, 1990; *Underwriting Democracy*, 1991; *Soros on Soros: Staying Ahead of the Curve*, 1995; *The Crisis of Global Capitalism: Open Society Endangered*, 1998; *Open Society: Reforming Global Capitalism*, 2000; *George Soros on Globalization*, 2002; and the most recent one *The Bubble of America Supremacy*, 2004. His articles and essays on politics, society, and economics regularly appear in major newspapers and magazines around the world.

About the Foundation

The Stefan Batory Foundation is an independent, non-profit organization of a public benefit status registered by the District Court of Warsaw (Praga) on May 7th 1988. George Soros, an American financier and philanthropist, is the organization's Founder and chief donor. The Stefan Batory Foundation's mission is to build an open, democratic society – a society of people aware of their rights and responsibilities, who take an active role in public life and are responsible for themselves and for their community.

The Foundation's activity focuses on three priority areas:

■ support to civic initiatives in Poland

Civic involvement is an indispensable ingredient of every democratic process. The Foundation has provided support to a number of various types of community involvement initiatives that facilitate local problem solving. We help independent non-governmental organisations which take up projects in areas where the role or the capacity of the state are limited. We are the only grant-maker in Poland to support not only individual projects but also long term programs and institutional strengthening: strategic planning, management enhancement, financial sustainability. We support community initiatives which increase public participation and create equal opportunities for the most vulnerable or disadvantaged social groups.

■ access to justice and social scrutiny

We are convinced that democracy cannot function well without the knowledge of and respect for law among all citizens and without social scrutiny of the government. Therefore, we support measures that are designed to provide all citizens with access to information and justice. We assist legal and civil education programs. We disseminate legal expertise and methods of exercising scrutiny over public confidence institutions. We advocate systems to control corruption and protect individuals rights against government abuse.

■ international assistance and co-operation

Poland's democracy is young. We still remember its tough beginnings – therefore we help our neighbours in the East to advance democracy, particularly in Belarus and Ukraine. We facilitate experience sharing in the areas of political and social transition. We implement projects aimed at building strong neighbourly relations with the East and the West. We contribute to

the dialogue on the future of common Europe and advocate a greater role of community initiative in international relations and in the advancement of democratic principles and respect for human rights.

The basic method of our operation involves making grants to the non-governmental organisations. Throughout 2004, we provided 363 grants to institutions and organizations, 49 travel grants to cover costs of 231 participants attending events and projects abroad, as well as 11 awards; overall expenditure to that purpose totalled **PLN 14,5 million** (EUR 3,35 million).

Alone or in partnership with other organisations, we also initiate and implement projects that are important for the social and political development of Poland. We host public debates on political, social and international relations issues, produce publications, conduct research and social campaigns, organise conferences, seminars and training workshops; overall expenditure to that purpose totalled in 2004 **PLN 4 million** (EUR 925,000).

In 2004 apart from the 11 programs operated by the Foundation, we funded also 10 spun-off programs carried out by our partner organizations. These included:

- **ProBonus Fund** – a program to support organizations involved in assistance to the third sector, co-funded by the Ford and C. S. Mott Foundations and managed by the Civil Society Development Foundation (funds allocated for the years 2004–2006)
- **Polish NGO Office in Brussels** – a program supporting Polish organizations in their preparation for active participation in the European integration process, managed by Forum of Non-Governmental Initiatives Association (funds allocated for the years 2004–2005)
- **Fund for Women** – a program of grant support for women's initiatives, co-funded by the Ford Foundation, and handed over to the OSKa National Women's Information Center www.oska.org.pl (funds allocated for the years 2003–2006)
- **Local Culture** – a program to support culture in rural areas and small towns, co-funded and managed by the Rural Development Foundation (funds allocated for the years 2003–2004)
- **Local History** – a history competition for secondary school students managed by the Karta Centre Foundation (funds allocated for the years 2003–2006)
- **Journals Showcase** – a cultural magazine support program, handed over to the Open Source Culture Foundation (funds allocated for the years 2003–2005)
- **Art for Social Change** – a program promoting artistic activity as a way of helping young people to overcome social and cultural disorientation, co-funded by the European Cultural Foundation

and the Evens Foundation, managed by the Theatre in Education Association Wybrzeżak (funds allocated for the years 2003–2004)

- **Big Brother, Big Sister** – a support program for neglected children, handed over to the Big Brother, Big Sister Foundation – Poland (funds allocated for the years 2003–2005)
- **First Step** – a program that helps Roma children to undertake early education, managed by Educational Society of Małopolska (funds allocated for the years 2003–2005)
- **Eastern Scholarships** – a scholarship program for Central and East European scientists, co-funded by the Foundation for Polish Science, and managed by the Józef Mianowski Fund – the Foundation for the Promotion of Science (funds allocated for the years 2003–2004)

In our activity we observe principles of transparency, openness and accountability. The applications for grants are assessed with the help of special expert committees which review and recommend applications for funding. Final decisions of grant awards are made by the Foundation's Board. We announce up-to-date information about our activities and grant-seeking possibilities on our Website. Our finances are professionally audited and publicized in the Annual Report together with the list of grants awarded and projects implemented during the year.



Our Donors

In 2004, we received funds for our activity from the **Open Society Institute**, financed by George Soros. Though far smaller than in previous years, these funds continued to be a significant item in the Foundation's budget. Our activities were also supported by other Polish and foreign institutions and private donors.

We continued the Third Sector Program planned for 2003–2006 from the grant awarded by the **Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe**. With the funds from the **Ford Foundation**, we operated the Citizens in Action Program supporting civic initiatives in Belarus and Ukraine. The **Robert Bosch Foundation** funded Polish-German Twin Cities Program initiated in 2002 and the recently launched Community Initiatives Partnership Program to support Polish-German-Russian cooperation projects in the Kaliningrad District.

Our activities in the area of international cooperation were co-funded by a variety of organizations, including the **Polish-American-Ukrainian Cooperation Initiative**, **PAUCI** and **Canadian International Development Agency – Official Development Assistance in Central Europe CIDA-ODACE**. *The New Geopolitics of Central and Eastern Europe. Between the European Union and United States* Conference was co-financed by the **Robert Bosch Foundation** and **Oracle Poland**; support was also provided by the **Embassy of France** and **Hines Poland**. The **United States** and **Royal Netherlands Embassies** contributed to the Anti-Corruption Program. The **Amsterdam Group** and the **International Centre for Alcohol Policies** supported the conference on alcoholism, organized by the Regional Alcohol and Drug Program.

Our programs for children and teenagers: Equal Opportunities – Local Scholarship Funds for young people from low-income families and the Rainbow Academy Program for disabled children and youth, were supported, among others, by **Levi Strauss & Co.**, the **Commercial Union Poland** insurance company, the Belgian **Evens Foundation** and individual donors, including **Helen and Peter Maxwell**, a **private donor** wishing to remain anonymous, whose donation was used to establish the **K Fund**, as well as from **payments of 1%** of income tax. In-kind donations for the Equal Opportunity Program were provided by: **Talens Poland** and **Wydawnictwo Literackie** publishing office.



Our Donors

In 2004, as in previous years, we ran the **Commercial Union Charity Fund**, a donor-advised fund of an insurance company that had been cooperating with us since 1996. The Fund was used to support projects indicated by the donor in the area of health care and education. The income gained from investing the endowed **M Fund**, created in 2002 thanks to a donation by a **private donor**, was, in line with the Founder's will, used to help disabled and ill children, and support equal opportunities projects. For a successive year we administered the **Beata Pawlak Fund** used, in line with the Founder's last will, to finance an annual prize for the best article on other cultures, religions and civilizations.

In 2004, we continued our efforts begun two years prior, to grow the endowment which will constitute a basis for our funding in the future. Our efforts to build the endowment and expand our funding base were supported by the **Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe** as well as the **Charles Stewart Mott Foundation**.

We thank all our donors from the bottom of our hearts!
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The Batory Foundation Debates

The Batory Foundation Debates are an attempt at establishing an independent meeting and discussion forum for politicians, professionals, public intellectuals and journalists. The Foundation has long organized conferences and seminars on transition in Poland, international affairs, Poland's foreign policy and the situation in Central and Eastern Europe. Our goal was to initiate public discourse on subjects material to the future of our state and the region.

Polish foreign policy – continuation or severance?

February 5, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Director of the Institute of Public Affairs, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, former Premier of Poland, Andrzej Olechowski, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland, and Dariusz Rosati, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland. The debate was summarized by Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland.

After joining NATO in 1999, in May 2004, we received full membership rights in the European Union, thus further becoming a player in regional and European politics. Additionally, our decided support for the United States in the Iraqi crisis suddenly and unexpectedly made Poland a participant of global politics. The position on the Iraq war and military involvement during and after the victorious military operation have led to the evident cooling of relations with Poland's hitherto closest European allies. The establishment of good relations with our neighbours had been a great achievement since 1989. The current poor state of relations with Germany seems to have its origins, though not exclusively, in the above referenced factors. The state of our relations with other states of the region, including the Visegrad Group, also requires urgent consideration, especially in light of Poland's regional leadership aspirations. Debate participants discussed how the change of Poland's international position may impact our participation in shaping the Union's future foreign policy, especially its Eastern dimension.

Series of debates *Will the European Union Save Poland?*

On the eve of Poland's accession to the European Union, the attendant mood changed drastically. After the mild and optimistic atmosphere preceding the referendum came a time of hesitation, at times even dislike or enmity, toward the Union. In this situation, in April 2004, we began a cycle

of debates entitled *Will the European Union Save Poland?* Our goal was to return equilibrium to the evaluation of the benefits and possible threats to our interests arising from Union accession and evaluation thereof on various levels: development opportunities, civilization of state and legal institutions, openness of borders and mass capital flow, openness of Europe to workers, students, thought and creativity. In a group of renowned politicians, specialists, participants of public life, we discussed the various pros and cons of Union accession.

State, law, society

April 5, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Michał Boni, former Minister of Labour and Social Policy, Ludwik Dorn, deputy to the Polish Parliament, Law and Justice Party; Michał Kleiber, Minister of Education and the Chair of the Scientific Research Committee, Ewa Łętowska, Justice of the Constitutional Tribunal and former Ombudsman, Mirosława Marody, sociologist, Institute of Social Sciences at the Polish Academy of Sciences, Marek Safjan, Chief Justice of the Constitutional Tribunal.

The discussion concerned the impact of the Union primarily on our non-economic institutions: the state, law and, as a result, our society. In their speeches, participants referred to the following issues: How will transferring a portion of state sovereignty to the Union impact the actions of member states? Does the functioning of Union institutions constitute a threat to nation-states, or, conversely, will it favour their reinforcement? What influence does the Union currently have and what influence will it have in the future on the law and its application: protection of civic rights, guaranteeing individual and minority rights? How will European law and other European institutions exact increased efficiency and transparency from our courts, police and administration?

Economic opportunities

April 26, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Leszek Balcerowicz, President of the National Bank of Poland, Janusz Lewandowski, Deputy to the Polish Parliament, Citizen's Platform Party; Dariusz Rosati, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland, former member of the Monetary Policy Council, Włodzimierz Grudziński, President of the Bank BISE S.A., and Prof. Jan Winiecki, economist.

Participants responded to the following questions: Does accession to the European Union create opportunities or threats for the Polish economy? Will Polish businesses be able to withstand Union competition and function on the Union market, what benefits could arise from accession for employees, companies and regions? Participants agreed that EU accession alone does not guarantee success and much depends on us – from the successful carrying out of necessary reforms to the rational use of Union assistance. The very regulated EU economy sometimes puts up barriers to economic growth. However, Poland, as a member state, will have influence on the economic regulations to be put in place; it should be an active partner, an initiator of change and reform. Increased competition on the Union market, in the mind of the participants, is beneficial to consumers and companies. Polish businesses know how to act in the new en-

vironment, are used to changes and can evaluate their chances to face the challenges of the European market.

Union goals, Poland's goals

May 17, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Tadeusz Mazowiecki, former Premier of Poland, Krzysztof Michalski, philosopher, Director of Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna, Zbigniew Nosowski, editor-in-chief of the *Więź* monthly, Wiktor Osiatyński, attorney, constitutional specialist, and Sławomir Sierakowski, editor-in-chief of the *Krytyka Polityczna* quarterly.

Against a backdrop of an ongoing discussion in the media regarding the preamble to the European Constitution, the moderator, Aleksander Smolar, posed the question: how important is the reference to Christian values in the political constitution of the community, where those distant from Christianity as well as members of other religions live? Should the community of European states be formed based on formal market and legal rules? The most important issue for all participants was how to “infuse soul” into the European community being built, how to cause the societies to feel a sense of community, how to engage people to feel a part of an important and vibrant society, and for all negotiated documents to be significant to the citizens of Union members states.

Security issues

June 24, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Bolesław Balcerowicz, retired Division General, Academy of National Defence, Antoni Podolski, International Relations Centre, former advisor to the Parliamentary Commission for Control of Secret Services, Adam Rotfeld, undersecretary of state in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland, Zbigniew Siemiątkowski, former head of the Intelligence Agency, deputy to the Polish Parliament, Democratic Left Alliance.

Security issues in today's world are far larger than just the question of protection against possible external attack. They also include questions of internal security. Debate participants attempted to answer the question whether in both dimensions – external and internal – Union membership will benefit our security. All agreed that enlargement of the European Union placed new challenges before member states in the realm of providing for their citizens' security: international terrorism, frailty of state institutions in poorer countries as well as the uncontrolled proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. They further deemed that development of cooperation mechanisms in the realm of European security is necessary in light of the new global threats. Even though numerous institutions for international cooperation to assure security are already active within the enlarged European Union, cooperation with NATO is still necessary. After questioning the United States' leadership in the North Atlantic Treaty, it is important for the European Union and NATO to develop a new partnership model.

Series of debates *State Crisis and Possible Ways Out*

In 2004, we continued a series of debates on the crisis of the state begun in September 2003. An expression of the crisis of the state is the growing negative attitude toward the systemic changes taking place in Poland after 1989. There is no doubt that societal distrust toward political elites and non-political authorities is deepening. The feeling of crisis has various sources, however, the primary locus lies in the functioning of state institutions, political parties, the law, in ties between the political and business spheres, in the connections and tensions occurring between politics and the media. The relations of parties and politicians to the state and society, the process for selecting the political class, and frailty of control mechanisms to which politics are subject all play important roles. We sought answers to the questions on ways out of this crisis from a circle of politicians of various leanings, academics, business people and journalists, i.e. those who share our concern.

Delegated democracy – opportunity or threat for democracy?

January 22, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Leszek Balcerowicz, President of the National Bank of Poland, Marcin Król, editor-in-chief of *Res Publica Nowa*, Mirosław Wyrzykowski, Justice of the Constitutional Tribunal, Andrzej Zoll, Ombudsman for Civil Rights Protection.

Delegated democracy is the establishment of institutions, which, though formed through a democratic process, are insulated from it in their activities. Such institutions are subordinated solely to their applicable goals and tasks, established in the constitutional document that appointed them. Their multiplication comes from the conviction that effective functioning of democracy requires a rigorous drawing of borders for the democratic process, an exclusion of certain important spheres of collective life from political wrangling. There are several such institutions in Poland: Constitutional Tribunal, Monetary Policy Council, the Public Radio and Television Council. The problem of delegating certain realms of democracy engenders numerous philosophical reservations – as to the principles of democracy and abridgment thereof, as well as reservations of a practical nature – with respect to the results of institutional activity not subjugated on a daily basis to the “will of the people” as expressed by parliament. These reservations were taken up as the subject of our discussion.

How to repair politics?

September 13, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Marek Borowski, former Marshall of the Polish Parliament, Social Democratic Party, Jacek Kurczewski, social scientist, Warsaw University, Radosław Markowski, Director of the Political Science Institute, Donald Tusk, Vice Marshall of the Polish Parliament, Citizen’s Platform, Jacek Żakowski, publicist, *Polityka* weekly.

A feeling of distrust, distance and alienation toward governing elites dominates within society. There are also problems with respect to politicians and democratic processes and procedures.

The cause of this state of affairs is the low evaluation of political efficiency as well as the professional and moral qualifications of the political class. Debate participants discussed what this Parliament and present government could and should do to repair our politics and rebuild social trust. They discussed political boundaries: what such should be so as not to take away citizens' voice and limit freedom while assuring effectiveness, transparency and the necessary control in fundamental state institutions and the form of electoral laws.

Media and democracy

October 25, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Jerzy Baczyński, editor-in-chief of the *Polityka* weekly, Jan Dworak, Chair of the Polish Public TV Board of Directors, Helena Łuczywo, managing editor-in-chief of the *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily, Jan Skórzyński, managing editor-in-chief of the *Rzeczpospolita* daily.

In light of the weakness of legislative, executive and judicial authorities, the media in Poland play a tremendous role in investigating the truth regarding the functioning of the political sphere and institutions of law in Poland. Thus, we considered what is the balance sheet of media accomplishments and sought answers to other questions of import: Do media succumb to manipulation by political circles, secret services and lobbyists? Is it the media's ambition to influence the political process or even institutional forms of democracy in our country by promoting certain concepts, political personalities or parties? Do media facilitate the rise of populism in politics?

Poland's local government. Balance of hopes, worries and doubts

November 29, 2004

The debate was moderated by Aleksander Smolar, President of the Batory Foundation.

Panellists: Witold Gintowt-Dziewałtowski, deputy to the Polish Parliament, Democratic Left Alliance, Lech Kaczyński, President of Warsaw, Marek Kuchciński, deputy to the Polish Parliament, Law and Justice, Michał Kulesza, former Government Plenipotentiary for Reform of Public Administration, Jerzy Regulski, President of the Foundation in Support of Local Democracy.

Delegation of significant power to local governments was one of the great hopes of the Polish transformation after 1989. Today, however, problems related to their functioning have moved into the background. What is the evaluation of their achievements at the mid-term? What is the current situation with respect to expectations? To what extent can we speak of achievements? Those are just some of the questions our panellists attempted to answer.

Series of lectures *About the Repair of the Republic of Poland*

Citizens have a bad impression of the effectiveness of politics, the opinion about the professional and moral qualifications of the political class is quite low, though there are clearly extreme differences in popularity and the electoral chances of various parties. Polls indicate a high level of

distrust, distance and alienation toward governing elites. This situation breeds serious threats – not only is the authority of politicians being questioned but the greater majority of citizens seem to doubt democratic procedures and institutions.

We asked important political figures to respond to questions about what the Republic of Poland is like today, how it may be repaired and what activities should be urgently undertaken.

A lecture by Aleksander Kwaśniewski, President of Poland

December 13, 2004

The lecture by the President of Poland inaugurated the series. The President called for restraint in judgement; he reminded that although we were dealing with a pathology in Polish public life, detrimental and harmful occurrences, such were also accompanied by a healthy pace of economic growth, Poland's membership in the European Union, international esteem for our country, a secure place in alliance systems and finally our complete and uncontested independence. The President accepted the opinion that the state is undergoing a crisis. He felt consideration should be given to a repair strategy but notes that democracy has built-in self-corrective mechanisms. Democracy thus should not be limited, law cannot be applied in a shortcut manner, and extraordinary control institutions or permanent investigative commissions should not be appointed. Of the institutions that should be reinforced, the President named the justice administration and also indicated a need for the discussion of the media's role in democracy. He admitted that over the course of changes in the last few years, Poland was not successful in building a civil society – aware of its rights, participating and engaged in public life.



Civil Society Program

The aim of this Program is to increase citizens' participation in public life, and to enhance the role and efficiency of civic institutions. We help organizations that contribute to the growth of community initiatives. We encourage them to cooperate with one another as well as with other social partners: local government, the business community, volunteers, and participate in creating social policy and strategy of development of Poland. We try to promote positive models of civic activity and the principles of public scrutiny over both public institutions and public organisations.

Institutional grants

In 2004, we held an open competition for institutional grants aimed to help NGOs build stable foundations for continued functioning, develop successful action and financing plans and contribute to raising the standards of the organizations' work and management. The competition was open to NGOs founded before 2002, with at least 3 full-time employees and diverse funding sources, playing an important role in a certain area of social life and cooperating with other organizations and institutions. The organizations have to prove they had a vision for their own development. Twenty-eight organizations received institutional grants after the two-tier contest.

The ProBonus Fund

On the initiative of the Mott Foundation, the Ford Foundation, and the Batory Foundation, a three-year fund was set up with an aim to increase capacity and efficiency of infrastructure organizations acting in the field of support and development of NGO sector in Poland. The Fund is managed by the Civil Society Development Foundation.

Liaison officers – Experts on social development and EU funding

With a view to help the NGO sector get involved in planning, monitoring and utilizing structural funds, we initiated a program in 2002 to build a network of liaison officers/experts on social development and EU funding. Currently, in 16 Polish provinces, there are 28 regional and three liaison officers specializing in ecology and farming.

The liaisons prepared a concept for the cooperation of NGOs with public offices and institutions, media and business, they oversee the transparency of the recruitment system for the EU structural funds Regional Steering and Monitoring Committees and opine on regional development strategy.



It is also the liaisons' task to inform organizations of available funding from EU sources, providing advice in drafting particularly difficult applications and assisting in building project coalitions.

Liaison officers have institutional support from local NGOs, which provide office facilities. Each organization received a grant from the Batory Foundation to cover the expenses while developing a regional cooperation network (e.g. meetings, report development and travel). We provide further support to liaisons by keeping them informed and organizing regular meeting and training, sharing reports and assessment papers, promoting their position and facilitating their approach towards government administration, and by funding specific selected activities.

In 2004, the liaisons actively participated in the process of selecting NGO representatives to the Regional Steering and Monitoring Committees, many of those were appointed to fill these functions in the regions.

Watchdog organizations. Social responsibility in public life

The purpose of the project initiated in 2004 is to support the activities of NGOs involved in public scrutiny of the observance of transparency and responsibility in public institutions and intervention in cases of violation or disregard of these principles. We awarded 22 grants for projects concerning protection of human rights, patient rights, environmental protection and control of local government and public administration.

You have a vote, you have a choice. Local government is yours!

In 2002 we launched a four year project of monitoring promises made by candidates for mayors, presidents and heads of municipalities during the local government campaign. The aim of the project is to encourage citizens to participate in elections and make decisions important for the entire community; we want to reinforce voters' and elected politicians' feeling of common responsibility for these decisions.

In 2004, in cooperation with regional centres of Foundation in Support of Local Democracy and the Network of Information and Support for Non-Governmental Organizations SPLOT we verified how mayors and presidents fulfilled their campaign promises in 97 municipalities. A report showing the level of promise fulfilment was drafted based on that data. It was made available to the public via local media and on our Website.

Microgrants for individual development

In 2004, we awarded 21 microgrants to NGO activists and employees designated for increasing qualifications and skills, gaining professional experience or making contacts important for their individual career growth as well as for the development of the organization. The grants were awarded for, amongst other, courses and trainings related to management of the organization, trainings and courses for those providing psychological assistance and therapy, post-graduate studies and study visits.



The Beata Pawlak Award

From a named Fund established at the Foundation by the last will of a deceased Beata Pawlak, journalist and writer, who died on October 12th 2002 in a terrorist attack on Indonesian Bali, an award is presented annually to an author of an article or series of articles dealing with other cultures, religions, or civilizations.

2004 was the second year of Beata Pawlak Award. The prizes went to Piotr Kłodkowski, for a cycle of articles *Sumptuous Taste of the Orient*, published in the *Znak* monthly, and to Andrzej Stasiuk for the book *Riding to Babadag* (Czarne Publishing Office, 2004). The award presentation took place on October 11 in the Batory Foundation. It was accompanied by a panel discussion *Thrown overboard?* devoted to the situation of former communist bloc states, which are not members of the European Union, and an exhibit of photographs taken by Beata Pawlak during her last, six-month trip through Asia. The debate, with the participation of journalists: Bogumiła Berdychowska, Miłada Jędrysik, Bogumił Luft and Andrzej Stasiuk, was moderated by Konstanty Gebert.

Institutional grants

The Grodzki Theater Arts Association Bielsko-Biała	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the areas of culture and preventing social marginalization	PLN 55 600
Caritas of Gniezno Diocese Gniezno	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of social assistance	PLN 42 000
Bonfire Christian Association of Disabled Individuals, Their Families and Friends Cracow	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of the disabled and improvement of their situation in the family and society	PLN 76 500
Angelus Silesius House Wrocław	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of education and rearing youth as well as promoting and organizing volunteerism	PLN 50 000
Federation of Polish Amazons Clubs of Women after Mastectomy Poznań	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of women with breast cancer	PLN 70 000
ABC XXI Foundation – Emotional Health Program Warsaw	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of education in the realm of emotional needs and proper development of children and youth	PLN 33 100
Center for Citizenship Education Warsaw	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of education and improving schools and education centres	PLN 64 000
Community Homes, Bread of Life Foundation Warsaw	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of education and rearing of youth as well as charitable assistance for the elderly and disabled	PLN 87 400
Foundation of the Spirit for Natural Rehabilitation of the Handicapped Toruń	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of activation of the disabled and their integration with healthy people	PLN 10 000



Foundation for Social and Economic Initiatives Warsaw	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of industriousness, social and economic initiatives	PLN 37 600
Social Welfare Foundation Brzeszcze	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of organization of and providing social assistance	PLN 70 000
Foundation for the Development of Łukta Region Łukta	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of developing regional social and economic initiatives	PLN 15 000
Community of Hope Foundation Cracow	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of the disabled with autism and their families	PLN 59 800
Little Prince Hospice for Children Lublin	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of hospice care for children	PLN 60 000
Polish Association of the Deaf Łódź	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of the hearing impaired	PLN 15 000
Polish Association of the Blind Warsaw	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of social integration of the vision impaired, protecting their interests and preventing discrimination against them	PLN 59 780
Teen Challenge Christian Social Mission Association Dretyń	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of combating and preventing social exclusion	PLN 52 000
Father Jerzy Niward Musolff Association Wągrowiec	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of social assistance and hospice care	PLN 35 000
One World Association Poznań	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of promoting international volunteerism	PLN 5 000
Association for the Development of the Town and Community of Debrzno Debrzno	Institutional development grant for statutory activity on behalf of social and economic development and improving residents' quality of life	PLN 15 000
Nidzica Community Foundation Nidzica	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of charity, physical culture and sport, protection of historic monuments and the environment as well as economic development	PLN 65 000
Open Doors Association Warsaw	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of social assistance and equalizing educational opportunities for children and youth	PLN 50 000
Guardian Angel Association for Assistance to Children and Youth Katowice	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of assistance to disadvantaged children, youth and their families	PLN 46 100
People to People Aid Association, Home for Women and Single Mothers Wrocław	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of assistance to the homeless, unemployed and addicted	PLN 90 000
Father Bronisław Markiewicz Association for Care for Children and Youth Krosno	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of assistance and care for impoverished children and youth	PLN 60 000



Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Zielona Góra	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of protection of children's rights	PLN 38 450
St. Brother Albert's Aid Society Świdnik	Institutional development grant for statutory activity assisting the homeless, poor and disabled	PLN 40 000
Society of the Friends of Children Wałbrzych	Institutional development grant for statutory activity in the area of assistance and care for children	PLN 29 400

ProBonus Fund

Civil Society Development Foundation Warsaw	Supplementary grant to the ProBonus Fund, the goal of which is to reinforce infrastructural organizations and increase their effectiveness (from Ford Foundation's funds)	PLN 153 048
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Liaison officers

European Center for Sustainable Development Wrocław	Grant for liaison activity in the area of ecology (liaison: Piotr Hańderek)	PLN 9 500
Center for Promotion and Development of Civil Initiatives OPUS Łódź	Grant for liaison activity in the Łódź Province (liaison: Łukasz Waszak)	PLN 7 000
FSLD Training Centre Szczecin	Grant for liaison activity in the West Pomerania Province (liaison: Anna Łączkowska)	PLN 5 895
Art Lower Silesian Active Rehabilitation Society Wrocław	Grant for liaison activity in the Lower Silesian Province (liaison: Mirosława Hamera)	PLN 5 800
Elbląg Association to Support Non-Governmental Initiatives Elbląg	Grant for liaison activity in the Warmia and Mazury Province (liaison: Bartłomiej Głuszak)	PLN 7 000
Family Poznań Foundation Poznań	Grant for liaison activity in the Wielkopolska Province (liaison: Andrzej Grzybowski)	PLN 7 000
Fuga Mundi Foundation Lublin	Grant for liaison activity in the Lublin Province (liaison: Marek Piasecki)	PLN 7 000
FSLD Lubuskie Training Centre Zielona Góra	Grant for liaison activity in the Lubuskie Province (liaisons: Małgorzata Rułńska and Kazimierz Kisiel)	PLN 11 000
FSLD Opole Center for Local Democracy Opole	Grant for liaison activity in the Opole Province (liaison: Jadwiga Silarska)	PLN 7 000
European Studies and Education Center Poznań	Grant for liaison activity in the Wielkopolska Province (liaison: Beata Przybylska)	PLN 7 000
Social Welfare Center Kłucze	Grant for liaison activity in the Małopolska Province (liaison: Agnieszka Ści-gaj)	PLN 7 000
NGO Support Center Białystok	Grant for liaison activity in the Podlasie Province (liaison: Barbara Szczerbińska)	PLN 6 970



Polish Green Network Cracow	Grant for liaison activity in the area of ecology (liaison: Paweł Antoniewicz) PLN 7 000
FSLD Pomerania and Kujawy Centre for Local Democracy Bydgoszcz	Grant for liaison activity in the Kujawy & Pomerania Province (liaison: Ryszard Kamiński) PLN 7 000
FSLD Rzeszów Centre for Local Government Rzeszów	Grant for liaison activity in the Subcarpathian Province (liaison: Grzegorz Nowakowski) PLN 7 000
Europeica Academic Association Szczecin	Grant for liaison activity in the West Pomerania Province (liaison: Grzegorz Augustowski) PLN 6 786
Civic Dialogue Association Warsaw	Grant for liaison activity in the Mazovia Province (liaison: Marzena Mendza-Drozd) PLN 4 229
Lublin Self-Help Center Association Lublin	Grant for liaison activity in the Lublin Province (liaison: Agata Czwórnóg) PLN 7 000
Association for Sustainable Development Agro Group Białystok	Grant for liaison activity in the Podlasie Province (liaison: Piotr Znaniecki) PLN 7 000
Association for Social Welfare Development Foundation Rzeszów	Grant for liaison activity in the Subcarpathian Province (liaison: Renata Stefaniak) PLN 7 000
Pegasus Association Karpacz	Grant for liaison activity in the Lower Silesia Province (liaison: Janina Jaszczur) PLN 5 368
Polish Ecological Club, City of Gliwice Chapter Gliwice	Grant for liaison activity in the Silesia Province (liaison: Ewa Hajduk) PLN 7 000
KaFOS Silesian Forum of Social Welfare Organizations Katowice	Grant for liaison activity in the Silesia Province (liaison: Anna Kruczek) PLN 7 000
FSLD Świętokrzyskie Centre Kielce	Grant for liaison activity in the Świętokrzyskie Province (liaisons: Dorota Lasocka and Piotr Sadłocha) PLN 11 300
Succour Union of Self-Help Organizations Gdańsk	Grant for liaison activity in the Pomerania Province (liaison: Marek Hola) PLN 7 000

Watchdog organizations

CeWOP NGO Support Center Rzeszów	<i>Pro consumentis</i> project: building a system of consumer organizations and increasing the effectiveness of county's Plenipotentiaries for Consumer Rights and the Consumer Arbitration Court PLN 37 000
Gaja Greens Federation Szczecin	Monitoring Ministry of the Environment's management of state forests and nature conservation on the case of Białowieża National Park PLN 30 000
Dog Angel Asylum Foundation Warsaw	Investigating execution of the Animal Protection Act, especially with respect to stray animals PLN 25 000



Closer Together Foundation Gdańsk	<i>Citizen Radar</i> project: enabling Gdańsk residents to perform citizen's interventions regarding defective functioning of public institutions PLN 10 883,34
Women's Rights Center Cracow	<i>Alimentare – means to eat</i> project: evaluation and improvement of the work of court enforcers and other bodies appointed to collect child care payments in cases where one of the parents is shirking that responsibility PLN 12 000
Birth in a Dignified Way Foundation Warsaw	Investigating observance of patients' rights in maternity wards, using the example of 10 randomly chosen hospitals PLN 39 000
Nature Club Świebodzin	Evaluation of administrative decisions made by central and local government authorities as well as analysis of the environmental protection issues in selected national parks and nature reserves in Poland PLN 40 000
Homo Homini Mazovian Charitable Association Słupno	<i>Stimulating legal awareness of citizens in the Słupno borough</i> project: opening a legal counselling office, conducting <i>Friendly Office</i> and <i>Competent Official</i> surveys as well as school contests PLN 15 000
Friendly Borough Citizen's Association for Monitoring Business & Local Authority Wrocław	<i>Status of citizens in relations with local administration</i> project: investigating observance of access to public information act PLN 10 220
Open Republic Association against Anti-Semitism and Xenophobia Warsaw	Drafting and dissemination of a report regarding effectiveness of the public prosecutor and judiciary in prosecuting and trying racial, ethnic and religious crimes PLN 33 700
Polish Greens Network Cracow	Drafting and dissemination of a report regarding the activities and management of environmental protection funds in Poland PLN 35 000
Polish Association for the Mentally Handicapped Warsaw	Activity on behalf of improving the situation of the mentally disabled in proceedings with Social Insurance offices and preventing cases of their unjustified legal incapacitation PLN 39 000
Salamandra Polish Nature Protection Society Poznań	<i>Endangered species in the Website</i> project: control of trade in protected or dangerous animal species in the Website and a campaign on behalf of protection of rare species as well as improving related regulations PLN 35 000
Social Ecological Institute Warsaw	Investigation of genetically modified soy beans, legal analysis of the food and feed market, publication of related improprieties PLN 39 200
Gaja Ecological and Cultural Club Wilkowice	Investigation of water drainage in the Silesia and Małopolska Provinces and examining compliance with Polish law and European directives PLN 30 000
Craft Social, Cultural and Educational Association Warsaw	<i>Civic Awakening in the Żoliborz District</i> project: control of local government institutions from the Żoliborz District and increasing the effectiveness of the local gazette as a social control PLN 30 000
Green Mazovia Cultural and Ecological Association Warsaw	<i>Social representative of the non-motorized</i> project: improving treatment of the non-motorized (including pedestrians, bicyclists) in the course of planning and execution of road investments PLN 39 900
Polish Ecological Club, City of Gliwice Chapter Gliwice	<i>Community Ecological Information Point</i> : ecological counselling and intervention on behalf of environmental protection PLN 35 000



Workshop for All Beings Association Bystra	Investigating observance of environmental protection laws on select environmentally valuable lands, publication of violations and intervention PLN 30 000
Workshop for All Beings Association Siemiatycze	Social control of the expansion of roads in the Podlasie Province in the context of threats to the region's natural and cultural resources PLN 30 000
Halina Nieć Human Rights Association Cracow	Monitoring conditions in deportation detention centres and guarded centres for foreigners PLN 35 000
Society for the Earth Oświęcim	Investigation of water drainage and evaluation of the use of the loan from the European Investment Bank for natural environment and flood prevention PLN 30 000

You have a vote, you have a choice. Local government is yours!

Foundation in Support of Local Democracy FSLD Warsaw	Research in which 41 heads of boroughs, mayors and presidents from 8 Provinces responded to the question of how they are meeting their campaign promises PLN 10 000
Network of Information and Support for Non-Governmental Organizations SPLIT Warsaw	Research in which 65 heads of boroughs, mayors and presidents from 8 Provinces responded to the question of how they are meeting their campaign promises PLN 14 000

Microgrants for individual development

Caritas of Pelplin Diocese Pelplin	Subsidy of Piotr Łąga's participation in post-graduate study in NGO management at the Polish Open University in Warsaw PLN 2 000
Homo Homini Foundation Bydgoszcz	Subsidy of Robert Chmielewski's participation in the <i>Website design and administration</i> course conducted by the Training Center in Bydgoszcz PLN 1 400
Flame Foundation for the Development of the Witonia Region Witonia	Subsidy of Iwona Romańska's participation in workshops on techniques of working with mentally disabled children held by the <i>Klanza</i> Association of Teachers and Educators PLN 600
People to People Association for Aid Rogowiec	Subsidy of Małgorzata Pol-Drzewowska's participation in the second level study of preventing family violence held by the Psychology of Health Institute in Warsaw PLN 2 000
Catholic Disabled Association of the Warsaw Archdiocese Warsaw	Subsidy of Aleksandra Tyszkiewicz's participation in the <i>Staff and salary</i> course held by the <i>POLBI</i> Polish Corporate Business Special Education Centre PLN 1 100
National Autism Society Lublin	Subsidy of Elżbieta Hołysz-Ohar's participation in a course for sensory integration therapists conducted by the <i>Helenów</i> Rehabilitation and Education Centre PLN 2 000
Marian Economic and Social Initiative Movement Puszcza Mariańska	Subsidy of Elwira Koprowska's participation in the courses: <i>Non-governmental business studies</i> and <i>Practical use of European funds</i> held by the OPUS Association PLN 2 000
Polish Association for the Mentally Handicapped Koszalin	Subsidy of Elżbieta Sędlak's participation in the <i>Ceramics in art education and therapy</i> course at the <i>Łucznicza Academy</i> Training Centre PLN 1 000



Together Charitable Association Zelów	Subsidy of Anna Doliwa's participation in the post-graduate <i>European Union funds</i> course at Łódź University PLN 2 000
Green Future Association for Eco-development of Gizalki Gizalki	Subsidy of Sebastian Kuźmiuk's participation in IT training on open source products at the INFUSION company in Poznań PLN 1 800
Patronage Penitentiary Association Warsaw	Subsidy of Monika Konopka's participation in training mediators, organized by the Polish Mediation Centre PLN 1 200
Association to Support Disabled Children and Youth Świebodzice	Subsidy of Ewa Dziwosz's study visit in the Valdbroll twin city in Germany to find partners for a Social Rehabilitation Centre's construction and to prepare the celebration of the Polish Year in Germany PLN 1 600
PRAXIS Association for Assistance to the Mentally Disabled and Their Families Skarżysko-Kamienna	Subsidy of Mariusz Kawa's participation in the <i>Accounting Basics</i> correspondence course organized by ESKK training company PLN 1 000
Cerebrum Association for Assistance to Brain Stroke and Trauma Victims Poznań	Subsidy of the Association's volunteer and employee participation in an educational kinesiology course and a Feldenkrais body work class PLN 1 800
Rainbow Friends Of Humanity Association Racibórz	Subsidy of Wioleta Bujalska's participation in Family Violence Prevention Study at the Psychology of Health Institute PLN 2 000
Association of Families and Guardians of the Handicapped Opoczno	Subsidy of Lidia Nowicka's participation in trainings allowing for establishing individual therapeutic programs at the Pomerania Pedagogic Therapy Centre in Koszalin PLN 600
Movement for the Rule of Law and Development in the Wodzisław Region Association Wodzisław Śląski	Subsidy of Michalina Kampik's participation in an <i>Accounting in NGOs</i> course organized by KaFOS and the <i>Union</i> Financial and Training Centre Ltd. PLN 1 000
Window Association for Supporting Artistic Creativity Olsztyn	Grant for Izabela Żukowska's course in the theatre study <i>Directing Skills of Culture Animator</i> theatre workshop organized by the Theatre Culture Society and the Jaracz Theatre in Olsztyn PLN 600
The Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Poznań	Subsidy of Anna Krzywicka-Filuś's participation in training for mediators organized by the Polish Mediation Centre in Warsaw PLN 1 300
Echo of Pyzdry Cultural Association Pyzdry	Subsidy of Wiesława Kowalska's study visit at the Kwidzyn Development Association, the Goldap Cultural Centre and a household in the town of Przetomka in the Suwałki Region PLN 1 700
Dobrcz Development Association Dobrcz	Subsidy of Agnieszka Kitowska's participation in a course on accounting and bookkeeping basics with the use of a computer, run by the Polish Economics Society in Bydgoszcz PLN 1 300

Beata Pawlak Award

Piotr Kłodkowski	Award for the series of articles published in the <i>Znak</i> monthly <i>Sumptuous Taste of the Orient</i> (financed from Beata Pawlak Fund) PLN 8 000
Andrzej Stasiuk	Award for the book entitled <i>Riding to Babadag</i> (financed from Beata Pawlak Fund) PLN 8 000



Other grants

Foundation for Education for Democracy Warsaw	Developing an internet distribution system for Foundation's publications	PLN 18 300
Central and Eastern Europe Institute Lublin	Participation by a group of academics from Belarus, Lithuania and Ukraine in the conference in France devoted to the multinational heritage of Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth (1569–1795) and its meaning for contemporary Europe	PLN 4 900
Polish Robert Schuman Foundation Warsaw	Expert assistance in developing a new Foundation strategy	PLN 2 000
Local Civic Group Leaders Association Warsaw	Developing an action strategy and plan for 2005–2006	PLN 11 940
School for Leaders Association Warsaw	Conducting statutory activity in civic education and public activism	PLN 10 800
Network of East-West Women, Poland Gdańsk	Conducting statutory activity in the area of education and information for women	PLN 60 000
Warsaw University, Institute of Philosophy	Publication of the <i>Philosophical and Literary Review</i> quarterly (grant from the Nowa Publishing Office)	PLN 6 500
Consultations and meetings	Consulting and counselling for NGOs in managing finances and evaluation of the Liaisons officers' project	PLN 115 039,26
Debates	Organization of the Stefan Batory Foundation Debates	PLN 42 842,49
Grants:		PLN 2 508 969,34
Consultations, evaluation and debates:		PLN 157 881,75
Operational costs:		PLN 200 150,33
TOTAL:		PLN 2 867 001,42

Third Sector Program

The Third Sector Program was launched in January 2003. It constitutes a larger project aimed to support the process of developing and stabilising the civil society in 7 Central and Eastern European countries: Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, and Hungary, initiated and funded by the Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe established by a consortium of six American foundations that had been active in this region.

The aim of the Program is to improve the overall operations of the non-profit sector in Poland by creating a favourable legal and fiscal environment for organizations' growth, providing assistance in building foundations of their financial stability, and enhancing cooperation between organizations as well as the development of partnership relations with other sectors. The Program, planned for four years, is run in cooperation with selected partner organizations, which received grants for their projects.

Favourable Environment for Non-Governmental Organizations' Growth

Partner organizations: Institute of Public Affairs, Klon/Jawor Association

The Foundation finances research conducted by our partners on the third sector and phenomena important to the third sector's development.

In 2004, the Klon/Jawor Association conducted nation-wide research of the state of civic organizations in Poland and 3 thematic investigations on cooperation between state administration and non-governmental organizations, the organizations' cooperation with local government, and research on volunteerism and philanthropy. Research results are published in the form of brochures and on the website: www.badania.ngo.pl.

The Institute of Public Affairs organized two expert seminars: *State tax policy with respect to non-governmental organizations* and *Non-governmental organizations and VAT*. The first issue of the quarterly *Third Sector* was published by the Institute. The periodical presents analyses of the non-profit sector and suggests directions for its development. The quarterly aims to present information regarding the state of and prospects for development of the third sector by regularly publishing expert opinions and recommendations for the future. As part of the project, a system of monitoring legal regulations concerning civic organizations was also established. The information collection process takes advantage of all ongoing contacts with parties impacting legislative processes, analysis of source materials and constant communication with organizations. Monitoring results, expert texts and analyses are available at the project Web page at www.isp.org.pl/kompas/.

Partnership for the Third Sector

Partner organizations: Foundation in Support of Local Democracy and SPLOT Network of Information and Support for Non-Governmental Organizations

The project aims to reinforce cooperation between non-governmental organizations and local governments at the regional and local levels, assure organizational participation in setting the agenda and distribution of structural funds, increase practical knowledge regarding mechanisms for applying for EU funds, facilitate creation of NGO representations.

In 2004, project activities focused on dissemination and promotion of the *Act on public benefit activity and volunteerism*. In addition to organizing conferences and trainings, publishing (handbooks and brochures from the *Better to know more*) series, work was conducted in about 70 municipalities on cooperation programs among local governments and civic organizations. In over 30 towns, these efforts ended in local authorities adopting appropriate resolutions. Further, a series of meetings was continued with the purpose of establishing 10 representations of civic organizations active in different spheres of life in various regions of Poland.

Another realm of activity was related to assuring organizations access to structural funds. Numerous trainings and regional conferences were held, as was monitoring of the process of selecting organizations' representatives to the regional committees that steer and monitor the use of EU structural funds.

Detailed information in this regard is available on the pages of our partner organizations: www.splot.ngo.pl and www.frdl.org.pl/spolecze/partnerstwo.htm.

New Models of Civic Initiatives Funding

Partner organizations: Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland and Polish Environmental Partnership Foundation

We provide funds to partner organizations, which carry out activities planned for a 3-year period aimed at disseminating of innovative models for philanthropic activity. We support fundraising and local coalition building methodologies that benefit from the collaborative network of NGOs, local government, business and private donors to form a sustainable funding source for initiatives that respond to local community needs.

We support activities of the Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland which through training, consulting and financial assistance strives to reinforce the 12 existing and establish 10 new community foundations, i.e. local non-governmental organizations which receive local donations and redistribute funds in the form of grants awarded to local initiatives while building an endowment to ensure long term grantmaking capability. Activities conducted by the Polish Environmental Partnership Foundation are intended to support 15 Partnership Groups, i.e. coalitions for development of regions with common traditions, similar economic and social conditions, which consist of NGOs, public institutions (local governments, cultural centers, museums, nature parks, etc.) and local businesses. It is planned that as part of the project, thanks to consultations, training, subsidies and help in raising funds, over 3 years, 20 partnership groups will attain organizational stability enabling independent operation of programs on the local and regional levels, while also

raising over 1 million EUR for their activities. More information on the project may be found at www.gp.epce.org.pl.

We support philanthropy and corporate social involvement by co-funding two key campaigns run by the Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland. In 2004, another edition of the Benefactor of the Year competition was held to promote attitudes of involvement and corporate social responsibility. Also a campaign aimed to encourage taxpayers to use the opportunity of allocating 1% of their tax due to support a public benefit organization has been prepared. The special page at www.jedenprocent.pl is an element of this campaign.

Institutional Development of Non-Governmental Organizations

We support the process of building the financial and institutional stability of civic organizations, the activity of which has a key impact for social and third sector development. As part of an open contest, we offered NGOs two types of grants: capital grants – designated for creating organization's endowment and strategic grants – designated for organization's institutional development (improving staff qualifications, development of material resources, preparation of the organization to undertake new program activities or activities intended to attain financial independence) and for creation of financial reserves. We awarded 18 subsidies (one of them will be paid in 2005) for the total amount of PLN 9,480,000; pursuant to concluded agreements, the majority of grants will be disbursed in tranches in 2004–2006.

Capital and strategic grants

Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland Warsaw	Capital grant designated for building of endowment to finance the association's statutory activity PLN 600 000
Center for Social and Economic Research Warsaw	Capital grant designated for building of endowment to finance the Foundation's statutory activity (1 st rate of the total PLN 900 000 grant) PLN 700 000
Institute of Public Affairs Foundation Warsaw	Capital grant designated for building of endowment to finance the Foundation's statutory activity PLN 800 000
Polish Humanitarian Organization Warsaw	Capital grant designated for building of endowment to finance the Foundation's statutory activity PLN 1 200 000
Helsinki Human Rights Foundation Warsaw	Capital grant designated for building of endowment to finance the Foundation's statutory activity PLN 1 200 000
Polish Children and Youth Foundation Warsaw	Capital grant designated for building of endowment to finance the Foundation's statutory activity PLN 1 200 000
CAL Local Activity Support Center Warsaw	Strategic grant designated for establishing a reserve fund, educational materials, purchase of equipment and staff training (1 st rate of the total PLN 330 000 grant) PLN 130 000
House for Polish German Cooperation Gliwice	Strategic grant designated for establishing a reserve fund (1 st rate of the total PLN 200 000) PLN 100 000



Federation of Polish Food Banks Warsaw	Strategic grant designated for ISO implementation, standardization of food flow registration system, modernization of infrastructure, promotion and staff training in the member organizations of the Federation (1 st rate of the total PLN 390 000 grant)	PLN 200 000
Economic Foundation Gdynia	Strategic grant designated for purchase of computer equipment, facility modernization, promotion and staff training (1 st rate of the total PLN 250 000 grant)	PLN 100 000
Pro Vita Foundation for Assistance to Single Mothers Poznań	Strategic grant designated for establishing a reserve fund (1 st rate of the total PLN 300 000 grant)	PLN 100 000
Birth in a Dignified Way Foundation Warsaw	Strategic grant designated for researching the needs of women/clients and medical personnel and for a promotional campaign (1 st rate of the total PLN 330 000 grant)	PLN 100 000
Zelów Development Foundation Zelów	Strategic grant designated for establishing a reserve fund, ISO implementation and staff training (1 st rate of the total PLN 330 000 grant)	PLN 200 000
Lublin Development Foundation Lublin	Strategic grant designated for establishing the scholarship and grant fund (1 st rate of the total PLN 400 000 grant)	PLN 200 000
Nidzica Development Foundation Nidzica	Strategic grant designated for establishing a reserve fund (1 st rate of the total PLN 400 000 grant)	PLN 200 000
Klon/Jawor Association Warsaw	Strategic grant designated for promotion, development of a financing strategy, evaluation and staff training (1 st rate of PLN 350 000 grant)	PLN 150 000
Central Association for Kolping Work in Poland Cracow	Strategic grant designated for construction of an additional training hall, fundraising and staff training (1 st rate of PLN 300 000 grant)	PLN 150 000
Regional Meeting	Organization of the 3rd Meeting of the Partners of the Trust for Civil Society in CEE (June 3–4), with the participation of 70 representatives of organizations from 5 Central and Eastern European countries involved in implementing projects supported from the Trust's funds	PLN 36 145,63
Monitoring and evaluation	Meetings of partner organizations (June and November) devoted to presentation and evaluation of previous achievements of particular projects and developing a concept for program evaluation	PLN 24 411,98
Grants:		PLN 7 330 000
Meetings:		PLN 60 557,61
Operational costs:		PLN 180 861,48
TOTAL:		PLN 7 571 419,09

Legal Education Program

The objective of the Legal Program is to initiate and support the increase of public awareness and promote information on legal issues, to develop a law-abiding culture in Poland, and to assist citizens in gaining access to legal knowledge, in identification and application of the legal protection tools available to them.

During 2004, we facilitated the application of legal instruments protecting individual interests, and supporting citizens in claiming and executing their rights. We prioritized projects of practical value that provided effective solutions to specific problems of everyday life and focused on initiatives that would help people find their way amongst rules and procedures often perceived by them as confusing, and develop their knowledge and skills that would enable them to use the legal provisions to their best advantage. It was important for us to ensure that the projects sponsored under the Legal Education Program were implemented in cooperation with local governments and non-governmental organizations, and had a long-term strategy in terms of further development and funding.

Our partners were mainly non-governmental organizations, since they played a crucial role in the application of, and adherence to, legal provisions by both individuals and public bodies in Poland. In 2004 these included the Alliance of Citizens' Advice Bureaus Association, University Legal Clinics Foundation, and *Iustitia* Judges Association.

As part of our activities aimed at increasing access to legal knowledge and information, we continued to support University Legal Clinics and Citizens' Advice Bureaus. The main aim of these organizations is to provide free and impartial information on legal issues, as well as professional advice to individuals facing serious problems. In the case of the Citizens' Advice Bureaus, this task is carried out by experts who underwent special training; in Legal Clinics the advisors are law students supervised by university teachers or representatives of the legal profession with appropriate experience. In 2004 we awarded grants to 27 Citizens' Advice Bureaus, to the University Legal Clinics Foundation established in 2002, as well as to the University Legal Clinics at the University of Śląsk in Katowice and the University of Wrocław.

In addition, we supported activities of the organizations providing legal assistance and aid to people facing serious problems: the Association of Women and their Families of Zabrze that conducts an advisory service for women, *Itaka* Foundation for the Assistance to Those Affected by the Problem of Missing Persons, *Homo Homini* Foundation, which provides counselling through the Internet. Considerable attention was given to educational projects dealing with various legal issues



and human rights. We supported groups for whom legal information was of primary importance, such as the disabled, ex-convicts or youth.

We continued a project entitled *Citizen at Court*, involving the establishment of information desks at courthouses offering user-friendly, straightforward information about basic legal issues and provided subsidies towards the publication of advice manuals prepared by non-governmental organizations, such as the *Locomotive Society for the Support of Child and Family of Łódź*, *Mederi Foundation* and the *Center for Women's Rights*.

In collaboration with the *Iustitia* Polish Judges Association and the Helsinki Human Rights Foundation, we continued our *Journalist in Court* sessions for judges and journalists covering court trials. The purpose of those sessions is to ensure mutual recognition and better understanding of working conditions of both professional groups, establish contact, and exchange experience and opinion. The ultimate goal is to set up conditions for better public understanding of work performed by the judiciary thanks to competent and reliable media information. Meetings were attended by journalists of the regional and local media, and by judges working in the area. The agenda of all meetings involved an open discussion around topics concerning media-courthouse relations, and mock court trials with roles swapped: journalists took on relevant courthouse parts (judges, prosecutors, attorneys, defendants, and witnesses), whereas judges were responsible for drafting press, radio, and TV materials describing the "trial". In 2004 sessions were held in Wrocław, Toruń and Opole.

Citizens' Advice Bureaus

CeWOP NGO Support Center Rzeszów	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Rzeszów and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 243 issues) PLN 6 000
John Paul II Foundation, Citizens' Advice Bureau Lubaczów	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Lubaczów and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 91 issues) PLN 7 000
International Center of Education and Development Mielec	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Mielec and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 124 issues) PLN 6 000
Kawęczyn Development Society, Citizens' Advice Bureau Kawęczyn	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Kawęczyn and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 102 issues) PLN 6 000
FSLD Lubuskie Training Center Zielona Góra	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Zielona Góra and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 589 issues) PLN 6 000
Association for the Support of Local Initiatives Mikołajki	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Mikołajki and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 246 issues) PLN 7 000
Together Forum of Organizations and Associations Puławy	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Puławy and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 324 issues) PLN 7 000



Regional Center for Promotion and Information for Women Tarnobrzeg	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Tarnobrzeg and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 53 issues) PLN 4 000
Słupsk NGO Support Center Słupsk	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Słupsk and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 210 issues) PLN 4 000
Social Action Association Gdańsk	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Gdańsk (in 2004 Bureau advised on 2 836 issues) PLN 11 000
All Together – In Corpore Association of the Unemployed and People in Favour of the Unemployed Łódź	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Łódź and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 1 065 issues) PLN 5 000
Citizens' Advice Bureau Social Information Center Association Warsaw	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Warsaw and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 3002 issues and provided information on 873 issues) PLN 12 000
Support Association for Children and Youth Nowa Dęba	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Nowa Dęba and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 83 issues) PLN 5 000
STORKOLIS Association for the Coordination of Local Social and Civic Initiatives Piekary Śląskie	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Piekary Śląskie and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 136 issues) PLN 3 000
Association for the Unemployed Ostrowiec Świętokrzyski	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Ostrowiec Świętokrzyski and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 1 101 issues) PLN 10 000
Association for the Development of the Town and Community of Debrzno Debrzno	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of the region of Debrzno (in 2004 Bureau advised on 80 issues) PLN 7 000
Helping Hand Association Garwolin	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Garwolin and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 191 issues) PLN 7 000
Chance Association of Non-material Aid Krosno	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Krosno and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 276 issues) PLN 5 000
Law-Citizen-Democracy Association Wieruszów	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Wieruszów and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 326 issues) PLN 8 000
Advice for Citizens of Radlin Association Radlin	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Radlin and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 356 issues) PLN 7 000
Together Association Gdynia	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Gdynia (in 2004 Bureau advised on 3 624 issues) PLN 11 000
Ruda Helping Account Association Ruda Śląska	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Ruda Śląska and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 440 issues) PLN 7 000
Tumsk Hills Association Płock	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Płock and the suburbs (since October until the end of 2004, the Bureau advised on 61 issues) PLN 3 000



Wielkopolska Civic Initiative Association Poznań	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Poznań and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 1 367 issues)	PLN 5 000
Association to Support Citizens Advice Bureau Łomża	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Łomża and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 1 167 issues)	PLN 10 000
Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Częstochowa	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau for the residents of Częstochowa and the suburbs (in 2004 Bureau advised on 506 issues)	PLN 8 000
Union of Citizens Advice Bureaus Associations Warsaw	Enhancing the qualifications of counselors and leveling the quality of counseling conducted by the citizens' advice bureaus belonging to the Association	PLN 23 000
	Establishing a reserve fund for Citizens' Advice Bureaus belonging to the Association	PLN 200 000

University Legal Clinics

Foundation of University Legal Clinics Warsaw	Grant for supporting the functioning of University Legal Clinics, coordination of their activities and improving the effectiveness of their counseling	PLN 67 040
University Legal Clinic Wrocław	Enhancing the capacities of the legal clinic: supply of equipment, covering partial costs of operation	PLN 9 000
University of Silesia, Faculty of Law and Administration Katowice	Enhancing the capacities of a new university legal clinic	PLN 6 750

Legal counsel and information

Fellowship of Orthodox Youth in Poland Białystok	Operating two Legal Information Centers offering free legal aid for the residents of Białystok	PLN 10 000
Womens' Rights Center Warsaw	Preparation, publication and distribution of information leaflets: Bailiff Execution and Judiciary Superintendents	PLN 15 000
Nobody's Children Foundation Warsaw	Bringing up-to-date, re-printing and distribution of information leaflets <i>A child as a witness in court</i> for parents and guardians	PLN 16 000
Homo Homini Foundation Bydgoszcz	Providing free, direct legal advice through the Internet	PLN 10 038
Mederi Foundation Warsaw	Running a legal aid program for the guardians of abused children	PLN 11 000
	Preparation, publication and distribution of leaflets discussing violence towards children, and possible ways of intervention for people, who in their work, are in contact with the abused children	PLN 7 000
People to People Association for Aid Rogowiec	Legal counseling for single mothers and women suffering from domestic violence: assuming the role of a social representative in civil and criminal lawsuits; assisting women in the ongoing trials	PLN 14 000



Birth in a Dignified Way Foundation Warsaw	Legal counseling for pregnant women and mothers of small children in the area of the patients' rights, labor rights and rights concerning social insurance	PLN 15 000
Easier with Us Foundation to Support Civic Activity Częstochowa	Project <i>You've got the right</i> – legal counseling for the weak and socially discriminated	PLN 12 000
Itaka Foundation for Assistance to those Affected by the Problem of Missing Persons Warsaw	Legal counseling concerning the missing	PLN 11 600
Locomotive Society for the Support of Children and Family Łódź	The preparation, publication and distribution of leaflets <i>Your child in an orphanage, foster family – what next?, A family superintendent in our house, Candidates for foster parents, foster parents</i>	PLN 5 400
Hear Your Heart Association of a Helping Hand Łódź	Legal aid and information for the hearing impaired	PLN 5 960
Polish Association for Counteracting Disabilities Szczecin	Legal aid and information for the disabled, their parents and guardians from Szczecin and surroundings	PLN 8 000
Polish Society for Counteracting Disabilities Białystok	Legal aid and information for the disabled and their guardians from Białystok and surroundings	PLN 8 000
To Be Together Association for the Integration and Support of Families Cieszyn	Constant legal counseling – preparing legal templates and documents, preparing legal education workshops	PLN 13 000
SPES Association for Disabled Individuals Katowice	Legal aid and information for the disabled, their parents and guardians	PLN 10 000
Civic Solidarity Association Warsaw	Legal aid for repatriates, representing them before administrative bodies and administrative courts	PLN 14 000
Open Doors Association Warsaw	Legal aid and information for the disabled, poor, unemployed as well as those whose families are threatened with pathology	PLN 10 000
Heart for Children Association Stargard Szczeciński	Legal aid and information for the poor, families with problems, for children and their guardians	PLN 12 000
Hope Local Association of Families and Friends of Mentally Ill Individuals Suwałki	Implementation of the program <i>Spokesperson of a mentally disabled patient</i>	PLN 6 000
Association of Women and Their Families Zabrze	Opening a permanent counseling desk for women and the grounding of Academy of Legal Aid	PLN 10 000
Union of Lemko Symbark	Legal counseling for Lemko people, especially in administrative matters	PLN 10 000
Polish Roma Union Szczecinek	Legal aid for Roma and representing them in front of courts as a social representative	PLN 12 000



Forum of the Youth Governing Council Gieraltowice	Youth Civic Rights Academy for students from secondary schools from the region of Gieraltowice	PLN 11 000
Democracy and Development Association Starachowice	Youth Civic Rights Academy for students from secondary schools from the region of Starachowice	PLN 11 000
Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Częstochowa	Youth Civic Rights Academy for students from secondary schools from the region of Częstochowa and a cooperation in implementing the project of legal education among teenagers	PLN 13 500
Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Radom	Youth Civic Rights Academy for students from secondary schools from the region of Radom	PLN 11 000
Civilitas Educational Society Zielona Góra	Youth Civic Rights Academy for students from secondary schools from the region of Zielona Góra	PLN 11 000

Iustitia Association of Polish Judges Warsaw	A series of five seminars for judges on, among others, managing the judiciary, family violence, counteracting corruption, and a concluding conference	PLN 46 000
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Efficient judiciary

Local Civic Groups

Together for Others Association Morąg	Informational and educational activities concerning corruption conducted by the Local Civic Group	PLN 2 580
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Other

Journalist in Court	Continuation of a cycle of two-day workshops for judges and court journalists, run in cooperation with <i>Iustitia</i> Polish Judges Association and the Helsinki Human Rights Foundation. In 2004 three meetings were organized: in Wrocław, (23, 24th April), in Toruń (25, 26th June) and in Opole (5, 6 November)	PLN 35 345,48
Available Court	Organization of lectures and meetings of Jim Consedin, a specialist in the field of constructive justice with the representatives of the department of justice, mediators and policemen. Preparing an analysis of legal information leaflets and manuals available in Poland.	PLN 15 949,25
Legal education for youth	Meeting of NGO's taking part in the project	PLN 897,58

Grants:	PLN 834 868
Other projects:	PLN 52 192,31
Operational costs:	PLN 128 265,93
TOTAL:	PLN 1 015 326,24



Anti-Corruption Program

The aim of the Program, implemented in collaboration with the Helsinki Human Rights Foundation, is to build trust in public institutions, foster civic awareness and make the public more sensitive to various manifestations of corruption in the country. We pursue these objectives by initiating and supporting a civic movement towards increased transparency of public life, information and education activity devised to influence public attitudes towards the phenomenon of corruption in daily life, and by proposing legislative changes which promote social participation in decision making, guarantee the transparency of decision making processes, and institute control mechanisms which prevent corruption. The important element of the Program activities in 2004 was to monitor central and local government.

Program activities in 2004 were co-financed by the Royal Netherlands Embassy (PLN 41 425 for training for leaders of local civic groups), the Embassy of the United States of America (PLN 16 900 for awards in the *Only Fish Don't Take Bait* Competition), the Regional East-East Program (PLN 15 445.39 for the *Transparent Townhalls*) and the Agora S.A. company (PLN 3 660 in-kind contribution for the *Monitoring of election promises 2001* review conference).

Fighting corruption in the everyday life

Corruption Barometer. Public opinion and deputies on corruption report

Each year the Foundation commissions a public opinion poll, on the basis of which an indicator called "corruption barometer" is established. By asking the same questions every year we verify how the attitude of society to the problem and scale of corruption changes. Together with the poll, each year, we conduct in-depth research on corruption problems in specific aspects of social life. On the basis of this research, 4 reports to date have been published: *Corruption in the everyday life* (2000), *Patients and doctors on corruption in the public health service* (2001), *Public opinion and officials on corruption in local governments* (2002), and *Public opinion and businessmen on corruption* (2003). In 2004 our focus is on political corruption in the case of law-making processes. The reports from the research are presented at public seminars and are available at our Website.

In 2004, the in-depth study concerned political corruption, including corruption in the legislative process, and had the participation of 232 deputies.

The report on *Public opinion and deputies about corruption* research prepared by Dr Anna Kubiak from the Sociology Institute of Łódź University was presented at the conference in September 2004. During the conference, a report by Piotr Rymaszewski, Piotr Kurek and Paweł Dobrowolski entitled *Reform of the legislative process* prepared for the Centre for Social and Economic Research was also presented



**Only fish don't take bait?
contest for journalists**

In 2004, we announced the 5th edition of the *Only fish don't take bait?* contest, addressed to investigative journalists. 162 press, radio and television materials were submitted, prepared by 59 journalists from 26 various media outlets. The Award's Committee: Klaus Bachmann (Willy Brandt Centre of German and European Studies of Wrocław University), Krzysztof Bobiński (*Unia & Polska*), Teresa Bogucka (*Gazeta Wyborcza*), Marcin Król (*Respublika*), Justyna Duriasz-Bułhak (Foundation for the Support of Rural Areas) and Janusz Buszyński (US Embassy) awarded 5 prizes:

– 1st prize of PLN 12 298 was awarded to:

Marek Kęskrawiec from the *Newsweek Poland* weekly and **Aleksandra Tu-dyka** from TVN television for a series of articles entitled *Dead Souls* and a cycle of TV reports entitled *Clinics*, filmed in cooperation with **Maciej Ku-ciel**, disclosing the scale of fraudulent payments drawn from the National Health Fund by health care service employees.

– 2nd prize of PLN 7267 was awarded to:

Bertold Kittel from the *Rzeczpospolita* daily for a series of reports entitled *Secret Accounts of Former Common Insurance Company (PZU) Bosses*, of which two were contributed to by Anna Marszałek and Andrzej Stankiewicz.

– 3rd prize of PLN 6149 was awarded to:

Jarosław Jabrzyk from TVN for two television reports: *Prosecutor* and *Prosecutor 2*, that present the story of a district prosecutor from Katowice caught demanding a bribe.

– a special prize of PLN 6149 was awarded to **Tomasz Prusek** from the *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily for the article entitled *I write, therefore I don't play*, regarding the moral dilemmas of journalists covering the stock market.

– a prize of PLN 4000 for materials discussing local Polish issues, was awarded to **Ewa Szkurłat-Adamska** from Radio Kraków Małopolska for *In a Magic Circle* reports (the prize was funded by the Foundation for the Support of Rural Areas).

The awards ceremony was accompanied by a *Corruption and populism* debate moderated by Aleksander Smolar, Foundation President, with the participation of Dr. Tomasz Żukowski, sociologist, Jacek Żakowski, *Polityka* weekly publicist, prof. Antoni Kamiński, politologist and Piotr Zaremba, *Wprost* weekly publicist.

Medical Task Force

Since 2001 the Program supports a Medical Task Force focusing on ethics in public health care. In 2004, the Task Force developed a project of regulations concerning creation of publicly available waiting lists for the rationed medical services. The project was presented to the Minister of Health and the solutions it proposed were incorporated by the Act on Health Care Institutions adopted by the Parliament. The Task Force also developed a checklist that enables to evaluate draft legislative changes in health care laws with respect to corruption threats, and identified the corruption-prone areas in the government draft bill for publicly financed health care debated in the Parliament.

**Political responsibility
of public persons
discussion panel**

On April 7, 2004, we organized a discussion regarding the political responsibility of public persons. The discussion began with a presentation of the *Impunity of the political class?* report authored by Piotr Koryś from the Warsaw University Department of Economics, constituting a review and summary of corruption scandals revealed in recent years in Poland. Dr Richard Jarvis, secretary of the Committee on Standards in Public Life, presented ways to prevent corruption at the highest levels of power in OECD states, while Prof. Zbigniew Holda from the Jagiellonian University in Cracow, discussed whether Poland lacks proper legal regulations or, rather, an ap-



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appropriate culture in public life. Dr. Wojciech Łukowski from the University of Warsaw discussed how to change the prevalent atmosphere of tolerance and acceptance of corruption and its perpetrators. A transcript of the discussion is available at www.przeciw-korupcji.org.pl.

Since 2000, we have been providing a legal counselling for people who have encountered corruption. In 2004, due to the constantly increasing caseload, we invited the network of University Legal Clinics to participate; 7 of the 16 existing clinics agreed to provide legal assistance to clients, while 2 students from the Warsaw University Clinic assist us in the preliminary screening of incoming cases. In 2004, we were asked to help in 132 cases of corruption, as of the end of the year we had helped in 97. The matters in which we intervene frequently require expansive knowledge, including in administrative and business law. The following provide us with *pro bono* assistance: Andrzej Szeniewski, specialist in local government, Maciej Łaszczyk, lawyer, business law, and Judge Przemysław Szustakiewicz, public procurement law.

Public scrutiny of government at national level

Report on the civil service

For 7 years Poland has been forming a corpus of civil service, which is to be a guaranty for an apolitical, professional set of employees of the public administration. However, the governments violate or circumvent the regulations of Civil Service Act, adopted in 1996. In the report *Civil service in the Republic of Poland: critical points*, prepared for the Program by Krzysztof Burnetko in 2003, an analysis of the present state of civil service was presented together with the proposals of necessary changes. In 2004, Witold Filipowicz, a public service employee of many years, drafted a report on hiring for lower-level civil service positions and presented it on April 16, 2004 at a seminar for a group of specialists. Cezary Lewanowicz from the European Commission and member of the State School of Administration Alumni Association presented an accompanying paper. The report was critical of the hiring practices for lower-level civil service positions and fomented a lively discussion. The document and a transcript of the discussion were sent to all central government offices, and both chambers of the Parliament.

Anti-corruption strategy monitoring

In September 2002 Polish government adopted an anti-corruption strategy. This document included numerous entries treated as strict obligations: it stated precisely who must do what and in what time-limit. Anti-Corruption Program assumed the monitoring of this strategy. Every 6 months we verify if the government fulfilled the obligations adopted in the strategy and inform the public opinion the result of our findings.

At the end of 2003, the 3rd and final phase of the strategy implementation was completed. However, the government failed to present a report on execution of its tasks. On March 4, 2004, at a press conference, we presented our evaluation of the execution of obligations assumed by the government in the anti-corruption strategy. In our opinion, there were material delays in execution of about 30% of tasks listed in the government document, some of them were not initiated at all. We also had serious reservations as to the qualitative content and sincerity of the execution of many tasks.

International anti-corruption conventions reports

In 2004, we commissioned Celina Nowak from the Legal Studies Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences to prepare two reports regarding amending Polish law to comply with international conventions regarding corruption. These reports were presented at press conferences on July 1 and December 10, 2004, and were also sent to all deputies' clubs and applicable Parliamentary committees and ministries.

The first report contained an evaluation of the adaptation of Polish legislation to the requirements of three international conventions recently ratified by Poland: ECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public



**Monitoring of election promises
review conference**

Officials in International Business Transactions, Criminal Law Convention on Corruption and the European Council Convention against corruption in civil law. Jerzy Szymański from the State Prosecutor's Office presented a paper accompanying the report.

The second report concerned evaluation of the implementation of the UN Convention Against Corruption, which Poland signed in 2003, and indicated what work should be done for this document to be quickly ratified by our country.

In collaboration with the Helsinki Human Rights Foundation and the Social Communication Foundation we have been reviewing how political parties are fulfilling their pledge to fight corruption made during the parliamentary election campaign in 2001. We organise annual conferences attended by party representatives to evaluate the status of implementation of election promises

Nine political parties attended the conference in 2004. We asked them about corruption scandals publicised by the media in which their members participated and about the way they will be dealt with. The conference was co-organized by Michał Karnowski from *Newsweek* and Krzysztof Skowroński from Polsat television. A journalist of the www.ngo.pl portal summarised the words of the politicians taking part in the meeting as follows: "Although all politicians deemed corruption to be harmful, there was no such unanimity when evaluating particular scandals. As such, scandals publicised by the media involving their party colleagues were trivialized". A transcript of the discussion can be found at www.przeciw-korupcji.org.pl.

**Restrictions on the economy
discussion**

Licenses and permits required in the Polish economy as factors conducive to corruption were discussed at the seminar organized October 10, 2004. A presentation of the paper *Restrictions on the economy* by Janusz Paczocha from the National Bank of Poland provided an introduction to the discussion. Jerzy Molak, Director of the Internal Economic Turnover Regulation Department at the Ministry of the Economy and Labour, and attorney Wojciech Błaszczuk, Vice President of the Polish Confederation of Private Business, responded to the thesis presented in the work.

Public scrutiny of government at the local level

Local Civic Groups

In 2000 we initiated the formation of a network of local civic groups to monitor the activity of the authorities and to organize educational campaign for a greater transparency of public life. Each year, we train a group of leaders to deal with monitoring actions of authorities and conduct a campaign on behalf of increased transparency in public life. Training consists of nine meetings, two days each, organized every 4–5 weeks. After completing the training the leaders form Civic Groups to act for the transparency of public life in their local community.

Training of the fourth group of candidates for leaders of Local Groups lasted from October 2003 through September 2004. Participants of this cycle had to prepare an evaluation of their municipality corruption threats and organize a local debate on corruption. 25 persons participated, 16 completed the training. New Local Civic Groups began their operations in Bielawa, Bieruń, Karpacz, Katowice, Kłomnice, Łódź, Morąg, Oświęcim, Płock, Police, Stróżów, Stroń Śląski and Tarnowiec. Their activities include: monitoring access to information in local government offices, setting up citizens' helpdesks, outreach, particularly among youth (anti-corruption lessons in schools). In October 2004, we began the fifth and final cycle of trainings, for which 22 people were qualified.

In 2004, we prepared a publication *Notes for Local Civic Group leaders* which contains materials about corruption, legal regulations, activities taken domestically and abroad to combat corruption and get access to information, about scrutinizing the transparency of local government institutions, as well



Transparent Municipality campaign

as information about local activities on behalf of transparency in the functioning of public institutions.
In 2004, we cooperated with the Local Civic Group Leaders Association (registered near the end of 2003), which brings together active leaders of civic groups.

The project initiated and co-funded by Agora S.A. and Polish-American Freedom Foundation aims to launch a social campaign for transparent operation of municipality offices. The World Bank and Civic Education Center cooperate with us in it.
The 2-year project began in November 2003. Sixteen municipalities from all Polish provinces took part in the first project stage, which was executed along with the Foundation of Local Democracy Development. Local governments participating in the campaign were implementing a Model of Transparent Municipality prepared by the Anti-Corruption Program and based on six principles for the functioning of an office: transparency, predictability, accountability, professionalism, public participation and zero tolerance for corruption.
The second project phase, open to local governments in all of Poland, began in October 2004. It is accompanied by a *Transparent Poland* public campaign run by the *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily. In the campaign, we encourage representatives of local governments to introduce at least some of the tenets of the Transparent Municipality Model. We prepared minimum, standard and full task packets. Members of the Local Civic Group Leaders Association, amongst other, monitor realization thereof.

Transparent Town Halls conference

We work with the Czech, Slovak and Hungarian offices of Transparency International to build a coalition of officials, councillors and NGO leaders towards implementing transparency into local government offices in capital cities of the Visegrad countries. Each year the representatives of the cities meet to share the knowledge and experience and develop and commit to implement an anti-corruption action plan.
In 2004, a conference was held in Warsaw. It was opened with a report on the execution of pledges made by the representatives of four capitals a year prior. Officials from Warsaw's city hall informed about the opening of Customer Service Offices between January and May 2004 in five city districts and their intention to open another four in 2005. However, Warsaw did not meet one of its obligations from the previous meeting: it adopted neither a city council member code nor a local government employee code. The Warsaw Civic Group presented a project of transparent rules for subsidising NGOs from public funds. The conference program also included 5 workshops in which issues related to social control of public procurement, internal control, conflict of interest, as well as the challenges and opportunities related to accession to the European Union were discussed. The Czech chapter of Transparency International presented the results of *Transparency index of cities* sociological research. Conference participants made new obligations for 2005.

Awards:	PLN 31 863,00
Projects implementation:	PLN 519 085,49
TOTAL:	PLN 550 948,48



Equal Opportunities Program

The Program assists local organisations working to enhance access to education for young people from small towns and impoverished communities, as well as those striving to counteract social exclusion of physically and mentally disabled children by providing them with education and personal development opportunities.

Local Scholarship Programs

The project, carried on from 2000, aims at assisting the establishment of an alternative scholarships system for young people wishing to continue high-school education. In pursuing this initiative, we hope to assist talented youth from low-income families by putting in place new mechanisms for financing scholarships that base on local resources. The local scholarship funds established with our assistance raise money for scholarship grants from local businesses, individual donors, and the local governments. Such funds operate on the basis of their own charters, drawn up by special scholarship committees; the scholarships awarded by them, varying between PLN 50 and 250 per month, are used to purchase textbooks and other learning aides, to pay for lodging, extra courses, commuting to school, etc. The decision to award a scholarship is usually based on the applicant's school record and the financial standing of her/his family, sometimes also involvement in the work for community and achievements in other non-academic pursuits.

In 2004 the project involved 34 organizations from 14 provinces. The Foundation provided them with training in the area of establishment, management, and promotion of scholarship programs, raising and administration of funds, and building local coalitions. Upon meeting the condition of raising a declared amount of funds from local resources, each organization received a grant from the Stefan Batory Foundation towards increase of the scholarship fund. In 2004 the organizations participating in the project raised PLN 930 901 in local communities. This amount increased by grants awarded by the Stefan Batory Foundation in the amount of PLN 591 300 (including PLN 75 150 from Levi Strauss & Co.) supported 1343 monthly scholarships in the school year 2003/2004. As a result of 2200 people donating 1% of their income tax to us in 2004, we have secured funds not only for already existing scholarship programs but have been able to invite eight new organizations to participate in the project in year 2004–2005.



Rainbow Academy

This project targets organizations that operate in small towns and rural areas and engage in activities to assist mentally and physically disabled children. The ultimate purpose is to improve the children's opportunities for education, and to overcome their social exclusion. The grants are awarded on a competitive basis to organizations operating in locations with a population below 20 000.

In 2004 competition grants were awarded for projects which help disabled children to acquire knowledge and abilities, enable them to take part in cultural events and art therapy and contribute to the integration of disabled children with their peers and their community. We offered priority to projects which were part of long-term efforts, relied on work with the local community and involved volunteers and the families of needy children.

Grants were co-funded by Commercial Union Poland (PLN 85 000), and by the M Fund established by a private donor (PLN 68 000).

Commercial Union Charitable Fund

For the past nine years, the Foundation has been cooperating with the insurance company Commercial Union Poland, which has been providing us with donations to support the disabled, children and youth. In 2004, from the Commercial Union's funds we made 30 grants for integration and education of disabled children projects (grants are listed and described below under the **Rainbow Academy** section).

The Foundation manages also Commercial Union Charitable Fund used to finance endeavours identified by the donor, involving support for the sick and needy people, as well as support to educational projects.

M Fund

In 2002, thanks to a donation made to the Foundation by a private donor, an endowed donor's advised Fund was established. Income generated by the Fund is annually spent for various forms of assistance to needy children. In 2004, M Fund earnings were used to finance 15 grants for integration and education of disabled children projects (grants are listed and described below under the **Rainbow Academy** section).

In line with the wish of the M Fund founder a part of the annual earnings on the investment of the Fund was allocated to the purposes identified by the donor involving support for sick children and children in need of care.

Helen and Peter Maxwell Fund

The Foundation administers Helen and Peter Maxwell Fund, established to support on the annual basis projects aiming to provide equal educational opportunities for children and youth from Siedlce town and county.



Local Scholarship Funds

(grants co-funded from Levi Strauss & Co. donation)

Regional Development Agency for Northeast Mazovia Ostrołęka	Grant to support a scholarship program for children from Ostrołęka. From grant and other funds 26 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 9 000
Barciany Educational Initiative Barciany	Grant to support <i>Bartek</i> scholarship program for children from Barciany. From grant and other funds 16 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Foundation of International Education Wrocław	Grant to support the <i>zDolny Śląsk</i> scholarship program targeting talented young people from the Lower Silesia province. From grant and other funds 42 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Elbląg Foundation, Community Foundation of the Elbląg Region Elbląg	Grant to support a scholarship program for secondary school children from Elbląg area. From grant and other funds 32 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Community Foundation of the Biłgoraj Region Biłgoraj	Grant to support a scholarship program for children from Biłgoraj i Zwierzyńiec in Lublin province. From grant and other funds 31 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Cultural Initiatives Foundation Radomsko	Grant to support a scholarship program for artistically gifted secondary school students from Radomsko county. From grant and other funds 24 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Polish Humanitarian Organization Toruń	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from secondary schools of the Toruń borough. In the school year 2004/2005, 31 scholarships were awarded PLN 20 000
Social Welfare Foundation Brzeszcze	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting from the Oświęcim county. From grant and other funds 51 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Family Foundation Sławno	Grant to support the <i>Talent for Talent</i> scholarship program targeting young people from the Sławno borough. From grant and other funds 57 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Gołdap Region Development Foundation Gołdap	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from the secondary schools of Gołdap. From grant and other funds 22 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 15 000
Łukta Region Development Foundation Łukta	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from selected boroughs of the Ostróda and Olsztyn county. From grant and other funds 39 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Sokółka Community Foundation Sokółka	Grant to support the <i>Top of the Class</i> scholarship program targeting junior high and secondary school students studying or living in the borough of Sokółka. From grant and other funds 65 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Club of Catholic Intelligentsia Warsaw	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school and university students. From grant and other funds 8 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 8 000
Leżajsk Development Association Leżajsk	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from the Leżajsk county and Kuryłówka borough. From grant and other funds 55 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 19 400



Nowy Sącz Foundation for the Development of Rural Areas and Agriculture Nowy Sącz	Grant to support the <i>Patoczek Brothers Scholarship Fund</i> targeting gifted junior high and secondary school students from boroughs of the Małopolska province. From grant and other funds 184 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 15 000
Community Foundation of the Year 2000 Charitable Association Tomaszów Mazowiecki	Grant to support the <i>Most Talented Young People</i> scholarship program operated in the Tomaszów county. From grant and other funds 16 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 10 800
Together Charitable Association Zelów	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from the Zelów borough. From grant and other funds 34 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 9 000
A. Bąkowska Scholarship Fund for Young People from Rural Areas Association Sońsk	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting student and graduates of A. Świętochowski Agricultural Schools in Gołotczyzna, Ciechanów county – university day curriculum students. From grant and other funds 10 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 14 800
Rural Initiatives Association Stoczek Łukowski	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from three neighbouring boroughs of the Łuków county. From grant and other funds 32 scholarships were awarded for the 2004/2005 PLN 15 300
Vista Association for Aesthetic Education Białystok	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high and secondary school students resident in the Białystok and Hajnówka counties. From grant and other funds 42 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Local Development Association Białobrzegi	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school and university students from the Białobrzegi borough in the Subcarpathian province. From grant and other funds 45 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Haven Association to Support the Establishment of a Friendly Educational Environment for the Children and Youth Iława	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from the Iława county. From grant and other funds 35 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Nidzica Community Foundation Nidzica	Grant to support the <i>Top of the Class</i> scholarship program targeting secondary school students and junior high school graduates resident in three boroughs of the Varmia and Mazury province. From grant and other funds 32 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Dezydery Chłapowski Educational Association Kościan	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high second- and third-graders, and secondary school and university students from the Kościan county. From grant and other funds 22 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 14 800
Helping Hand Association Złoty Stok	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from the Złoty Stok borough. From grant and other funds 34 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 9 900
Association of Friends of the Public Junior High School in Nowiny Sitkówka-Nowiny	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high school students from the Sitkówka-Nowiny borough, and the best sportsmen-basketball players from Owl Students Sport Club in Nowiny. From grant and other funds 42 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000



Association of Catholic Families of the Katowice Archdiocese Goczałkowice-Zdrój	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school and university students from the Goczałkowice-Zdrój borough. From grant and other funds 16 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 14 300
Association for Local Development and Philanthropy Kielce	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting Kielce, Staszów county nad Itża and Łągów boroughs secondary school students. From grant and other funds 33 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 16 000
Association to Support the Development of the Czulchów County Czulchów	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting university and secondary school students from Czulchów county. From grant and other funds 72 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Common Knowledge Educational Association Gdańsk	Grant to support the <i>Kartuzy County</i> scholarship program targeting secondary school students from rural areas. 38 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Echo of Pyzdry Cultural Association Pyzdry	Grant to support the <i>Mecenat</i> scholarship program targeting young people from Łądek, Gizatki and Dominowo boroughs in Poznań province. From grant and other funds 14 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Society of Friends of the Muszyna Region Muszyna	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from Muszyna and Krynica, and music school students studying in Muszyna and Nowy Sącz music schools. From grant and other funds 27 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Society to Support the Development of Dzierzgoń Dzierzgoń	Grant to support the <i>Genius</i> County Scholarship Fund targeting secondary and junior high school students from the Sztum county. From grant and other funds 21 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Association to Support the Development of the Kwidzyn County Kwidzyn	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school and university students from the Kwidzyn county. From grant and other funds 101 scholarships were awarded for the year 2004/2005 PLN 20 000
Trainings and meetings	Meetings and training sessions for organisations managing Local Scholarship Programs PLN 17 972,62

Rainbow Academy

(grants co-financed from Commercial Union and M Funds)

Bonfire Christian Association of Disabled Individuals, Their Families and Friends Cracow	Project for disabled children from the Słomniki borough: integration activities, art in the field, musical, theatre and movement activities, hippotherapy, and gardening. There was also a special program for parents: meetings with rehabilitation staff, psychologists and teachers PLN 8 000
Dr. Piotr Janaszek Pass It On Foundation Konin	<i>Students Club</i> project: educational and therapeutic activity program for healthy and disabled children from Mielnica and Paprotnia boroughs: providing equal opportunities, active rehabilitation, work with computers, sporting activities PLN 8 000
Camelot Foundation Łódź	<i>Only moments are beautiful in life</i> project: integration meetings for healthy and disabled children from Ozorków: joint field trips of children combined with an educational program, a play, musical and motion activities and hippotherapy PLN 3 500



Social Welfare Foundation Brzeszcze	<i>The same</i> project: educational and therapeutic program for children: activities in a therapeutic centre in Brzeszcze and regular meetings of children and parents with teachers, psychologists and therapists PLN 6 000
General Education High School No. 1 in Szubin, Volunteers Club Szubin	<i>Friendly hand</i> project: program of integration activities for disabled children and youth (vision impaired, autistic, cerebral palsy) realised by healthy peers and volunteers PLN 8 000
Polish Association for the Mentally Handicapped Dobre Miasto	<i>Working eights</i> project: therapeutic and cultural activity program for disabled children, their healthy peers as well as parents and volunteers: interest circles – art, music, home economics PLN 5 000
Polish Association for the Mentally Handicapped Krosno	<i>Common scene</i> project: integration theatre group program of mentally disabled and healthy children: preparing plays to be shown in schools and pre-schools in the county PLN 5 000
Polish Association for the Mentally Handicapped Wolbrom	<i>Clay wonders</i> project: therapy through art program with the participation of the local community in which disabled children learn to mould, fire and paint clay pieces PLN 5 000
Polish Association for the Mentally Handicapped Gryfice	Project that aims to create and manage a support group for parents and guardians of disabled children – psychological, pedagogic and rehabilitation counselling as well as art therapy PLN 5 000
Regional Association for the Disabled Sejny	<i>Ceramic fantasy world</i> project: integration art (moulding, decorating and firing clay pieces) for intellectually disabled and healthy children PLN 5 600
Sejny Rearing for the Future Educational and Social Society Sejny	<i>Pooh's Hut</i> activity program in an integration therapeutic children's centre: work therapy, entertainment and motion therapy, music therapy and lectures, rehabilitation and speech therapy activities supplemented with participation in shows, trips and hippotherapy PLN 10 000
Special Care Children's Association Gołdap	<i>Field children</i> project: art and therapeutic activities (theatre, art and dance as well as general development) for rural disabled children and their healthy peers PLN 6 000
Special Care Children's Association Gołdap	<i>Let's be together</i> project: continuation of creative and therapeutic activities for mentally disabled and healthy children and youth, with the active participation of parents and volunteers PLN 5 000
Cultural and Educational Association of Ropica Polska Gorlice	<i>Put up the sails</i> project: program of meetings, trainings, winter camp and sailing camp for mentally disabled children PLN 10 000
Cultural and Educational Association of Ropica Polska Gorlice	<i>Everyone has a right to happiness</i> program of activities for integration of disabled children including a cycle of art workshops (glass painting, sculpting clay, weaving, regional dance), art market and play outdoors PLN 5 000
We Have Big Hearts Association Świnice Warckie	<i>Creative Youth Club</i> project: cultural and education activities for mentally disabled children and their healthy peers: nature, economic and technical activities, concerts, holiday events, children's workshops, fieldtrips PLN 6 000
Association for the Disabled Solec Kujawski	<i>Let's grow up together</i> project: art, theatre and music activities as well as plein-air painting and fieldtrips for healthy and disabled children PLN 5 000
Association for the Development of the Ujsoły Borough Ujsoły	<i>Let's come out of the shadow</i> project: integration activities with the participation of disabled and healthy children and their parents: paper art, outdoors play, preparing a nativity play, work with a computer, joint trips PLN 3 600



Brother Krystyn's Help Thy Neighbour Association Gorzów Wielkopolski	<i>Three colours – yellow, white, green</i> program of educational and recreational meetings for healthy and disabled children from the towns in the Gorzów county: integration games, art activities, sports and dance as well as meetings with interesting people PLN 10 000
Without Barriers Association for Assisting the Disabled Zakliczyn	<i>Let's see the world</i> cultural activity program: outdoors art and music workshops, trips, exhibits, meetings with folk artists and theatre workshops with the participation of disabled and healthy children from the area of Zakliczyn PLN 8 000
Hope Association for Assisting the Disabled Libiąż	<i>A thousand cranes for good luck</i> program of art and therapeutic activities for disabled children and their healthy peers: theatre activities, art and dance, preparation of a theatre play, integration meeting with the participation of parents and volunteers PLN 8 400
Association for Assisting the Disabled Reda	<i>Let's go together</i> program of artistic (dance, theatre and music, incl.: participation in the Dance Team Review, shows for integration schools) and tourism activities for disabled children PLN 8 000
Association of Parents and Friends of the Disabled Praszka	Program of integration activities for disabled children and their healthy peers with the participation of parents and volunteers: literary contests, art workshops, outdoors integration events PLN 4 000
Association for Foster Parenting Łędziny	<i>Ceramic workshop</i> project: workshops for children and youth with Foetal Alcohol Syndrome: ceramic activities, art camp and exhibit of works PLN 10 000
Society of the Friends of Children Opole	<i>Integration games</i> program addressed to disabled children from the Głuchołazy borough: learning assistance, library lessons, trips, support groups for parents PLN 7 300
Society of the Friends of Children Połczyn Zdrój	<i>Everyone has their pole</i> program aimed at increasing social sensitivity to the needs of the disabled and providing equal opportunities to children and youth: musical, art, computer, and theatre activities, trips to theatres and museums and celebratory events PLN 6 000
Society of the Friends of Children Świętochłowice	<i>Integration meetings with nature</i> project: art, photographic and ecological workshops for disabled children and youth in Kalety Drukarnia and surrounding villages PLN 5 000
Society for the Development of Marianowo Borough Marianowo	Project of activities in the Rural Therapeutic Centre for disabled children and youth: music and movement activities, home economics, art, joint trips to concerts and theatre as well as relaxation activities PLN 6 000
Polish Scouting Union Głowno	<i>Wind and Water</i> Scouting Sailing School project: joint sailing activities for disabled children and youth, children from pathological and poor families and scouts PLN 6 000
Polish Scouting Union Węgrów	<i>Yet another book of the adventures of Silly Goat</i> project: a cycle of meetings of 20-person group of disabled youth, based on the adventures of the book's hero: developing interest in reading, dance courses, trips to the forest, sports competitions, movement games, preparing and putting on a show PLN 10 000
Avant-garde Foundation Warsaw	Exhibition of Works of disabled artist Izabela Zielińska PLN 5 000

Commercial Union Charitable Fund



Let's Help Children with Cancer Foundation Wrocław	Grant for bone marrow transplant and therapy of a child	PLN 2 500
Our Earth Foundation Warsaw	Grant for a school garden in an Educational Centre in Ostrowiec Świętokrzyski	PLN 5 000
In time with Help Foundation for Children Warsaw	Grant for the rehabilitation of a sick child	PLN 3 000
Pro Schola Nostra Foundation at XXXIV Cervantes Secondary School Warsaw	Organisation of a visit of children from the Sunny Hill orphanage from Frombork in Warsaw	PLN 1 000
The Affirmative World Foundation Warsaw	Organisation of the 10 th Local Governments' <i>The Great Eight</i> Competition for Teenagers	PLN 5 000
Robert Schuman Foundation Warsaw	Organisation of the <i>Europe of Spirit</i> Congress Gniezno 2004	PLN 8 000
Donations	Donation for the treatment of a sick child	PLN 3 000
	Donation for the purchase of a hearing aid for hear-impaired child	PLN 2 000
	Donation for the rehabilitation of a child injured in a car accident	PLN 3 000

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In Time with Help Foundation for Children Warsaw	Grant for the rehabilitation of disabled children	PLN 5 000
	Grant for the rehabilitation of sick children	PLN 5 000
Let's Help Children with Cancer Foundation Wrocław	Grant for the transplant of bone marrow of a sick child	PLN 3 000
Daisy Association of Disabled Persons, their Families and Friends Parczew	Grant for the treatment of sick child	PLN 4 000
Association for the Development of Wiaru Valley Wojtkowa	Grant for transforming an old rural school into a library	PLN 3 000
Donations	Donation to contribute to the purchase of a wheelchair	PLN 5 000
	Donation for the purchase of an insulin pump for a child	PLN 4 000
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Hans Ch. Kofoed Association for Social Welfare, Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration
Siedlce

Helen and Peter Maxwell Fund

Windows of Opportunity project: computerization of elementary and junior high-schools in Siedlce town and county. Grants were used to purchase 39 computers for 10 schools (the grant includes PLN 2000 from Batory Foundation funds to cover operational costs of the project) **PLN 100 865,25**

Other grants

Theater in Education Association *Wybrzeże*
Gdańsk

Art for Social Change project: therapeutic activities by artist-educators with children from socially disadvantaged backgrounds. Five projects run during the 2004/2005 school year were financed from the grant **PLN 48 117,5**

Journalists Charitable Ball Foundation
Warsaw

Setting up a scholarship fund for children and youth in difficult family situations (in cooperation with Sister Małgorzata Chmielewska's *Bread of Life Society*) **PLN 3 000**

Grants: **PLN 1 012 182,75**

Trainings: **PLN 17 972,62**

TOTAL: PLN 1 030 155,37



International Cooperation Program

European Union Enlargement changes the character of Poland's relations with its eastern neighbours. On one hand, introducing visas for Belarus, Ukraine and Russia has created a barrier in mutual contacts and may result in a growing feeling of exclusion from the common Europe in those societies. On the other hand, the enlargement process increases the chances for active policy of the enlarged European Union in relation to its new members in the East; policy that supports the development of democracy, civil society and closer bonds with the united Europe and does not exclude the perspective of those countries' future membership in the EU. Therefore, in cooperation with pro-European elites of those countries we have presented the concepts of developing closer relations of this region of Europe with the UE, we have supported the idea of open border between the member states and the countries aspiring to the UE membership and we have held a debate on the common historical heritage of our part of Europe.

The Orange Revolution in Ukraine was a tremendous triumph for Ukrainian civil society. Even those of us working with Ukraine for many years were not aware of that civil society's latent vitality and strength. The spontaneous movement for solidarity with Ukrainian democracy was important for future Polish-Ukrainian relations and we took efforts to contribute to it by providing election observers.

We continued activities regarding the preparation of Polish third sector to take advantage of European funds and for functioning in the united Europe. We have worked also to increase Poland's activity in the international assistance efforts.

The program activities in 2004 were co-financed by the Open Society Institute East-East Network Program (PLN 244 346,14), Polish-American-Ukrainian Cooperation Initiative – PLN 46 175,36 for the New European Union and Ukraine project, Canadian International Development Agency – Official Development Assistance in Central Europe CIDA-ODACE, Trialog Development NGOs in the Enlarged EU, Vienna and Concord European NGO Confederation for Relief and Development, Brussels – PLN 48 316,30 for activities of the Polish NGO Abroad Group. The *New Geopolitics of Central and Eastern Europe. Between the European Union and United States* Conference was co-financed by the Robert Bosch Foundation and Oracle Poland (PLN 83 975,67); support was also provided by the Embassy of France and Hines Poland.



New Geopolitics of Central and Eastern Europe. Between the European Union and United States conference

International conferences

On May 7–8, 2004, in cooperation with the German International Affairs and Security Institute of the Science and Policy Foundation (SWP) from Berlin and the European Studies Centre at St. Anthony's College, Oxford University, we organized an international conference in Warsaw with the participation of renowned intellectuals, experts, current and former politicians and high-ranking officials of the European Union.

Four panel discussions sought to answer what the intellectual and political as well as historical identifications of Central and Eastern Europe are in the context of its geopolitical position between Russia and Germany? Is the USA interested in continued European integration? What is the role of the "New Europe" in the European strategy of the US and in the American policy with respect to Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova? In what direction should NATO evolve? What is the attitude toward Euro-Atlantic relations in Western Europe as compared to Central and Eastern Europe? Should the European Union expand, and if so, to include what states? What are interests, aspirations and expectations of Central and Eastern European states within the European Union? On the second day of the conference, Henry Kissinger, former US Secretary of State, gave a special lecture *New challenges facing America and Europe*.

The following took part in the conference: Christoph Bertram (Director of the Stiftung für Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin), David P. Calleo (Johns Hopkins University, Washington), Robert Cooper (General Director for Foreign and Political-Military Affairs, Secretariat General of the Council of Europe, Brussels), Timothy Garton Ash (Director of the European Studies Centre at St. Anthony's College, Oxford University), Bronisław Geremek (former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Director of the European Civilization Faculty at the European College in Natolin), Heather Grabbe (Research Director, European Reform Centre, London), Elemér Hankiss (Research Director, Political Science Institute, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest), Pierre Hassner (Centre for International Studies and Research CERI, Paris), Danuta Hübner (member of European Commission, Brussels), Ken Jowitt (University of California at Berkeley), Ivan Krastev (Director of Liberal Strategy Centre, Sofia), Marcin Król (Dean of Applied Social Sciences and Rehabilitation, Warsaw University), Dominique Moïsi (Vice Director of the French International Affairs Institute IFRI, Paris), Andrzej Olechowski (former Foreign Affairs Minister of the Republic of Poland, Director of Studium Generale Europa), Adam D. Rotfeld (Secretary of State at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Jacques Rupnik (Research Director, Centre for International Studies and Research CERI, Paris), Anne-Marie Slaughter (Dean of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University), Timothy Snyder (Yale University) and numerous speakers from Central and Eastern Europe: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia, and Hungary.

Conference materials were published in *Przegląd Polityczny* monthly (Polish version). English version with the texts of all speeches given during the session was published in *New Geopolitics of Central and Eastern Europe. Between the European Union and United States* publication.

New European Union and Ukraine

The goal of this project, launched in 2002, is to evaluate relations between the European Union and Ukraine, analyze the impact Union enlargement will have on these relations as well as the development of possible strategies and specific solutions regarding relations between the enlarged Union and Ukraine, which became its direct neighbour in 2004. In 2004, our activities concerned relations between the enlarged European Union and Ukraine and Ukrainian presidential election.



More than Neighbours. The Enlarged European Union and Ukraine report

In cooperation with partners from Ukraine, Poland and other states, we prepared a series of political, social and economic analyses, which were used in two of our publications: *More than Neighbours. The Enlarged European Union and Ukraine – New Relations. Final Report* as well as *More than Neighbours. The Enlarged European Union and Ukraine – New Relations. Policy Paper*. Both publications garnered extensive interest from politicians, experts and journalists from Ukraine, Poland and other EU member states.

On February 13, 2004, at the Centre for European Policy Studies in Brussels, we organized a presentation of the *Final Report*. The following took part in the meeting: Günter Verheugen, EU Commissioner for Enlargement and the Polish and Ukrainian vice ministers of foreign affairs: Jan Truszczyński and Oleh Shamshur. The following took part as panellists: Olexiy Haran (School of Political Analysis of Kyiv-Mohylan Academy, Kyiv), Małgorzata Jakubiak (Centre for Social and Economic Research, Warsaw), Katarzyna Wolczuk (Centre for Russian and East European Studies, University of Birmingham), Alexander Duleba (Slovak Foreign Policy Association, Bratislava), Marius Vahl (Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels), Igor Burakovsky (Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting, Kyiv), Oleksandr Sushko (Centre for Peace, Conversion and Foreign Policy of Ukraine), Jakub Boratyński and Grzegorz Gromadzki (Batory Foundation, Warsaw). About 130 people took part in the meeting, including employees of the Council of Europe, European Commission, diplomats, experts, representatives of NGOs and journalists.

On March 26–27, 2004, the *EU Relations with Ukraine: A Visegrad Perspective* conference was held in Bratislava, organized by the Slovak Foreign Policy Association (SFPA) and the Batory Foundation. The following spoke on the first day of the conference: Peter Ptasek, representative of the Wider Europe Task Force, persons engaged in projects concerning EU relations with Ukraine: Jakub Boratyński, Grzegorz Gromadzki and Marius Vahl (Batory Foundation project), Iryna Solonenko (East-West Institute project), Iris Kempe (Centre for Applied Policy Research project) and Alexander Duleba (SFPA). The results of Union enlargement for the Carpathian Euroregion were presented by Vladimir Bilcik (SFPA). On the second day of the conference, a discussion chaired by Pavol Demeš (German Marshall Fund) was held concerning the possible forms of cooperation and assistance that Visegrad states can offer Ukraine.

On March 31 in Rzeszów, April 1 in Lublin and April 2 in Warsaw, we organized a series of presentations of the *More than Neighbours* report with the participation of some of the report's authors (Jakub Boratyński, Grzegorz Gromadzki, Oleksij Haran, Iryna Kravtshuk, Oleksandr Sushko, Marius Vahl, Katarzyna Wolczuk, Przemysław Żurawski vel Grajewski). Each of the presentations consisted of four sessions devoted to the report's main themes: Ukrainian strategy for integration with the EU, European Union policy toward Ukraine, the role of new member states in a EU–Ukrainian relations, main areas of integration. In Lublin and Rzeszów, there were additional sessions presenting the results of research concerning Polish–Ukrainian relations and expectations related to Poland's accession to the EU (research results were presented by Anna Gąsior-Niemiec and Mirosław Bieniecki from the Polish Academy of Sciences as well as Joanna Konieczna from the Sociology Institute at the University of Warsaw). The presentation in Rzeszów was prepared in cooperation with the College of Information Technology and Management, and in Lublin by the Central and Eastern Europe Institute. About 200 representatives of Polish state institutions, local authorities, academic circles, NGOs, experts involved with Union and Ukrainian issues as well as Polish and foreign press took part in the meetings.

On May 13, 2004 at the Chatham House (Royal Institute of International Affairs) in London, during the *The Enlarged European Union and Ukraine: New Relations* seminar, which garnered experts from institutions involved



Presidential election in Ukraine

with international relations, academics, journalists and diplomats, the *More than Neighbours* report was presented by its three authors: Jakub Boratyński, Grzegorz Gromadzki and Kataryna Wolczuk. Over 130 people took part in the meeting.

In May and June 2004, we organized a cycle of presentations in eastern and western Ukraine of the *The More than Neighbours. Final Report and Policy Paper* with the participation of some of the report's authors (Jakub Boratyński, Grzegorz Gromadzki, Oleksiy Haran, Iryna Kravchuk, Oleksandr Sushko, Marius Vahl, Kataryna Wolczuk, Przemysław Żurawski *vel* Grajewski): in Kyiv (May 26), Donetsk (May 27), Dnipropetrovsk (28 May), Charkiv (May 29), Ivanofrankivsk (June 24), Uzhorod (June 25) and Lviv (June 26). About 550 people took part in the meetings: Ukrainian politicians and state officials, representatives of the administration, local government, NGOs and academic circles, journalists and students. The Ukrainian Renaissance Foundation was the co-organizer of the presentation in Charkiv, the most successful of all in Eastern Ukraine. The presentation in Lviv took place during the conference concerning relations between Ukraine and the EU, organized by the *Ji* magazine.

We prepared two reports: *Ukraine at a Crossroads. The Presidential Elections 2004* containing possible scenarios for Ukraine after the elections and *Ukraine and the EU after the Orange Revolution*, which was drafted during the heated period of the Orange Revolution and was another attempt at analyzing Ukraine's future in light of current events. An international team prepared the reports: Grzegorz Gromadzki (Batory Foundation), Kataryna Wolczuk (University of Birmingham), Roman Wolczuk (University of Wolverhampton), Oleksandr Suszko (Centre for Peace, Conversion and Foreign Policy of Ukraine, Kyiv) and Marius Vahl (Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels).

On May 20, 2004, jointly with the Centre for Eastern Studies, we organized an expert meeting with the participation of representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chancellery of the President and Prime Minister, at which we discussed what Poland, as a member of the EU, could do on behalf of Ukraine. One of the results of this meeting was a draft of declaration supporting Ukraine's European aspirations and calling upon the authorities of that state to respect democratic election principles. Moreover, in October–December, jointly with the Centre for Eastern Studies, we organized 5 seminars with the participation of experts and representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to discuss Poland's position in the EU regarding eastern policy. The dominating theme was the presidential election in Ukraine.

On September 10, 2004, at the Economic Forum in Krynica, we prepared a discussion panel *Action Plan European Union – Ukraine: groundbreaking or seeming?* The following took part: Boris Tarasyuk, Chair of the Ukrainian Highest Council for European Affairs, Kai-Olaf Lang, expert from Berlin's Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, and Grzegorz Gromadzki from the Batory Foundation. About 100 people took part in the panel moderated by Jakub Boratyński.

On October 12, 2004, in Brussels – in cooperation with Janusz Onyszkiewicz, Vice Chair of the European Parliament, and Bogdan Klich, deputy to the European Parliament, as well as the Centre for International Studies and the Strategic Studies Centre – we organized a seminar at which Oleksandr Sushko, Kataryna Wolczuk, Roman Wolczuk and Grzegorz Gromadzki presented the theses of *Ukraine at the Crossroads. The Presidential Elections 2004* report. In the discussion with the participation of Oleh Rybachuk, a deputy to the Ukrainian Parliament, one of Victor Yushchenko's closest associates, the possible scenario for Ukrainian reform was considered as was the future of its foreign policy, especially the development of Ukraine – EU relations if Victor Yushchenko wins the election.



On November 8, 2004, in Warsaw, we organized a public discussion: *Ukrainian Elections*. The meeting was held during the heated period after the first round of presidential elections. We invited experts from Ukraine to take part in the discussion: Kost' Bondarenko (Director of the Social Processes Research Centre, expert from Kyiv), Victoria Sereda (sociologist, Lviv University) and Oleksandr Sushko (Director of the Peace, Conversion and Ukrainian Foreign Policy Centre in Kyiv). Jakub Boratyński from the Batory Foundation moderated the discussion. Lecturers commented the course of the election campaign in particular Ukrainian regions and presented scenarios for development of the situation in Ukraine. About 80 people took part in the meeting.

European Choice for Belarus

In 2002, we launched a project, which aims to initiate cooperation of independent Belarusian experts in developing recommendations concerning directions of change in Belarus and their dissemination among Belarusian elites and opinion-leading circles in the EU. The results of the experts' work were published in *Belarus: Scenarios for Reform* presenting possible scenarios of future democratic and pro-European reforms in Belarus. The work was published in three languages: Belarusian, Russian and English.

In the fall of 2003, the publication was presented in Minsk and Warsaw. In 2004, we focused on dissemination of the publication in Belarus and among opinion-leading circles in the European Union.

In cooperation with the Belarusian Schuman Association, we prepared 10 meetings in 4 Belarusian districts (Minsk District: Vileyka, Borysov, Maladechno; Vitebsk District: Vitebsk, Haradok; Brest District: Byaroza, Brest, Luniniec; Mohylev District: Mohylev, Babruysk). Nearly 300 people took part in these meetings: representatives of local authorities, political parties, NGOs, teachers, journalists and business people. Reports on the meetings were published in 12 articles in the local press.

On November 15, 2004, in cooperation with the Bertelsmann Foundation and the Open Society Institute in Brussels, we organized a discussion in Brussels: *A Place for Belarus in Europe: Challenges and Opportunities within the European Neighbourhood Policy*. In addition to experts and representatives of European institutions and member states (including Hans Georg Wieck, former OSCE representative in Minsk), the following Belarusian politicians and experts took part in the meeting: Vincuk Viachorka (head of the Belarusian National Front), Vital Silicki (independent political scientist, co-author of the *Belarus: Scenarios for Reform* publication), Uladzislau Vialichka (Representative of the Union of Pro-Democratic Belarusian NGOs) and Olga Karach (independent representative in the Vitebsk city council). The result of the discussion was development of recommendations regarding, among other things, establishment of a special fund to support democracy in Belarus. The recommendations were forwarded to the European Commission, Council of the European Union, European Parliament and representatives of EU member states. Some recommendations were taken into account during the meeting of the European Commission on November 22, 2004.

On December 8, 2004, in cooperation with the Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, we organized a meeting in Berlin regarding future European Union policy toward Ukraine and Belarus in light of current political events in these states: presidential elections in Ukraine and parliamentary elections and constitutional referendum in Belarus. The main assumption of the meeting was to find an answer to the question of how the European Union should react to the development of events beyond its eastern border. 40 experts, analysts and decision makers from Union circles took part in the meeting.



Monitoring of the Openness of Polish Eastern Borders

Friendly EU Border

The project conducted since 2002 by the Batory Foundation jointly with the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights aims to promote the idea of a friendly and open eastern border of the European Union. In 2004, we completed the monitoring of Poland's visa policy, which we had begun a year earlier in an attempt to evaluate the effectiveness of procedures for issuing Polish visas and their compliance with official declarations assuring simplified visa procedures for neighbours from the East. In addition to Collegium Civitas, which coordinated sociological research, the following partnership organizations from cities with Polish consulates took part in the project: Centre for Peace, Conversion and Foreign Policy of Ukraine, Kyiv; *Kovcheg* Association of Support for Civic Initiatives, Odessa; Charkiv Human Rights Protection Group; European Dialogue, Lviv; Volyn Youth Rights Protection Association, Lutsk; *Regiomonti* Regional Social Organisation for Kaliningrad; Moscow Helsinki Group; St. Petersburg Centre for Humanities and Political Studies Strategy and three organizations from Belarus.

At the outset of the year, trainings for partner organizations and pollsters were held in Lviv, Brest, Kaliningrad, Moscow and St. Petersburg. In February and March, the trained pollsters conducted research among persons seeking Polish visas and interviewed employees of consular offices in Ukraine, Belarus and the European part of Russia (training and research was covered from grants made by Batory Foundation). In April, a meeting was held in Warsaw with the participation of representatives of all partner organizations at which we presented the preliminary research results, recommendations and evaluation of hitherto cooperation. In June, we published the research report entitled *Monitoring Polish Visa Policy*.

On June 30, 2004, a public presentation of the report took place in Warsaw with the participation of the following, amongst other: Danuta Przywara and Bartłomiej Tokarz (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights), Leszek Chajewski (Collegium Civitas), Denis Torhov (St. Petersburg Centre for Humanities and Political Studies Strategy), Leonid Kalicenia (Center for Social Innovation from Minsk), Dr. Oleksandr Sushko (Center for Peace, Conversion and Foreign Policy of Ukraine, Kyiv); Prof. Edmund Wnuk-Lipinski (Political Science Institute of the Polish Academy of Science) and Maciej Szymanski (Vice Director of the Consular and Polonia Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland).

The report was also presented at the conferences organized by the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding the results of introduction of visas by Poland (August 10 in Lviv and November 15 in Moscow).

On November 17, 2004, in conjunction with the Centre for European Policy Studies in Brussels, we organized a seminar devoted to the future of European visa policy. Members of the EU visa policy working group, consisting of representatives from member states, took part. At the seminar, we presented the results of monitoring and recommendations concerning improvement of visa policy for the Union's eastern neighbours.

Competition for the media

As part of the *Monitoring the Openness of Poland's Eastern Borders* project, we announced a competition for press publications and radio pieces devoted to the situation on Poland's eastern borders after the introduction of a visa requirement. The contest jury consisting of Dr. Irena Rzeplińska (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights), Jacek Fuglewicz (Polish Public Radio Channel I Program Director), Dr. Gerhard Gnauck (*Die Welt* correspondent, Jury Chair), Jarosław Kurski (*Gazeta Wyborcza*), Dr. Stanisław Mocek (Collegium Civitas) and Volodimir Pavliv (Ukrainian section of Radio Free Europe) awarded prizes to the following journalists:



Friendly Border competition

Katarzyna Michalak – award for the radio piece *Eden beyond a narrow river* broadcast by Regional Polish Radio in Lublin (PLN 3000),

Marek Cynkar – award for the report *Restraining envy* broadcast by Radio Rzeszów (PLN 2000),

Jagienka Wilczak – award for the article *Visas for hard currency* published in the *Polityka* weekly (PLN 2500),

Tadeusz Szewczyk – award for the report *Shadows over the crossing* and a cycle of articles about the situation at border crossings with Ukraine published in the *Gazeta Bieszczadzka* (PLN 2500),

Jan Płaskoń – honourable mention for the article *Tomorrow under the stars* in *Panorama Opolska*

Monika Karpowicz – honourable mention for the article *Last Belarusian* published in the *Przegląd Sejneński* bi-weekly,

Dariusz Chajewski – honourable mention for the article *Right before the West* published in the *Gazeta Lubuska*,

Jarosław Iwaniuk and **Jerzy Leszczyński** – honourable mention for the report *Under different pines* broadcast in Polish Radio Białystok.

In 2004, in cooperation with the East-East Program, we organized the *Friendly Border* competition, the aim of which was to support local coalitions active on behalf of establishing new border crossings, improvement of technical infrastructure and equipping existing border crossings. Three projects that received grants concerned: preparation of analyses regarding border crossings, organization of public discussions, cultural and tourist events publicising coalition postulates and promoting the idea of a friendly border.

Neighbourly cooperation

Journalists Club: Belarus, Poland, Ukraine

The project is addressed to journalists of the regional press from Belarus, Poland and Ukraine and includes a cycle of study and workshop visits, which are to serve establishing contacts and exchange of information, increasing the number of press publications devoted to the countries of this region and, as a result, breaking existing prejudices and stereotypes. The Club has been active since 2001.

Two journalists meetings were held in 2004. The first of those (Szczecin, Frankfurt-Oder, August 8–13) were devoted to social issues in the Polish-German trans-border region. The state of cooperation of local government authorities, business, border services and the police of both states, as well as specific initiatives serving to increase cooperation in various areas, e.g. Viadrina University or dialogue with expelled Germans. For the first time, the visit was co-organized by the Polish-German Club *Against Stereotypes*. The second meeting (Odessa, December 8–10) presented economic and social problems of the region as well as organizations acting on behalf of combating them, such as *The way home* (preventing child homelessness), *Faith, hope, love* (preventing trade in human cargo) or *White Angel* (integration of the disabled). The problems of refugees were also taken up.

The main organizer of the meetings was the *Meridian* Information Research Center from Lviv, directed by one of the Journalists Club members, Oleksandr Lavrynovich. Journalists from the following publications took part: Belarusian – *Birzha Informacii* (Grodno), *Brestskij Kurier* (Brest), *Info-Kurier* (Slutsk), *Inform-Progulka* (Luninets), *Intex-Press* (Baranoviche), *Kurier iz Borysova* (Borysov), *Vitebskiy Kurier* (Vitebsk); Polish – *Nowiny* (Rzeszów), *Tygodnik Powszechny* (Cracow), Polish-German Magazine *Dialog* (Szczecin); Ukrainian – *Delowaja Odessa* (Odessa), *Halychyna* (Ivanofrankivsk), *Ilicheviac* (Mariupol), *Interfax-Ukraine* (Odessa), *Naddniprianska Pravda* (Kherson), *Nova Ternopilska Hazeta* (Ternopil), *Radio Svoboda* (Donetsk), *Starij Zamok* (Uzhorod), *Territoria* (Odessa), *Uрядoviy Kurier* (Rivne), *Vikno* (Chernihiv), *Vilne Slovo* (Zhytomyr), *Vriemia Che* (Odessa), *Vysokij Zamok* (Lviv).



Friendly Neighbourhood Forum: Lithuania, Kaliningrad District, Poland

As of 2000, as part of the Friendly Neighbourhood Forum project, we have been conducting activities on behalf of developing cooperation among various circles of the Kaliningrad District, Poland and Lithuania. The main partners in the project are: the Elbląg Association for NGO Initiative Support and Borussia Cultural Community Association from Olsztyn. As part of the program, an informal coalition of various circles was formed (local government, cultural and academic institutions, NGOs and economic associations) from the Varmia and Mazury and Pomerania Provinces interested in working with the Kaliningrad District. Seven working groups consisting of representatives from Poland and Russia worked on common positions and proposals of systemic solutions serving development of cooperation. The groups were involved with the following areas: youth, trans-border entrepreneurship, civic organizations, culture, tourism and the hotel industry, cooperation of local governments and environmental protection. Numerous meetings and seminars were held as part of the project, the Forum bulletin was published, as were inserts to regional newspapers.

On October 14–15, 2004, an international conference *Toward the future* was organized by Forum in Elbląg with the participation of representatives of regional and local authorities, Kaliningrad District authorities, the Polish consul in Kaliningrad, the Ambassador of Lithuania in Poland, the Ambassador of Poland in Vilnius, as well as NGO activists, representatives of education institutions and business from Poland and the District. During the conference, in which about 300 people participated, there was discussion on up-to-date cooperation experiences and expectations for the future. Among other things, a complex report on cooperation with the Kaliningrad District was presented, which was financed from Foundation grants and prepared by the *Borussia* Association. 11 thematic workshops were held during the conference, including 7 prepared by working groups, from which conclusions and postulates were then presented at the plenary conference.

Displaced Cultural Property

Since 2002, we have operated a project devoted to the issue of missing or displaced cultural assets, which in the result of wars and border shifts were moved to the territory of other state. The project aims to stimulate public discourse on this controversial subject that has been passed over in silence for many years, and contribute to the process of developing a common position by the states of Central and Eastern Europe in that regard.

On May 28–29, 2004, we organized a seminar *Property and cultural assets*. The meeting was devoted to the ownership situation of cultural assets in Poland after 1989 (private property, problem of re-privatization, property of social institutions and churches).

The lecturers included: Andrzej Dąbrowski (library science specialist, Kielce Provincial Public Library), Nawojka Cieślińska-Lobkowicz (art historian, Forum for Dispersed Cultural Assets, Warsaw), Dorota Folga-Januszewska (art historian, National Museum, Warsaw), Dariusz Grot (archivist, Central Directorate of State Archives, Warsaw), Urszula Grygiel (library science specialist, Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw), Agnieszka Jaskanis (art historian, State Archaeological Museum, Warsaw), Paweł Jaskanis (art historian, Museum-Palace in Wilanów, Warsaw), Adolf Juzwenko (historian, Ossoliński National Facility, Wrocław), Edyta Kotyńska (library science specialist, University of Wrocław Library), Krzysztof Kornacki (museologist, Zamoyski Museum in Kozłówka), Hanna Łaskarzewska (library science specialist, National Library, Warsaw), Zbigniew Pietrzyk (historian, Jagiellonian Library, Cracow), Andrzej Rottermund (art historian, Royal Castle in Warsaw), Władysław Stępiak (historian, Central Directorate of State Archives, Warsaw), Wojciech Suchocki (art historian, National Museum, Poznań), Mirosław Su-



pruniuk (literature historian, Nicolai Copernicus University Library in Torun), Magdalena Tarnowska (historian, Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw), Stanisław Waltoś (attorney, Jagiellonian University, Cracow), and Krzysztof Zamorski (historian, Jagiellonian University, Cracow).

In cooperation with the Trio Publishing House, we published a selection of texts in Polish and English devoted to issues of plundered or transferred cultural goods during World War II: *Displaced cultural property. The case of Western Europe and the problems of Central and Eastern European states in the 20th century*. The authors, attorneys, historians and art historians from Germany, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Ukraine and Hungary presented the situation in Central and Eastern Europe after 1989, international legal regulation of the issue as well as the public discourse surrounding displaced cultural assets.

Polish NGOs Abroad

Since the spring of 2001, the Foundation has taken part in work initiated with our involvement by a coalition of Polish NGOs working abroad. The goals of the Polish NGO Abroad Group are: exchange of information between NGOs active abroad, cooperation with public administration, participation in formulating and implementing Polish aid policy, cooperation with related associations in other states, as well as dissemination of information about the activity of Polish NGOs abroad and seeking public support for such. The NGO Abroad Group uses an internet page at www.zagranica.ngo.pl to inform about its activities abroad. In 2004, the Group was registered as the union of associations with the membership of 23 organizations.

In 2004, Group representatives took part in work of the Council for Cooperation with NGOs of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland. As part of the dialogue with the MFA, the Group consulted the *Framework plan of aid activities by the MFA for 2004* and the draft bill for the *Act on Polish cooperation for development*, and its representative took part as an observer in the discussions of the grant commission for NGO projects implemented in states undergoing transformation and developing countries.

Group Representatives also took part in the annual Economic Forum in Krynica, where they presented the achievements of Polish NGOs active in Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia, and in January and February 2004 they took part in the 7th Inter-Governmental Polish-Ukrainian European Integration Conference.

In June, upon the initiative of the Batory Foundation, the NGO Abroad Group sent a letter to the Polish authorities with an appeal for Poland to make an active effort on the EU forum to accept a common declaration regarding Ukraine. The letter was accompanied by a draft declaration, which, on the one hand responded to Ukraine's European aspirations while also underscoring the need to respect democratic aspirations during presidential elections. At the outset of September, the NGO Abroad Group publicly made an appeal to authorities, backed by Tadeusz Mazowiecki, former Polish Prime Minister, and former Polish ministers of foreign affairs, calling for immediate activities enabling numerous Poles to participate as election observers in Ukraine. After the sham second round of Ukrainian elections, the NGO Abroad Group got involved together with the *Free Ukraine* initiative and other NGOs in establishing the Polish Observation Mission, as part of which over 200 people monitored the repeated second round in the Charkiv District.



On June 24–26, 2004, a seminar on assistance activity in peace-building was organized jointly with the Canadian International Development Agency – Official Development Assistance in Central Europe. Representatives of analogous coalitions from Hungary and Slovakia took part in the seminar. In September, in cooperation with the Trialog project, three-day workshops for members of the NGO Abroad Group were held on project planning methods.

Polish NGO Office in Brussels

The Polish NGO Office in Brussels, initiated and supported by the Batory Foundation, is a joint undertaking of several organizations, with the Association for the Forum on Non-Governmental Initiatives as the main partner in the implementation. The Office aims to assist NGOs to actively participate in the process of European integration, promote the Polish third sector among European institutions and initiate cooperation with NGO networks functioning in the Union. The Office has active offices in Brussels and Warsaw. It cooperates with Polish and Czech members of the European Economic and Social Committee and with members of the Public Benefit Activity Council at the Minister of Social Policy.

In 2004, the Office was active on behalf of assuring NGOs the broadest possible financing opportunities from European fund. It promoted the idea of providing structural funds (global grants) for distribution by NGOs and introduction of the same solutions for Norwegian and European Economic Area (EEA) funds (block grants). The office began ongoing exchange of information and experience with newly elected Euro-deputies, especially promoting global grants and the principle of partnership, as well as working on behalf of changes in Union financial regulations, which fundamentally hinder access by smaller organizations to Union funds. In 2004, the NGO Office took part in the work of the European Social Finance Office – an initiative of social economy banks.

Grants for partnership projects

Monitoring of the Openness of Polish Eastern Borders

Grants for 11 partnership organizations from Russia, Ukraine and Belarus for conducting pilot monitoring research among clients of Polish consulates and training for pollsters (additionally – through the Open Society Institute – partner organizations received USD 23 692) **PLN 33 580**

Competition for the media

Awards in the contest for press articles and radio pieces devoted to the situation on Poland's eastern border after introduction of a visa requirement in 2003 **PLN 10 000**

Barciany Educational Initiative Barciany

Friendly Border Competition: Michalkowo-Zheleznodorozhnyj border crossing as a chance for improved cooperation project – educational campaign, conference, discussion meetings, bike ride and environmental actions **PLN 19 680**

Foundation for the Spiritual Culture of the Borderland Lublin

Friendly Border Competition: Korczmin – from the iron curtain to openness project – educational campaign, workshops, trans-border flea market and conference **PLN 11 290**

City Hall Biata Podlaska

Friendly Border Competition: Closer to the East project – informational campaign, cultural event and summary conference **PLN 18 040**

Borussia Cultural Community Association Olsztyn

Friendly Neighbourhood Forum: supplementary grant enabling preparation of a report on trans-border cooperation between north-eastern Poland and the Kaliningrad District **PLN 2 700**



Trio Publishing House Warsaw	Publication of Polish and English language versions of the collection entitled <i>Cultural assets and property issues. Experience of Central Europe after 1989</i> containing selected materials from the conference organized by the Batory Foundation	PLN 22 980
	Publication of collection entitled <i>Property and cultural assets</i> containing selected materials from the seminar organized by the Batory Foundation	PLN 8 710
The Liberals' Foundation Gdańsk	Publication of an issue of <i>Przegląd Polityczny</i> containing materials from the <i>New Geopolitics of Central and Eastern Europe. Between the European Union and United States</i> conference organized by the Batory Foundation	PLN 17 400
	Award of the Economic Forum in Krynica for an NGO from Central and Eastern Europe	PLN 20 000
Educational Society of Malopolska Nowy Sącz	Travel of 35 students and doctoral candidates in Ukrainian Studies of the Jagiellonian University as international observers for the Ukrainian presidential election	PLN 5 000
Independent Students' Union Jagiellonian University Cracow		
Grants and awards:		PLN 169 380
Operational costs:		PLN 1 568 951,19
TOTAL:		PLN 1 738 331,19



Twin Cities Program

The Twin Cities Program is a joint Polish-German and Czech-German program carried out by the Batory Foundation since 2002 in partnership with the Robert Bosch Foundation in Germany and NGO Information Centre in the Czech Republic. The program, initiated and financed by the Robert Bosch Foundation, aims to develop and encourage cooperation between twinned cities, towns and municipalities in neighbouring countries through support of joint projects and activities of local organizations on both sides of the border.

Both Poland and the Czech Republic have several hundred Polish-German and Czech-German twin towns and municipalities. Local authorities sign agreements, and are the key entity in defining the form of partner relations, sometimes indeed involving actual and effective cooperation, albeit sometimes being no more than an artificial paper entry. As part of the Twin Cities Program – implemented simultaneously in Poland and the Czech Republic – we encourage non-governmental organisations to take action to boost cooperation between twin towns and municipalities. Such action bring authentic cooperation between citizens of neighbouring states, activate local communities, and better cooperation with the local government.

In Poland, the Program targets Polish non-governmental organizations operating in towns and municipalities that have partnership agreements with their German counterparts. In 2004, in the third edition of the program, the organizations could apply for grants to support projects implemented in collaboration with German organizations from twin towns and municipalities. Projects might concern various areas of public life, though they should respond to the actual needs of local communities and utilize mutual experiences of the partners.

Grants were awarded on a competitive basis, with an international jury of Polish, Czech, and German experts supervising the two-tier application assessment procedure. As a result of the competition, in 2004, 32 Polish-German and 12 Czech-German projects received funding.

Most of the Polish-German cooperation projects came from Western Poland, especially Lower Silesia, some of them were of overtly transborder character. However, there were also several from the territories far-off the Polish-German border, Lublin, among others. The awarded Polish projects span a vast array of activities: from ecological education of youth, promotion of professional activity of women in a united Europe, to the projects devoted to the cultivation and caretaking of common historic venues, organization of cultural or sports events serving the purpose of overcoming national stereotypes and prejudices and involving large community groups from both partner towns or cities.



In May in Krzyżowa a trilateral meeting of representatives of the Program grantees was organized. The meeting provided an opportunity for Polish, German and Czech partners to present the projects, share experience gained during their implementation and participate in the workshops on intercultural communication, fundraising, promotion and international projects management.

The European House of Meetings – Nowy Staw Foundation Lublin	<i>Partner organization:</i> Buergermedienzentrum Bennihaus, Münster <i>Project:</i> <i>Media across borders</i> – promoting twin cities and the activity of their inhabitants through audio-visual production and the Internet PLN 30 140
Sokółka Local Fund Foundation Sokółka Podlaska	<i>Partner organization:</i> Jochann Mathesius Gymnasium, Rochlitz <i>Project:</i> <i>Let's share the verdure</i> – ecological education as well as practical activity of youth towards saving the environment in twin cities PLN 40 977
Free Educational Initiatives Foundation Wrocław	<i>Partner organization:</i> Forschungstelle für Frei- und Spielraumplanung, Dresden <i>Project:</i> Ecological kindergartens as an example of partnership between German and Polish cities PLN 33 135
3rd Century University of Głogów Głogów	<i>Partner organization:</i> Seniorenbeirat, Eisenhüttenstadt <i>Project:</i> Conference entitled: <i>The situation of the elderly at the time of a united Europe. Opportunities, hopes, needs</i> PLN 5 381
Kaszuby Institute of Development Kościerzyna	<i>Partner organization:</i> Club Cölbe-Kościerzyna, Cölbe <i>Project:</i> <i>Together it is always easy.</i> Solving the problems of social pathology in the EU – a session of study visits and sharing experience PLN 27 582
Partnership Committee of the District of Goślina Murowana Murowana Goślina	<i>Partner organization:</i> Partnerschaftskomitee, Hemmingen <i>Project:</i> <i>Our Partnership in the European Union</i> – a session of events promoting twin cities PLN 23 508
Sobriety Association of Konin Konin	<i>Partner organization:</i> Deutscher Kinderschutzbund, Herne <i>Project:</i> <i>Intercultural education as a condition for a full understanding of cultural diversity in the societies of the European Union</i> – study visits and workshops PLN 21 379
Voluntary Fire Brigade Lewin Kłodzki	<i>Partner organization:</i> Freiwillige Feuerwehr, Diedersdorf <i>Project:</i> <i>Cultural heritage on the Amber Route</i> – sports events, workshops and integrational events of the junior fire brigade teams from Poland, Germany and the Czech Republic PLN 30 970
Voluntary Fire Brigade Schodnia	<i>Partner organization:</i> Freiwillige Feuerwehr, Heinsberg <i>Project:</i> <i>The natural environment a common good in the countries of the European Union</i> – a Polish-German workshop in the field of technical and ecological life-saving PLN 13 961
Sasinia Cultural Association of Ostróda Ostróda	<i>Partner organization:</i> Kreisgemeinschaft Osterode Ostpreußen e.V., Osterode am Har <i>Project:</i> <i>Memory and the Present</i> – a program aimed at saving six neglected Mazurian graveyards connected with a literary contest, art competition for youth, as well as publishing activities PLN 18 555
Bank of Food of Podkarpacie Rzeszów	<i>Partner organization:</i> Bielefelder Tafel e.V., Bielefeld <i>Project:</i> <i>At a shared table</i> – Polish-German charity cooperation PLN 41 529



Polish-German Forum of Women Świnoujście	<i>Partner organization:</i> Deutsch-Polnisches Frauenforum Wolgast im Landkreis Anklam, Anklam <i>Project:</i> <i>Women in the European Union</i> – a Polish-German seminar for 60 participants with the participation of Deputies from the EU as well as MPs from Poland and Meklenburg PLN 12 150
Regional Polish-German Society Zielona Góra	<i>Partner organization:</i> Deutsch-Polnischer Verein e.V., Cottbus <i>Project:</i> Art workshops for youth from twin cities PLN 26 685
Salos Sports Organisation Czaplinek	<i>Partner organization:</i> VfL Bad Schwartau v. 1863. e.V., Bad Schwartau <i>Project:</i> II Sport Contest of twin cities PLN 18 905
Association for Partnership between Starogard and Diepholz Starogard Gdański	<i>Partner organization:</i> Förderverein Starogard-Diepholz e.V., Diepholz <i>Project:</i> <i>Kociewie in the European Union</i> – a session of events aimed at promoting Kociewie with the participation of voluntary workers from Poland and Germany PLN 18 273
Our Europe Association Wrocław	<i>Partner organization:</i> Paneuropa-Jugend Sachsen e.V., Dresden <i>Project:</i> A session of workshops entitled: <i>Active women in the EU</i> and a conference entitled: <i>A woman of success. Creativity in life and at work</i> with the participation of women from Poland and Germany PLN 34 814
Art Forum Association Dębno Lubuskie	<i>Partner organization:</i> Barnimer Alternative e.V., Strausberg <i>Project:</i> <i>Green Europe</i> – a Polish-Czech-German ecological activity – planting a forest in Dębno, Strausberg and Terezin PLN 19 037
Association of Polish Librarians Wrocław	<i>Partner organization:</i> City of Dresden, Dresden Library <i>Project:</i> <i>Cultural education of children and youth</i> international conference PLN 17 120
Jarocin XXI Association Jarocin	<i>Partner organization:</i> Werkstatt-Theater, Schlüchtern <i>Project:</i> <i>Projections – a meeting of young people from Schluchtern and Jarocin</i> – theatre workshops and a preview of independent cinema PLN 52 243
LOS Self-help Centre of Lublin Lublin	<i>Partner organization:</i> Buergermedienzentrum Bennihaus, Münster <i>Project:</i> <i>Bridges between nations</i> – intergenerational cooperation of youth and seniors from Poland, Germany and Israel in the area of multimedia activities – e-learning PLN 35 499
Association for Disabled Children and Youth Lublin	<i>Partner organization:</i> Foerderverein Münster–Lublin, Münster <i>Project:</i> <i>Therapy and everyday work with a disabled child</i> – an interchange of therapeutical experience between organisations from Poland and Germany PLN 16 877
SLUBFURT Association Ślubice	<i>Partner organization:</i> Verband SLUBFURT Frankfurt/Oder <i>Project:</i> <i>NGO Slubfurt project</i> – a project of cooperation between non-governmental organisations from twin cities: Ślubice and Frankfurt PLN 31 743
Ślubice Music Society Association Ślubice	<i>Partner organization:</i> Mediationsstelle Frankfurt/Oder <i>Project:</i> Polish-German mediation trainings for teachers and students – continuation of a project launched in 2002 PLN 45 024
Theatre KANA Association Szczecin	<i>Partner organization:</i> Verein Städtepartner Stettin, Berlin Kreuzberg <i>Project:</i> <i>Body released</i> – Polish-German theatre workshops for youth addicted and exposed to addiction PLN 20 084
Green Pomerania Association Koszalin-Bobolice	<i>Partner organization:</i> Gemeinde Schmatzin, Melkenschule Schlattkow <i>Project:</i> <i>Culture without borders</i> – a session of cultural, educational and sports events with the communities from twin cities PLN 32 618



Regional Government of Silesia Association Leśnica	<i>Partner organization:</i> Christlich-Soziales Bildungswerk Sachsen e.V., Mittitz <i>Project:</i> <i>Festival of Partnership in Leśnica</i> – a session of events promoting twin cities PLN 10 126
Twin Town Partnership Association of Świdnica Świdnica	<i>Partner organization:</i> Partnerstadt Verein, Biberach <i>Project:</i> <i>Poles and Germans – as good hosts</i> – a series of events promoting twin cities with the participation of the representatives of the local government, business, youth and social activists from German and Poland PLN 13 572
Open Education Society Wrocław	<i>Partner organization:</i> AWO Sonnenstein, Dresden <i>Project:</i> <i>Therapy and integration with use of art</i> – Polish-German art-therapy workshops and the festival <i>Labyrinth of creation</i> PLN 40 124
Society of Lovers of Barlinek Barlinek	<i>Partner organization:</i> Deutsch-Polnische Gesellschaft, Schneverdingen <i>Project:</i> <i>Following the footsteps of our ancestors – a cross-border cooperation</i> – a series of integration events promoting twin cities PLN 34 535
Students' Sports Club Puławy	<i>Partner organization:</i> EVS Lokomotive Stendal <i>Project:</i> <i>Intercultural integration through recreation and sport</i> – Polish-German sports-integration meetings in Puławy PLN 18 290
Five Students' Sports Club Tczew	<i>Partner organization:</i> Freundschaftsverein Tczew-Witten, St Vinzenz von Paul <i>Project:</i> <i>Our Alternative – Europe 2000</i> – an international conference on the ways of preventing drug addiction among youth, connected with a sport competition PLN 11 928
Association of Gardeners Jelenia Góra	<i>Partner organization:</i> Stadtverband Aachen der Familiengärtner <i>Project:</i> <i>Green gardens of Europe</i> – establishing a cooperation based on partnership between garden-plots of Aachen, Liberec and Jelenia Góra PLN 5 191

Grants:	801 955 PLN
Meetings and grant committees sessions:	14 958,72 PLN
Operational costs:	95 277,21 PLN
TOTAL:	912 190,93 PLN



Citizens in Action Program

The program, planned for 2003–2009, is financed from the Ford Foundation's funds. It aims to support democratic changes and the development of civil society in Belarus and Ukraine. Program goals are executed through: building a network of NGOs in Belarus and Ukraine, which are interested in supporting local civil initiatives and building partnership among NGOs and private and public institutions; dissemination of "interest representation" as a way for common activity to solve important social problems and protect the rights of particular citizens or social groups; support of local projects concerning civic and European education, informational and research projects concerning civil society, as well as projects for cooperation at the domestic and international levels.

The fundamental method of program activities is providing grants to Belarusian and Ukrainian NGOs selected in open competition or invited individually to apply for grants. In addition, the Foundation enables Belarusian and Ukrainian organizations to participate in study visits, meetings and trainings organized in Belarus and Ukraine as well as in Poland and other states.

The first competition resolved in 2004 was addressed to NGOs from three Belarusian districts: Brest, Mogilev, Vitebsk and seven Ukrainian: Chernihiv, Lugansk, Rivne, Vinnica, Zaporozhe, Zhytomyr and Donetsk. During the two-tier competition procedure, a team of assistants from Poland visited each of the organizations and helped to identify needs and opportunities for activity; we also checked the organizations' financial management and bookkeeping. Of the 96 organizations that had filed letters of intent, 29 were invited to submit grant applications. Of those, a commission consisting of, amongst other, representatives of other donors active in Belarus and Ukraine, selected 14 partner organizations to receive grants for program activity and institutional development. As part of the grants for program activity, the partner organizations implement projects concerning education and legal information for citizens, protection and execution of individual rights, civic education of youth, establishing local centres for civic activity, transparency of government, access to information, development of philanthropy, as well as micro-grant competition for local civic initiatives. Grants for institutional development are designated for increasing the qualifications of staff, volunteers and boards of directors, enhancing organizational management and improving the functioning of the organizational office.

In July, the first meeting of partner organizations took place in Warsaw. It was combined with a conference devoted to various aspects of NGO activity in Belarus, Ukraine and Poland: the legal environment of their functioning in particular states, cooperation with local government and business



and building the image of the third sector. In the discussions at the conference about 100 people participated: experts and NGO leaders from all three states. In December, 28 representatives of partner organizations took part in a study visit in Poland. The aim of the visit was to present them with exemplary local civic initiatives, especially those based on strong and fruitful cooperation of various sectors, and with examples of model NGOs which thanks to their professionalism and openness have become important partners in resolving local problems. The meetings provided an opportunity to learn the opinions of various partners involved in local initiatives: NGOs, business and local government. Our partners visited 20 Polish NGOs in 18 towns across various regions of Poland. In addition, we organized two informational and training meetings in Ukraine combined with a presentation of the program: in February in Chernihiv and in October in Vinnica.

AHALAR Center for Human Technologies Chernihiv	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development and implementation of projects concerning charity and reinforcing local civil initiatives, including a micro-grant competition USD 14 712
DOBROTA Charity Foundation Donetsk	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development and implementation of projects concerning protecting the rights of groups subject to marginalization, promotion of philanthropy and volunteerism, including micro-grant competition USD 30 967
Donetsk Regional Organization – Voters Committee of Ukraine Donetsk	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development as well as implementation of a project supporting residents' cooperatives USD 19 146
Women Information and Consultation Center Zhytomyr	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development and implementation of a project to activate rural communities, including micro-grant competition USD 16 600
Rivne Regional Public Organization – Voters Committee of Ukraine Rivne	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development and implementation of a project to activate local communities, including a micro-grant competition USD 23 880
Dobrochyn Public Non-profit Organization – Center for Social Welfare Chernihiv	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development and implementation of a project to activate local communities USD 19 221
Association for Support of Women Entrepreneurship Vinnica	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development as well as implementation of a project to activate local civil initiatives, including a micro-grant competition USD 11 330
Association for Support of Local Self-government Development Lugansk	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development as well as implementation of a project supporting residents' cooperatives, including a micro-grant competition USD 22 870
Initiative City Youth Association Zhmerinka	Grant for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development as well as project training for volunteers and support of local youth activity centres, including a micro-grant competition USD 18 565
Zhitomer Regional Center of Youth Initiatives Zhytomyr	Grant for 2005 designated for institutional development and implementation of a project to activate local communities, including a micro-grant competition USD 19 510



Belarusian organizations

Grants for 2004–2005 designated for institutional development and implementation of projects to activate local communities, initiation of inter-sector cooperation, dissemination of access to information, operation of civil advisory offices and support of local civil initiatives, including micro-grant competitions

USD 66 225

Grants: PLN 893 603,82

Meetings and consultations: PLN 524 456,83

Operational costs: PLN 182 991,64

TOTAL: PLN 1 601 052,29



Community Initiatives Partnership Program

In 2004, in cooperation with the German Robert Bosch Foundation, we began to implement the grant program aimed to expand cooperation among NGOs from Poland, Germany and the Kaliningrad District. Within the program we support tripartite cooperation projects that serve to develop local community initiatives in the District and to integrate these initiatives into transboundary cooperation that contribute to improved quality of life in the Kaliningrad District.

We conducted the pilot edition of the program in 2004. Grants were awarded through a two-tier procedure: first, teams from three states filed letters of intent. Subsequently, some were selected to file complete applications. Eighteen letters of intent were filed for the competition, of which 15 were qualified for the second phase. Of the 13 applications filed in the second phase, the international expert commission selected 8 projects for funding. The grants will be disbursed in 2005.

Teams qualified to the second stage of the program took part in a three-day meeting organized as part of the Friendly Neighbourhood Forum conference in Elbląg. During the meeting, organization representatives had an opportunity to work on applications, consult projects with Program coordinators from the Stefan Batory and Robert Bosch Foundations as well as participate in intercultural communication workshops. For the majority of teams, this was the first opportunity to personally meet and discuss details of the planned project.

Operational costs of the program: PLN 70 792,46



East-East Program

This is a network program operating since 1991 in all countries of Central, Eastern, and Southern Europe and Central Asia. Its objective lies in promoting international cooperation across the region to help build and strengthen open societies in these countries. Program activities are coordinated by the Open Society Institute's East-East Network Program that approves and funds all grants awarded for projects implemented in particular countries.

In Poland grants are made for international projects implemented by Polish organizations and institutions as well as for participation of Poles in the projects carried out in other countries of the region. The projects benefiting from such support address different areas of social, economic, and political life; as a general rule, each one must have clearly formulated objectives and specific goals to be attained through its implementation. In another important point, the involvement of partners from the region should not be incidental but, rather, initiate or continue sustained cross-border cooperation of people and institutions, cooperation of the sort which may contribute to perfecting models for social activity and to resolution of problems on a local as well as regional level.

In 2004, the Program helped implement 21 projects developed primarily by Polish NGOs, research and education institutions, scientific clubs and youth associations including 8 long-term ones developed in close collaboration with foreign partners. Most projects implemented by Polish organizations and institutions targeted our eastern neighbours, especially Ukraine. Balkan initiatives have also appeared – with Serbia and Macedonia (educational reform). The subject matter of the projects was extremely diverse and included cooperation of local government and NGOs, activation of rural areas, entrepreneurship and volunteerism. The initiated activities also included issues of the disabled and marginalized groups, and for the first time issues of restorative justice.

214 Polish experts were invited to participate in 49 projects run by foundations from other countries of the region: workshops, seminars, conferences devoted to various aspects of building a civil society (functioning of the third sector, civic education, local government, marginalized groups, etc.), development of industriousness and stimulating social activity, observance of human rights and monitoring of Ukrainian elections.

As part of the closed grant competition announced in 2003 for long-term projects in the area of stimulating social activity of the youth to which we invited selected organizations specializing in this field, 14 grants were made, of which 8 were paid in 2003 and 6 in 2004. The awarded initiatives focused on developing business skills in the youth community, stimulating their participation in



local initiatives and promoting their participation in public life. Ukrainian organizations were the main partners in the projects of this competition.

Projects implemented in Poland

Theotokos Center for Education and Dialogue Gliwice	<i>Ukraine on the path to true democracy and integration with the European Union</i> – seminar for NGOs PLN 16 690
Centre for Social and Economic Development Sędziszów Małopolski	<i>Transborder Equality Initiative</i> – study visit and workshops for participants from Ukraine PLN 9 770
L'Arche Foundation Wieliczka	<i>The L'Arche Foundation in Lviv as an innovative and model solution for people with mental disabilities and their families</i> – study visit and internship for representatives of NGOs from Ukraine PLN 12 400
Foundation for Education for Democracy Warsaw	<i>Youth in elections</i> – study visit for representatives of NGOs from Azerbaijan PLN 11 983,30
Krzyżowa Foundation for European Understanding Grodziszczce	<i>Transcaucasus – Poland: Acting Together. Part III: Georgia-Poland</i> – study visit of leaders of youth organizations from Georgia PLN 23 145,49
Partners Poland Foundation Warsaw	<i>Small and medium businesses as opportunities for women's professional activation</i> – study visit and professional internship in Lower Silesia for women participants from Ukraine PLN 72 348
Rural Development Foundation Warsaw	<i>Local Media – partner or judge of local authorities</i> – study visit of Ukrainian journalists PLN 20 550
Court Expertise Institute Cracow	<i>Preventing social exclusion: Polish experience in activation of rural areas</i> – study visit of local authorities and NGOs from Moldova PLN 16 471,81
Volunteer Service Center Association Warsaw	<i>Psychological diagnosis of a child experiencing violence in the family for court purposes</i> – workshops as part of the 14 th European Conference on Psychology and Law with the involvement of participants from Central and Eastern Europe PLN 23 936,09
Society of Educators Warsaw	<i>Supporting development of Local Volunteer Offices in Russia</i> – seminar with participation of leaders of NGOs from Nizhny Novgorod PLN 49 315
Seed Pro-Environmental and Cultural Association Ślubice	<i>Sharing our experiences</i> – study visit for educational representatives from Macedonia PLN 16 500
One World Association Poznań	<i>Education for sustainable growth in the perspective of Central and Eastern Europe</i> – study visit and seminar with the involvement of participants from Central and Eastern Europe PLN 37 350
European House Association of European Education and Cooperation Forum Bieszczady chapter Lesko	<i>Youth in actions for human rights</i> – seminar with involvement of participants from Moldova, Russia, Ukraine and the Kyrgyzstan PLN 4 650
	<i>Rural Tourism – alternatives for Ukrainian villages</i> – study visit for participants from Ukraine PLN 12 450



Polish Mediation Centre Association Warsaw	<i>Ukrainian-Polish cooperation for implementing restorative justice in Eastern Europe</i> – internship for Ukrainian mediators in Poland PLN 26 215
School for Leaders Association Warsaw	<i>Young Leaders Forum</i> – workshops regarding youth programs with involvement of participants from Moldova, Romania and Ukraine PLN 25 000
Wybrzezak Theater in Education Association Gdańsk	<i>The most effective solution of artistic intervention for socially excluded children at train stations</i> – workshops with involvement of participants from Central and Eastern Europe PLN 25 125
Da Du Association of Volunteers Supporting Persons Living with and Ill with AIDS Szczecin	<i>Together against AIDS</i> – workshops with involvement of participants from NGOs from Central and Eastern Europe PLN 7 600
East European Democratic Centre IDEE Warsaw	Internships in Poland for activists of local youth organizations from Ukraine PLN 23 130
Association Supporting the Disabled Res Sacra Miser Gościeradów	<i>Broader knowledge – greater skills</i> – a cycle of workshops for therapists, re-integration workers and guardians for the disabled from Ukraine PLN 46 013
FSLD Świętokrzyskie Centre Kielce	<i>From quantity to quality. Continuation of Polish experiences with implementation of education reform</i> – study visit by Serbian participants and publication of two textbooks PLN 34 730

Social Activation of the Youth competition

St. Maksymilian Kolbe Reconciliation and Meeting Center Gdańsk	<i>Youth initiatives and development of regional tourism – cooperation with Belarus</i> – two study visits in Poland and evaluation visit in Belarus PLN 45 600
European Meeting Centre – Nowy Staw Foundation Lublin	<i>Building Europe together – understanding of youth from the Bug River Euro Region</i> – fair and workshops with involvement of participants from Ukraine PLN 28 815
Happy Childhood Foundation Lublin	<i>Youth leaders of local communities share experiences</i> – cooperation with Ukraine PLN 26 220
Educational Society of Malopolska Nowy Sącz	<i>Public Achievements</i> – introduction of the American Public Achievements program into Poland, Ukraine, Moldova and Romania PLN 37 810
Villages and Europe Association for Renewal of Rural Areas Cracow	<i>Founding centres for supporting youth industriousness in Ukraine</i> – workshops and trainings in Poland and Ukraine PLN 49 400
Association for Professional Promotion of Women and Youth Elbląg	<i>Founding a Youth Promotion Centre</i> – workshops and training for participants from Ukraine PLN 19 813



Projects implemented in other countries of the region

Tanscaucasus – Poland: Working Together, part 2: Armenia – Poland study visit
Yerevan, Armenia

Polish participants: Kurtmolla Abdulganiyev (Polish Academy of Science, School for Social Science, Warsaw), Jakub Biernat (Institute for Eastern Studies, Warsaw), Edyta Borkowska (*Rzeczpospolita On-Line* Magazine, Warsaw), Piotr Boruszkowski (Foundation for Education for Democracy, Warsaw), Maciej Falkowski (Center for Eastern Studies, Warsaw), Witek Hebanowski (Foundation for Education for Democracy, Warsaw), Anna Pietruczuk (School for Peace Association, Warsaw), Stanisław Rżyski (University of Gdańsk, Political Geography Chair, Warsaw), Beata Szcześniak (Foundation for Education for Democracy, Warsaw), Natalia Tvitinscaia (One World Association, Warsaw)
PLN 18 515,03

Building Democratic Governance through Transparency and Participation conference
Yerevan, Armenia

Polish participant: Maciej Wnuk (Transparency International Poland, Warsaw)
PLN 1 987,59

Impact of Coordinated Actions in Book Policy Development in the South Caucasus and Central Asia workshop
Yerevan, Armenia

Polish participant: Łukasz Gołębiewski (Biblioteka Analiz Ltd., Warsaw)
PLN 3 096,16

Problems of Preliminary Detention: the Right of Liberty conference
Tsaghkadzor, Armenia

Polish participant: Sławomir Cybulski (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Warsaw)
PLN 3 145,81

Polish-Azerbaijani School of Local Governance training
Baku, Azerbaijan

Polish participants: Ilona Iłowiecka-Tańska, Agnieszka Szelągowska, Maciej Tański, Wiesław Wacławczyk (*Partners Poland* Foundation, Warsaw)
PLN 15 498

Rights of Citizens Affected by Multiple Sclerosis seminar
Prague, Czech Republic

Polish participants: Andrzej Bogdanowicz (Association of Persons Affected by Multiple Sclerosis, Their Supporters and Friends, Katowice), Marta Kowalczyk (Polish Association for Multiple Sclerosis, Warsaw)
PLN 2 672,88

One World Tour: Using Video and DVD as Human Rights and Awareness Building Tools seminar
Prague, Czech Republic

Polish participants: Agnieszka Demczuk (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Human Rights Institute, Lublin), Maciej Nowicki (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Warsaw)
PLN 2 522,50

Roles and Responsibility of Newly Emerging Think Tanks and Education Policy Centres seminar
Tbilisi, Georgia

Polish participant: Anita Sobańska (Institute of Public Affairs, Warszawa)
PLN 2 107

Tanscaucasus – Poland: Working Together; part 3 : Georgia-Poland study visit
Tbilisi, Georgia

Polish participants: Kurtmolla Abdulganiyev, Edyta Borkowska, Agnieszka Siejkowska, Witek Hebanowski, Bartosz Jędrzejczak, Anna Pietruczuk, Stanisław Rżyski, Beata Szcześniak, Natalia Tvitinscaia, Piotr Boruszkowski (Foundation for Education for Democracy, Warsaw)
PLN 26 392,39

Youth against Violence and Substance Abuse: Creating Safe Environment forum
Druskiennikai, Lithuania

Uczestnicy z Polski: Iwona Kawiak, Anna Plewa, Agnieszka Podgórska, Joanna Podgórska, Monika Rywacka, Justyna Szewczyk (Secondary School # 1, Będzin), Marcin Kolago, Agnieszka Wesotowska (Gdańsk University)
PLN 6 653,79



Media Contribution to Civil Society Development workshop Chisinau, Moldova	Polish participants: Anna Bławat (School of Leaders Association, Warsaw), Karolina Pomian (Regional NGOs Support Centre, Wrocław), Marcin Dadel, Patryk Szajer (Klon/Jawor Association), Michał Rżysko (Saint Nicolaus Foundation, Warsaw), Mariusz Zawadzki (<i>Gazeta Wyborcza</i> , Warsaw) PLN 10 779,60
Community Foundations: Symposium on a Global Movement Berlin, Germany	Polish participant : Iwona Olkowicz (Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland, Warsaw) PLN 2 295,35
Dialogue in the Name of Development seminars Cheboksary, Russia	Polish participants: Krzysztof Czaja, Józef Dymalski, Anna Krause, Alicja Łukaszewicz, Zenon Matuszko, Dorota Piątek, Bogusława Ulanowicz-Pęcherczyk, Nadia Trubova, Waldemar Weihs (<i>Jove</i> Association, Wałbrzych) PLN 52 111,65
Community Organizations – Building Understanding of What is an Effective Community Organization? workshop Bucharest, Romania	Polish participants: Teresa Jankowska, Karina Stempel, Bohdan Skrzypczak (Center for Support of Local Activity CAL, Warsaw) PLN 4 722,62
Gender and the (post) East-West Divide conference Cluj Napoca, Romania	Polish participant: Magdalena Dąbrowska (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, History Institute, Lublin) PLN 835,46
Challenges of Multiculturalism in Eastern and Central Europe conference Iasi, Romania	Polish participant: Leszek Gęsiak (Jagiellonian University) PLN 2 326,98
Civil Society and Ethnic Minorities in a Changing World seminar Sibiu, Romania	Polish participants: Magdalena Lesińska (Polish Academy of Science, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Warsaw), Tomasz Kapusniak (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Faculty of Political Science, Lublin) PLN 2 698,84
Post-Socialist Capitalism in Russia and Romania workshop Sibiu, Romania	Polish participant: Michał Buchowski (Adam Mickiewicz University, Institute of Ethnology and Archaeology, Poznań) PLN 1 894,02
International School PLUS Fair Timisoara, Rumunia	Polish participants: Janusz Bielec (Secondary School in Wielogłowy), Julie Boudreaux (Educational Society for Małopolska, Nowy Sącz), Beata Budzik (Social School SPLOT in Nowy Sącz), Alicja Derkowska, Elmir Ryefatov (Educational Society for Małopolska, Nowy Sącz) PLN 2 039,96
Consumer Education – School Reform in the Transforming Countries seminar Dunajec, Slovakia	Polish participants: Anna Dobosz, Helena Hojdyś, Bartosz Kosmala, Tomasz Łodziński (Consumer Federation, Warsaw) PLN 440,94
Empowering Minorities in the Media in Multicultural Society conference Ljubljana, Slovenia	Polish participant: Beata Klimkiewicz (Jagiellonian University, Institute of Journalism and Social Communication, Cracow) PLN 4 663,39
New Tactics in Human Rights conference Ankara, Turkey	Polish participants: Karolina Oponowicz, Lenur Kerymova (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Warsaw) PLN 6 401,42



Young leaders of local communities share their experience training and study visit Berdiansk, Ukraine	Polish participants: Bernard Chojnacki, Mariusz Kruk, Małgorzata Kurowska, Grażyna Kusyk, Justyna Zielińska (<i>Happy Childhood</i> Foundation, Lublin), Katarzyna Kaczoch, Katarzyna Mazurek, Sławomir Skwarek (Educational and Cultural Association of Przymierze Village, Burzec), Mariusz Kruk (<i>Happy Childhood</i> Foundation, Lublin), Włodzimierz Wolski (Municipality Council in Adamów) PLN 9 216,37
Local media – partner or a judge of local authorities seminar Chernihiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Ilona Iłowiecka-Tańska, Wiesław Wacławczyk (<i>Partners Poland</i> Foundation) PLN 2 741,01
Working out the cooperation pogram of community development non-governmental organizations based in Donbass Region forum Donetsk, Ukraine	Polish participants: Artur Bartosik (Center of Innovation and Technology Transfer of Świętokrzyskie Region, Kielce), Dariusz Bilski (Federation of NGOs of Świętokrzyskie Region, Kielce), Lena Chotkiewicz (Center for Support of Local Activity CAL, Warsaw), Grzegorz Goliat (Association for Development of Łagów Municipality, Łagów), Iwona Karcz (Selfgovernment and Entrepreneurship Association, Ostrowiec Świętokrzyski), Anna Korycińska (Świętokrzyskie Center of Foundation in Support of Local Democracy, Kielce), Waldemar Mazur (Municipality Office of Skarżysko-Kamienna, Skarżysko Kamienna), Stefan Józef Pastuszka (Parliament of Świętokrzyskie Voivodship, Kielce), Agnieszka Sadowska (<i>Słowo Ludu</i> , Kielce), Maciej Żywno (Municipality Office of Białystok, Białystok) PLN 15 606,81
Local Environmental Actions: the Practice of Effective Partnership workshop Donetsk, Ukraine	Polish participants: Jacek Giemzik (Foundation for the Support of Ecological Initiatives, Cracow), Łucja Ptaszyńska (School Complex # 1, Kościerzyna), Ewa Romanow (<i>Eco-Initiative</i> Association, Kwidzyn), Tomasz Walkowicz (Foundation for the Support of Ecological Initiatives, Cracow), Kacper Szester (Institute of Public Information, Gdynia) PLN 12 058,01
Youth Entrepreneurship: Ukraine-Poland preparatory visit for a training and training Ivanofrankivsk, Ukraine	Polish participants: Tomasz Guzdek, Stanisława Sady (Country and Europe Association for the Revitalization of Rural Regions, Cracow) PLN 2 886,54
Beijing+10. NGO Assessment of Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action in CEE/CIS countries seminar Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participant: Zofia Łapniewska (Network of East-West Women – Poland, Gdańsk) PLN 1 619,45
HIV/AIDS-Service NGOs: Harm Reduction in Epidemic of Drug Addiction and HIV/AIDS conference Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Justyna Bągorska, Anita Wnuk (<i>DA-DU</i> Association of Volunteers Supporting People HIV/AIDS Positive, Szczecin), Roman Latoszyński, Zofia Sławińska (<i>Res Humanae</i> Polish Foundation for Humanitarian Aid, Warsaw) PLN 4 629,69
Participation of Public Organisations in Formation and Implementation of the Foreign Policy: Experience of Ukraine and Poland conference Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Jakub Boratyński (Stefan Batory Foundation, Warsaw), Stanisław Ciosek (Cabinet of the President of the Republic of Poland, Warsaw), Janusz Onyszkiewicz (Center for International Relations, Warsaw) PLN 5 423,63
Models of Day Care Rehabilitation for Drug Addicts: Shared Lessons of Expertise between Poland and Ukraine conference Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Piotr Adamiak, Jolanta Łazuga-Koczurowska, Zygmunt Medowski, Małgorzata Sioma (<i>MONAR</i> Association, Warsaw) PLN 4 227,48



About Human Rights in Another Way seminar Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Witold Klaus, Dagmara Woźniakowska (Polish Association for Legal Education, Warsaw) PLN 1 993,74
Active Community Oriented Education training Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participant: Irena Drzymała (Secondary School # 2, Przemyśl) PLN 533,88
European Studies Educational Course for Schools seminar Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Joanna Gospodarczyk, Mirosław Sielatycki (National In-service Teacher Training Centre, Warsaw), Mariola Iwanowska-Mačkowiak (Office of the Committee for European Integration, Warsaw), Eugeniusz Światała (Voivodship Office, Poznań) PLN 4 018,31
Polish Model of Social Transformations: Experience for Ukraine conference Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Dominik Antonowicz, Arkadiusz Karwacki (Nicolaus Copernicus University, Institute of Sociology, Toruń), Maria Nowojczyk (AGH University of Science and Technology, Faculty of Applied Social Sciences, Cracow), Henryk Ogryzko-Wiewiórowski, Ryszard Radzik (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Institute of Sociology, Lublin), Włodzimierz Pańków (Polish Academy of Science, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Warsaw), Andrzej Pilichowski (University of Lodz, Institute of Sociology, Łódź) PLN 7 616,4
Transparent Financing of Electoral Campaigns seminar Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participant: Adam Sawicki (Stefan Batory Foundation, Anti-Corruption Program, Warsaw) PLN 978,02
International Public Environmental Inspector's School Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participant: Tamara Kutonova (IUCN Office for Central Europe – Poland, Warsaw) PLN 1 824,76
Polish-Ukrainian Program for the Support of Social Development and the Development of Youth Leaders – Beskid Streams conference Lviv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Kamila Bataban, Aleksandra Flis, Leszek Gorczyca, Adrian Krzanowski, Kacper Oziomek (Secondary School # 1, Krosno), Arkadiusz Cmielowski, Łukasz Dziadzio, Joanna Kubit, Jakub Prugar, Magdalena Szczepańska (Secondary School Complex # 4, Krosno), Magdalena Ćwian, Rafał Mazur, Barbara Moskał, Szymon Niemczyk, Piotr Zych (European Club at the Secondary School Complex # 5, Krosno), Jerzy Bieńkowski, Oliwia Pawluś, Monika Rodak, Wioletta Telma-Goryczka, Krystyna Kaleta, Agnieszka Kołodziej, Magdalena Michalska, Bartosz Piątkowski, Sławomir Wątroba (Secondary Schools #1 and # 2, Jasło), Jakub Budziak, Dorota Kołdarz, Małgorzata Kordek, Grzegorz Lesiak, Joanna Rosół (School Complex # 4, Jasło), Jakub Bukowski, Katarzyna Czech, Katarzyna Gardzina, Ksenia Ogrodnik, Karolina Pykosz, Barbara Rusztowicz (School Complex, Kołaczyce), Sylwia Kmiecik, Agnieszka Mastej, Agnieszka Pietruś, Edyta Szudy, Mateusz Walczyk, Aneta Wójtowicz (School Complex, Nowy Żmigród), Mariusz Michałak, Andrij Pavlovych (School for Leaders Association, Warsaw), Agnieszka Szelągowska (Partners Poland Foundation, Warsaw) PLN 2 352,47
Protection of Cultural and Natural Heritage Sites seminar Lviv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Adam Puza (County Office in Elk), Witold Pycior (Regional Institute for Eco-Development of Rural Areas, Tarnobrzeg), Wacław Stachura (County Office in Bochnia) PLN 2 153,03
The Development of Young People's Social Activity by Means of Voluntarism study visit Lviv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Anna Cąkała, Alicja Molenda (Regional Social and Education Center of the Mutual Assistance Foundation BARKA, Chudobczyce) PLN 975,95

The Experience of Application of the European Convention on Human Rights in the Justice of Ukraine and Poland
conference
Lviv, Ukraine

Polish participants: Zbigniew Cichoń, Zofia Deniszewska-Dek, Stanisław Jaźwiecki, Piotr Sendeki, Andrzej Siemiński, Bogdana Słupska-Uczkiewicz, Jerzy Tokarz (Polish Bar Council, Warsaw)
PLN 4 905,18

Rural Tourism Development in Old Crimea Region
working visit
Old Crimea, Ukraine

Polish participants: Adam Gutowski, Barbara Gutowska, Bożena Robakiewicz, Anna Pałuba, Joanna Zalewska (Municipality Office in Strzegowo)
PLN 5 307,15

Regional Integrity Dialogue: Representatives of the Leading Anti-Corruption NGOs in CEE and NIS
conference
Vorokhta, Ukraine

Polish participant: Maciej Wnuk (Transparency International – Poland, Warsaw)
PLN 849,34

Monitoring the Elections in Ukraine: Ukrainian Elections by Eyes of World Community
Ukraine

Polish participants: Izabella Chruślińska, Henryk Wujec (Polish-Ukrainian Forum), Bogumiła Berdychowska (National Centre for Culture, Warsaw), Bartłomiej Biskup (Electoral Campaign Research Center, Warsaw), Włodzimierz Bogaczyk (*Gazeta Wyborcza*, Szczecin), Piotr Garbacz (TVP 3), Eke Overbek (Het Financieele Dagblad), Zbigniew Parfianowicz (*Życie*), Paweł Płuska (TVN 24), Sławomir Sawczuk (Radio Białystok), Piotr Tyma (*Nasze Słowo*)
PLN 10 543,82

Uzbekistan and Poland: Consultative and Methodological Exchange in Human Rights Training. Strategies and Techniques of Human Rights Training
training
Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Polish participants: Bogna Chmielewska, Janina Agnieszka Kłosowska, Mażena Rafalska (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Warsaw)
PLN 8 487,94

Percentage Philanthropy: Encouraging Charitable Giving to Civil Society Organizations
conference
Budapest, Hungary

Polish participants: Piotr Kowalski, Wiesław Smolec (Polish Scouting and Guiding Association, Warsaw)
PLN 1 226,42

Facing the European Elections 2004
international workshop
Budapest, Hungary

Polish participants: Dominika Pszczółkowska (*Gazeta Wyborcza*, Warsaw), Marketa Rulikova (Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw), Kazimierz Sobotka (European Institute, Łódź)
PLN 2 712

Cohesion and Division of Economic Elites in Central and Eastern Europe
international workshop
Budapest, Hungary

Polish participant: Włodzimierz Wesołowski (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Science, Warsaw)
PLN 1 150,62

Building Partnerships towards Halting the Loss of Biodiversity
seminar
Josvafo, Hungary

Polish participant: Bernadetta Zawilińska (Polish Tourist Society Academic Section, Cracow)
PLN 543,78

Grants:	PLN 723 030,69
Travel grants:	PLN 290 383,18
Meeting of the East-East Program coordinators:	PLN 46 359,07
Operational costs:	PLN 111 466,73
Total:	PLN 1 171 239,67

Regional Alcohol and Drug Program

The purpose of this Program, in operation since 1966, is to cooperate and exchange experience with specialists and organizations from Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia in the field of fighting addictions. We provide a variety of forms of training specialists in the field of prevention and treatment of alcohol and drug addiction, as well as of educating families of the addicted.

A crucial field of regional cooperation involves the transfer of our experience gained in managing the *Atlantis* alcohol addicts' treatment program, which – thanks to our initiative and assistance – for the past 11 years has been run with great success in Polish prisons. Over the past years, we have also been sharing our experience in setting up therapy programs for perpetrators of crime of violence, both in and out of inmate communities.

In 2004, educational work forming part of the Program, involved 6 seminars and workshops for specialists in addiction therapy and prevention. Such seminars were held in Bulgaria, Georgia, and Kyrgyzstan. Two seminars were organized in Poland: for withdrawal treatment therapists and penitentiary institution employees (on the treatment of addicted inmates) from Armenia, Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Latvia, Moldova, Mongolia, Russia, Tajikistan and Ukraine. 22 psychologists, therapists, and doctors from countries within the region attended internships at addiction treatment centres (i.e. *MONAR*, the Addiction Therapy Centre of the Psychiatric and Neurology Institute in Warsaw, the Psychiatric Hospital in Tworki and a number of prisons implementing *Atlantis* programs).

We also implemented a training project that aims to prepare staff of the prison dependency treatment centre using the *Atlantis* method, which will open in 2005 in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. The Polish specialist, Dariusz Skowroński, conducted the majority of trainings for the future staff of the Kyrgyz centre.

In August 2004, we hosted the 2nd International Conference on Alcohol and Harm Reduction: *New Challenges in the Changing World*. The first conference of this cycle took place in 2002, in Recife, Brazil, with the next one being planned for 2006 in Cape Town in the Republic of South Africa. These conferences, devoted to discussing methods and opportunities for reducing harm related to alcohol use and abuse, are organized upon the initiative and with the cooperation of the Dutch organization *Quest for Quality*, renowned for excellent achievements in decreasing harms related to drug use. Over 200 people from 36 countries of Europe, Asia and America took part in the Warsaw conference. Conference materials, including such issues as effective alcohol prevention among children and youth, social education regarding health harms arising from ir-



responsible use of alcohol, problems with drunk drivers, were published in two special editions of the *ArkA* magazine in Polish and Russian.

Program activities were funded from Open Society Institute grant in the amount of PLN 707 601,39. On top of that, our partners in Armenia, Bulgaria, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Mongolia, Russia, Tajikistan and Ukraine received funds from OSI in the total amount of USD 70 755 for travel costs of specialists coming to Poland for training and internships. Moreover The Amsterdam Group (TAG) and the International Center for Alcohol Policies contributed PLN 271 025,52 to the costs of the 2nd International Conference on Alcohol and Harm Reduction.

Total costs of program: PLN 978 626,91

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Income (in PLN)

Foreign sources	
Ford Foundation, New York	18 435 415,98
Open Society Institute, New York	9 901 088,03
Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe, Washington	8 661 845,63
Robert Bosch Stiftung, Stuttgart	1 005 065,28
Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Flint, Michigan	185 845,00
TAG The Amsterdam Group, Amsterdam	170 880,14
International Center for Alcohol Policies, Washington DC	100 145,39
Helen and Peter Maxwell, USA	98 865,25
Evens Foundation, Brussels	48 117,50
Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels	40 819,55
Charities Aid Foundation, London	25 237,70
German Marshall Fund of the United States, Washington	18 263,07
Stichting Nexus Instituut, Tilburg, Holland	17 234,98
Embassy of the United States of America, Warsaw	16 900,00
National Endowment for Democracy, Washington	14 812,49
Bertelsmann Stiftung, Gütersloh	8 843,00
Royal Netherlands Embassy, Warsaw	8 285,00
Concord European NGO Confederation for Relief and Development, Brussels	4 775,83
Trialog Development NGOs in the Enlarged EU, Vienna	4 224,71
Soros Foundation, Budapest	2 022,92
Civil Society Development Foundation, Budapest	2 000,00
Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna	1 258,11
Individual foreign donors	364 898,01
Domestic sources	
Levi Strauss Poland, Plock	182 750,00
Commercial Union Poland, Warsaw	115 000,00
Oracle Poland Ltd, Warszawa	37 000,00
In-kind contribution from: Agora (PLN 3 660), Talens Poland (PLN 2 189,17), Wydawnictwo Literackie publishing house (PLN 299,90)	6 149,07
Avcon Company, Lubiana, Poland	250,00
1% personal income tax donors	635 966,20
Individual donors from Poland	31 561,62
Court penalties imposed on offenders	2 180,00
Returns of grants	92 239,56
Proceeds from office rent	3 492 585,53
Financial and other revenues	11 567 554,13
Total	55 300 079,68



Expenditure (in PLN)

Programs	19 507 084,06
Information and Development	792 505,82
Administration	1 754 928,22
Amortisation	926 190,98
Financial and other costs	3 724 717,23
Total	26 705 426,31

Expenditures according to programs (in PLN)

Domestic Programs	13 034 850,61
Civil Society Program	2 867 001,42
Third Sector Program	7 571 419,09
Legal Education Program	1 015 326,24
Anti-Corruption Program	550 948,49
Equal Opportunities Program	1 030 155,37
International Programs	6 472 233,45
International Cooperation Program	1 738 331,19
Twin Cities Program	912 190,93
Citizens in Action Program	1 601 052,29
Community Initiatives Partnership Program	70 792,46
East-East Program	1 171 239,67
Regional Drug and Alcohol Program	978 626,91
Total	19 507 084,06

The exchange rate for the year 2004: 1 EUR = 4,3318 PLN



Profit and Loss Account (in PLN)

Item	Description	Amount	
		2003	2004
1	2	3	4
A	Income for statutory activities	42 169 275,11	43 732 525,55
1	Income for public benefit activity	38 536 869,64	40 239 940,02
2	Other income defined by statute	3 632 405,47	3 492 585,53
B	Costs of statutory activities	24 933 396,42	19 507 084,06
C	Gross profit (loss) on statutory activities A-B	17 235 878,69	24 225 441,49
D	Foundation office costs	3 365 901,60	3 473 625,02
1	Material and energy consumption	315 247,01	254 155,60
2	Outsourced services	740 501,83	1 071 760,51
3	Depreciation	899 634,81	926 190,98
4	Salaries and surcharges	989 298,29	740 451,68
5	Other costs	421 219,66	481 066,25
E	Other income (not recorded in items A and G)	12 232,26	70 988,38
F	Other costs (not recorded in items B, D and H)	4 970,25	2 433,66
G	Financial income	6 306 806,19	11 496 565,75
H	Financial costs	814 051,32	3 722 283,57
I	Result C-D+E-F+G-H	19 369 993,97	28 594 653,37
J	Extraordinary profit (loss)	0,00	0,00
1	Profit	0,00	0,00
2	Loss	0,00	0,00
K	Corporate tax	0,00	0,00
Net profit (loss) I (+/-J)-K		19 369 993,97	28 594 653,37



Balance Sheet (in PLN)

ASSETS		As of	
		01.01.2004	31.12.2004
1	2	3	4
A	Fixed assets	45 883 083,50	68 218 611,01
I	Intangible fixed assets	7 679,27	590,75
II	Tangible fixed assets	29 693 607,73	28 652 370,26
III	Long-term receivables	100 505,50	0,00
IV	Long-term investments	16 081 291,00	39 565 650,00
B	Current assets	63 469 379,46	51 893 150,49
II	Short-term receivables	242 084,07	224 810,00
	– other receivables	8 557,44	6 507,70
	– trade debtors	152 784,71	84 937,20
	– receivables from employees	9 763,86	4 700,81
	– budget receivables	70 978,06	128 664,29
III	Short-term investments	63 184 623,83	51 630 978,20
1	Short-term assets	42 617 996,73	40 729 923,93
	– equities	16 999 966,53	20 620 777,27
	– others	25 618 030,20	20 109 146,66
2	Cash and other monetary assets	20 566 627,10	10 901 054,27
	– cash in hand	19 513,37	5 618,81
	– current bank account (PLN)	1 394 316,32	918 235,81
	– adjunct bank account (PLN)	33 647,79	33 047,41
	– current foreign currency account	483 680,42	67 102,15
	– cash in stock brokerage office	3 411 060,87	333 556,94
	– other cash (bank deposits, treasury bills)	14 228 000,00	8 060 519,00
	– other monetary assets	996 408,33	1 482 974,15
IV	Short-term deferred charges	42 671,56	37 362,29
	BALANCE	109 352 462,96	120 111 761,50



Balance Sheet (in PLN)

LIABILITIES		As of	
		01.01.2004	31.12.2004
5	6	7	8
A	Enterprise fund	61 517 821,43	90 322 545,64
I	Statutory capital	38 284 649,94	58 812 391,03
	including:		
	– net assets	3 918 049,57	3 780 122,88
	– undistributed profit (loss)	34 238 582,17	54 927 510,40
	– start-up fund	128 018,20	104 757,75
II	Fund of long-term investments	38 077,02	409 335,00
III	Financial result	23 195 094,47	31 100 819,61
	– from previous years	3 825 100,50	2 506 166,24
	– from this year	19 369 993,97	28 594 653,37
B	Liabilities and reserve fund	47 834 641,53	29 789 215,86
I	Long-term liabilities	739 926,94	330 488,24
II	Short-term liabilities	12 021 806,60	4 580 244,34
1	Liabilities	11 988 158,81	4 547 196,93
	– grant creditors	11 244 524,07	3 508 168,60
	– trade creditors	328 220,62	98 224,34
	– amounts owned to employees	1 472,42	222,47
	– uncollected salaries	226 022,19	15 074,00
	– amounts due to the state budget	149 509,66	129 292,02
	– social security contributions	38 409,85	51 680,78
	– others	0,00	744 534,72
2	Company social fund	33 647,79	33 047,41
III	Deferred income	35 072 907,99	24 878 483,28
	– long-term	35 055 855,41	24 864 542,13
	– short-term	17 052,58	13 941,15
	BALANCE	109 352 462,96	120 111 761,50



Opinion of the independent Auditor

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Stefan Batory Foundation, seated in Warsaw, Sapieżyńska 10 A, consisting of the introduction to the financial statements, the balance sheet as at 31 December 2004 with total assets and total liabilities and equity of PLN 120 111 761,50; the profit and loss account for the year then ended with a net profit of PLN 28 594 653,37; and the supplementary information and explanations.

The management of the Foundation is responsible for the true and fair presentation of the financial statements and the accuracy of the accounting records. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the true and fair presentation of the financial statements and whether the financial statements are derived from properly maintained accounting records.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing as promulgated by the International Federation of Accountants, section 7 of the Polish Accounting Act dated 29 September 1994 (Official Journal from 2002, No. 76, item 694 with amendments) and the professional standards established by the Polish National Council of Certified Auditors. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain a reasonable basis for expressing an opinion on the financial statements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management of the Foundation, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements of the Stefan Batory Foundation have been prepared from properly maintained accounting records and present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of the Foundation as at 31 December 2004 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting standards as set out in the Polish Accounting Act dated 29 September 1994 and the Minister of Finance's decree on the specific accounting principles for certain entities which do not operate based on Commercial Code regulations and are not involved in business activities, dated 15 November 2001 (Official Journal No. 137, item 1539), and are in compliance with the respective laws and regulations, and the provisions of the Foundation's statute that apply to the Foundation's financial statements.

As required under the Polish Accounting Act dated 29 September 1994 we also report that the Report on the Foundation's activities includes the information required by Art. 49 Note 2 of the Accounting Act and the information is consistent with the financial statements.

signed on the Polish original
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Certified Auditor No. 90060/74956
Wojciech Stopka, Member of the Board
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Warsaw, 10 March 2005

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