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About the Foundation

The Stefan Batory Foundation, established by George Soros, an American financier and philanthropist, and a group of Polish opposition leaders of 1980's, is an independent, non-profit organization of a public benefit status registered by the District Court of Warsaw (Praga) on May 7, 1988. The mission of the Batory Foundation 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.

Areas of activity

■ support to civic initiatives

We help independent non-governmental organizations which take up projects in areas where the role or the capacity of the state are limited, we make grants not only for individual projects but also for long term programs, capacity building 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 support activities designed to provide all citizens with access to information and justice, we assist legal and civic education programs, disseminate legal expertise and methods of exercising scrutiny over public institutions, we advocate systems to control corruption and protect individuals' rights against government abuse.

■ international assistance and co-operation

We assist our neighbors in the East in the democratization process, facilitate experience sharing in the areas of political and social transformation, we implement projects aimed at building strong neighborly relations with the East and the West, contribute to the dialogue on the future of common Europe and advocate a greater role of civic initiatives in international relations and in the advancement of democratic principles and respect for human rights.

Our methods

The basic method of our operation involves making grants for projects and institutional support to the non-governmental organizations. We also initiate and carry out – alone or in partnership with other organizations – various undertakings: we host public debates on political, social and international problems, produce publications, conduct research and social campaigns, organize conferences, seminars and training workshops.

In our activity we observe principles of transparency, openness and accountability. Up-to-date information on our activities and grant-seeking opportunities is posted on our website **www.batory.org.pl** and on NGO portals. The decisions on grants distribution are made by the Foundation's Board with the help of committees of experts who assess grant applications and recommend projects for funding. Our finances are audited by external experts and the financial statements are published in the Annual Report together with the list of grants awarded and projects implemented during the year.

Foundation in 2006

In 2006, just like in previous years, we focused primarily on strengthening the role and activity of non-governmental organizations which we treat as an important element of a strong and vibrant civil society indispensable for the proper functioning of democracy. We put particular emphasis on developing the potential and increasing the efficiency of the organizations, especially those that represent public interests and propose systemic changes. Much in this respect was achieved thanks to the Third Sector Program, financed by the Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe, we ran in 2002–2006. In the framework of this program we have been supporting activities aimed at creating friendly conditions for the growth of the non-profit sector, development of cooperation of organizations with the public and private sectors, and laying down fundamentals for financial stability of the civic society institutions. The program enabled the introduction of regular research of civil society and established mechanisms of monitoring legal regulations affecting non-profit sector. It contributed to the promotion of good practices in the field of cooperation between local governments and non-governmental organizations and facilitated creation of 15 regional and sectoral representations of the third sector that take action for the benefit of member organizations and their clients. It also enabled the development of two models of financing local initiatives: community foundations and local partnership groups (coalitions of business, public and community institutions). Over the period of three years, the network of 20 community foundations and 17 partnership groups raised nearly PLN 42 million for local activities. Thanks to the grants for institutional support and establishment of capital endowments offered as a part of the program 18 institutions of key importance for the non-profit sector in Poland embarked on the way to financial sustainability.

The special concern of the Foundation in 2006 was the further withdrawal of citizens from public life, the popular distrust in the democratic institutions reflected in the lowest ever turnout in Polish parliamentary and presidential elections in fall 2005 and the widespread conviction that an ordinary citizen cannot influence the decisions of the ruling elites. We tried to address these issues in several of our projects designed to increase civic participation in public life, involve civic society actors in shaping the governmental policies and make the authorities accountable before the citizens. This was the goal of our local election campaign *Your vote, your choice*, through which, together with 339 organizations from 224 townships, we tried to make voters interested in the issues affecting their communities and encourage them to make an informed choice of their representatives to local government positions. The same goal was served by the projects that monitored election promises and the local election campaign finances and by the grants we offered watchdog organizations to implement projects of monitoring and disseminating information on the planning, spending and accounting for public money. In another monitoring project launched in connection with local government elections, we tested independence and impartiality of public television's newscasts to make sure the materials do not favor any of the candidates. After the completion of the term

of six judges of the Constitutional Tribunal, we launched a project of public scrutiny of candidates for judges to the Constitutional Tribunal, together with the Polish section of the International Commission of Jurists and the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights. We continued the support for organizations that engage in activities aimed to increase citizens access to law and justice, both in terms of the provision of free-of-charge services for citizens (grants to Citizens' Advice Bureaus) and educational efforts targeting secondary schools students (Youth Civic Rights Academy).

Another problem that we addressed last year, of particular importance on the eve of the expected influx of immigrants of many races and religions after Poland joined the EU, concerned prevention of intolerance and resentment towards immigrants. As part of the newly created three-year Program for Tolerance financed by the Ford Foundation, we offered grants to civic organizations and local communities for initiatives that shaped the attitudes of openness toward racial, ethnic and religious differences and sought to challenge prejudices and stereotypes.

Thanks to the generosity of individual donors, including 1680 individuals who donated us 1% of their income tax for 2005, as well as commercial donors from Poland and abroad, we continued to help local organizations that run scholarship programs for children and youth from small towns and rural areas and implement integration projects for handicapped children. Additionally, in 2006, these organizations were offered grants for institutional development and capacity building.

In the area of international cooperation we engaged in initiatives aimed at strengthening pro-democratic tendencies in the countries of our eastern neighbors and on advocating for a common EU policy toward those countries based on the concept of a friendly border and good neighborhood. Such were the aims of the projects of experience sharing with Ukrainian centers of European information and representatives of Ukrainian public administration, a series of conferences, discussions and meetings in several capitals of Europe during which we presented recommendations and propositions for a common EU policy toward Belarus. We supported Belarusian and Ukrainian organizations that run small-grant competitions for grass-root initiatives, organize information and legal counseling for citizens, engage in protection and execution of individual rights, provide civic education of young people, set up local civic activity centers, undertake efforts to secure access to information, increase transparency of the government administration, contribute to the growth of philanthropy. We also continued the initiatives aimed at liberalization of the European Union visa policy toward citizens of Eastern Europe. We organized monitoring the European visa policies of selected EU countries and advocated for the changes of EU members' procedures and visa practices at conferences, meetings and seminars devoted to the presentations of the monitoring's results. Our efforts to strengthen democracy and the growth of civil society were supplemented by organization of recruitment of independent observers and the monitoring of elections in Belarus, Ukraine and Tajikistan. As part of the effort to support trans-border cooperation, we made grants to Polish organizations that implement cooperation projects with partners from Eastern European countries (East-East Program) and organizations that carry out trilateral projects with Germany, Ukraine, Belarus and the Kaliningrad District in Russia.

Concerned with the state of official relations between Poland and Russia and a significant drop in informal contacts and cooperation between the societies of both countries, we decided to initiate projects that might contribute to the enlivenment of interest in Russia in wider circles of Polish society helping to revert the threat of the return of previous-era bias and prejudice. To achieve this goal, we organized two international conferences: on modern Russia, with the participation of outstanding Russian and Western experts on Russian affairs, and on Russian-Ukrainian relations and their influence on the policy of Ukraine toward the EU, with the participation of politicians and experts from Russia, Poland and Ukraine. We organized also study visit for Russian non-governmental organizations interested in developing cooperation with Polish partners.

In 2006, as part of our grant-making activity, we made **325 grants** for institutions and organizations, **42** individual and group **travel grants** for **154 people** participating in projects abroad, and gave **6 awards** – all totaling **PLN 12,1 million**. We spent **PLN 3,7 million** on our operational programs: for projects implemented by us alone or in cooperation with our partners. Moreover, in 2006, the following long-term projects were carried out by other organizations from grants we had made in the previous years:

- **Fund for Women** – a grant program 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 in the amount of PLN 800 000 allocated for the years 2003–2006)
- **Local History** – a history competition for secondary school students managed by the Karta Centre Foundation (funds in the amount of PLN 760 000 allocated for the years 2003–2006)

The summary of our activities together with the full list of grants made in 2006 is included in the further sections of this publication.



Our donors

We could carry out our activity in 2005 thanks to grants and donations made by Polish and foreign private and public institutions, commercial organizations and individual donors, including taxpayers who donated us 1% of their personal income tax.

Majority of our programs were financed from the grant of the **Open Society Institute**, established by George Soros, American financier and philanthropist, the founder of a network of civic organizations active in more than 50 countries in Central and Eastern Europe, Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the United States. From the grant donated by **Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe** we financed the four-year Third Sector Program concluded in 2006. From the **Ford Foundation's** funds we ran Citizens in Action and Education for Tolerance Programs. The **Robert Bosch Foundation** co-financed programs of trilateral cooperation: Polish-German-Belarusian, Russian, and Ukrainian. Our activities in the sphere of international cooperation were co-financed in 2006 by the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs**, while the Program against Corruption was supported by the **Embassy of the United States**.

Our programs aimed to equalize educational opportunities of children and youth were financed from **1% personal income tax donations** from individuals, and the donations of **Agora Foundation**, **Commercial Union Poland** insurance company, **Nestle SA Poland**, and the revenue from an endowed **M Fund** established by a Polish private donor as well as the donations from private individuals abroad (including **Helen and Peter Maxwell** and a **private donor** wishing to remain anonymous whose donation was used to establish the **K Fund**) who supported us through the **Friends of Stefan Batory Foundation**, the **U.S.**, and **Stefan Batory Trust, UK**.

As in the previous years, we ran the **Commercial Union Charity Fund**, a donor-advised fund of an insurance company we have been co-operating since 1996. In 2006 the CU Fund supported projects indicated by the donor in the area of health care and education. Also, revenue from the investments of the endowed **M Fund** was distributed, in line with the Founder's will, to help disabled and ill children, as well as to support equal opportunities and health care projects. We continued to administer 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 2006 we continued our efforts to build the endowment that will constitute the basis for financing our activity in years to come. Significant donations to our capital endowment were contributed by the **Ford Foundation** and the **Charles Stuart Mott Foundation**. The **Mott Foundation** and the **Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe** supported our efforts to develop and expand our financial basis.

We thank all our donors from the bottom of our hearts! With your help we can help others!



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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 is to initiate public discourse on subjects important to the future of our state and the region.

In 2006 we launched a cycle of debates on *Polish liberal democracy*. We continued also debates on Polish foreign policy.

Polish liberal democracy cycle

Power of the media, power over the media

April 13, 2006

Panelists: Kamil Durczok (journalist, former presenter of TV News), Robert Krasowski (journalist, editor-in-chief *Dziennik Polska Europa Świat*), prof. Andrzej Rzepiński (lawyer, Warsaw University, Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights), Jarosław Sellin (secretary of state, Ministry of Culture and National Heritage), Jacek Żakowski (columnist, *Polityka* weekly). Moderator: Krzysztof Skowroński (journalist, TVP Channel 1), Aleksander Smolar (President of Stefan Batory Foundation).

Do media in Poland perform a controlling role or do they mostly represent various political and economic interests, or even the interests of special branches? How much do they contribute to the strengthening of democracy and how much do they realize particular interests of their publishers or political powers behind them? To what extent do they represent real public interests and how do they create the reality that we live in? To what extent do they tame the populism of the Polish political scene and to what extent they contribute to its growth through increased tabloidization of the media and the shaping of the editorial policy to compete for the audiences and advertisers? These were the questions the invited guests tried to answer.

The debate was broadcast by the main channel of the public television TVP.

Constitution, law, justice

A lecture by Prof. Marek Safjan, chairman of the Constitutional Tribunal

May 16, 2006

In his lecture, Professor Safjan spoke of the weak legal and constitutional culture in Poland, the attitudes of the elites toward the constitution, the dispute over the constitutional judiciary, and the shortcomings of the public constitutional debate. In his view, the public debate is limited to stereotypes and brought down to slogans on building of the Fourth Republic and the introduction of the moral order, without engaging

wider spheres of the society. There is no constitutional debate in Poland that would engage the society, nor is there a real battle for the change of the constitution. All we are dealing with are the arguments over the constitution in the closed circles of political elites, Safjan said. The debate held in this form loses from its sight the real problems that should be addressed first and become an axis of the debate over the shape of the state, such as: the form and role of the local government, the issue of the election laws, the system of the law, the scope, intensity and scale of state guarantees toward the citizen, the development of mechanisms setting out the relations between EU institutions, the methods of reforming the judiciary, the system and scope of guarantees of healthcare, the educational model in the universities. Before we begin talking about changes in the constitution, we should decide on what exactly needs to be changed in the state, Prof. Safjan argued. Only then should we decide if we need a new constitution and a reformed axiology to make those changes happen. In his opinion, most problems can be solved through the respect of the canons of good faith and good practices in the sphere of the constitutional culture instead of the changes to the constitution. Polish transcript of the lecture is available from www.batory.org.pl in the section *Conferences and debates*.

Justice versus the law

June 7, 2006

Panelists: Prof. Marian Filar (professor of law, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń), Janusz Kochanowski (Ombudsman), Prof. Wojciech Sadurski (professor of law, Dean of Law Department, European University, Florence), Prof. Andrzej Siemaszko (professor of law, director of Institute of Justice), Prof. Andrzej Zoll (professor of law, Jagiellonian University, former Ombudsman). Moderator: Aleksander Smolar (President of Stefan Batory Foundation).

With the appointment of the cabinet of Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz of the conservative Law and Justice (PiS) party, the role and place of the law in the state became one of the fundamental topics of the public debate. A prominent role in the discussion has been taken by the problem of relations between the law and justice. A question arises whether the government's moves to bring the justice contradict the rules of law existing in the European system and to what extent the defense of the current law and procedures serves as an alibi for practices that contradict social perception of justice. Panelists, outstanding law professors, discussed the tension between justice and the law, the law as an instrument or limitation of governance, and situations when law leads to statutory lawlessness. They debated if the penal law and the anti-criminal policy might fail to address the social perception of justice and what is the role of the judge in a democratic state.

Whose Poland? What kind of Poland?

June 28, 2006

Panelists: Prof. Henryk Romański (director of Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences), Dariusz Gawin (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences, deputy director of Museum of Warsaw Uprising), Prof. Mirosława Marody (social scientist, Institute of Sociology, Warsaw University), Prof. Karol Modzelewski (historian, Wrocław University), Prof. Jacek Rostowski (economist, Central European University, Budapest), Sławomir Sierakowski (social scientist, columnist, editor-in-chief of *Krytyka Polityczna*), Prof. Jerzy Szacki (sociologist, member of Polish Academy of Sciences), Prof. Piotr Wieczorek (professor of law, Warsaw University), Artur Wołek (political scientist, Nowy Sącz School of Business – National Louis University). Moderator: Aleksander Smolar (President of Stefan Batory Foundation).



The conference was an attempt to answer important questions pertaining to the situation in Poland after the presidential and parliamentary elections of 2005; a country politically dominated by the Law and Justice (PiS) and, what was difficult to imagine just a year earlier, governed by a coalition of PiS with the League of Polish Families (LPR) and Self-Defense (Samoobrona). Invited guests focused on the substance of the changes that are taking place and on the question of what kind of a political community and a system of institutions is emerging. Whose political, social and economic interests are served by the current government? How the current order in the country corresponds with the goals and experiences of Poland after 1989 and the ideals of social forces that led the transformation? A selection of materials from the debate was published in a book. It is also available in the electronic form from www.batory.org.pl

Currency and democracy. A lecture by Prof. Leszek Balcerowicz

June 29, 2006

In his lecture, Prof. Balcerowicz spoke of relations between currency, democracy and the rule of the law, as well as of the limitations a good currency imposes on social freedom. The fact of the exchangeability or the lack of exchangeability of the currency has a political impact, said Prof. Balcerowicz. An exchangeable currency reduces the control of politicians over people. But there is also a problem of the value of currency, whether the currency keeps its value over time or is damaged because of excessive inflation. If the currency is being damaged, people pay an inflationary tax. One of the measures of the rule of the law is the extent to which those in power can impose this worst kind of taxation – the inflationary tax, without people's consent or without the consent of their representation. According to the lecturer, the protection of the stability of a modern currency requires: first, adoption of a strong external currency (like the dollar or the euro) and second, introduction of a common currency that gives reasons to believe it will be stable. The euro is such a currency for Poland, Balcerowicz said. A third condition is to have an independent central bank as an independent and professional guardian of the stability of the currency. The preservation of factual independence of the central bank is, with the assumption of the professional conducts of the bank, a guarantee of the protection of people from damages to the currency inflicted by politicians.

A cycle of debates *Foreign policy*

Polish wars. Iraq, Afghanistan...

December 4, 2006

Panelists: Stanisław Koziej (general, former Deputy Minister of Defense), Jan Rokita (MP), Radosław Sikorski (Minister of Defense), Adam Daniel Rotfeld (former Minister of Foreign Affairs), Jerzy Szmajdziński (MP, former Minister of Defense). Moderator: Aleksander Smolar (President of Stefan Batory Foundation).

The subject of the debate was the strategic, political and moral aspects of Poland's military involvement around the world, particularly in Iraq and Afghanistan. Panelists discussed how Poland's engagement complies with the long-term strategy of the Polish presence in Europe and the world. How decisions to send soldiers abroad correspond with Poland's vision of European and Euroatlantic integration and how they comply with the visions of a safer world that respects human rights and evolves in the direction of democratic form of organization of public life? What must be done to ensure democratic control over decisions, the process and forms of engagement outside the country? What is the current status of legitimacy of foreign military operations that were not endorsed by the Security Council of the United Nations (Iraq)?



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 benefit organizations.

In 2006 we carried out the following projects:

Institutional grants

In 2006, we addressed institutional grants to organizations that run local scholarship funds in the framework of our Equal Opportunity Program. Organizations that had been given institutional support in 2004–2005 were excluded from the grant competition. In the effect, 27 organizations were invited to apply. Each of them could apply for a three-year grant up to PLN 40 000. The grant funds could be used to cover operating costs, purchase of equipment, small investments, institutional development and the capacity building (training for workers and volunteers), planning and evaluation, improvement of financial management, promotion and fundraising.

Forge of love

Caritas of the Gniezno Archdiocese is the first charitable NGO in the country to be given the ISO 9001:2000 certificate for quality management by the International Organization for Standardization. This could have happened only because of the grant of PLN 27 000 Caritas received from the Stefan Batory Foundation in the framework of the Grants for institutional development of NGOs program. Rev. Jacek Dziel, the director of Caritas, accepted the ISO certificate at a special gala at the Gniezno theater.

– Thanks to the quality certificate we will be able to apply for grants from the European Union, and those people Caritas cares for in its charity centers and people in need who come to us for support will be able to get professional assistance – Rev. Jacek Dziel said.

Tygodnik Nowy Ziemia Pilska, Pila, April 11, 2006

Eventually, in 2006 we made 28 institutional grants of a total volume PLN 1 104 980. 25 of them were awarded to organizations that have cooperated with us in the Equal Opportunities – Local Scholarship Program and 3 to other associations: *Gaja* Ecological and Cultural Club Association, *Seed* Cultural and Ecological Association, and Legal Intervention Association.



Watchdog organizations. Social responsibility in the public life

In 2006, we organized the third edition of the grant competition for watchdog organizations. This time we supported projects related to the monitoring and publishing of information on planning, spending and accounting for public money. Organizations could apply for grants of up to PLN 40 000 for such activities as the development of systems of search and dissemination of information on planning, spending and accounting for public money, educational projects on the public finance management, development of financial monitoring tools and the usage of the available legal instruments in the process of monitoring the management of public funds, as well as advocacy efforts focused on the change of negative practices in the field of public funds management. We received 29 grant applications, 19 of them were awarded grants.

Is it forbidden to criticize the councilors?

Puszczykowo Kurier, free of charge a monthly independent from the local government, has been circulated in Puszczykowo for the past few years with the print run of 3 000 copies. It is hard to get money for the production, but recently the title received a boost from the Batory Foundation: its project Through transparency to democracy was one of the winners of the competition for watchdog organizations.

– It all began with an article of the Poznan edition of Gazeta Wyborcza, in which we published our opinion on the work of Poznan councilors. It was subjective, often critical, and dealt more with the quality of their work than with the time they spend in sittings. We thought in our editorial team it was an excellent idea. We've also received phone calls from Puszczykowo residents encouraging us to do with our 15 councilors what Gazeta Wyborcza did in Poznan – explains Gabriela Ozorowska. Together with the editor-in-chief Zofia Skibińska, medical doctor by profession, they got to work. They first asked councilors for their own evaluation of their work. When seven replied, it became clear the evaluation had to be produced by the journalists. – I went to all sessions and most of committee sittings, so our opinions were based on direct observation – Skibińska says. Notes on how some councilors do nothing or care more of their family shop than work in the local government or fail to take part in discussions hurt the feelings of a group of councilors who run in the Sunday elections on the ballots of the Puszczykowo committee and Active and Sportly committees. Both committees sued Puszczykowo Kurier in the fast-track 24-hour court mode. For what they saw as slander, the committees demanded a gag order for the title, a correction and PLN 10 000 to be paid for the Maltan Aid House in Puszczykowo. On October 31, the district court for Poznan dismissed both claims. Judge Katarzyna Jelewska-Sterczala wrote in the ruling: '[...] every voter has the right to express his opinions if he is disappointed with the work of any councilor, to say that he hoped for greater activity and achievements. It is in no way tantamount with the publication of untrue information [...] described in the electoral ordinance'.

Gazeta Wyborcza Poznan, Poznan, October 10–12, 2006

As a part of our support to the initiatives of the social control of public institutions we made also 4 grants for: monitoring the work of the special parliamentary investigative committee on the banking sector, development of a transparent system of publicly available information on persons serving in elective public posts, monitoring of the debate over the institutional reform of the European Union and the future of its constitutional treaty and monitoring of the work of educational authorities. Altogether, in the year 2006, we supported 23 monitoring projects of a total volume PLN 976 420.

In June 2006 we organized the conference *Budget Watchdogs. How citizens can control public funds* with the participation of representatives of three leading American organizations engaged in budget watch activities. Nick Johnson of the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Lauren Coletta of the Common Cause Educational Fund, and Noah Berger of the Massachusetts Budget and Policy Center presented various aspects



and types of budget watch activities carried out by organizations in the United States. The conference was followed by the workshops conducted by American specialists during which the participants were shown practical examples of budget watch activities, learnt how to prepare the strategy of such actions and how such projects are financed in the U.S. as well as how to build coalitions and mobilize broad support for advocacy efforts for the change of legal regulations.

Your vote, your choice

The goal of the project we have been running since 2002 is to stimulate interest of citizens in the matters related to their local communities and to reinforce the feeling of common responsibility of the electorate and the elected for the decisions made on a voting day. In 2006 we completed the first stage of the project, which was to monitor the promises made before local government elections by candidates for city mayors in 2002. In October, we published an online *Report on the realization of promises 2002* and disseminated the results of the monitoring activity in the media before the local election to provide the voters with the information on the actions taken by their local authorities before the new local government ballot.

In April 2006, in the preparation to the new local elections, together with the School of Leaders Association, we launched a public campaign aimed to raise the electorate's interest in the problems of their community and prepare the voters to the conscious act of casting a ballot. The action raised considerable interest in the NGO community: 339 non-profits from 224 places all over Poland joined the campaign, including associations, foundations, student organizations, economic chambers, and industry organizations. Their task was to prepare the inventory of local problems, organize election debates with the participation of the residents and candidates for mayors, and prepare local get-out-the-vote campaigns. Participating organization were offered technical support including a cycle of information and training meetings organized in various regions for a total of 330 people, the individual experts' consultations and counsel and auxiliary and promotional materials. The campaign Internet site www.maszglos.pl was launched, serving as a platform for the exchange of information and experiences of campaign's participants.

Between October and November 12, 137 debates were organized locally with candidates for voivots of communes and city mayors and local residents. In most cases, these were the first public debates organized in the community. In October the Foundation launched a national get-out-the-vote campaign. It was carried out locally in 246 townships by the organizations participating in the project and by a group of 200 secondary school students – participants of *Youth votes* project of Center for Citizenship Education. The get-out-the-vote campaign was accompanied by a nationwide promotional action that included: a television spot prepared by the agency DDB Warsaw, aired free of charge by 13 TV channels including Polsat, TVN and MTV, and also shown in 23 movie theaters throughout Poland; a radio spot aired free of charge by 40 national, regional and local radiostations; a get-out-the-vote sticker art competition organized together with the daily *Gazeta Wyborcza*, and a street happening in Warsaw, during which volunteers dressed as Polish kings distributed paper crowns as a symbol of authority encouraging passers-by to vote.

The action was summed up at a meeting in Warsaw on November 9, accompanied by the debate *Do people have faith in their representatives?* with the participation of Radosław Markowski (Political Sciences Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences), Prof. Mirosława Marody (Social Studies Institute of the Warsaw University), Aleksander Smolar (President of the Batory Foundation), and Artur Wołek (Nowy Sącz School of Business – National Louis University).

The action's partners included: Polish Donors Forum, National Federation of Non-Governmental Organizations, Polish Green Network, SPLOT Network of Information and Support for Non-Governmental Organizations, Association for the Forum of Non-Governmental Initiatives, Working Community of As-



sociations of Social Organizations, Union of Citizens Advice Bureaus. The media patronage was given by *Gazeta Wyborcza*, *Polityka* weekly, Polish Press Agency, Polish Public Radio, Association of Local Newspapers, regional network of public television, portals: www.ngo.pl and www.opoka.org.pl

Pre-election monitoring of the public TV news programs

From October 16, 2006, we ran a pilot project of the monitoring of the news programming of the public television (TVP) before local government elections. The monitoring covered the main editions of the news shows *Wiadomości* (TVP1, 19:30) and *Panorama* (TVP2, 22:30) as well as local news shows of TVP3 aired at 18:00 in five cities: Białystok, Gdańsk, Cracow, Szczecin, and Warsaw. Each show was rated by three observers, with the average of the rates becoming the final score. The observers recorded the duration of the election coverage, its placement in the program, the number and duration of quotes from candidates per main political parties. They also similarly rated other election material that in their view influenced voter decisions. In the qualitative observation, they rated editorial material, taking into consideration the tone, level of detail, comprehension, balance, topicality and bias. The scheme of observation was based on the experiences of international organizations that monitor elections: Council of Europe, European Union, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe described in textbooks for NGOs: *Monitoring Election Campaign Finance* published in 2005 by the Open Society Institute and *Media Monitoring to Promote Democratic Elections* published by American National Democratic Institute in 2002.

The project took place between October 16 and the election blackout on November 12, 2006 and between the first and second round of voting on November 26 – in places where the second round was organized.

The Beata Pawlak Award

The Beata Pawlak Award was established pursuant to the last will of Beata Pawlak, a Polish journalist killed on October 12, 2002 in a terrorist attack on the Indonesian island of Bali. It is awarded annually for an article or series of articles on foreign cultures, religions and civilizations. The prize is financed from the Fund named after the journalist, administered by the Foundation.

In 2006 the Beata Pawlak Award was given to Beata Pawlikowska for a book: *A Blondie in Cuba. On the Trail of Truth and Ernesto Che Guevara* (National Geographic, 2006) and Paweł Smoleński for *Israel Doesn't Fly Anymore* (Czarne Publishing House, 2006). This time the awards were financed by ZNAK Publishing Office. On October 17, in the Batory Foundation's seat, an award ceremony took place accompanied by a discussion: *Conflict of Civilizations or Clash of Ignorants? The End of Domination of the West?* with participation of Krzysztof Iszkowski (*Dziennik. Polska-Europa-Swiat*), Adam Leszczyński (*Gazeta Wyborcza* daily), Adam Szostkiewicz (*Polityka* weekly) and Joanna Tokarska-Bakir (Institute of Applied Social Sciences Warsaw University) and an exhibition of photos by Tomasz Mazur, Indian Mosaic.

Program was financed from a grant by the Open Society Institute

Program costs

Grants and a prize:	PLN 2 317 011,20
Implementation of projects	PLN 417 973,81
Operational costs:	PLN 225 017,60
TOTAL:	PLN 2 960 002,61

Third Sector Program

The program was carried out by the Foundation in years 2003–2006. It constituted a larger project, 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, with an aim to support the process of developing and stabilizing the civil society in 7 Central and Eastern European countries: Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, and Hungary. The aim of the program was to improve the overall operations of the non-profit sector in Poland by creating a favorable legal and fiscal environment for organizations' growth, providing assistance in building foundations of their financial stability, and enhancing cooperation among organizations as well as their cooperation with other sectors. The program was carried out in a framework of four modules, three of them were run in partnership with selected organizations, fourth module was organized in the formula of an open competition.

Favorable Environment for Non-Governmental Organizations' Growth

Partner organizations: Institute of Public Affairs, Klon/Jawor Association, Working Community of Associations of Social Organizations (WRZOS)

Activities under this module were conducted by our partners during three years (November 2003 – October 2006) and served the following program objectives: create a mechanism of acquiring and disseminating knowledge concerning the third sector, analyze its condition and indicate directions for its development, increase the influence of organizations on legislation concerning their activity.

During that time the Klon/Jawor Association conducted a series of research, including: two surveys on the quality of the third sector (2004 and 2004), three surveys on volunteering, individual philanthropy and the 1% income tax designation (2003, 2004 and 2005); two surveys on relationships between national and regional government (2004 and 2006). The Klon/Jawor participated also in the Civil Society Index international research program coordinated by CIVICUS and implemented in 50 countries (the CSI program, based on a single methodology is primarily designed to collect and compile data to facilitate global comparisons and reviews of the quality of civil society). Research findings were presented in a series of reports and thematic briefs, i.a. in *It's Worth Knowing More* series of brochures and in an NGO monthly *gazeta.ngo.pl*. There were also referred to in other studies and articles regarding the current status of the third sector and presented in NGO-related events. Moreover, a handbook *ABC of the Third Sector* was published, which offers basic theoretical and practical information about non-governmental organizations (2004), two special editions of *gazeta.ngo.pl – resume* (2005 and 2006) featuring a summary of major developments in the previous year and an anthology *The Third Sector for Advanced Readers*.

The Institute of Public Affairs developed and deployed a system of monitoring legislation affecting NGOs (propositions of amendments to existing laws and new bills) and the practical implementation of

laws and regulations. The monitoring information was distributed through e-bulletins to 258 subscribers. It also appeared on the Institute website and on NGO portal (www.ngo.pl) in the form of short news articles and analytical papers. Parallel to the monitoring system, a status report was developed on the legal and regulatory environment of the third sector; the report is regularly updated and the latest version reflects the legal status as of late July 2006. The broad scope of reviewed acts and legislative works gives a better insight into a legal environment for civil society activity as well as plays an 'early warning' role and allows to react immediately to unfavorable changes.

The Institute of Public Affairs made an attempt to litigate with the aim of changing the case law and law enforcement. The case regarded a foundation from Lower Silesia, which was refused the right to participate in the administrative court proceedings with a formal status of a social organization (a 'social organization' is entitled to act as one of the trial's sides). The Supreme Administrative Court explicitly stated that foundations should be regarded as social organizations, and thus have right to participate in administrative court proceedings. The litigation conducted by the Institute of Public Affairs supports the line of future judicial decisions, set in the above mentioned resolution.

Another task undertaken by Institute of Public Affairs was to identify issues of key importance for the development of the third sector and make them a subject of experts' opinion as well as public debate. This part of the project relied on the monitoring of legislation and on research conducted by Klon/Jawor. Relevant issues were studied in-depth and opinion was sought from academics, lawyers, experienced NGO leaders and competent national and local government officials. A total of 41 opinions were developed (of which 10 were developed by international experts). They analyzed such problems as: government policy towards the third sector and subsidiarity principle in social services, social economy, NGO relations with local government and different legal and tax issues. Opinions were discussed during 19 seminars attended by a total of 500 individuals and published on the website and in *The Third Sector* quarterly magazine. The seminars provided a meeting forum for NGO leaders, researchers and experts from Poland and abroad. They discussed and shared expertise on issues and recommendations based on above opinions, thus building an expert support framework for the third sector. The expert support framework for the non-governmental sector was also formed around *The Third Sector* quarterly magazine that discussed current status and future potential of civil society in Poland. Each issue of the quarterly had a monographic character focused on one selected theme. Seven issues of the magazine published during the project duration tackled the following topics: taxation, social economy, relations with public administration, employment in the third sector, perception of NGOs, advocacy and lobbying, NGO financial planning. The eighth issue came out in December 2006 and provided a summary of the whole project.

Working Community of Social Welfare Organizations WRZOS, a third partner organization, which joined the program in 2005, was implementing two advocacy projects that helped to test a mechanism of consulting NGOs sector position towards legal regulations that affected their activity, and then advocating for necessary changes. First project focused on selected problems related to VAT regulations and allowed to identify five concrete amendments, which were presented to the Ministry of Finance and to the Council of Public Benefit Activity. Second project focused on consulting and advocating for changes that should be introduced to the Law on Public Benefit Activity and Voluntarism. A list of propositions of 8 amendments to the law was prepared and consulted within NGO community. Some of the problems identified in the consultation process were clarified in the amendments to the Law on Public Benefit Activity and Voluntarism prepared in 2006.

In 2006 Klon/Jawor received a grant for organizing the data accumulated during the research and setting up a system of knowledge and information management that would allow more open access to all these resources. The Institute of Public Affairs was awarded a grant for continuation of monitoring of legal regulations affecting third sector functioning.

Partnership for the Third Sector

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

The activities undertaken within this module were conducted during two years (in October 2003 – September 2005). They were aimed at making the NGO community more conscious of opportunities and challenges connected with EU accession and mobilizing NGO community to joint actions targeted at reinforcing cooperation among NGOs and establishing partnership-based relations between the civil society and public sectors.

Within this module we cooperated with two network organizations which have branches in all regions of Poland: Foundation in Support of Local Democracy (FSLD), which deals mainly with support of local governments, and SPLOT, one of the oldest NGO support organizations. Activities carried out by our partners were primarily centered around provisions of the Law on Public Benefit Activity, as well as opportunities and challenges connected with EU accession and structural funds. Thanks to simultaneous and coordinated wide scale activities, conducted by both of our partners, we were able to reach over 12 000 people who participated in different events, and further at least 30 000 people who benefited from information and consultations provided through direct contacts, websites and publications.

Both partner organizations provided regular trainings, information and consultation services on the Law on Public Benefit Activity and Voluntarism and structural funds to NGOs practically in all regions of Poland. 16 Regional Conferences, 16 Regional Fora of Non-governmental Initiatives and 88 specialized workshops and seminars were organized with participation of 7 000 people (one of the workshops, aimed at strengthening NGOs skill in scrutinizing public institutions, was conducted by Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights). Information and consultation were available in all SPLOT locations and FSLD opened special consultation centers in 5 locations (in total 26 600 information and consultations were imparted). In addition, 13 regional NGO portals were launched with more than 1 300 news published during project's implementation and 240 000 portals' visitors registered. FSLD published and distributed 2 editions of guide books explaining the provisions of the new Law on Public Benefit Activity (one designed for local government, the other for NGOs) in total circulation of 3 000 copies. SPLOT published and distributed 5 brochures in total circulation of 22 000. Publications and brochures were also available on Internet.

Both partners using different approaches and methodologies moderated processes of developing programs of cooperation between local authorities and NGOs. The reason was that although the Law on Public Benefit Activity obliges local government sets formal regulations of cooperation with NGOs, it does not specify any detailed guidelines for this document. Such processes were initiated in 101 locations in 15 regions with participation of more than 4 500 representatives of local authorities and NGOs who attended 292 meetings and workshops. As a result 84 resolutions on program of cooperation were developed, out of which 74 were passed by local authorities.

Both partners were involved in monitoring processes of setting up Regional Steering and Monitoring Committees responsible for allocating and monitoring structural funds. In 15 regions there were set NGO coalitions responsible for contacts with NGO members of the Committees (in 1 region – SubCarpathian - no coalition was set up due to the lack of interest among NGOs). Moreover, FSLD organized meetings of NGOs representatives at the Committees with an aim to improve their operations and facilitate sharing of information and experience. The meetings demonstrated that the members were unclear as to the role and scope of their responsibility and the committees worked according to very different standards. For this reason, in 2006, FSLD continued organization of the meetings and prepared a draft proposition of procedures of appointing NGO representatives to committees for a new programming period. The new procedures were consulted with

committee members and other representatives of NGO sector. The result of consultations was submitted to the Ministry of Regional Development responsible for the overall management of structural funds.

SPLOT undertook a task to initiate and facilitate processes of founding new regional and local NGO representations. Development of regional representations was organized around a cascade process of forming NGO councils on different levels (from municipal councils – through county councils – to district/regional representation). The process of building local representations targeted organizations dealing with different social issues such as unemployment, education, local development, women issues, social welfare, addictions, palliative care etc. To avoid risk of stimulating false cooperation each representation had to undertake a concrete task – develop common standards of services provided. As a result 3 regional representations (in Varmia and Mazury, Pomerania and Lower Silesia) and 12 branch coalitions with 740 member organizations were set up. The regional representation established in Varmia and Mazury region succeeded in the development of a document regulating cooperation between three sectors (based on the British Compact model). The agreement signed by representatives of regional authorities, NGOs and businesses is a unique initiative, worth duplicating in other regions. Moreover SPLOT published two handbooks on forming regional three-sectors agreements and developing common standards of services provided by NGOs.

New Models of Funding Civic Initiatives

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

Both of our partner organizations during three years (May 2003 – July 2006) carried out activities targeted at developing and strengthening two models of funding civic initiatives: community foundations – local non-governmental organizations which raise money in their communities to fund local initiatives while building an endowment to ensure their long term grant making capability; and partnership groups – coalitions of NGOs, local enterprises and public institutions (local governments, cultural centers, museums, nature reserves, etc.) for development of regions with common traditions, similar economic and social conditions.

The support offered by our partners included: grants, trainings, consultancy and various forms of experience sharing. In the effect, the number of community foundations expanded from 12 to 20 and partnership groups from 12 to 17. Both community foundations and partnership groups developed network structures that enable them to learn from each other's experience, undertake joint actions and maintain high standards of grant making and partnership. And both groups proved their efficiency in engaging different actors into local community life. This was reflected i.a. in the amounts of funds they raised: Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland supported community foundations with grants of a total value PLN 3,8 million (including PLN 0,8 million from the Third Sector Program), community foundations raised from other source PLN 10 million distributing in their communities 1059 grants and 2536 scholarships. Polish Environmental Partnership Foundation made grants of PLN 1 million value (PLN 0,8 million from the Third Sector Program) and partnership groups raised PLN 27 million from other sources and implemented dozens projects for sustainable development.

Both organizations summarized the experience gained during the project in comprehensive resource materials. Academy published four manuals on the functioning of local organizations and the *Trainer Guide*. Environmental Partnership Foundation developed 6 training modules on theoretical and practical aspects of Partners Groups' development and operation and published two editions of a manual *Partnership Groups, From Idea to Collaboration*.

Additionally, Academy was engaged in promotion of individual and corporate philanthropy. There were two national campaigns aimed at promoting individual philanthropy and three editions of the *Philanthropist of the Year* contest aimed at promoting the concept of corporate social responsibility.

Moreover, 19 meetings were held to present the concept of corporate social responsibility. They were attended by a total of 995 individuals from business circles. Two publications were issued: *500 Managers and Responsible Business. Knowledge, Attitudes, Practice and Corporate Relations with NGOs – Legal Forms*.

Institutional Development of Non-Governmental Organizations

This module was the only one organized in the formula of an open competition addressed to organizations which play an important role in Polish civil society and are ready to work toward long-term operating strategies for the future. Apart from grants we offered our grantees additional support in form of organizational audits and participation in the joint investment initiative.

An open call for proposals was announced in 2003. Organizations – upon having fulfilled certain formal criteria – could apply either for a seed endowment grant (up to PLN 1,2 million) or for an institutional development grant (up to PLN 0,4 million) designated for such long-term investment in organizational development like e.g. human resource development, purchase of equipment and premises, fundraising campaign, preparation of PR strategy, establishment of a reserve fund etc. In total 86 organizations applied and 18 were awarded with grants: six of them received seed endowment grant and twelve – institutional development grants.

In 2006, organizations which used the grants to set up endowment or reserve funds and proved their skills in strategic planning and implementation were invited to apply for supplementary grants. In addition, the newly established Partnership Fund Foundation, the grant-making arm of the Partnership for Environment Foundation was also invited to apply. Consequently, 10 organizations received supplementary grants.

All grantees were offered an opportunity to get a micro-grant for organizational audit based on Non-profit Index methodology, developed by a consulting firm Consulting Society Ryszard Stocki. Non-profit Index covers 4 main areas: human resource development, management (strategic, marketing, project management), fundraising and financial management, social outreach. In 2005, 16 organizations received micro-grants for audits, and 13 of them received micro-grants for second round of audit in 2006.

In 2006, a group of organizations interested in pooling resources for joint investment decided to choose an offer by the Fund Management Corporation *Opera TFI* which designed a special investment tool for NGOs – the Opera NGO Special Open-Ended Investment Fund. The NGO Fund was registered in February 2006 with 18 organizations joining it with total amount of PLN 13,46 million. In 2006, the income on investment was 28,41%.

Program was financed from a grant by the Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe and Stefan Batory Foundation's sources.

Program costs

Grants:	PLN 3 665 500
Meetings, monitoring, evaluation:	PLN 79 592,57
Operational costs:	PLN 171 422,27
TOTAL:	PLN 3 916 514,84

Equal Opportunities Program

The program assists local organizations 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 youth from low-income families based on local resources and activity. In its framework, we support local NGOs which run youth scholarship programs in their areas with the support of local government and local businesses. We offer organizations willing to run scholarship programs technical assistance in establishing and operating scholarship funds, building local coalitions, fund raising and management, cooperation with the media. The local organizations raise money for scholarship grants from local businesses, individual donors and local governments. Once a year, the organizations receive matching grants to supplement monies they have raised locally. Local scholarship programs run by the organizations 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 learning aids, 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 September 2006, thanks to the cooperation with Nestlé Poland two new organizations joined the project from places where Nestle has its locations. These were: *Education for Future* Association from Namysłów and Students Sport Club Dąbrówka-Kargowa from Kargowa. Scholarship grants made by these organization in the past year were financed exclusively from Nestle donation.

Talent for Talent

Gifted children are found everywhere – in big cities and in remote provincial regions. But those who live in the province are underprivileged – poverty, distance to the library or a good school. Foundation Family in Sławno is trying to give equal opportunities. It joined the Batory Foundation Equal Opportunity – Local Scholarship Program running its own scholarship program Talent for Talent. In order to get a scholarship young people must meet four conditions: good school grades, an outstanding record in a given field (sport, culture, aptitude competitions), low income in the family, and work for others. It is important because such work teaches responsibility and engages people in the work for those in need. – A scholarship is not a handout – said the mother of Patrycja, one of the scholarship recipients. – The children work very hard for the money through social work, education, and participation in competitions.

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In 2006, the project involved 38 organizations from 16 provinces. They raised PLN 890 696 in their communities. This amount increased by grants awarded by the Stefan Batory Foundation from donations by companies, institutions and private donors in the total amount of PLN 636 000 supported 1482 monthly scholarships for children and youth in the school year 2006/2007.

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. We offer these organizations grants for activities that make it easier for disabled children to acquire knowledge and skills, enable them to participate in cultural and artistic events, and contribute to integration with their peers and community

In 2006, we made grants to NGOs conducting therapeutic and educational activities for disabled children in locations with a population below 40 000. We funded 36 therapeutic and integration activity projects that involved cooperation with the local community, the participation of volunteers, parents and assistants of disabled children.

Our Own Cartoon

The Friends of Chodzież Association invited disabled youth to take part in the Our Own Cartoon project. Participants produce a cartoon starring their own character. To prepare for the production well, they attend a number of workshops to become familiar with scriptwriting, scene setting, photography, animation, sound, and editing. The work on the cartoon will be documented using a camera. Stills from the process will be shown at a special exhibition, while a movie will be presented in the Chodzież Culture Center and passed on to the regional cable television and the local branch of the public television TVP3.

Donors Advised Funds

Apart from running its own grant programs, the Foundation also administers funds entrusted by companies and individuals. These funds, one-year, multi-year and perpetual, are created on the basis of donation agreements between a company or an individual donor and the Foundation. On the basis of the agreement the Foundation uses the entrusted funds to support projects, institutions and social initiatives that fall in the sphere of its program activity and the donor's interest.

Commercial Union Charitable Fund

For the past eleven 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 2006, from the Commercial Union's funds we made 23 grants for integration and education of disabled children projects (see the list of grants of the Equal Opportunity Program – Rainbow Academy section). The Foundation manages also Commercial Union Charitable Fund used to finance endeavors identified by the donor, involving support for the sick and needy people, as well as support to educational projects (see the list of grants of the Equal Opportunity Program – Donors Advised Funds).

K Fund

In 2004, the Foundation received a donation of GBP 51 232 from a sponsor in Great Britain aimed to provide equal educational and cultural opportunities for children and youth. These resources were de-



posited in a three-year Fund which in 2006, pursuant to the will of the donor, was used to increase funds for scholarships for secondary school students operated in the framework of Equal Opportunity Program – Local Scholarship Programs.

M Fund

In 2002, thanks to a donation made to the Foundation by a private donor, an endowed donor advised Fund was established. Income generated by the Fund is annually spent for various forms of assistance to needy children. In 2006, M Fund earnings were used to finance or co-finance 13 grants for integration and education of disabled children projects (for the list of grants see Equal Opportunity – Rainbow Academy section). Moreover, pursuant to 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. In 2006, 26 grants were made of the value of PLN 36 000 (for the list of grants see Equal Opportunity Program – Donors Advised Funds).

Helen and Peter Maxwell Fund

Since 2004, the Foundation has been receiving an annual sum of USD 30 000 from Mr. and Mrs. Peter Maxwell from the United States for the Windows of Opportunity Program, aiming to provide equal educational opportunities for children and youth from Siedlce town and county. The program is run by the Hans Ch. Kofoed Association for Social Welfare, Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration in Siedlce, with the participation of Siedlce county and town local governments. In the framework of the program, financed in 2/3 from Maxwell Fund resources, an annual competition is organized for the purchase of computers for primary and junior high schools in Siedlce town and county. In 2006, thanks to the program, 12 schools received 57 computers, 38 of them were bought from the Maxwell Fund.

Beata Pawlak Fund

This fund was established from a donation of PLN 99 390,69 bequeathed by the deceased Beata Pawlak, Polish journalist and writer killed in a terrorist attack on Bali in 2002. As requested by the donor, the Fund awards an annual prize to an author of an article or publication on foreign cultures, religions and civilizations (for more see the Civil Society Program section).

Equal Opportunity – Local Scholarship Program was financed from 1% personal income tax payments donated to the Foundation (PLN 340 890), donations from Fund K set up by a private donor (PLN 224 110), the Open Society Institute's grant (PLN 41 000), donation by Nestle Poland (PLN 30 000) and donations from individuals (PLN 16 182). Equal Opportunity – Rainbow Academy Program was financed from a donation by Agora Foundation (PLN 100 000) Commercial Union Poland (PLN 85 000) and income from M Fund established by a private donor (PLN 84 440).

Program costs

Grants:	PLN 1 050 420
Trainings:	PLN 18 051,32
Operating costs	PLN 26 447,71
TOTAL:	PLN 1 094 919,03



Program for Tolerance

The aim of this program designed for 2006–2008 is to support groups and organizations that strive to foster attitudes of tolerance and openness toward various racial, ethnic and religious differences and counteract intolerance and xenophobia.

In 2006 we ran two grantmaking schemes:

The Shared and the Different

We supported educational and cultural activities that recall history and rediscover roots of a multi-national Poland (especially local and Polish-Jewish history), protect common cultural heritage, disarm prejudices and stereotypes on other nations and religions. Through awarding grants for projects carried out mainly in provincial areas and targeting young people we want to assist their authors in the realization of their ideas and help to build a network of civic organizations and communities that attempt to deal with the problem of tolerance and multiculturalism attracting and engaging local people.

Mosaic: meeting – tolerance – acceptance

In order to get from Lodz Fabryczna to the meeting place for children from the Lodz district of Baluty – participants of the Mosaic project – one must walk through the streets that used to be the borders of the Lodz ghetto. And even though they take that route nearly every day, they found out of its history only during one of the first meetings organized as part of the project. A short lecture on the history of Lodz Jews, their festivities and customs, was supposed to help embrace this unfamiliar subject. They spread out a map of the ghetto on the park lawn. Their fingers traveled around the streets and squares, they were surprised to learn those had once been a part of the ghetto and today they are their meeting places, seen everyday from the windows of their homes. Then a workshop was organized: What does it mean to be different? Each of the participants was 'excluded' for some reason for one day – because of black eyes, fair hair, being too short or having too big feet. They could feel firsthand how stereotypes and prejudices are born. A trick was devised to encourage the group to rediscover their city: they journeyed through it with cameras, looking for traits of Jewish history, memorial plaques, buildings that survived the war, white marks on the pavement put there last year by Israeli and Polish youths in order to mark the ghetto borders. In the culture center, they put the pictures on the walls. Some were funny, some touching, others provoked comments and questions. The goal of the workshops was to open the group to diversity. The author of the project assumed that due to their common experience they will be more understanding and will not repeat senselessly what is said of Germans, Russians, or Jews in their homes, among their peers, or what can be read on Lodz walls. And it seems the program worked. One of the boys received an 'A' for his paper on the history of Jews, another stopped writing Widzew Club-Jewish Club on the walls, one of the girls wrote a school paper to condemn anti-Semitic attitudes, while another showed a film from the workshops in class and talked about the project.

In the first edition of the grant competition 128 organizations sent the letters of intent. The authors of 28 of them were invited to the two-days workshops in Warsaw. The workshops combined experience



sharing and elaboration on the projects with art presentation and discussions with authors of projects of similar themes. Out of 28 project proposals qualified to the second stage of the competition 17 were awarded with grants. Apart from that, two other projects presented outside the two-stage grant competition procedure received grants from a separate reserve fund.

The partners of Foundation in the projects are: ‘ę’ Society for Creative Initiatives and *Encounters Association for Education and Culture*.



Preventing Intolerance

In 2006 we launched a call for proposals for organizations that monitor, document and denounce instances of intolerance, xenophobia and anti-Semitism as well as run research projects related to these problems. Our aim is to expand the volume and scope of initiatives that directly address all manifestations of intolerance and contribute to the development and increase of professionalism of organizations conducting such activities. Out of 33 letters of intent sent in the first stage of the competition we invited 8 organizations to develop full proposals. Eventually, 3 of them received two-year grants for projects to be implemented in 2007–2008. The grants will be used for research on the scale and instances of intolerance in the media and in other spheres of public life, documentation of the acts of racism-driven violence, dissemination of information regarding such acts and undertaking intervention and mobilizing public opinion to react and protest against them.

Program was financed from grants by the Ford Foundation and the Open Society Institute.

Program costs

Grants:	PLN 488 800
Operational costs:	PLN 50 240
TOTAL:	PLN 539 040



Legal Education Program

The goal of the program is to initiate and support projects aimed to increase public legal awareness, promote knowledge and information on legal issues, develop legal culture, and assist citizens in application of the legal tools to protect their rights. We assist organizations that provide specialized counsel to the most vulnerable or socially discriminated groups. We strive to promote knowledge about legal instruments that enable citizens to claim their rights and defend against all forms of abuse of power by the state and local authorities. We support initiatives that contribute to increase the efficiency of the judiciary system and enhance the legal education of the citizens.

During 2006, we focused primarily on supporting activities that enhance citizens access to legal knowledge and information. We continued our support to the Citizens Advice Bureaus, in which trained advisers provide free-of-charge information and legal counsel in the field of the penal law, the labor law, refugee laws, consumer laws, and patient rights to individuals who cannot afford professional legal assistance. We made core support grants to 27 Citizens Advice Bureaus. Moreover, we made grants to 25 organizations dealing with specialist legal advisory for discriminated groups and people who are in a difficult life situation.

Advice for free

Giving solid information and communicating it in a clear and easy way is the main goal of the Citizens Advice Bureau launched last week. People can come to the bureau at Mickiewicza Street 29 with private and official matters. – Those can be problems related to family, residential, employment, unemployment, welfare, or even detainment matters – said Wałbrzych Citizens Advice Bureau's director, Wanda Bielanska. The offer is addressed mainly to people who feel helpless in difficult life situations. They are unable to get through the complicated web of legal provisions. They do not know what rights they have, while legal counsel fees are too high. The Bureau's personnel guarantee impartiality and confidentiality of information. – We do not give our opinions on the client's actions. We apply the principle of the client's best interest – Bielanska said. In practice, it is as follows: people who would like to use Bureau's services are invited to a meeting with the consultant, who diagnoses the problem and after consultation with a professional presents all the possible solutions and their consequences to the client. It is the client who makes the final decision as to which of the solutions will be best. – Advice is based on the information system already operating at the Citizens Advice Bureaus, compliant with the regulations. We also use the knowledge of specialists in a given field. We cooperate with the County Labor Office, the City Family Aid Center, and the Social Insurance Board – explains the director. – We're convinced the Bureau will provide good service to the residents. Forty-two people have already benefited from our assistance – said Katarzyna Suszko, responsible for the first client contacts. Bureau was opened thanks to the financial support of the city of Wałbrzych. – We have also got funding from the Batory Foundation and the World Bank – said Wanda Bielańska. The Citizens' Rights Ombudsman has assumed its patronage over the Bureau.

Wiadomości Wałbrzyskie, Kłodzko, May 22, 2006

In 2006, we continued also our support for organizations running the Youth Civic Rights Academy that offers all-year courses for high school students on human and civic rights. Eight such organizations were given grants.

Last year, in cooperation with the Polish Section of the International Commission of Jurists and the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, we launched a project of public scrutiny of candidates to Constitutional Tribunal. We monitored the selection procedure, taking part in the sittings of the Parliamentary Justice and Human Rights Commission and analyzing the regulations and practice for the selection of judges. The project involved also: publication of the candidates' profiles compiled on the basis of available materials (cvs, academic achievements, public statements, published legal opinions, and a specially designed objective questionnaire) on the Internet site www.monitoringsewdziow.org.pl and their distribution to the media and among the parliamentarians, examination of the candidacies in the context of legal requirements for this position, organization of public hearings of the candidates with the participation of legal circles and media.

Tribunal likely paralyzed?

– There are no candidates and the deadline for submissions may be missed. In Ukraine, for 1,5 year the Parliament blocked the works of the Constitutional Tribunal by not appointing its judges. The situation could be dangerous if such an act of political manipulation took place in Poland – said Professor Andrzej Zoll during yesterday's conference at the Batory Foundation.

Three NGOs: Batory Foundation, Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, and Polish Section of International Commission of Jurists announced they would monitor the process of selecting the judges of the Constitutional Tribunal. – There should be a public debate on the candidates for one of the most important organ in the state that monitors the legislative and judiciary authorities and keeps watch of civic rights – said Zbigniew Lasocik from the Commission of Jurists. – It may turn out the debate will be impossible if candidacies are submitted at the last minute – added Łukasz Bojarski of the Helsinki Foundation.

– Today we are sending letters to the speaker of the Parliament and chairpersons of parliamentary clubs with the request to present the candidates in order to allow the debate to take place – said Grzegorz Wiaderek of the Batory Foundation. What should the debate look like? – So far information on the candidates was reduced to their bios. We want to gather more information on the candidates, organize their public hearings during which journalists and others may ask their opinions on various important matters.

Gazeta Wyborcza, October 5, 2006

With an intent to help the activities aimed to improve the functioning of the judiciary we supported Association of Polish Judges *Iustitia* that implement the program *Efficient court – efficient judge*, which in a comprehensive way analyzes the work on an individual judge and prepares detailed recommendations for improvements.

Program was financed from a grant by the Open Society Institute.

Program costs

Grants:	PLN 608 136,01
Implementation of projects:	PLN 25 197,35
Operating costs:	PLN 96 301,71
TOTAL:	PLN 729 635,07



Anti-Corruption Program

The goal of the program is to build the trust toward public institutions, to shape the social awareness and to make the public more sensitive to the various aspects and forms of corruption. We initiate and support the civic movement for increased transparency in public life and implement educational projects aimed at changing people's attitude toward corruption. We monitor the activities of authorities, both on the local and central levels, and promote legislative changes that ensure public participation in decision making, guarantee transparency of decision-making processes and protection from corruption practices.

In 2006 we realized the following projects:

Corruption barometer. *Everyday corruption experiences of Poles* report

Each year, the Foundation commissions a public opinion poll on the basis of which an indicator called the 'corruption barometer' is established. By asking the same questions every year we study changes in society's attitude towards the problem and scale of corruption. Together with the poll, we conduct in-depth research on corruption problems in specific aspects of social life. So far, these have concerned corruption in: everyday life, the public health service, local governments, business, the legislative process, the judiciary. In this year's seventh poll we supplemented the usual questions about most corrupt areas of public life and the ranking of corruption among social problems with the questions asked during first poll in November 2000. We were interested how much opinions on corruption and corrupt behavior have changed in Polish society.

The research recorded very significant changes in the social perception and attitudes. Over the past six years, respondents had pointed out politicians (operatives, councilors, parliamentarians) as the most corrupt social groups. In 2006, 53% of respondents pointed to a different group – healthcare workers. Another important change was a drop of declarations of the respondents' own involvement in corrupt practices: only 9% of those polled admitted to having given a bribe, while in previous years the percentage oscillated between 14 and 17%. The proportion of those who admitted to know someone accepting bribes dropped from 30% in 2000 to 18% in 2006 and the percentage of those who declared they were offered a bribe remained stable at 6–7%. However, there is a significant growth of the group of people for whom giving a bribe is a routine occurrence: in 2000 13% of those polled said they would give bribes five or more times a year, while in 2006 the proportion grew to 21%. The number of 'pragmatic' bribes, given to speed up or cheapen a given procedure, also rose from 51% to 56%. The proportion of those who said it was the only way to have things done dropped from 42% to 36%. Cash continues to be the dominant form of corruption (81%), with amounts staying at low levels. The report was posted on the Foundation's website: www.batory.org.pl/korupcja and was presented at the conference with the participation of sociologists and the media.



Monitoring of electoral promises

The project is run by the Anti-Corruption Coalition of NGOs which includes Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Social Communication Foundation, Center for Citizenship Education, School of Leaders Association and the Anti-Corruption Program of the Stefan Batory Foundation. The goal of the project that has been run since 2001 is to check how politicians elected in parliamentary elections fulfill their election promises regarding the fight against corruption and the work for the improvement of the standards of public life.

On September 22, 2006, we organized a conference evaluating the fulfillment of political parties' commitments to fight corruption made during the election campaign in 2005. During the conference members of the Anti-Corruption Coalition of NGOs presented the information on the projects of bills drafted in relation to the promises made by political parties of the current term of the Parliament and on violations of the law and ethical norms by representatives of political parties. The presentations were supplemented by a sociological report *Social image of parliamentary parties on the issue of corruption* and a discussion on the fulfillment of political parties commitments to fight corruption with the participation of: Mirosława Grabowska, Ph.D. (Philosophy and Sociology Faculty of the Warsaw University, a board member of the Batory Foundation), Prof. Andrzej Zoll (Law Faculty of the Jagiellon University) and Michał Karnowski (commentator, Newsweek). A written opinion by Prof. Edmund Wnuk-Lipiński (Collegium Civitas) was also read out. The media patronage over the event was provided by TVN 24 and radio TOK FM.

Monitoring presidential election campaign finance

The goal of the monitoring effort was to control the sources of financing and the expenditures of election committees of presidential candidates in 2005. As part of the project, we analyzed the donations, public fundraisers, and expenditures of the committees on their media campaigns, propaganda materials, and election fests. After the election we checked the financial reports submitted to the State Electoral Commission. On May 19, 2006, we presented a report prepared in cooperation with the Institute of Public Affairs that summed up the monitoring of the financing of the presidential campaign. The report discussed in details the income and expenditures of election committees, the role of the State Electoral Commission and actions it took. One of the most important recommendations of the report was an urgent need to amend the presidential election laws. The presentation of the report was accompanied by the discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of the legal regulations in Poland and the practice of financing residential campaign. Representatives of the State Electoral Commission and election committees took part in the discussion. Several extensive press publications appeared on the basis of the report, describing irregularities in the last presidential campaign. The information included in the report was also used, sometimes improperly, by election committees that have been accusing one another of illegal campaign financing.

Unbelievable expenditures

The verification of the financial reports of the autumn presidential campaign showed that candidates for the highest office in the state and their aides hide and try to conceal expenses for the election fight. The Stefan Batory Foundation, which monitored the campaign, revealed the final report on the election finances. It shows the financial reports sent to the State Electoral Commission, which claim the committees have not exceeded the statutory limits of spending at 13,8 mln zlotys, are fictitious.

Gazeta Prawna, May 22, 2006



Monitoring local election campaign finances

In June 2006 we launched a project of monitoring local election campaign finances. Our aim was to enable public scrutiny of financing sources and spending of election committees behind the candidates in the local government elections. We monitored the sources of revenue of the election committees behind candidates for city mayors, in particular from the point of view of the usage of the public funding, as well as the analysis of donations and expenditures for media campaign, propaganda materials, and election fests. Fifteen individuals from NGOs and student organizations trained by the Foundation took part in the project. Their task was to monitor local election campaigns and to prepare and present the results of the monitoring in their localities. The initial results were presented in November and December.

Monitoring legislative procedure

The quality of legislation and the transparency of the legislative process are crucial for reducing corruption in Poland. In 2006, we decided to take advantage of the Lobbying Act adopted in 2005 which provides a legal and more formalized framework for all interested parties (civic organizations included) to participate in the legislative process as a representative of public interest, and monitor the legislative process of some of the bills discussed in the Parliament. Our goal is to make the legislation consider the public interest and to check whether or not the lobbying act encourages greater transparency of the legislative process and the protection from non-legal influences.

The project was launched in January 2006 by the seminar *Lobbying and advocacy efforts of NGOs in the light of new legal regulations* organized together with the Institute of Public Affairs. A legal opinion on the Lobbying Act in the legislative process and its influence on the situation of non-governmental organizations was presented by Prof. Marek Zubik. Opinions about the new legal regulations were presented by Jan Jakub Wygnański (Forum on Non-governmental Initiatives) and Artur Zawisza, MP (Law and Justice party). In the panel of experts: Tomasz Sadowski (*Barka* Foundation), Ewa Kulik-Bielińska (Donors Forum), Danuta Przywara (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights) and Maciej Grabowski (Gdańsk Institute for Market Research) expressed their views on the new draft.

In 2006, we monitored the legislative process of five bills important from the point of view of increased transparency of public life. In line with the procedure adopted in the Lobbying Act we formulated our objections to the solutions proposed and submitted them to the legislator: the government or the Parliament. In several cases our representatives were invited to sittings of the Parliamentary subcommittees where they could present their opinions about the bills, as well as to committee sittings, where they could listened to the discussion of parliamentarians. Three of the bills that we monitored last year were passed by the Parliament: the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau Act, Civil Service Act submitted by MPs, and Financial Supervision Act submitted by the cabinet. Work on the two other cabinet bills on the change of the Public Procurement Act and on the Medical Products Registration Office will continue in 2007. At the end of the year we prepared a report on the project's realization which includes conclusions and recommendations for the changes of the Lobbying Act and the practice of the legislative process.

Only fish don't take bait? contest for journalists

In 2006, we organized the seventh edition of the competition for investigative journalists *Only fish don't take bait?* We received 88 pieces by 37 journalists from 13 nationwide, regional, and local publications, two from radio broadcasters and one from a television station. The jury made up of journalists and academics: Magdalena Bajer (columnist), Krzysztof Bobiński (PISM), Teresa Bogucka (columnist), Marek Czyżewski (Łódź University), Prof. Marcin Król (Warsaw University), Stanisław Mocek, (Collegium Civitas)



and the representative of the Rural Development Foundation – Justyna Duriasz-Bułhak and the U.S. Embassy – Janusz Buszyński awarded five prizes:

First prize (PLN 8 640)

Daniel Zieliński from TVN television for the program *Heartless cardiologist* that revealed the mechanisms of abuse of fight against corruption that led to unfair accusations and slander. The jury recognized the matter was taken up despite the mass condemnation in the media and the program led to the discovery of the real wrongdoer.

Two second prizes (PLN 6 170 each)

Bertold Kittel of *Rzeczpospolita* daily for a series *The first chairman who enjoys a minister's trust* for a thorough and consequent investigation and fulfilment of the mission of the media to check competence and honesty of individuals appointed to public posts.

Michał Kopiński of *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily for *The Szczecin patient* story that revealed the bribery mechanism in a hospital. The jury recognized the author's outstanding professional skills.

Third prize (PLN 3 700)

Maciej Samcik and **Bogdan Wróblewski** of *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily for the articles: *SKOK – family business or public mission* and *SKOKs and police*. The jury recognized the perseverance in handling of the issue and treating journalism as a service in the public interest.

Local press prize (PLN 4 000) funded by the Rural Development Foundation

Piotr Wróbel of *Nowiny – Gazeta Codzienna* daily for the article *Who is to control the border guards* and fulfilment of the local press mission through the monitoring of ties on the local level that are capable of surviving any change of authorities.

I, II and III prizes were funded by the American Embassy and the Stefan Batory Foundation. The Rural Development Foundation funded the local press prize.

Medical Task Force

Since 2001 the Medical Task Force operating in the framework of the program has been undertaking actions for changes in the healthcare system and in the community of health care professionals. In April 2006, the Task Force organized a seminar devoted to the evaluation of experiences in the implementation of legal regulations pertaining to the organization of lists of patients waiting for underfunded medical services. The following individuals spoke of the experiences in the introduction and functioning of the newly adopted system of monitoring the waiting time: Jacek Grabowski (vice-president of the National Health Fund), Tomasz Gellert (director of the public administration, healthcare and foreigners rights protection unit of the Citizens' Rights Ombudsman), Wiktor Górecki (manager of the analytical unit of the Healthcare Information Center) and Andrzej Strug (Center for the Organization and Economics of the Healthcare Sector). The meeting was moderated by a member of the Medical Task Force, Adam Kozierkiewicz, the author of the civic initiative for the organization of lists of patients who wait for underfunded medical procedures.

In 2006, together with *Rzeczpospolita* daily, the monthly *Zdrowie* and the Internet portal *Eskulap* we organized a survey on the legal and organizational solutions that stimulate corrupt behavior. The Task Force members opined about a dozen legal documents sent to them for consultation by the Health Ministry. They submitted critical remarks on several of them, including on the Act on the Medical Products Registration Office.



Legal counsel

Since 2000, we have been providing a legal counseling for people who have encountered corruption. In 2006, we received 130 cases and dealt with over half of them. Actions taken by us included: 5 interventions to prosecutor's offices calling for the initiation of preparatory or case supervision proceedings, 20 interventions to courts and other public institutions and official bodies, 12 statements, positions and motions to receive information under the public information regulations, 8 replies to questions on the legal status or the legality of situations presented by journalists, private individuals and local government officers. Several dozen individuals who reported problems that did not fall within the scope of our activity were directed to University Students' Legal Clinics.

Seminar on anti-corruption agencies in Europe

On May 12, 2006, we held a seminar during which several specialists from Europe discussed the structure, tasks, and functioning of anti-corruption agencies operating in selected European countries. The panelists included: Jean-Pierre Buebo of French Central Office for Corruption Prevention, Povilas Malakauskas, director of Lithuanian Special Investigative Office, and Mariusz Kamiński, Polish cabinet plenipotentiary for the development of the program aimed at fighting irregularities in public offices. The foreign guests described the legal, organizational and financial structure of their agencies, the system of their supervision and control, as well as the rights and duties of their officers. They also shared their experience on the agencies achievements and failures. Mariusz Kaminski presented the framework of the Central Anti-Corruption Office project that was supposed to be established by the Parliament later this year. In the discussion that followed the panelists' presentations the participants agreed that the fight against corruption could not be limited to police action. Foreign experts in particular stressed the importance of anti-corruption education.

Program was financed from a grant by the Open Society Institute and the United States Embassy.

Program costs

Prizes in journalists contest:	PLN 24 680
Projects' implementation:	PLN 425 200,69
TOTAL:	PLN 449 880,69



International Cooperation Program

The aim of the program is to support active EU policies towards new neighbors in the East, strengthen civil society in Central and Eastern Europe, initiate as well as participate in the debate on international issues in Poland and on the European forum.

In 2006, the situation in the countries of Eastern Europe was increasingly diverse, as demonstrated by the elections in Belarus and Ukraine. On the one hand, we witnessed presidential elections in Belarus that took place amid violations of the fundamental rules of democracy. On the other hand, we had fair parliamentary elections in Ukraine that demonstrated stability of the democratic changes initiated by the Orange Revolution. The picture of the situation in Eastern Europe was completed by growing autocratic tendencies in Russia that manifested themselves i.a. by the new law on non-governmental organizations that limited the freedom of their operations. The foreign policy of Russia, both toward CIS countries and the European Union, was increasingly assertive. Inside the European Union a crisis of the constitutional treaty continued. In many member states a resistance toward further enlargement of the Community has been growing.

Trying to address the above challenges, we focused our efforts in 2006 on supporting pro-democratic tendencies in the countries of our eastern neighbors and on advocating for a common EU policy toward those countries based on the concept of a friendly border and good neighborhood. Such were the aims of the projects of experience sharing with Ukrainian centers of European information and representatives of the Ukrainian public administration, the Polish-German expert seminar on the European Neighborhood Policy, conferences, discussions and meetings in several capitals of Europe during which we presented recommendations and propositions for a common EU policy toward Belarus, as well as actions geared towards the liberalization of the visa policy of the Community toward citizens of Eastern Europe. An important addition to our actions in this field was the recruitment of independent observers and the monitoring of elections in Belarus, Ukraine, and Tajikistan.

In view of the deteriorating official relations between Poland and Russia, the hostile rhetoric of the administrations of both countries, and the rapid decline of the number of informal contacts and cooperation of both societies, we decided to undertake activities that may contribute to the enlivening of interest in Russia in wider circles of the Polish society and to avert the return of old bias and stereotypes. With this in mind, we organized two international conferences: on modern Russia, with the participation of outstanding Russian and Western experts on Russian affairs, and on Russian-Ukrainian relations and their influence on the policy of Ukraine toward the Union, with the participation of politicians and experts from Russia, Poland, and Ukraine. The latter was accompanied by workshops for young political scientists from the three countries. A third international conference, devoted to the relations with our Western neighbor,



presented the directions of German domestic and foreign policy in the context of the changes after the 2005 election and discussion in the European Union.

Our activities in 2006 were carried out in the framework of the following projects:

New European Union and Ukraine

The aim of the project we had run since 2002 was to evaluate relations between the European Union and Ukraine, analyze the influence EU enlargement on these relations and recommend possible strategies and solutions for the relations between the new EU and Ukraine.

We continued our efforts aimed to promote the idea of European integration in Ukraine. With financial support from the Foreign Ministry and in cooperation with the Office of the Committee for European Integration we carried out a series of seminars, conferences, study visits and meetings under the common name *Ukraine on the path toward EU*. We organized an eight-day study visit in Poland for employees of Ukrainian centers of European information and a three-day conference in Kyiv for representatives of 30 centers on European education. During the study visit our guests took part in a three-day training session on the most important aspects of functioning of the EU, run by employees of the Office of the Committee for European Integration. They also attended a series of meetings with Polish organizations experienced in implementation of European information and educational projects, including regional centers for European information in Białystok and Płock. In a conference organized in cooperation with the Ukrainian Renaissance Foundation in Kyiv 30 representatives of Ukrainian European information centers learnt about Polish experiences in running EU information campaigns and about strategic planning of European information centers' operations.

Another element of this activity focused on experience sharing between representatives of Polish and Ukrainian public administration in charge of *Judiciary and Internal Affairs* and *Competition Polic*. During two meetings in Warsaw and one in Kyiv we organized trainings for public officers as well as consultations of legal acts pertaining to harmonization of Ukrainian law to *acquis communautaire* in the above fields. In October, a group of officers from Ukraine met their Polish colleagues in the Ministries of Internal Affairs and Administration, Foreign Affairs, Economy, Finance, and the Office for the Committee of European Integration, Foreigners and Repatriation Office, and the Headquarters of the Border Guard. As a result of the meetings, a set of recommendations were developed for the implementation of the EU-Ukraine Action Plan. The recommendations, written and published in the Ukrainian version, were distributed through Ukrainian participants of the project to all interested parties in Kyiv. In November, during two conferences in Kyiv, the participants of the project discussed Polish experiences of harmonizing the rules of public aid to the requirements of the EU laws and on Polish migration policy. The last meeting summarizing the project was held in Warsaw in mid-December.

Moreover, in the framework of *New European Union and Ukraine* project we organized the following:

Ukraine: how to live with Russia? Russia: how to live with Ukraine?

Conference, Warsaw, April 3, 2006

Immediately after the elections to the Ukrainian Supreme Council we organized a conference on the current state and future of Ukrainian-Russian relations. The panelists included: Anna Górska (Eastern Studies Center), Andriy Yermolayev (Center for Social Studies *Sofija*), Irina Kobrinskaya (Institute for World Economy and International Relations), Oles Lisnychuk (Institute for Political and National Research), Maksim Meyer (Duma Committee on CIS), Vladimir Milov (Energy Policy Institute), Andrzej Nowak (Jagiellonian University), Andrei Riabov (Moscow Carnegie Center), Adam Daniel Rotfeld (Polish Institute for International Affairs),



Alexander Sushko (Center for Peace, Conversion and Foreign Policy), Olena Witer (Energy Policy Council), Konstantin Zatulin (CIS Countries Institute, Duma deputy). The conference was attended by some 130 people.

Workshops for young researchers from Poland, Russia, and Ukraine Warsaw, April 4, 2006

Together with the Moscow Carnegie Center and the International Renaissance Foundation from Kyiv we organized workshops for 13 young researchers from Poland, Russia and Ukraine devoted to the political and socio-economic problems in Eastern Europe, with particular emphasis on Ukraine-Russia relations and the European integration context. Workshops were run by: Jan Hofmøkl (Office for the Committee of European Integration), Andrei Riabov and Sam Greene (Carnegie Center), Grzegorz Gromadzki and Wojciech Konończuk (Batory Foundation).

***A new impulse for the European Neighborhood Policy* Experts' seminar, Berlin, October 10–11, 2006**

Some 30 experts and politicians from Germany and Poland took part in the seminar organized in cooperation with the German Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik. Among the participants was Günter Gloser, the deputy foreign minister of Germany. The participants discussed the future of the EU's policy toward eastern neighbors.

Publications

In 2006, we published the following titles in cooperation with our partners:

- *Ukraine: how to live with Russia? Russia: how to live with Ukraine? Ukrainian-Russian relations in 2006 and the nearest future*
- *Questionable Achievement: EC – Ukraine Visa Facilitation Agreement*

European choice for Belarus

The project, conducted since 2002, focuses on consolidating independent Belarusian pro-reform circles to build common democratic foundations in their country and to introduce to the international debate an issue of EU policy towards Belarus. In 2006, a year important because of the Belarusian presidential election, we organized a number of conferences and discussions in Warsaw, Brussels, Prague, Budapest, Bratislava, and Berlin. The goal was to stimulate the Polish and European discussion on the situation in Belarus and the possible changes in the country.

***Belarus and its neighbors* Conference, Warsaw, January 25, 2006**

In cooperation with the Center for International Relations, we organized a conference on the situation in Belarus and the perspectives for democratic change in the country. Among the panelists were: Jan Henrik Amberg (Foreign Affairs Ministry of Sweden), Bronisław Komorowski (deputy speaker of the Parliament, Warsaw), Ake Peterson (OSCE in Minsk), Claude Veron-Reville (a representative of the European Commission), Paweł Zalewski (chairman of the Parliament Foreign Affairs Committee, Warsaw), as well as Polish, Belarusian and Russian political scientists and representatives of Polish non-government organizations. Alexander Milinkevich, the presidential candidate of the united Belarusian opposition, was a special guest of the conference. More than 170 people took part in the meeting.



Belarus before presidential elections: what should Europe do?

Debate, Brussels, January 26, 2006

The participants of the debate on the situation in Belarus before the presidential election and the EU policy toward Belarus included: Janusz Onyszkiewicz (vice-president of the European Parliament), Pirkka Tapiola (adviser to Javier Solana, the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union), Lubos Vesely (International Affairs Association, Prague), Grzegorz Gromadzki (Batory Foundation), Agnieszka Komorowska (Batory Foundation), Andre Wilkens (Open Society Institute, Brussels). During the meeting we presented the report *Actively and Jointly*. EU toward Belarus prepared in cooperation with the International Affairs Association from Prague. The debate was organized together with the Center for European Policy Studies (CEPS) from Brussels and the Brussels office of the Open Society Institute. Some 50 people took part in the debate.

Awakening? Before the presidential elections in Belarus

Discussion of experts, Warsaw, March 9, 2006

Ten days before the presidential elections in Belarus, we organized a discussion with Belarusian experts and journalists, as well as analysts from Poland and the Czech Republic. The panelists: Svetlana Kalinkina (*Narodnaya Volya*), Ales Michalevich (BNF party, Association of Local Councillors, Minsk), Agata Wierzbowska-Miazga (Center for Eastern Studies, Warsaw), Luboš Veselý (Association for International Affairs, Prague), Ihar Lalkou (Belarusian Schuman Association, Minsk), Przemysław Żurawski vel Grajewski (University of Łódź) discussed the current situation in Belarus, possible development of political events and the EU's and EU member states' policy towards regime in Minsk. Fifty-five people participated in the debate.

After presidential elections in Belarus

Conference, Warsaw, March 24, 2006

Several days after presidential elections in Belarus, when the demonstrations of democratic opposition in Minsk were still in place, we organized a conference devoted to the evaluation of the elections and electoral campaign. The meeting was attended by: Siarhiej Alfier (Center for Constitutionalism and Comparative Legal Studies, Minsk), Andres Herkel (deputy to the Estonian Parliament, head of the commission on Belarus in the Council of Europe), Ales Dzikavitsky (Radio Svaboda, Warsaw office), Olga Karach (independent local deputy from Vitebsk), Wojciech Stanisławski (OSCE election observer, Center for Eastern Studies, Warsaw), Yaroslav Romanchuk (*Strategy Analytical Center*, Minsk), Adam Eberhardt (Polish Institute of International Affairs), Robert Tyszkiewicz (leader of the Parliamentary Group for Solidarity with Belarus, Warsaw) and Paweł Kazanecki (Eastern European Democratic Centre). 65 people attended the conference.

Belarus after the election. What is the future of Lukashenka regime?

Presentation of the report, Prague, September 21, 2006

The meeting organized in cooperation with the Association for International Affairs from Prague was attended by representatives of the Czech Foreign Ministry, experts from Belarus, the Czech Republic, and Poland. Some 30 individuals took part in the presentation of the report prepared by the Batory Foundation and Association for International Affairs.



Belarus after the election. What is the future of the Lukashenka regime?

Seminar, Budapest, September 26, 2006

Together with the International Centre for Democratic Transition from Budapest, the Association for International Affairs from Prague and the Czech Centre in Budapest we organized a seminar on the situation in Belarus after March presidential election, the EU policy towards this country as well as Belarusian-Russian relations. The meeting was held in form of an open discussion and views exchange between experts from Hungary, Poland and the Czech Republic. The panelists included: Mátyás Eörsi (Hungarian Parliament Foreign Affairs Committee), Luboš Veselý (Association for International Affairs), Istvan Gyarmati (International Centre for Democratic Transition), Grzegorz Gromadzki, Agnieszka Komorowska, Wojciech Konończuk (Batory Foundation). During the meeting a report on Belarus prepared by the Batory Foundation and Association for International Affairs was presented. About 30 people participated in the seminar.

EU and Belarus six months after the presidential election

Seminar, Bratislava, September 27, 2006

Together with the Slovak Association for Foreign Policy and the Czech Association for International Affairs we organized a seminar on the situation in Belarus after the presidential elections, the EU policy toward the country, and Belarusian-Russian relations. Some 20 experts from Slovakia, the Czech Republic and Poland took part in the discussion.

Publications

In 2006, in cooperation with our partners, we published the following titles:

- *Belarus before and after March 19 – possible scenarios*
- *After presidential elections in Belarus*
- *Belarus after elections. What is the future of Lukashenka regime?*

Friendly EU border

In the framework of the project carried out since 2002 we have been undertaking activities aimed at liberalizing the visa policy of Poland and other EU member states towards citizens of Eastern Europe and at improving the standards of border services on the EU's eastern frontier. Together with a group of non-governmental organizations from Poland, Russia, Ukraine and Belarus we conducted monitoring of border crossings of the enlarged EU to register the behavior of border crossing officers toward citizens from outside the Community (2002–2003), the monitoring of the Polish visa policy (2003–2004) and the monitoring of visa issuing procedures by EU member states to citizens of Eastern Europe (2005–2006). We published the results of the monitoring effort in reports distributed in Poland, EU states, Ukraine, Belarus, and Russia. The findings of the reports and the resulting recommendations are used to advocate the implementation of policy of easy access and affordable entry visas for EU Eastern neighbors.

In 2006 we completed the monitoring effort of the visa policy of eight selected countries of the European Union (Belgium, Finland, France, Lithuania, Germany, Poland, the Czech Republic, and Britain) toward citizens of Belarus, Ukraine, Russia and Moldova. Based on the analysis of surveys performed in the autumn of 2005 among 1300 applicants requesting visas at 31 EU consulates in Chisinau, Kyiv, Minsk and Moscow we prepared a report *Visa Policies of the European Union Member States* with the comparative study of the visa policies of the individual states of the Schengen area and the detailed description of the difficulties encountered by visa applicants. We also produced a policy paper with recommendations by experts, lawyers and human rights activists on the most desirable, friendly and consistent model of



EU visa policy. The report was completed just as the EU began discussions of the revision of some of the Schengen legislation (Common Consular Instructions) and became a solid basis for the advocacy efforts aimed at the facilitation of visa procedures and practices of EU countries toward citizens of Eastern Europe. Conclusions and recommendations from the research were disseminated at the public conferences and seminars, also among experts, politicians and officers in charge of formulation and implementation of the visa policy. Both publications were presented at the following venues: April 12 at the Batory Foundation, June 9 at the *Challenge* project conference in Paris, June 21 at a conference in Prague, June 26 in Minsk, July 3 in Kyiv, June 4 in Simferopol, July 20 in Odessa, July 21 in Lviv, July 25 in Chisinau, September 7 at the Economic Forum in Krynica, October 6 at the *Challenge* project conference in Brussels, November 28 at the European Parliament in Brussels, and December 1 at the European Academy in Trier, Germany. Some of our recommendations were reflected in the new regulations of the European Visa Policy, the so-called *Community Code on Visas*.

The project's participants included: Collegium Civitas and the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights from Warsaw, the Institute for Public Policy from Moldova, the Moscow Bureau for the Defense of Human Rights, the Ukrainian Center for Peace and Conversion of Foreign Policy, as well as experts and academics from the European Union: Jovita Pranevičiute of the Vilnius University, Timo Hellenberg, Ph.D., from Aleksanteri Institute in Finland, Ondrej Soukup of the Association for International Affairs in the Czech Republic, and a group of experts from the Federal Trust in Britain. We carried out advocacy efforts for the facilitation of the EU's visa procedures together with the project's partners: the Moldavian Institute for Public Policy, the Ukrainian Center for Peace and Conversion of Foreign Policy, and an NGO from Belarus.

Publications

In 2006, in cooperation with our partners, we published:

- *Visa Policies of the European Union Member States – Monitoring Report*
- *Neighbors and Visas. Recommendations for a Friendly European Union Visa Policy*

International election monitoring

Observation missions are an important factor for the development of democracy, greater transparency of the public life and the strengthening of the role of the civil society. The Batory Foundation has for years been engaged in sending election monitors, recruiting i.a. polling supervisors for OSCE missions and taking part in the preparation of the Polish Observation Mission for the presidential election in Ukraine in 2004.

In 2006, in cooperation with the Polish Foreign Ministry, we recruited observers for the OSCE mission to the presidential elections in Belarus and presidential elections in Ukraine, as well as for the observation mission for the elections in Tajikistan. It was our ambition to make the recruitment process as transparent and effective as possible, opening it for candidates from outside the small circle of the public administration, in particular for young ideological volunteers, and basing it on objective selection criteria. Among 500 candidates who applied in response to the nationwide ads we selected 40 short-term and four long-term observers for the monitoring of Belarus elections. Another 60 people from the ranking group were invited to take part in the OSCE mission for parliamentary elections in Ukraine.

In the autumn of 2006, from a grant by Foreign Ministry we organized our own observation mission for presidential elections in Tajikistan (November 6, 2006). The mission was the Polish contribution to the realization of OSCE member obligations (monitoring of the development of democracy in member states). Election and pre-election observation was carried out in two Tajik cities – Dushanbe and Khujand – and in their municipal areas. Twenty-two monitors took part in the mission, including two long-term observers.



Our observers reported repeated violations of the adopted election ordinance including badly prepared lists of voters, proxy or family voting, inappropriate voter identification, improper ballot issuance procedures, inaccurate vote counts and wrong filling of protocols by election commissions. We summarized the monitoring experience with the report in Polish, English and Russian, published on the Batory Foundation website.

Publications

In 2006 we published the following titles:

- *Polish Observation Mission. Tajikistan Presidential Elections 6 November 2006 – Preliminary Assessment*
- *Polish Observation Mission. Tajikistan Presidential Elections 6 November 2006 – Final Assessment*

Displaced cultural property

For the past four years we have been operating a project devoted to missing or displaced cultural assets, which in the result of wars and border shifts were moved to the territory of other states. We wanted to stimulate the public debate on this controversial problem that has not been discussed for years, and to lead to the development of a common position of Central and Eastern European countries on the matter. In 2006, we published a recommendation on the Polish-Ukrainian cooperation in the field of cultural artifacts and claims, and organized two public debates on the common heritage of Poland and Ukraine. We also organized an international conference on the problem of displaced cultural property in Central Europe in the years 2000–2006 and published a volume on the property restitution and cultural assets in Poland and the situation in neighboring countries.

Poland – Ukraine. Common heritage, Polish heritage, Ukrainian heritage Discussion, Warsaw, March 17, 2006

The Polish-Ukrainian meeting was devoted to the problem of common heritage in mutual relations, the definition of the term in Poland and Ukraine, its presence in the public sphere, debates of historians and the work of institutions that care for cultural property in both countries. The meeting was attended by: Dorota Folga-Januszewska (National Museum, Warsaw), Natalia Jakowenko (Kyiv-Mohylev Academy), Ewa Klekot (Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology Institute of the Warsaw University), Konstantin Novokhatski (State Archive Committee of Ukraine), Władysław Stępnia (Central Directorate of State Archives, Warsaw), Janusz Tazbir (History Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences), Borys Woźnicki (Lviv Arts Gallery). The discussion was moderated by: Bogumiła Berdychowska (Polish-Ukrainian Forum, Warsaw).

Lviv's heritage

Lviv, May 26, 2006

The Polish-Ukrainian meeting devoted to the heritage of Lviv as a heritage of many nations, including Poles, Ukrainians, and Jews. The meeting was attended by: Andrzej Biernat (Central Directorate of State Archives, Warsaw), Roman Chmelyk (Ethnography and Applied Arts, Lviv), Adolf Juzvenko (Ossolinski National Publishing House, Wrocław), Taras Paslavsky (Lviv Scientific Library), Borys Woznicki (Lviv Arts Gallery). The discussion was moderated by: Bogumiła Berdychowska (Polish-Ukrainian Forum, Warsaw), Andrij Pavlyshyn (Lvivska Gazeta).



Between Russia and Germany. The problem of displaced cultural property in Central Europe in the years 2000–2006

Warsaw, December 8–9, 2006

The conference was devoted to the current fate of the cultural property that was robbed in Europe in the years 1933–1945, starting from the takeover of power by the Nazis in Germany through the Second World War to the takeover of power by communist parties in Central and Eastern Europe. Conference was attended by ministers of cultures, experts in museum management, historians, art historians, lawyers, representatives of organizations and institutions dealing with property restitution and independent researchers from Europe, the U.S. and Israel. The discussion pertained to the goods that were the state property, as well as the property of social associations, churches and religious communes, and private individuals. Norman Palmer from Law at King's College, London delivered introductory lecture. The Conference was organized in four sessions:

I. Problem of claims in international relations in Central and Eastern Europe. Moderation: Prof. Władysław Stępnia (Central Directorate of State Archives, Warsaw). Panelists: Konstantin Akinsha (correspondent of the ARTnews magazine, Budapest), Gábor Galik (Culture and Education Ministry, Budapest), Pavel Jirásek (Culture Ministry, Prague), Serhyj Kot (Center for the Research of Problems of Return and Restitution of National Cultural Property of the National Academy of Science, Kyiv), Prof. Wojciech Kowalski (Foreign Affairs Ministry, Warsaw), Gilbert Lupfer (State Arts Collection, Dresden).

II. Problem of property restitution in Central Europe, property of churches and religious denominations. Moderation: Nawojka Cieślińska-Lobkowicz (Forum for Displaced Cultural Property at the Arts Historians Association, Warsaw-Munich). Panelists: Regine Dehnel (independent researcher, Berlin), Dorota Folga-Januszewska (National Museum, Warsaw), Attila Etian Horváth (Jewish Joint Distribution Committee - JDC, Budapest), Miloš Hošek (attorney, Prague), Jan Kudrna (Charles University, Prague), Elena-Doina Pungă (Hyperyon University, Bucharest).

III. Property of the victims of the Holocaust – legal solutions and their practical functioning in the years 2000–2006. Moderation: Prof. Feliks Tych (Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw). Panelists: Nawojka Cieślińska-Lobkowicz (Forum for Displaced Cultural Property at the Arts Historians Association, Warsaw – Munich), Ekaterina Geniyeva, (All-Russian Library of Foreign Literature Rudomino, Moscow), Charles A. Goldstein (Commission for Art Recovery – CAR, New York), Ágnes Peresztegi (attorney, Budapest), Anne Webber (Commission for Looted Art in Europe, London).

IV. Cultural property, ownership and history. Moderation: Prof. Włodzimierz Borodziej (Warsaw University, Warsaw). Panelists: Wesley A. Fisher (Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany – Claims Conference, New York), Prof. Jerzy Holzer (Political Studies Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw), Robert Kostro (Polish History Museum, Warsaw), Prof. Alvydas Nikžentaitis (Lithuanian History Institute, Vilnius).

Publications:

In 2006, we issued the following publications:

- *Private property and public good. Ownership problems and cultural assets*
- *Cultural property. Cooperation and the problem of claims in Polish-Ukrainian relations. Recommendations.*



International conferences

Putin's Russia

Conference, Warsaw, November 30, 2006

The aim of the conference was to make the Polish public more familiar with the most important problems and challenges facing Russia today. The subject of the meeting focused primarily on internal matters that are seldom discussed during public debates in Poland, as well as on Russia's role in the European and global perspective. The conference was open with a speech by Vladimir Ryzhkov, Russian Duma deputy. In three consecutive panels of the conference invited guests – outstanding experts on Russia, from Russia, Finland, France, Poland, and Britain – discussed about power in Russia, stability of the Russian political and economic system, condition of Russian society and relations between the authority and the society, Russia's place in the world and the definition of the modern Russian identity.

The panelists included: Adam Michnik (*Gazeta Wyborcza* daily) – moderator, Stanislav Belkovsky, Council on National Strategy, Moscow), Włodzimierz Marciniak (Political Studies Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw), Dmitry Oreshkin (Mercator Analytical Group, Moscow), Lilia Shevtsova (Moscow Carnegie Center), Andrzej Rychard (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences) – moderator, Alexandr Auzan (*Social Deal* National Project Institute, Moscow), Igor Klyamkin (Liberal Mission Foundation, Moscow), Arseny Roginskiy (Memorial Association, Moscow), Aleksander Smolar (Stefan Batory Foundation President) – moderator, Yuriy Fedorov (Chatham House, Britain), Marie Mendras (CNRS, Science Po, Paris) and Arkady Moshes (Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Helsinki). Panelists' statements became the basis of articles prepared for the book *Putin's Empire* to be published in 2007. The conference was attended by some 230 people.

Changes in Germany, Changes in Europe

Conference, Warsaw, October 5–6, 2006

During a two-day conference organized in cooperation with the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, invited guests – Polish and German policymakers and scholars – discussed Germany of 2006 under the rule of the new grand coalition. What kind of Europe Germany wants to build? What place in Europe the Germans see for themselves, their neighbors and partners? The conference opened by Władysław Bartoszewski, former foreign minister of Poland, was divided into three sessions:

I. Germany toward the world, Europe and neighbors. Moderator: Adam D. Rotfeld (former foreign minister of Poland), panelists: Christoph Bertram, PhD (John Hopkins University), Thomas Gutschker, PhD (*Rheinischer Merkur* daily), Hans-Ulrich Klose (Bundestag deputy, SPD), Karl Lamers (former CDU spokesman for international affairs), commentary: Marek Cichocki, PhD (European Center Natolin), Prof. Roman Kuźniar (Polish Institute for International Affairs).

II: Internal change in Germany and the European Union. Moderator: Prof. Dariusz Rosati (former foreign minister of Poland), Panelists: Marie-Luise Dött (Bundestag deputy, CDU), Prof. Meinhard Miegel (Economy and Society Institute), Prof. Claus Offe, (Humboldt University), Prof. Norbert Walter (Deutsche Bank), Commentary: Janusz Jankowiak (Polish Business Roundtable), Prof. Irena Lipowicz (Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University).

III: Identity and memory of Germany. Moderator: Prof. Stefan Meller (former foreign minister of Poland). Panelists: Prof. Dan Diner (Hebrew University), Prof. Norbert Frei (Jena University), Prof. Ute Frevert (Yale University), Joachim Gauck (Gegen Vergessen-Für Demokratie Association), Helga Hirsch (journalist). Com-



mentary: Piotr Buras, PhD (Center of International Relations, Warsaw), Adam Krzemiński (*Polityka* weekly), Kazimierz Wóycicki, PhD (National Remembrance Institute).

The conference was attended by 170 participants: politicians, experts, scholars, journalists and government officials.

Partnership projects

In 2006 we participated in the following projects implemented in coalition with other organizations:

Polish NGO Abroad

Since 2001 the Foundation has been involved in the work of a coalition of Polish NGOs operating outside Poland. The goals of the Polish NGO Abroad group include: exchange of information, cooperation with public administration, participation in shaping and implementing Polish aid policy, cooperation with related associations in other states, dissemination of information about the activity of Polish NGOs Abroad and garnering public support for their activities.

In 2006, the Foreign Group that comprises more than 40 organizations cooperated with the Foreign Affairs Ministry on the development of the strategy for the Polish development aid policy for 2007–2011 and continued its information effort on the work of Polish NGOs outside the country by publishing a special CD-ROM. It also helped NGOs from Bulgaria and Romania create similar platforms by sharing Poland's experiences.

Project Challenge

Since November 2004, the Foundation has participated in the international project *Challenge. The Changing Landscape of Liberty and Security in Europe*, financed from the EU's Sixth Framework Program. The project is carried out by a consortium of 21 partner organizations cooperating in 17 thematic areas devoted to various security policy aspects and their influence on civic freedoms. Project-related activities include scientific research and promotional campaigns. In its framework, the Batory Foundation conducts promotional activities of the EU border monitoring project and offers expert analysis on migration issues. During a seminar organized by the Utrecht University on June 2, 2006, we presented a paper on institutional cooperation on border issues in Poland. As part of the conference organized by Center for International Studies and Research (CERI) in Paris on June 8–9, 2006, we presented the results of the our EU border monitoring project. A representative of the Foundation served as a commentator during a workshop on EU borders organized by the Center for European Policy Studies (CEPS) in Brussels on October 6–7, 2006.

Program was financed from grants by the Open Society Institute, the Polish Foreign Ministry, the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Center for European Policy Studies from Brussels, Center of Liberal Strategies from Sofia and the Ford Foundation.

Program costs

Grants:	PLN 86 600
Projects' implementation:	PLN 1 515 336,06
TOTAL:	PLN 1 601 936,06

Citizens in Action Program

The program aims to support democratic changes and the development of civil society in Belarus and Ukraine. We cooperate with non-governmental organizations from Belarus and Ukraine that support grass-root initiatives, engage in building partnership between non-governmental organizations and public administration sectors and undertake civic education activities. The program involves grantmaking to Belarusian and Ukrainian non-governmental organizations, selected on the basis of open competitions or individually invited to apply for grants. Our grantees are also invited to participate in study visits, meetings and trainings organized in Belarus, Ukraine, Poland and other countries.

Regional partners competition

Our aim is to build a network of non-governmental organizations in Belarus and Ukraine engaged in supporting local civic initiatives and developing partnership between non-governmental organizations and private and public institutions. In years 2004-2006 we ran three open competitions for the program's regional partners addressed to organizations operating locally in different regions of Belarus and Ukraine. Within the competition we offered organizations interested in becoming the program's partners one and two-year grants for program activity and institutional development. With the part of the grants designated for program activity our partners launch small grants competitions for grass-root initiatives, organize information and legal counseling for citizens, engage in protection and execution of individual rights, provide civic education of young people, set up local civic activity centers, undertake efforts to secure access to information and transparency of the government administration, implement strategies aimed to boost the growth of philanthropy. Funds for institutional development are used to enhance staff, board and volunteers' skills, streamline organization's management and operations.

In the effect of all three grant competitions, 55 regional partners were selected (14 from Belarus and 41 from Ukraine). The last, third partners recruitment took place in 2006. This time the call for proposals was addressed to the organization operating in 5 regions of Belarus: Hrodna, Gomel, Minsk, Mogilev, Vitebsk and 18 regions of Ukraine: Kherson, Khmelnytsky, Cherkassy, Chernihiv, Dnipropetrovsk, Kyiv, Kirovograd, Lviv, Lugansk, Mykolayiv, Odessa, Poltava, Sumy, Ternopil, Volyn, Zakarpattia, Zaporozhye and Krym. Out of 115 organizations that sent in the letters of intent 31 were invited to the consultative-information meeting in Warsaw designed for presentation of the goals and rules of the program and individual consultations with program's coordinators. The meeting was accompanied by the financial-accounting training and a conference on different aspects of the third sector operation in Poland, Belarus and Ukraine, attended by about 70 participants, experts and representatives of NGOs from the three countries. Next, each of the applicant organizations were visited by external experts who audited its system of financial management and accounting. On the basis of final proposals submitted by the organizations and the results of financial

audit the competition jury made up of representatives of grant-making organization operating in Belarus and Ukraine, selected 22 new program's partners.

Representatives and local partners from all three competitions took part in 2 study visits in Poland and 6 trainings devoted to experience sharing and development of good practices in organization of small grant competitions, financial management and bookkeeping in NGOs. They participated also in 7 meetings aimed to discuss jointly identified problems: cooperation with local government, public administration and business, operation of Citizens Advice Bureaus, work with small informal groups, evaluation of projects' effectiveness, cooperation with volunteers, safety of the Internet users.

Advocacy

The goal of this grant scheme is to promote the idea of advocacy as an efficient tool of joint action to solve important social problems and protect the rights of individual citizens or social groups. We offer grants to Belarusian and Ukrainian organizations involved in different advocacy efforts, from grass-root initiatives to nationwide campaign. Grants are made primarily in open competitions, though individual organizations may also be invited to submit applications. We also offer trainings that prepare organizations to undertake advocacy efforts.

In 2006, we developed a concept and program of the advocacy training and selected a partner organization to coordinate and organize the course. Trainers include experts from Ukraine and consultants from Central and Eastern Europe. The trainings are addressed to all regional program partners as well as the grantees of our *Credibility and partnership* competition of 2005 in which 54 organizations received grants for promotion of their activity in the local communities and among their potential local and regional partners. The main aim of the training is to learn about the methods and instruments of advocacy and the rules and principles of planning effective advocacy campaigns. We will particularly focus on developing the skills of free use of advocacy instruments in carrying out grass-root initiatives which enable the organizations to participate in the processes of shaping and monitoring the implementation of local politics in the domains they have competence and expertise.

Civic education

As part of support of civic and European education we made grants to 5 organizations from Ukraine and Belarus to carry out projects of development of informal initiatives in the field of European education for young people, promotion of European integration and third sector research. In co-operation with International Renaissance Foundation we co-financed also two open grant competitions for local education and information initiatives on EU and development of training programs concerning European integration. Out of 81 applications submitted in the competition 14 received grants.

Program was financed from the Ford Foundation's grant.

Program costs

Grants:	PLN 2 093 176,5
Visits, meetings, consultations, monitoring:	PLN 297 968,03
Operational costs:	PLN 158 008,52
TOTAL:	PLN 2 549 153,06



Community Initiatives Partnership Program

The aim of the program is to develop cross-border cooperation of non-governmental organizations from Poland and Germany with the organizations of our Eastern neighbors: Belarus, Ukraine and Russia (Kaliningrad District). In 2004–2005 the Program was limited to the cooperation with organizations from Kaliningrad District. In 2006 its outreach was expanded to include Belarus and Ukraine. The Program is run in cooperation with Robert Bosch Foundation. Our partner in Ukraine is PAUCI Foundation from Kyiv.

In 2006, we offered grants for the implementation of trilateral cooperation projects that serve to support local and regional community initiatives in Ukraine, Belarus and Kaliningrad District, integrate these initiatives into transboundary cooperation and promote model social activities aimed to improve quality of life in the Kaliningrad District and enhance civic activity and public life engagement in Ukraine and Belarus. The grants were awarded on a competitive basis, with an international jury of experts from the countries of program's operations supervising the two-tier application assessment procedure. The applicants – partner organizations from at least three countries – developed jointly a letter of intent which presented the project's concept and contained short profiles of all organizations involved in its implementation. The authors of most interesting concepts were invited to take part in trilateral seminars that took place in September 2006 in Nasutowo (for partners from Poland, Germany and Ukraine) and Rynia (for partners from Poland, Germany, Belarus and Kaliningrad District). At these meetings they discussed and elaborated their projects, using advice of external experts and Batory and Bosch Foundations' program coordinators. Full proposals submitted by the organizations accepted to the second stage of the competition were assessed by an international panel made up of experts from Poland, Germany and the Kaliningrad District as well as program officers of both funding partners. In Poland – Germany – Ukraine competition 57 letters of intent were submitted, 16 of them were accepted to the second stage. From among 15 that submitted full proposals 8 were selected for funding. In Poland – Germany – Belarus competition out of 8 letters of intent 6 qualified to the second stage with the Jury selecting eventually 4 for funding. The implementation of projects awarded will start in 2007.

As part of six projects implemented in 2006 from grants awarded in the second edition of Poland – Germany – Kaliningrad District competition, several hundred young people from the Kaliningrad District got involved in voluntary work for the benefit of their communities. A particularly important element of the projects carried out that year was promotion of voluntarism, still underdeveloped in the Kaliningrad District. For many young people this was the first experience of this type of activity. In several schools in the District volunteer centers were established which will continue to operate also after the projects' completion.



Join in

– Four days in Poland, six in Kaliningrad, nineteen people and uncountable impressions – that is how Martin Adams, one of five German volunteers, sums up Join in project. The goal of the project – designed as a series of happenings in the streets of three Kaliningrad District's cities – was to promote voluntarism. A group of 15 experienced volunteers from Poland, Germany and Kaliningrad District decided to convey in a an unconventional way the idea of voluntary work and why it is worth to engage in the work for the benefit of others. In the first part of the project a group of volunteers met in Olsztyn to work, under the supervision of a professional drama instructor, on pantomima performance – the center of the happening. The performance was to tell the story of transformation which undergo both the person who is helped and the helper himself. On the fourth day the group came to Kaliningrad District and embarked on a six day tour to present their happening. Volunteers visited three cities: Cherniahovsk, Svetlogorsk and Kaliningrad. They acted out different pantomima scenes winding up the performance with a live banner: Volunteers – join in! Although passers-by treated young artists with slight detachment, there were some, especially young, who got interested and came to the group to ask for a leaflet and more information. Organizers hope that the project contributed not only to promotion of the idea of voluntary works among the citizens of the District but also encourages others to use the potential of happening and street performance as an effective tool in civic campaigns. Time will show if they were right.

Program was financed by grants from the Open Society Institute and the Robert Bosch Foundation.

Program costs

Grants:	PLN 244 474,37
Seminars, consultations, meetings:	PLN 108 151,67
Operational costs:	PLN 116 250,16
TOTAL:	PLN 468 876,20



East-East Program

This is a network program operating since 1991 in all countries of Eastern and Central Europe, Turkey, Central Asia and Mongolia with an aim to promote international cooperation across the region and 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 the East-East Program makes grants for international projects implemented within Polish territory and for the participation of representatives of Polish organizations in projects carried out in other countries of the region.

In 2006, we made grants for 32 projects implemented in Poland, including several long-term initiatives developed in close collaboration with foreign partners. Most projects implemented by Polish institutions targeted our eastern neighbors, especially Ukraine. Their subject matter was quite diverse and concerned i.a. local government – NGO cooperation, regional development, voluntarism, assistance to marginalized groups, entrepreneurship, combating human trafficking. This year a relatively high number of multilateral projects were implemented with the participation of organizations from several countries of Central and Eastern Europe. They concerned restorative justice, educational reform, national minorities issues and problems of the disabled.

Don't let them sell you

Workers of the Foundation against Women's Trafficking La Strada were educating women on the Polish-Ukrainian border in Korczowa and Medyka on how not to fall a victim of women trafficking. The La Strada activists took part in the action as part of the project Have a Happy Journey, financed by the Batory Foundation. The main goal was to give women, especially Ukrainian citizens, information on how to avoid threats coming from various criminal groups that look for sex business workers. The La Strada volunteers, together with members of a similar organization Zhenskie Perspektyvy from Ukraine, distributed leaflets with information on the conditions of work and stay in our country, possible threats and ways of avoiding them, to women entering Poland. The action was accompanied by the training for border guards from the Bieszczady Border Guard Unit. They were instructed on how they can efficiently get involved in the prevention of women trafficking. La Strada took similar action this week on Polish-Ukrainian border crossings in Dorohusk and Zosin.

Nowiny Gazeta Codzienna, Rzeszów, July 27, 2006

As part of the project **European Integration** 11 organizations submitted the descriptions of projects of cooperation between new European Union members, candidates, and potential candidates for members with their eastern neighbors. We invited one organization to submit a complete application, and 10 were rejected because of the lack of compliance with the program's priorities.

A total of 153 Polish experts took part in 41 projects run by the foundations from other countries of the region – Ukraine, Lithuania, the Czech Republic, Romania, and Georgia. Poles were most often invited



to take part in projects relating to local government, children's rights, the rights of disabled individuals, crime specialists, local development, the future of EU enlargement and regional cooperation.

Russians learn from Gdańsk residents

Officers from Kaliningrad arrived in Gdańsk yesterday to see how residential buildings are managed here. Jacek Łapiński, the head of the Gdańsk Communal Real Properties Bureau, took the guests to Gradowa Mountain. – From this place we can see the panorama of the entire city and much of our properties – he explained. – We will also organize theoretical classes, during which our Russian colleagues will learn about our legal system and find out what the residential community is. Such an institution does not exist in their country. Our Russian colleagues will also visit several Gdańsk homes managed by the residential communities. The visit of the local government officials from the East is part of the program organized by the Batory Foundation and the Common Knowledge Educational Association.

Gazeta Wyborcza Trójmiasto, Gdańsk, September 30/October 1, 2006

Study visit of Russian organizations to Poland

On June 26–30, 2006, we organized a five-day visit in Poland for 24 representatives of organizations from Russia. The aim of the visit was to prepare the ground for contacts and the start of cooperation between Polish and Russian NGOs. On the first day of the visit we organized an open seminar *Development and challenges. Third sector in Poland and Russia* with some 70 participants from Polish and Russian organizations. The situation of the third sector in Poland and Russia and its challenges were discussed by: Piotr Frączak of the Civil Society Development Foundation, Jakub Boratyński of the Batory Foundation, Vyacheslav Bakhmin, consultant of the Mott Foundation in Russia, and Liubov Alenicheva of the Social Information Agency. In the second panel Ewa Kulik-Bielińska of the Donors' Forum and the Batory Foundation, Fedor Loginov of the *Garant* Center for the Development of NGOs and Konstantin Shishka of the *New Eurasia* Foundation talked about the dialog and cooperation between the third sector and public authorities in both countries. For two consecutive days workshops were taking place on the development of the local community and the help to emigrants and refugees. Participants also visited 25 organizations from Warsaw, Słubice, Łódź, Kraków, Białystok, Gdynia, Gdańsk, and Nidzica. The result of the meeting was the increase of the number of projects with the participation of Russian organizations filed to the East-East Program by Polish organizations (six bilateral and two multilateral projects).

Program was financed by the Open Society Institute.

Program costs

Grants:	PLN 1 321 332,73
Travel grants:	PLN 238 164,63
Russian organizations' visit:	PLN 167 444,92
Operational costs:	PLN 141 470,19
TOTAL:	PLN 1 868 412,47



Regional Alcohol and Drug Program

The Program is responsible for training and workshops in the field of the prophylaxis and therapy of alcoholism and drug addiction for both addicts and their families in Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia, and the countries of the South Caucasus. Starting in 2002, the program also runs seminars on the prevention of domestic abuse – one of the most widespread social pathologies in the countries of the region. In 2006, in the framework of regional cooperation, we continued training of penitentiary specialists working in the field of the therapy of addicts in penitentiary facilities (*Atlantis* program). Such programs already operate in Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Latvia, and several locations in Russia. The program is also being deployed in Georgia, Armenia, Ukraine, and Bulgaria. Since 2005, we have developed cooperation with drug addiction specialists and the AA community in Siberia and the east of Russia. One of the results of the work is the center for the therapy of addictions Seven Roads Crossing Center in Angarsk. Thanks to our efforts, the beginnings of therapy programs cooperating with AA and Al-Anon were established in Irkutsk, Ulan Ude, Khabarovsk, Nakhodka, Vladivostok, and Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky. In 2006 we began to create a network of non-government organizations in the Russian Federation that are interested in the work for the protection of families. Funds received to help this initiative were channeled to support the creation of psychological hotlines, consultation desks for victims of abuse, sociotherapy centers for underprivileged children etc.

In November 2006 we organized the seminar in Warsaw *Addiction, co-addiction, domestic violence* for the media in the region. The meeting's program comprised lectures, discussions, workshops and panels aimed to familiarize journalists with the issue. Last year, we published two issues of the ArkA bulletin (in Russian and Bulgarian). Translations of Polish books on addiction were also published in Russian and Bulgarian, while the library of scripts in Russian was enlarged by three new titles. The publications are also distributed free of charge among the participants of our training.

Program was financed from a grant of the Open Society Institute.

Program cost

Projects' implementation:

PLN 623 339,38



Grants

Civil Society Program

Institutional grants

Barciany Educational Initiative Barciany	Grant for institutional development (enhancing staff skills, improving accountancy, promotional activities) PLN 39 500
Foundation of International Education Wrocław	Grant for institutional development (development and support to the network of local scholarship organizations, enhancing skills of staff, collaborators and volunteers, 1% campaign, admin costs) PLN 40 000
Cultural Initiatives Foundation Radomsko	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, promotion, improving accountancy, covering costs of core activity) PLN 39 940
Family Foundation Stawno	Grant for institutional development (purchase and renovation of organization's headquarters, enhancing volunteers skills, covering costs of core activity) PLN 40 000
Goldap Region Development Foundation Gołdap	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, enhancing staff and volunteers' skills promotion, covering some of admin costs) PLN 38 750
Nowy Sącz Foundation for the Development of Rural Areas and Agriculture Nowy Sącz	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, developing database of scholarship recipients, promotion) PLN 40 000
A. Bąkowska Scholarship Fund for Young People from Rural Areas Association Sońsk	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, office and promotional materials, hiring paid staff person, increasing skills of members of association) PLN 18 000
Rural Initiatives Association Stoczek Łukowski	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, increasing skills of members of association, staff person salary) PLN 39 760
Success for Each Child Srokowo Association Srokowo	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, developing a website, increasing skills of members of association promotion, hiring paid staff person) PLN 39 950
Vista Association for Cultural Education Białystok	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, increasing skills of members of association promotion, covering some of admin costs) PLN 40 000



Youth Association for Development EMKA Wieliszew	Grant for institutional development (computerization of accountancy, enhancing staff skills, promotion) PLN 8 000
To Restore Hope Association for Rural Children and Youth Głogów	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, improving accountancy, enhancing skills of staff and volunteers, promotion) PLN 39 000
Local Development Association Białobrzegi	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, hiring paid staff person, professionalization of accountancy, promotion, enhancing staff skills) PLN 31 100
Haven Association to Support the Establishment of a Friendly Educational Environment for the Children and Youth of Iława Iława	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, promotion, developing strategy for 2007-2013, enhancing staff and volunteers skills, covering costs of core activity) PLN 40 000
Dezydery Chłapowski Educational Association Kościan	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, enhancing staff skills, promotional materials) PLN 38 940
Helping Hand Association Złoty Stok	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, promotion, covering costs of core activity) PLN 25 300
Friends of Klonowa Borough Association Klonowa	Grant for institutional development (adaptation of office, enhancing staff skills, costs of accountancy, organization of promotional events) PLN 8 300
Association of Catholic Families of the Katowice Archdiocese, St. George Parish Club Goczałkowice Zdrój	Grant for institutional development (repair and adaptation of office space, (purchase of equipment, promotion, improving accountancy, covering costs of core activity) 40 000
Zarzecze Borough Development Association Zarzecze	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, postgraduate studies for the staff person, purchase of office and promotional materials) PLN 11 000
Association to Support the Development of the Chłuchów County Człuchów	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, enhancing staff skills, 1% campaign, covering some of admin costs) PLN 36 000
Echo of Pyzdry Cultural Association Pyzdry	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, improving accountancy, promotion, enhancing staff skills, covering costs of youth film workshops) PLN 40 000
Society of Friends of the Muszyna Region Muszyna	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, audit, promotion, organization of exhibitions documentation of activities) PLN 31 500
Association to Support the Development of the Kwidzyn County Kwidzyn	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, promotion, covering costs of core activity) PLN 40 000
Local Government Association Konin	Grant for institutional development (purchase of equipment, raising skills of staff, expanding program activity) PLN 39 940



Gaja Club Ecological and Cultural Association Wilkowice	Grant for institutional development and program activity in the area of preservation and enrichment of natural environment as well as development and support of environmental and cultural activities	PLN 100 000
Seed Cultural and Ecological Association Grzybów k. Słubic	Institutional grant for establishing a reserve fund	PLN 100 000
Legal Intervention Association Warsaw	Institutional grant for establishing a reserve fund	PLN 100 000

Watchdog organizations

Lower Silesian Federation of Non-Governmental Organizations Wrocław	Increasing social control at the local government level of the Lower Silesian Province over planning, expenditures and accounting for funds designated for the operations of NGOs	PLN 15 000
Mazovia Federation of Serving Organizations Warsaw	Monitoring the processes of planning and spending public funds designated for the operations of NGOs from the budget of the Mazovian Province	PLN 21 000
Gaja Green Federation Szczecin	Eliminating improper practices in managing agricultural land protection funds	PLN 39 600
	Public control over municipal environmental protection funds in Poland	PLN 39 300
Civis Polonus Foundation Warsaw	<i>The youth monitor a city district's budget</i> – increasing social control of local authorities of Warsaw Bemowo district in the realm of planning, spending and accounting for public funds	PLN 24 760
Foundation of Local and Educational Initiatives Krzeszowice	Analysis of financial policies of local government of the Bierun-Ledzin and Oswiecim boroughs	PLN 35 000
Foundation for Support of Ecological Initiatives Cracow	Monitoring waste management costs in selected municipalities. Developing solutions allowing for the effective use of waste management funds	PLN 38 800
Institute of Environmental Economics Cracow	Monitoring the management of structural funds available in the Regional Operational Program	PLN 30 540
Nature Club Świebodzin	Monitoring preparations for spending UE environmental protection funds for 2007–2013	PLN 30 000
Polish Green Network Cracow	Public monitoring of environmental protection funds – evaluation of expenditures with respect to their effectiveness, evaluation of decision-making procedures	PLN 40 000
Workshop for All Beings Association, Podlasie Chapter Białystok	Monitoring spending of EU funds in the Regional Operational Program in the Podlasie Province	PLN 35 660
Creo Association Warsaw	Analysis of financing mechanism for supporting cultural periodicals from public funds	PLN 15 000



Dialog-Partnership-Development Association Zielona Góra	Monitoring the justification and effectiveness of spending budgetary funds to finance civic initiatives by 5 municipalities from Lubuskie Province tri-cities PLN 25 300
Gaja Club Ecological and Cultural Association Wilkowice	Monitoring of public spending to maintain and secure the water level in Wloclawek PLN 40 000
Movement for Earth Association of Socio-Ecological Initiatives Siemiatycze	Monitoring publicly financed investments located in environmentally valuable areas of eastern Poland PLN 31 000
Legal Intervention Association Warszawa	Investigating implementation of the <i>Act on compensation to victims of certain crimes</i> PLN 39 950
Green Mazovia Cultural and Ecological Association Warsaw	<i>Social Representative of the Motorized</i> project - monitoring and influencing the rationality of public spending, EU funds included on public transport in the Warsaw Metropolitan area and across the entire country PLN 39 910
Local Civic Group Leaders Association Warsaw	Preparing and urging local communities to take part in consultations on municipal budgets drafting, introducing the practice of referring municipality budgets to strategic documents and consulting experts and residents' opinions PLN 40 000
Mieczysław Wierzbicki Association of Forest Entrepreneurs Gołuchów	Analysis of tender procedures used in commissioning forestry work by state Forest Service in selected forests PLN 25 600

Other monitoring projects

demosEUROPE Foundation – Centre for European Strategy Warsaw	Grant to support <i>Monitoring the debate regarding EU institutional reform and the future of the constitutional treaty</i> project – developing report on the possible development scenarios regarding EU institutional reform, dissemination of evaluation of the debate on the future of the European Union and articles devoted to the EU institutional reform problems PLN 50 000
Foundation for Economic Education Warsaw	Grant for <i>Bank Sector Investigative Commission</i> project – monitoring the work of parliamentary bank sector investigative commission PLN 25 000
Association of Educators	Public monitoring of education authorities PLN 150 000
61 Association Warsaw	Grant for developing a system of publicly available information regarding persons performing elected public functions in Poland PLN 145 000

You have a vote, you have a choice

School of Leaders Association Warsaw	Organizing training for participants of <i>You have a vote, you have a choice</i> campaign, update of the campaign website www.maszglos.pl PLN 209 500
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Beata Pawlak Award

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Award for *A Blondie in Cuba. On the Trail of Truth and Ernesto Che Guevara* (National Geographic, 2006) PLN 5 555,60

Paweł Smoleński

Award for *Israel Doesn't Fly Anymore* (Czarne Publishing House, 2006) PLN 5 555,60

Other grants

Warsaw Historical Museum
Warsaw

Subsidy for a conference *Those whom we owe our existence and preservation* devoted to 25. anniversary of Solidarity Mazovia region PLN 15 000

Third Sector Program

Favorable environment for non-governmental organizations' growth

Institute of Public Affairs
Warsaw

Project *Compass II*: monitoring legal regulations concerning the third sector (continuation of activities run since 2004) PLN 250 000

Klon/Jawor Association
Warsaw

Interactive system of knowledge about the state of civil society in Poland – developing an interactive system enabling open access to Association's research resources PLN 105 000

Institutional development of non-governmental organizations

**Academy for the Development
of Philanthropy in Poland**
Warsaw

Grant to increase association's endowment PLN 390 000

**Center for Social
and Economic Research**
Warsaw

Grant to increase foundation's endowment PLN 390 000

CAL Local Activity Support Center
Warsaw

Grant for a second part of organizational audit PLN 3 500

**The House
for Polish-German Cooperation**
Gliwice

Grant for a second part of organizational audit PLN 3 500

Federation of Polish Food Banks
Warsaw

Grant for a second part of organizational audit PLN 3 500

Birth in a Dignified Way Foundation
Warsaw

Grant for a second part of organizational audit PLN 3 500

Grant for a second part of organizational audit PLN 3 500



Foundation in Support of Local Democracy FSLD Warsaw	Grant for a second part of organizational audit	PLN 3 500
Zelów Development Foundation Zelów	Grant to increase foundation's reserve funds	PLN 100 000
	Grant for a second part of organizational audit	PLN 3 500
Partnership Fund Cracow	Grant to enlarge foundation's endowment	PLN 290 000
Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights Warsaw	Grant to enlarge foundation's endowment	PLN 390 000
Institute of Public Affairs Warsaw	Grant to enlarge foundation's endowment	PLN 390 000
Lublin Development Foundation Lublin	Grant to increase foundation's reserve funds	PLN 85 000
	Grant for a second part of organizational audit	PLN 3 500
Nidzica Development Foundation Nidzica	Grant to increase foundation's reserve funds	PLN 100 000
	Grant for a second part of organizational audit	PLN 3 500
Polish Humanitarian Organization Warsaw	Grant to enlarge foundation's endowment	PLN 390 000
	Grant for a second part of organizational audit	PLN 3 500
Polish Children and Youth Foundation Warsaw	Grant to enlarge foundation's Long-term Reserve Fund	PLN 390 000
	Grant for a second part of organizational audit	PLN 3 500
Klon/Jawor Association Warsaw	Grant for promotion, development of strategy of financing, evaluation and staff training (2nd installment of a grant of PLN 350 000 awarded in 2004)	PLN 200 000
	Grant for a second part of organizational audit	PLN 3 500
Central Association for Kolping Work in Poland Cracow	Grant for extension of the training room, fundraising and staff training (2nd installment of the grant of PLN 300 000 awarded in 2004)	PLN 150 000
	Grant for a second part of organizational audit	PLN 3 500



Equal Opportunities Program

Local Scholarship Programs

Grants financed from 1% personal income tax donations (PLN 340 890), K Fund established by a donation of private donor (PLN 224 110), the Open Society Institute grant (PLN 41 000), donation by Nestle Poland (PLN 30 000) and private donors donations (PLN 16 182).

Barciany Educational Initiative Barciany	Grant to support <i>Bartek</i> scholarship program for children from Barciany. From grant and other funds 63 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 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 58 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Community Foundation of the Biłgoraj Region Biłgoraj	Grant to support a scholarship program for children from Biłgoraj and Zwierzyniec boroughs in Lublin province. From grant and other funds 38 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 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 school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Polish Humanitarian Organization, Biuro Pomorskie Toruń	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from Toruń. From grant and other funds 16 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 secondary schools PLN 12 000
Social Welfare Foundation Brzeszcze	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from Brzeszcze borough. From grant and other funds 46 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Family Foundation Sławno	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from Sławno county. From grant and other funds 42 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 18 400
Gołdap Region Development Foundation Gołdap	Grant to support Gołdap Scholarship Fund targeting young people from the secondary schools of Gołdap. From grant and other funds 30 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Foundation for the Development of Łukta Region Łukta	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from selected boroughs of Ostróda and Olsztyn counties. From grant and other funds 42 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 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 living in the borough of Sokółka and studying in schools in the Podlaskie province. From grant and other funds 40 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Snow Mountain Community Fund Stara Bystrzyca	Grant for a scholarship fund for youth from 4 boroughs of Snow Mountain area: Bystrzyca Kłodzka, Lądek Zdrój, Międzyzylesie and Stroń Śląski. From grant and other funds 100 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Leżajsk Development Association Leżajsk	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting young people from the Leżajsk county. From grant and other funds 28 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 13 000



Nowy Sącz Foundation for the Development of Rural Areas and Agriculture Nowy Sącz	Grant to support the <i>Patoczek Brothers Scholarship Fund</i> targeting secondary school students from the selected boroughs of Nowy Sącz county. From grant and other funds 116 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 20 000
<i>Success for Each Child</i> Srokowo Association Srokowo	Grant for <i>Bociek</i> scholarship program for youth from Srokowo borough. From grant and other funds 14 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 12 900
Community Foundation of the School year 2000 Charitable Association Tomaszów Mazowiecki	Grant for a scholarship program targeting junior high and secondary school students from Tomaszów county. From grant and other funds 9 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 7 500
<i>Together</i> Charitable Association Zelów	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from the Zelów borough. From grant and other funds 13 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 5 900
<i>Vista</i> Association for Cultural Education Białystok	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high and secondary school students from Białystok gifted in the arts and humanities. From grant and other funds 25 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 20 000
A. Bąkowska Scholarship Fund for Young People from Rural Areas Association Sońsk	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting students and graduates of A. Świętochowski Agricultural Schools in Gołotczyzna, Ciechanów county. From grant and other funds 10 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 20 000
Rural Initiatives Association Stoczek Łukowski	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from Łuków county. From grant and other funds 67 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 11 600
Youth Association for Development EMKA Wieliszew	Grant to support a scholarship program for youth from Wieliszew borough. From grant and other funds 18 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 10 500
<i>To Restore Hope</i> Association for Rural Children and Youth Głogów	Grant to support a scholarship program for youth from Głogów borough. From grant and other funds 42 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 20 000
Local Developnemt Association Białobrzegi	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high and secondary school students from Białobrzegi borough in Subcarpathian province. From grant and other funds 45 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 20 000
<i>Haven</i> Association to Support the Establishment of a Friendly Educational Environment for the Children and Youth of Łława Łława	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from Łława county. From grant and other funds 40 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 20 000
Nidzica Community Foundation Nidzica	Grant to support the <i>Top of the Class</i> scholarship program targeting secondary school students from Nidzica county. From grant and other funds 21 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 20 000
Dezydery Chłapowski Educational Association Kościan	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high and secondary school students from Kościan county. From grant and other funds 27 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 18 700



Helping Hand Association Złoty Stok	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from Złoty Stok borough. From grant and other funds 6 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 3 900
Friends of Klonowa Borough Association Klonowa	Grant to support a scholarship program for youth from Klonowa borough. From grant and other funds 10 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 5 000
Association of Friends of the Public Junior High School in Nowiny Sitkówka-Nowiny	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high and secondary school students from Sitkówka-Nowiny borough, and the best basketball players from Ow! Students Sport Club in Nowiny. From grant and other funds 74 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Association of Catholic Families of the Katowice Archdiocese, St. George Parish Club Goczałkowice-Zdrój	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from Goczałkowice-Zdrój borough. From grant and other funds 37 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Zarzecze Borough Development Association Zarzecze	Grant to support a scholarship program for youth from Zarzecze borough. From grant and other funds 18 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 15 100
Association for Local Development and Philanthropy Kielce	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting Kielce, Staszów county, Itża and Łągów boroughs secondary school students. From grant and other funds 48 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 18 400
Association to Support the Development of the Czluchów County Czluchów	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from Czluchów county. From grant and other funds 78 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Echo of Pyzdry Cultural Association Pyzdry	Grant to support the <i>Mecenate</i> scholarship program targeting young people from Pyzdry, Słupiec and Gizalki boroughs in Poznań province. From grant and other funds 12 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 13 100
Society of Friends of the Muszyna Region Muszyna	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting secondary school students from Muszyna, students studying in Krynica and Nowy Sącz music schools and junior high school students from Muszyna, Powroźnik and Szczawnik in Małopolska province. From grant and other funds 28 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 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 Kwidzyn county. From grant and other funds 47 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000
Local Government Association Konin	Grant to support a scholarship program for youth from Konin, Koło, Słupca, Turek, Września and Gniezno counties. From grant and other funds 130 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007 PLN 20 000



Grants funded by Nestlé Poland

Education for Future Association Namysłów	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high and secondary school students from Namysłów borough. From grant 11 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 20 000
Students' Sports Club Dąbrówka-Kargowa Association Kargowa	Grant to support a scholarship program targeting junior high school students from Kargowa borough. From grant 9 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2006/2007	PLN 10 000

Rainbow Academy

Grants financed from donations by Agora Foundation (PLN 100 000), Commercial Union Poland (PLN 85 000) and revenue from investing endowed M Fund established from a donation by private donor (PLN 84 440).

Kamelot Foundation Łódź	<i>Only moments are beautiful in life 2nd edition</i> – integration field trip encounters for disabled and healthy junior high-school students from the town of Ozorkowo, inspired by art and history, conducted in historically important areas and cultural institutions (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation)	PLN 5 000
Sokółka Community Foundation Sokółka	<i>The most interesting nooks of Podlasie</i> – integration art activities: theater, music and art, preparing a show with musical score and decorations to be presented at events; trips to interesting regional location (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation)	PLN 7 500
Sub-Carpathian Association of Former State Rural Enterprise Employees Rzeszów	<i>Group for disabled children and youth from Raniżów Municipality</i> – art therapy (drawing, painting, cut-outs, sculpture), rehabilitation, psychological support, summer outings, learning assistance during school year, specialized consultations for parents (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation)	PLN 10 000
Polish Association for the Mentally Disabled, Suwałki Chapter Filipów	<i>On the way to our home - joint work and relaxation</i> – occupational therapy and individual logopedic therapy, summer hippotherapy as well as educational and recreational trips in the summer to Wigry National Park for mentally disabled children and youth (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation)	PLN 10 000
Sejny Rearing for the Future Educational and Social Society Sejny	<i>Swan, son of swan</i> – integration, education and therapy activities for disabled and chronically ill children as well as their healthy peers from 8 elementary schools (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundations)	PLN 10 000
Centre of Independent Living Center Ciechocinek	<i>Education without barriers</i> – revalidation, improvement and environmental integration of disabled children through art and music workshops, computer education, image-improving activities, sport and recreation activities (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation)	PLN 8 000
Give Hope Association, Community Welfare Home Olecko	<i>Miracles happen</i> – implementation of a Family Club for families of disabled children (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation)	PLN 7 500



<i>It's good that you're here</i> Association Sandomierz	<i>I live in colors</i> – music and art workshops for developmentally disabled children and youth operated in 2 age groups with an additional two field trips under the care of artists from the city of Sandomierz; meetings of parents with art therapists (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 7 500
<i>We Have Big Hearts</i> Association Świnice Warckie	<i>MS – What is it?</i> – a cycle of integration workshop art meetings inspired by regional culture for mentally disabled children and their mentally healthy peers (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 5 000
<i>Joy to Children</i> Association for Mentally Disabled Children Ignaców	<i>Illustrating poems we read</i> – art classes and competition for the best illustration of a poem for disabled children and youth from the Minsk borough to culminate in the publishing of a book with competition illustrations as well as an integration event promoting the collection of poems along with an exhibit of the art works (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 8 600
<i>Partner</i> Association for Integration of the Mentally Disabled Lesko	<i>Bridge Motion Theater</i> – integration theater activities, presentation of the performances in the towns of Lesko, Hrubieszów and at the festival in Lubaczów (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 8 000
<i>Carpe Diem</i> Association for the Mentally Disabled Radzyń Podlaski	<i>In the circle of art</i> – workshop activities in three thematic areas: photography, pottery and painting thematically related to the charms and history of the home town and its surrounding areas, a family picnic along with presentation of the works (grant financed by the Agora Foundation) PLN 7 500
<i>Our Hope</i> Association of Disabled Individuals Nowa Ruda	<i>Way to integration</i> – integration educational activities in the field as well as art activities (dance and vocal workshops), enriched with trips to the theater and participation in integration art reviews and sports competition (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 8 600
<i>Helping Hand</i> Association for the Disabled Chetmża	<i>Closer to nature</i> – efforts enriching the activities of a therapeutic community center for disabled children and youth: trips, discussions, observing nature and related art, culinary and gardening activities (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 6 000
<i>Without Barriers</i> Association for Assisting the Disabled Zakliczyn	<i>Colorful world – colors game</i> – integration of disabled children with peer group through learning the history of their own family and country, encounters with art, learning relaxation skills and emotional control, participation in play, games, outings and trips, sport competition (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 10 000
<i>You/we are</i> Association for Assisting the Disabled Bartoszyce	<i>I exercise, touch and learn – for fuller development</i> – art and sport activities for disabled children and youth, exhibit of the works and consultation desk for parents (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 9 500
<i>Giving a Chance</i> Association of Parents and Guardians of Disabled Children Wadowice	<i>Little discoverer</i> – stimulation of mental, physical and social development of disabled children in two age groups with use of polysensory stimulation, aromatherapy, elements of sensory integration therapy, music therapy and empirical experiences of the outside world through the performance of various activities characteristic to the changing seasons; workshops for parents (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 5 000



Association of Families and Guardians of the Handicapped Opoczno	<i>What about that?</i> – instructing disabled youth to care for their appearance: personal hygiene training, developing confidence, visit to a hair stylist and beautician, designing outfits and presentation at an event (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 5 000
Ślubfurt Association Ślubice	<i>Finger licking</i> – integration art and culinary games for mentally disabled youth and their healthy peers, visit to a bakery, outings to the forest and a ranch (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 9 800
Duet Local Community Association for Assisting the Disabled Rumia	<i>Psychological support for the child and family</i> – psychological therapy for mentally and physically disabled youth as well as psychological support for their parents and guardians (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 7 000
Świebodziń Association for Assisting Disabled Children Świebodzin	Integration computer, photography and swimming activities for disabled children and youth and integration art activities (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 5 000
Friends of Chodzież Association Chodzież	<i>Our animated film</i> – animated film workshops for disabled youth: writing scripts, photography workshop, collage technique workshop, realization of an animated film as well as a film documenting the workshops (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 8 000
Society of the Friends of Children Radków	<i>Believe in yourself and feel better</i> – art activities, physical rehabilitation and pool activities, as well as integration games and play, outing to the cinema and theater, birthdays and other anniversary celebrations (grant financed by the Commercial Union and Agora Foundation) PLN 8 000
Orzysz Association of Therapists and Cultural Animators Orzysz	<i>On the road to integration</i> – cyclical art therapy workshops for disabled children and youth with the participation of healthy children: art, dance, theater, choir activities; support group as well as cyclical consultations for parents and caregivers of disabled children (Grant financed from Fund M) PLN 10 000
Polish Association for the Mentally Disabled Zawoja	<i>Four seasons on a horse farm</i> – outings to a horse farm for mentally disabled children, their caregivers, siblings and youth from the Care for the Mentally Disabled Study Center, hipotherapy and art workshops; an exhibit at the Zamek Art Gallery in Sucha Beskidzka at the end of the project (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 4 400
Huge Pink Sun Association Sępólno Krajeńskie	<i>Become a friend...</i> – integration therapeutic activities with the participation of musicians from the Pomeranian Philharmonic, canine therapy activities, finger and foot painting, clay pottery (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 3 360
Wojnowo Local Initiative Association Sicienko	<i>Colorful world</i> – integration and development activities for disabled children most of whom receive individual home schooling, outings to the theater, establishing a support group and consultation point for parents (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 10 000
Circle Association Września	<i>In the circle – closer to yourself, closer to others</i> – cyclical therapeutic activities for disabled children from an integration preschool and children from economically disadvantaged families: music therapy, theater activities, kinetic exercises as well as a cycle of integration meetings including art, music and rhythm, sport and recreation, consultations with specialists and therapeutic activities for parents and caregivers, self-help group meetings (grant financed by the Agora Foundation and Fund M) PLN 10 000



Ray of Hope Association for Disabled Children and Their Parents Borne Sulinowo	<i>Education, revalidation, kinetic improvement</i> – education and revalidation activities for mentally disabled children, pool exercises, birthday and holiday events, trip (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 10 000
Future Hope Association Pszczółki	<i>Integration art and theater workshops</i> for physically and mentally disabled children and their healthy peers: art and theater activities, learning how to present oneself, developing a script, acting activities, including with the use of a camera, design and making costumes, scenery and props (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 6 100
Helping Hand Association Żarki	<i>Therapeutic support for disabled children and their families</i> – music, theater and art workshops, photography of the Cracow-Częstochowa Valley area in various seasons, exhibiting children's and youth's art and photography work for the local community (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 7 500
Together – Association of Parents and Friends of Children with Special Educational Needs Sławno	<i>Magic Garden</i> – occupational therapy for disabled children and their healthy peers conducted in workshop blocks: art, theater and music therapy (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 6 500
Olimp Parents Association for Disabled Children Brzeszcze	<i>Return to Andersen's house</i> – a cycle of activities conducted in 20-person integration groups: theater (choreography activities, writing scripts, designing state sets and costumes, stage presentation of shows and vignettes), art (painting, drawing, ceramics, lacemaking, cutouts, modeling), <i>Fairy Tale Evening</i> – reading Andersen's fairy tales; Carnival dance, organization of Open Municipal Forum <i>Youth–Future–Integration</i> (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 4 780
Let's Support Each Other Association Bełżyce	<i>Saturday meetings</i> – integration activities for disabled children and youth as well as their healthy pairs conducted in thematic blocks: <i>Self perception and understanding your feelings, My place in the group, Problem solving, Me and my surroundings</i> (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 7 000
Friends of Children Association, Disabled Children's Club Wadowice	<i>Winter can also be fun</i> – swimming lessons, art workshops (painting on glass, plaster molds, needlework, an exhibit), psychological support for parents and caregivers (grant financed from Fund M) PLN 6 300
Rural Association for the Mentally and Kinetically Disabled Łopuszno	<i>Art Academy and hipotherapy</i> – art activities using various techniques (spatial and flat origami, mosaics, macramé, sculpture, graffiti), hipotherapy and pool activities for disabled children assigned to individual home schooling (grant financed by Commercial Union and Fund M) PLN 7 000

Donors Advised Funds

Commercial Union Fund

Never the Less Foundation Cracow	II All Poland Festival of Enchanted Song for handicapped singers singing with music stage stars PLN 10 000
	Grants for a purchase of an artificial limb for a disabled person PLN 1 500
LXX Secondary School Warsaw	Grant to support organization of Amateurish Theatre Festival BIRD PLN 2 000



WWF Poland Warsaw	Grant to support core activity, including development of new program to protect wild animals	PLN 2 000
M Fund		
Help on Time Foundation for Children Warsaw	13 grants of a value PLN 1000-2000 for treatment and rehabilitation of 15 sick children and a purchase of an artificial lamb for a disabled person	PLN 18 000
Zabajka Hipotherapy and Rehabilitation Center Stawnica	2 grants for rehabilitation of two children sick with infant cerebral palsy	PLN 3000
Ludmiła Radziszewska Białystok	Donation for elimination of architect barriers in an apartment of a disabled person	PLN 3 000
Ryszard Krzeziński Ostrów Wielkopolski	Donation to contribute to the purchase of batteries to a wheelchair	PLN 1 000
Krystyna Waszkiewicz Żytkiejmy	Donation for treatment of 3 disabled children	PLN 1 500
Alfreda Gorzędowska Wałbrzych	Donation for treatment of a disabled child	PLN 1 000
Teresa Czeszejko Kwidzyń	Donation for special equipment and computer program for a blind child	PLN 1 000
Edyta Siwa Włocławek	Donation for rehabilitation equipment for a child sick with infant cerebral palsy	PLN 500
Monika Czapiewska Czersk	Donation for special bicycle for a handicapped child	PLN 1 000
Hipomedical 2, Zabajka Hipotherapy and Rehabilitation Center Złotów	Donation for rehabilitation of a sick child	PLN 3000
Neuron Ltd Bydgoszcz	Donation for rehabilitation of a sick child	PLN 1 500
Society of Friends of Children, Children Sick with Epilepsy and Other Neurological Problems chapter Kwidzyń	Donation for rehabilitation of a sick child	PLN 1 500
Helen and Peter Maxwell Fund		
Hans Ch. Kofoed Association for Social Welfare, Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration Siedlce	<i>Windows of Opportunity</i> project: computerization of elementary and junior high-schools in Siedlce town and county – III edition (from a grant matched in 1/3 by local governments' subsidies 12 schools were equipped with 57 new computer sets), 38 of them were financed from Maxwell's Fund	PLN 93 480



Education for Tolerance Program

The Shared and the Different

Encounters Association for Education and Culture Warsaw	Educational-research project concerning <i>The Shared and the Different</i> (grant for 2006–2009) PLN 120 000
„ę” Society for Creative Initiative Warsaw	Preparation and conducting the workshops for grantees, documentation, promotion and dissemination of best projects implemented by organizations taking part in the program competition, stimulating cooperation among the grantees and running the program website www.dlatolerancji.pl (grant for 2006–2008) PLN 160 000
Belarusian Students Association Białystok	Ethnographic Laboratory <i>Jews of the Podlasie Region – difficult remembrance</i> – research camp for Belarusian youth from the high school in Hajnówka PLN 9 600
UNESCO Environmental Club, Biodiversity Workshop Piaski	<i>Thieving Piaski?</i> – seeking and commemorating the city's Jewish past: collecting stories, developing and placing signage on the <i>Jews of Piaski heritage trail</i> PLN 8 000
Civis Polonus Foundation Warsaw	<i>Map of my multicultural city</i> – project for youth from Sokółów Podlaski PLN 9 000
Foundation for the Spiritual Culture of the Borderland Lublin	<i>Korczmin – from the Iron Curtain to openness</i> – Transborder Fair accompanying Assumption of the Virgin Mary religious celebrations (concerts, workshops, sessions culminating the scientific and inventory camps conducted previously in Korczmin), held along with the one-day opening of the Polish-Ukrainian border PLN 9 000
Universitas Bialostocensis University Foundation Białystok	<i>Knot – Protecting your town's memory</i> . Creating Compendiums of memories – a contest for junior high and high school youth from the town of Michałów PLN 7 000
I Hear a Heart International Aid Association Łódź	<i>Mosaic: recognition – tolerance – acceptance</i> – youth from a socio-therapeutic center discovers communities that once made up the city of Łódź PLN 7 800
Bakery Creative Initiative Center Kielce	<i>The Promised Places – Jewish footprints in the cultural heritage of Kielce</i> – documentation and art activities carried out by youth PLN 7 900
Association of Socio-Ecological Initiatives Movement for Earth Siemiatycze	<i>Images of memory</i> – inventory of and providing access to two unique collections of visual materials (photographs and paintings) concerning Jews of the Siemiatycze area PLN 7 000
Rita Baum Cultural and Artistic Association Wrocław	<i>Breslau cv – memory map of Wrocław</i> – documentary and art project: <i>memory collection</i> – stories, mementos and photographs, art exhibits and actions PLN 8 000
Olszówka Association Bielsko-Biała	<i>Each nation gave, each took – multiculturalism in the Carpathians</i> – Carpathians of many cultures festival, training for Beskidy mountain guides, educational activities in Krosno, publications PLN 8 400
Here and Now Association Siedlce	<i>Common Voice</i> – a cycle of events regarding various instances of discrimination (workshops, film screenings) as well as a cultural evening and show inspired by the history of the Jews of Siedlce PLN 5 000



Villa Sokrates Association Krynki	<i>Pinkas Krynki. Let not those founts dry out</i> – spreading awareness of Krynki's Jewish history among Polish readers, translation, publications, oral history PLN 8 400
Zgierz Cultural Protection Association Zgierz	<i>I walk. The trail of historic Zgierz</i> – discovery and promotion of Zgierz's multicultural past PLN 8 000
Friends of Ponidzie Society Pińczów	<i>Revival and Memory</i> - Shabbat dinner in Pińczów. Joint project of Jewish communities, local government and the socially active from Pińczów – religious celebrations in the Pińczów synagogue accompanied by panel discussions and seminars as well as youth-organized concerts, shows and workshops (dance, plastic arts, photography) as well as a historical contest PLN 6 000
Bieszczady Tourist Association of Ustrzyki Ustrzyki Dolne	<i>Our Promised Land</i> – collecting stories about the Jewish inhabitants of the Bieszczady mountains, photography exhibit, cleaning up and inventory of the Jewish cemetery in Ustrzyki PLN 8 000
Foksal Gallery Foundation Warsaw	Art project by Artur Żmijewski (film production and student group activities) related to a cycle of activities by Prof. Joanna Tokarska-Bakir concerning convictions on ritual murder (respecting ethnographic research conducted in the town of Sandomierz and area) PLN 4 600
Myślenice Community Association Myślenice	<i>Multicultural Myślenice</i> – few days festival (exhibits, concerts, dance and song workshops, film screenings, lectures and discussions) and an NGO forum PLN 4 600

Preventing Intolerance

East Democratic Society Warsaw	Research project <i>Youth, immigrants, tolerance</i> – research of the attitudes of immigrants and ethnic minorities among children and youth PLN 82 500
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Legal Education Program

Common Europe Academic Association of Law and European Education Promoters Olsztyn	Legal counseling for residents of Olsztyn area PLN 13 800
Center of Conflict Resolution at the Department of Law and Administration at Warsaw University Warsaw	Legal counsel in the field amicable methods of conflict and dispute resolutions, especially mediation in civil cases PLN 10 000
Nobody's Children Foundation Warsaw	Project for supporting minors in court proceedings PLN 21 800
Rule of Law Foundation Lublin	Free legal aid in the form of representing wards in proceedings before administrative bodies PLN 12 800



Ferry Foundation for Social Intergration Wrocław	Legal aid for the Roma from Wrocław	PLN 12 000
Mederi Foundation Warsaw	Legal counsel to parents and caretakers of children subject to violence	PLN 8 000
Birth in a Dignified Way Foundation Warsaw	Legal counsel for pregnant women and mother of young children related to the areas of patients' law, labor law and social insurance law	PLN 9 600
Institute of Patients' Law and Health Education Warsaw	Developing an internet service on patients' law as well as a forum of communication of patients' associations and organizations, running Medical Law Counsel Desk	PLN 12 000
Campaign Against Homophobia Warsaw	Legal counsel in the cases of discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation	PLN 18 525
Lublin Self-Help Center Association Lublin	Running information-consultative desk for women	PLN 9 000
Baba Association for Women Zielona Góra	Financial support for a handbook from the <i>Be safe at work and without work</i>	PLN 5 200
Hear Your Heart Association of a Helping Hand Łódź	Legal aid directed to the hearing impaired	PLN 7 600
Polish Association for the Mentally Handicapped Warsaw	Publication of information bulletins and manuals on the human and citizens' rights for intellectually disabled persons	PLN 10 000
Arabia.pl Association Warszawa	Specialized legal aid concerning Polish-Arab relations, especially for women	PLN 10 200
Simplicite in Lex Local Initiatives Association Radom	Support for office providing free legal to residents of Radom and surrounding areas	PLN 9 800
Family Mediators Association Warszawa	Additional financing for handbooks for persons undergoing divorce, in separation or experiencing related parenting disputes	PLN 9 933
Civic Solidarity Association Warszawa	Legal aid and intervention for the poor, with particular focus on the elderly and repatriates	PLN 15 000
Brother Krystyn's Help The Neighbour Association Gorzów Wielkopolski	Establishment of the Regional Socio-Professional and Civic Center, which provides legal aid, amongst other	PLN 12 000
Love me Association to Help Childres Gorzyczki	Legal counsel for parents and foster parents from family, civil and administration law	PLN 5 000
Association of the Roma People Cracow	Legal aid for Roma living in Cracow area in the sphere of administrative law, tenants', labor, pension and retirement rights	PLN 9 000
Heart for Children Association Stargard Szczeciński	Legal aid for victims of violence from Stargard borough	PLN 12 000
Us Association for the Protection of Citizens' Rights Kalisz	Running legal counsel and intervention bureau in the sphere of consumers', tenants' rights, and rights of the injured	PLN 10 000



Silesian Center for Equal Opportunities Katowice	Free-of-charge legal counsel for women, psychological aid in job finding PLN 6 500
Jagiellonian University, Medical College, Faculty of Healthcare Cracow	Running Students' Medical Law Clinic providing free-of-charge legal counsel on the system of health service PLN 10 000
Polish Roma Union Szczecinek	Legal Counsel for Roma people PLN 9 000

Citizens Advice Bureaus

Kamelot Foundation Łódź	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Ozorków which in the last year provided counsel to 400 clients PLN 4 600
Association for the Support of Local Initiatives Mikołajki	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Mikołajki which in the last year provided counsel to 285 clients PLN 4 000
Together – Forum of Organisations and Associations in Puławy Puławy	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Puławy which in the last year provided counsel to 98 clients PLN 4 000
Regional Center for Promotion and Information for Women Tarnobrzeg	Opening the Citizens' Advice Bureau in Tarnobrzeg PLN 3 000
Słupsk Center of Supporting Non-governmental organizations Słupsk	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Słupsk which in the last year provided counsel to 322 clients PLN 4 000
All Together – in Corpore Association of the Unemployed and People in Favour of the Unemployed Łódź	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Łódź which in the last year provided counsel to 1366 clients PLN 5 400
Social Information Center Association Przemysł	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Przemysł which in the last year provided counsel to 1392 clients PLN 7 500
Social information Center Association Warsaw	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Warsaw which in the last year provided counsel to 5074 clients PLN 11 000
Association of Center of Voluntarism Radom	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Radom which in the last year provided counsel to 259 clients PLN 3 000
Misericordia Association Zabrze	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Zabrze which in the last year provided counsel to 226 clients PLN 4 000
Support Association for Children and Youth Nowa Dęba	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Nowa Dęba which in the last year provided counsel to 84 clients PLN 4 000
Association for the Unemployed Ostrowiec Świętokrzyski	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Ostrowiec Świętokrzyski which in the last year provided counsel to 805 clients PLN 7 500
Association for the Development of Kijewo Królewskie Kijewo	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Kijewo which in the last year provided counsel to 84 clients PLN 4 000



Association for the Development of the Town and Debrzno Borough Debrzno	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Debrzno which in the last year provided counsel to 180 clients PLN 4 600
Human and Civic Rights Defense Association Wałbrzych	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Wałbrzych which in the last year provided counsel to 1384 clients PLN 5 400
Center of Macrobiotic Education Association Jelenia Góra	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Jelenia Góra which in the last year provided counsel to 508 clients PLN 4 600
Ovum Association Gdynia	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Gdynia which in the last year provided counsel to 573 clients PLN 7 500
Helping Hand Association Garwolin	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Garwolin which in the last year provided counsel to 102 clients PLN 5 500
Chance Association of Non Material Help Krosno	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Krosno which in the last year provided counsel to 256 clients PLN 5 400
Law – Citizen – Democracy Association Wieruszów	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Wieruszów which in the last year provided counsel to 105 clients PLN 4 600
Association of Environmental Psychoprophylaxis Nakło	Opening Citizens' Advice Bureau in Nakło PLN 3 000
Radlin Citizens' Advice Bureau Association Radlin	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Radlin which in the last year provided counsel to 443 clients PLN 5 400
Ruda Helping Account Association Ruda Śląska	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Ruda Śląska which in the last year provided counsel to 1009 clients PLN 5 500
Storkolis Association for the Coordination of Local Social and Civic Initiatives Piekary Śląskie	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Piekary Śląskie which in the last year provided counsel to 22 clients PLN 4 000
Civis Sum Association for the Support of Civic Activity Zielona Góra	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Zielona Góra which in the last year provided counsel to 720 clients PLN 5 500
Association of Citizens' Advice Bureaus Support Łomża	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Łomża which in the last year provided counsel to 1260 clients PLN 9 400
Regional Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Częstochowa	Grant for the operation of Citizens' Advice Bureau in Częstochowa which in the last year provided counsel to 276 clients PLN 4 600
Union of Citizens' Advice Bureaus Associations Warsaw	Training and expert support to Citizens' Advice Bureaus PLN 16 200

Legal education for youth

The Forum of the Youth Governing Council Gieraltowice	Youth Civic Rights Academy for secondary school students from Gieraltowice area PLN 13 500
Jagiellonian University, Centre for Human Rights Cracow	Youth Civic Rights Academy for secondary school students from Cracow area PLN 13 500
Civil Initiatives Association Radzionków	Youth Civic Rights Academy for secondary school students from Radzionków area PLN 13 500
Ruda Helping Account Association Ruda Śląska	Youth Civic Rights Academy for secondary school students from Ruda Śląska area PLN 13 500
Regional Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Częstochowa	Youth Civic Rights Academy for secondary school students from Częstochowa area PLN 16 500
Regional Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Lubliniec	Youth Civic Rights Academy for secondary school students from Lubliniec area PLN 13 500
Regional Committee for Protection of Children's Rights Radom	Youth Civic Rights Academy for secondary school students from Radom area PLN 13 500
Civilitas Educational Society Zielona Góra	Youth Civic Rights Academy for secondary school students from Zielona Góra area PLN 13 500

Other grants

Łukasz Bojarski Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights Agnieszka Wardak Clifford Chance Lawyers' Office	Grants to participate in the meeting of Open Society Institute human rights scholarship recipients, Kair (meeting organized and financed by OSI Justice Initiative) PLN 3 178,01
Iustitia Association of Polish Judges Warsaw	<i>Efficient court – efficient judge</i> project – complex analysis of work of individual judge and preparation of propositions of proper improvement PLN 65 000

International Cooperation Program

Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation PAUCI Warsaw	<i>Together Initiative: Polish-Ukrainian cooperation for future</i> – Polish-Ukrainian project of youth exchange and schools cooperation PLN 36 600
Center of Migrations Research, Warsaw University Warsaw	Monitoring of selected border crossings on eastern border of Poland PLN 50 000



Citizens in Action Program

Regional partners

Bukovyna Partnership Agency Chernivtsi	Grant for institutional development of partner organization and for implementation of projects aimed to help development of Bukovyna and solve problems of local communities, including support to grass-root initiatives, and for developing methods of evaluation of local democracy in Ukraine in 2007 USD 19 400
Totem Center of Youth Initiatives Kherson	Grant for institutional development of partner organization and for implementation of projects aimed at professional activation of handicapped youth, support to grass-root initiatives and for youth campaign for transparency of local authorities in 2007 USD 17 410
Center for Civic and Cultural Initiatives Support Dnipropetrovsk	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of projects aimed at rehabilitation of handicapped youth, reform and democratization of the penitentiary system and public interest campaign on behalf of transparency of authority, and support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 23 773
Social Adaptation Khmelnytsky Regional Organization Khmelnytsky	Grant for institutional development and implementation of a project aimed at involving citizens in developing local economic development plans and preventing degradation of small towns of the Khmelnytsky region, including support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 17 122
Cherkassy Regional Organization of the Committee of Voters of Ukraine Cherkassy	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of projects aimed at supporting local communities and youth groups in solving social problems, including support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 24 456
Dniprovs'k Association for Regions Development Dnipropetrovsk	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of projects aimed at development of civic activism in small cities and villages of the Dnipropetrovsk region, including support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 21 093
Aist Charitable Foundation Simferopol	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of a project aimed at establishing retributive justice centers in six Crimean regions in 2007 USD 22 907
Kirovohrad Regional Public Organization Institute of Socio-Cultural Management Kirovograd	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of a project aimed at involving the local community in monitoring social policy of local authorities including support to grass-root initiatives, and for evaluation of the effectiveness of social programs financed by the local authorities in 2007 USD 16 110
Lugansk Anti-AIDS Charity Foundation Lugansk	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of projects aimed at protection and monitoring of the observance of the rights of social groups at risk of HIV/AIDS, establishing drug dependency centers and development of the self-help movement in 2007 USD 15 932
Our Children Non-Governmental Organization Odessa	Grant for institutional development and support for implementation of youth projects dealing with local social problems, including support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 19 035



Rural Village Development Organization Lugansk	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of projects aimed at activation of rural communities to solve current local problems and establish legal aid offices, including support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 19 450
Step Poltava City Organization for Children and Youth Poltava	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of projects aimed at involving youth in social activism through development of youth organizations, establishing activity centers and undertaking volunteer initiatives, including support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 23 800
Law and Democracy Regional Public Human Rights Foundation Lviv	Grant for institutional development and implementation of a project aimed to help Lviv residents to assume management control of their residential buildings in 2007 USD 15 425
Mama-86-Feodosia Public Ecological Organization Feodosia	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of a project aimed at increasing transparency of local government activities and establishing mechanisms for their social control in 2007 USD 16 634
Volyn Youth Rights Protection Association Lutsk	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of a project aimed at development of cooperation among NGOs, business and local authorities for the effective resolution of social problems in Volyn, including support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 21 048
Creative Technologies for the Optimal Development of a Personality Association Kirovograd	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of projects aimed at involving local communities in the decision-making process regarding local government programs for the poor, including support to grass-root initiatives in 2007 USD 21 516
Women's Perspectives West Ukrainian Center Lviv	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of a project aimed at civic education, legal aid as well as support for grass-roots initiatives in the Lviv region in 2007 USD 21 000
Advance Zakarpatia Advocacy and Development Centre Beregovo	Grant for institutional development and for implementation of a project aimed at information and legal support of civic initiatives in the Beregovo region of the Trans-Carpathian region in 2007 USD 15 400
Belarusian organizations*	Grants for institutional development and for implementation of projects designed to support civic legal education, protect civil rights, develop social consultation mechanisms, enhance access to information and support local civic initiatives in 2007 USD 70 221
Community Initiatives Charity Foundation Kharkiv	Grant for organization of training for regional partner organizations <i>Good practices in running small grants programs</i> USD 7 840
Ark Association for Support of Civic Initiatives Odesa	Grant for organization of training for regional partner organizations <i>Financial management in non-governmental organizations</i> USD 5 635

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Advocacy and civic education

Professional Assistance Non-Profit NGO Komsomolsk	Organization of a cycle of training on advocacy for Program's grantees USD 59 140
European Dialogue Lviv	<i>Multiplicators' factory</i> – continuation of the project aimed to support the development of informal civic education initiatives in small towns in 7 new regions in Ukraine USD 41 100
International Renaissance Foundation Kyiv	Contribution to a grant competition aimed to support information and education projects on European integration and Euro-Atlantic relations in Ukraine USD 100 000
Belarusian organization*	Grants for civic and European education, promotion of European integration, stimulation of discussion on European choice for Belarus and on third sector research USD 26 830

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Community Initiatives Partnership Program

Angelus Silesius House Wrocław	Project <i>Citizens Laboratory</i> – center of civic education in Kaliningrad District carried out in partnership with Institut für Migrations- und Aussiedlerfragen Heimvolkshochschule St. Hedwigs-Haus, Oerlinghausen and Sokol, Kaliningrad PLN 38 620
Rodowo Foundation Rodowo near Sorkwity	Project <i>Zebra</i> – promotion of human and children rights in eastern territories of Kaliningrad District carried out in partnership with Evangelische Jugend in der Landeskirche Braunschweig and Youth Organization TSUNAMI, Kaliningrad PLN 40 551
Foundation in Support of Local Democracy (FSLD) Olsztyn	Project <i>Join us!</i> – training camp for Russian volunteers and happenings aimed to promote the idea of voluntarism in Kaliningrad District carried out in partnership with Aktion West-Ost e.V., Duesseldorf and YULA, Kaliningrad PLN 32 063,37
East Democratic Society Warsaw	Project <i>Polish and German volunteers in Kaliningrad District</i> – actions for development of volunteer movement in Kaliningrad District continuation carried out in partnership with Pro International e.V., Marburg. and Foundation for Democratic Development of Gusiew Region, Kaliningrad District PLN 47 503
Sobriety Association of Konin Konin	Project <i>Green house</i> – center of aid to youth from pathological family carried out in partnership with Kinderschutzbund Herne e.V., and Wites Fund for the Development of Slavsko Region, Slavsko, Kaliningrad District PLN 35 531
Borussia Cultural Community Association Olsztyn	Project <i>Transfer of Polish and German experiences in promoting volunteerism as a form of education of young people in Kaliningrad District</i> – training of 20 volunteers' coordinators to run microprojects for local community. Project carried out in partnership with Initiative Christen für Europa e.V, Drezno and ANTROPOS, Kaliningrad PLN 50 206



East East Program

Projects implemented in Poland

Pedagogical Academy of Cracow Cracow	<i>Innovative Educational and Holistic Methodologies for Social Integration of Children with Disability</i> – workshop with the participation of specialists from Eastern Europe on the system of welfare for disabled individuals in Poland. Specialists from Eastern Europe also took part in the conference <i>Axiological and psychological aspects of individual experience</i> PLN 35 400
European Center for Sustainable Development Wroclaw	<i>Practical Implementation of Public Sector Initiatives: Local Governments and NGOs</i> – a study visit of representatives of local governments, media and non-governmental organizations from Ukraine to learn about Polish experiences in the participation of citizens in the decision-making processes, access to information and the judiciary in line with the European standards PLN 23 100
Center for Promotion and Development of Civic Initiatives OPUS Łódź	<i>School of advisors for NGOs in the field of using European sources of financing in the realization of international projects</i> – training in Ukraine and a study visit in Poland for representatives of Ukrainian local institutions PLN 28 800
St. Maximilian Kolbe Reconciliation and Meeting Center Gdańsk	<i>Effective Community Development: Poland and Belarus</i> – study visit in Poland of representatives of local governments, non-governmental organizations and employees of communal services agencies, presentation of Polish experiences in the field of planning and running programs to support communal services PLN 38 033
Education for Democracy Foundation Warsaw	<i>Entrepreneurship in practice</i> – study visit for future trainers of entrepreneurship from Moldavia, Russia and Ukraine. Participants prepared a publication for trainers and teachers on the methodology of entrepreneurship instruction PLN 65 100
Dialogue European Foundation Bydgoszcz	<i>The role of journalism in building civil society</i> – study visit and workshop in Poland for young journalists from Kazakhstan, Russia and Ukraine on the methods of operations of the Polish media and the ways journalists perform the function of watchdogs of democracy and human rights PLN 86 200
Institute of Public Affairs Foundation Warsaw	<i>Analysing and debating the future of EU enlargement – enlargement roadshow in the Czech Republic, Poland and Latvia</i> . The roundtable in Poland was attended by experts, journalists and representatives of political parties, as well as foreign ministries from Latvia, Ukraine, Poland, Turkey, Macedonia and the Czech Republic. Attendants discussed the mobilization of European governments in the integration process, the promotion of the concept of openness of the EU towards neighbors, and the development of cooperation with EU candidate countries PLN 21 100
Krzyzowa Foundation for Mutual Understanding in Europe Grodziszcz	Polish-Ukrainian-Georgian initiative <i>Local Cooperation and Community Development: Rural Tourism</i> – study visit for representatives of three sectors: local government, rural companies and non-governmental organizations operating in the field of the development of rural areas PLN 68 800
	<i>The Flying School / Poland and Belarus</i> – visit to Poland for students and teachers of the Belarusian Humanist High School closed by the Belarusian authorities. During the visit participants discussed pro-European attitudes and the principles of the civil society PLN 68 200



Partners Poland Foundation Warsaw	<i>Women Leaders for Community Development: Overcoming Unemployment and Social Exclusion</i> – study visit for trainers and consultants, as well as a summer school for female leaders from Kosovo, Georgia and Tajikistan during which the participants learn how to develop social initiatives of counteracting marginalization, poverty and social exclusion, and how to start and run one's own business PLN 92 400
Foundation in Support of Local Democracy Warsaw	<i>Public Participation-based Strategies for Socio-Economic Development: Poland and Georgia</i> – study visit for representatives of Georgian authorities and local NGOs to learn about Polish experiences in the implementation of the strategy for a city development PLN 32 700 <i>Public Participation in the Formation of Municipal Budgets: Poland and Azerbaijan</i> – study visit in Poland by Azeri local government officials to learn about Polish experiences in municipal budget's drafting and performance and cooperation with local non-governmental organizations PLN 36 900
Carat Coalition Warsaw	<i>Building Capacity of NGOs: Monitoring Gender Equality Standard</i> – coordination meeting and seminar with the participation of representatives of non-governmental organizations from Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine and Georgia PLN 24 100
La Strada Foundation against Trafficking in Women Warsaw	<i>Have a nice trip! 2</i> – educational campaign on the Polish-Ukrainian border aimed to prevent human trafficking of women traveling abroad. Information campaign was organized on the border crossings in Medyka, Korczowa, Zosin and Dorohusk PLN 13 700
Lublin Self-Help Center Association Lublin	<i>From Education to Integration: Overcoming Social Exclusion in Poland and Ukraine</i> – two study visits of representatives of non-governmental organizations in Ukraine working with marginalized groups. The participants discussed i.a. the problems of overcoming social barriers, methods of negotiation with governments and local authorities, and the change of the attitude towards the issue of marginalized individuals PLN 17 440,76
Educational Society of Małopolska Nowy Sącz	<i>Public Achievement: Promoting Local Civic Education in Ukraine</i> – workshop in Nowy Sącz for three Ukrainian groups of teachers on the methods of mobilizing young people to work for local communities PLN 102 000 <i>Public Achievement Groups Unite: Promoting Local Civic Education and Activism</i> – two workshops in Poland for teachers from Albania, Kosovo, Bulgaria, Serbia, Macedonia, Romania and Moldova during which they were trained to work with groups of young people who want to engage in the activities for their local communities PLN 47 200
Polish Mediation Center Warsaw	<i>Development of Restorative Justice and Mediation in Central and Eastern Europe</i> – seminar with the participation of non-governmental organizations and schools that deal with the issues of restorative justice and mediation in Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus, Lithuania, Slovenia, Russia to develop a joint strategy for effective implementation of mediation and justice in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe within the next five years PLN 700



Regional Volunteer Service Center Łódź	<i>Volunteering in Social Assistance Centers: Poland and Russia</i> – study visit in Poland for representatives of Russian non-governmental organizations and welfare institutions during which participants were presented Polish methods of inclusion of volunteers to help clients in this type of institutions PLN 23 459,22
Legal Intervention Association Warsaw	<i>Education Instead of Punishment / Juvenile Justice Reform</i> – study visit of Russian experts in the field of juvenile delinquents in Poland and a seminar in Russia aimed to promote in Russia the idea of mediation as a method of education of juvenile delinquents to become responsible citizens PLN 46 500
Lambda Association Warsaw	<i>Capacity Building for LGBT Activists</i> – study visit for participants from Kazakhstan to learn about the standards and forms of activity of Polish LGBT organizations PLN 11 195,99
Step by Step Association of Aid to Disabled Children Zamość	<i>Equal Access to Health, Social and Educational Care for Disabled Children: Ukraine, Moldova, Poland</i> – training and conference for representatives of non-governmental organizations and rehabilitation centers from Ukraine and Moldova PLN 35 130
Association for Professional Promotion of Women and Youth Elbląg	<i>Development and Sustainability of Women's Information Centers</i> – study visit of representatives of women's NGOs from Ukraine who plan to set up an information and consultation center for women in the town of Zhytomyr PLN 21 229,73
Raft Association Olsztyn	<i>Inter-cultural and Inter-Generational Integration in Small Communities</i> – study visit in Poland for representatives of non-governmental organizations from Ukraine aimed to prepare Ukrainian youth activists of social and cultural organizations for counteracting the marginalization of rural youth through developing intercultural and intergenerational integration initiatives PLN 30 100
Network of East-West Women – Polska Gdańsk	<i>Young Women Lawyers for Change</i> – workshops with the participation of women from Central and Eastern Europe aimed to establish permanent monitoring of the legal situation of women in Central and Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States and to develop a joint strategy for improvement of the situation of women in the countries of the region PLN 25 579,03
Foundation in Support of Local Democracy Centre in Kielce Kielce	<i>From Quantity to Quality: Experiences in Educational Reform in Poland, Serbia and Montenegro</i> – two study visits of participants from Serbia and the publication of a book as part of the two-year project aimed to introduce the system of monitoring and evaluation of teachers to the educational system in Serbia and Montenegro PLN 82 490
East Democratic Society Warsaw	<i>Role of Local Governments and NGO Activists in Overcoming Social Problems – Polish and Ukrainian experiences.</i> A study visit in Poland for local government officials and non-governmental organizations representatives from Ukraine PLN 41 700



Common Knowledge Educational Association Gdańsk	<i>School of Hope</i> – a meeting of the task force, workshops, roundtable for representatives of non-governmental organizations working for the benefit of disabled individuals and media from Belarus. During the workshops, participants produced a video on the situation of disabled individuals in Poland and concrete projects implemented by Polish organizations PLN 25 500
	<i>A teacher as an animator of pro-European activities in Kaliningrad</i> – two study visits of experts in Poland and Russia, two training sessions for Russian teachers with an aim to encourage teachers and students from the Kaliningrad District to take pro-European action PLN 33 700
	<i>European Standards of Housing</i> – study visit in Kaliningrad and Poland, an international educational seminar in Poland for Polish and Russian representatives of housing associations, construction firms and tenants PLN 36 000
Executive Office of Świętokrzyskie Province Kielce	<i>Cooperation Strategies for Local Communities</i> – visit in Poland of Ukrainian experts and local government officials from the Vinnytsia region, during which participants developed an auditor-approved model for a strategy of further cooperation between local governments of both regions PLN 25 000
Kashubian-Pomeranian Association Gdańsk	<i>Respect for Difference / National and Cultural Minorities</i> – study visit for participants from Georgia to exchange experiences on the issues of national and ethnic minorities in the sphere of social relations and education, print publication on the subject PLN 81 875

Projects implemented in other countries of the region

Policy Papers presentation and public discussion <i>Belarus and UE after the Presidential Election –</i> Prague, Czech Republic	Polish participant: Paweł Kazanecki, (East European Democratic Centre, Warsaw) PLN 2 684,30
Conference <i>Development of European Studies in Ukraine. Problems and Perspectives</i> Donetsk, Ukraine	Polish participant: Tadeusz Kołodziej (Department of Management, Warsaw University) PLN 1 895,92
Conference <i>European Social Standards for Rural Communities</i> Lviv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Jerzy Darowski (Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation PAUCI, Warsaw), Wojciech Goleman (European Center for Crossborder Initiatives, Lublin), Konrad Jędrzejowski (European Center for Integration and Local Governmental Cooperation, Lublin), Małgorzata Rudnicka (Advice Society of Małopolska, Cracow), Dariusz Jan Stanisławski (Ministry of Environmental Protection, Warsaw) PLN 2 208,42
2 Seminars <i>Integration of autistic people: realities and prospective</i> Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Anna Ozaist, Anna Kiczula, Justyna Nizińska and Ewa Frączek (School Complex No 13, Cracow) PLN 1 668,92
Conference <i>Criminology and Power: Partnership for Crime Prevention</i> Vilnius, Lithuania	Polish participants: Monika Płatek (Warsaw University), Barbara Stańdo-Kawecka and Krzysztof Krajewski (Jagiellonian University, Cracow) PLN 3 579,83



Conference Programs and tools of the EU in the economic innovation and development: Ukrainian projections Kiyv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Czesław Jerzy Tokarski (Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Warsaw), Marian Kuźma and Grzegorz Wisz (Rzeszów University) PLN 2 267,96
Conference Promotion of local citizen education and activism, Popva Sapka, Macedonia	Polish participants: Julie Boudreaux, Beata Budzik, Bogusław Czubaj, Alicja Derkowska, Katarzyna Gryzto, Marta Jabłońska, Małgorzata Pelc, Dariusz Serówka i Franciszek Szarat (Educational Society of Małopolska, Nowy Sącz) PLN 17 084,29
Conference Young People: Meeting the Challenges of Diversity, Vilnius, Lithuania	Polish participants: Eugeniusz Świtata (School superintendent's office, Leszno) and Wiesława Świtata (Teachers Advancement Center, Leszno) PLN 2 543,44
Conference Instruments of practical management for personnel of organs of self-government Lugansk, Ukraine	Polish participants: Paweł Bednorz, Mieczysław Łapanoski, Markiyan Zhelyak (European Cooperation Centre, Wschowa) PLN 9 743,41
Study visit Young Women's Leadership Center, Zhytomyr, Ukraine	Polish participants: Maria Rogowska and Marek Rogowski (Association of Professional Promotion for Women and Youth, Elbląg) PLN 1 300
Seminar Butterfly Children – Grassroots Organization for the Treatment of Children with Rare Diseases Zagreb, Croatia	Polish participants: Anna Sobieszczuk, Przemysław Sobieszczuk (DERBA Association Poland, Piekary Śląskie), Magda Onysko-Skowron, Danuta Wójcik (DERBA Association Poland, Cracow) PLN 5 162,30
Seminar Good Practices and Experiences of Food Banks Vilnius and Panavezys, Lithuania	Polish participant: Romuald Turczyński, (Food Bank, Suwałki) PLN 360,92
Seminar Migration and Identity in a Changing Europe: Building Partnership and Fostering Communication Oradea, Romania	Polish participant: Agnieszka Fihel (Migration Research Center, Warsaw University) PLN 908,89
Seminar National Health Accounts – project implementation – raising awareness in Kazakhstan Astana, Kazakhstan	Polish participant: Adam Kozierkiewicz (expert in medical information systems, Warsaw) PLN 5 949,10
Seminar Public Policy in the transition countries: processes, mechanisms, institutions Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan.	Polish participant: Michał Górzyński (Center for Social and Economic Research CASE, Warsaw) PLN 2 914,70
Seminar Democratic society: the Polish-Ukrainian experience of support of the children with special needs and their families Bila Tserkva, Ukraine	Polish participants: Elżbieta Kardasz, Marta Łysiak, Piotr Paul i Beata Wężyk, (Step by step Association of Help for Disabled Children, Zamość) PLN 730,44



Seminar <i>Respect to Difference – Equal Chances – Dialogue</i> Tbilisi, Georgia	Polish participants: Mirosława Janowska, Monika Mazurek, Renata Mistarz and Tomasz Wicherkiewicz (Kashuby-Pomerania Association, Gdańsk) PLN 7 343,08
Seminar <i>Developing innovative gender equality strategies: family-friendly policies</i> Vilnius, Lithuania	Polish participants: Monika Ksieniewicz (Ministry of Labor and Social Policy, Warsaw) and Agnieszka Mrozik (expert, Warsaw) PLN 1 866,77
Meeting of experts <i>Child Ombudsperson: Lessons Learned and Prospects for Ukraine</i> Kyiv, Ukraine	Polish participant: Elżbieta Czyż (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Warsaw) PLN 1 317,81
Seminar <i>Creating favorable environments for regional development: best practices of business incubators</i> Telsiai, Lithuania	Polish participant: Jolanta Sobiech (Local Initiatives Agency, Olsztyn) PLN 814,41
Seminar <i>Enhancing Police Intervention in Domestic Violence Cases</i> Prague, Czech Republic	Polish participant: Maria Witek (Center of Women Rights, Warsaw) PLN 765,91
Seminar <i>Common Way to Europe: Knowledge, Experience, Development</i> Budapest, Hungary	Polish participants: Kamila Płowiec (Working Community of Associations of Social Organizations WRZOS, Warsaw), Bernardyna Mośkowiak (Coordinating Council of Wielkopolska, Poznań), Romuald Malinowski (Forum of Non-Governmental Organisations of Lubuskie Region, Zielona Góra), Izabela Halik and Artur Gluziński (Ministry of Labor and Social Policy, Warsaw) PLN 7 282,87
Seminar <i>Local co-operation and building of comprehensive tourist offer as a way to develop rural areas. Polish-Ukrainian- Georgian experiences exchange,</i> Chernihiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Maria Centkiewicz (Lower Silesian Association of Local and Regional Product, Wrocław), Anna Lech and Barbara Głębocka (Rural Tourist Association of Sudety, Jelenia Góra), Wojciech Fedyk (Lower Silesian Tourist Organization, Wrocław), Zbigniew Michalewski (Lower Silesian Center of Agricultural Advising, Wrocław), Marcin Molewka (Krzyżowa Foundation for Mutual Understanding in Europe), Waldemar Markowski (A.I.R.IVENICA company, Stara Kamienica), Piotr Kurowski (Kopaniec Association, Stara Kamienica), Norbert Podwiński (farmer, Stara Kamienica), Agata Lewicka (Marshal Office of Lower Silesia, Wrocław), Adam Spolnik (Municipal Office, Stara Kamienica), Iwona Grabowska (Krzyżowa Foundation for Mutual Understanding in Europe) PLN 7 857,94
Meeting <i>Open City – Barrier Free Almaty</i> Almaty, Kazakhstan	Polish participants: Jarosław Duda, Ewa Teresa Pawłowska, Piotr Pawłowski, Sławomir Piechota, Piotr Marek Stanisławski, Magdalena Karolina Sułek (Friends of Integration Association, Warsaw) PLN 22 251,26
Meeting <i>Analyzing and Debating the Future of the EU Enlargement Roadshow in Czech Republic, Latvia and Poland</i> Prague, Czech Republic	Polish participant: Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz (Institute of Public Affairs, Warsaw) PLN 969,97
Meeting <i>Analyzing and Debating the Future of the EU Enlargement Roadshow in Czech Republic, Latvia and Poland</i> Riga, Latvia	Polish participant: Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz (Institute of Public Affairs, Warsaw) PLN 1 795,33



Training meeting within the framework of the Civil Education Center project Berdiansk, Ukraine	Polish participants: Bożena Czakon, Wacław Czakon, Dariusz Dudek, Grażyna Joachimowicz and Monika Włosek (<i>Happy Childhood</i> Foundation, Lublin) PLN 11 803,30
Seminar National Health Accounts – project implementation – raising awareness in Kazakhstan Tallinn, Estonia	Polish participant: Adam Kozierekiewicz (expert in medical information systems, Warsaw) PLN 2 123,57
Professional NGO Advisors School, Chernihiv, Ukraine	Polish participants: Liliana Olejnik, Anna Pakowska i Łukasz Waszak (Center of Promotion and Development of Civic Initiatives OPUS, Łódź) PLN 1 892,63
School of Local Government in Crimean Regions: the Experience of Poznań City and Mława Borough Simferopol, Ukraine	Polish participants: Jerzy Karwowski, Wiesław Zalewski, Jacek Ogłęcki, Janusz Rudowski, Witold Żerański, Witold Lemański, Krzysztof Jakubowski, Agnieszka Hrynyk, Jacek Dusza, Jerzy Kącki, Bożena Robakiewicz, Anna Pałuba, Jan Stępkowski, Anna Hrynyk (Association for Development of Strzegowo) PLN 9 702,43
Workshop Carpathian ROAD – Towards a diversified rural economy Timisoara, Romania	Polish participants: Urszula Budzich-Szukała (Co-operation Fund Foundation, Warsaw), Artur Chołody, Mikołaj Mażwa, Paweł Sendrowski, Marcin Staszak (Foundation for Development of Polish Agriculture, Warsaw) PLN 9 170,62
Workshop New EU Member States and Global Responsibility Budapest, Hungary	Polish participants: Magdalena Kmak (Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Warsaw) and Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz (Institute of Public Affairs, Warsaw) PLN 3 373,69
Conference and Workshop Policy reform in local development: local development agencies Timisoara, Romania	Polish participants: Mikołaj Mażwa, Paweł Sendrowski and Marcin Staszak (Foundation for Development of Polish Agriculture, Warsaw) PLN 4 746, 00
Workshop Developing Philanthropy – Public Benefit and its Implications for Society Bratislava, Slovakia	Polish participant: Artur Ptak (Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland, Warsaw) PLN 280,96
Workshop Standards of European Union in the fields of social, youth and public policies Donetsk, Ukraine	Polish participants: Andrij Pavlovych, Grażyna Szester, Wojciech Zemla (Institute of Public Information, Gdynia) PLN 6 726,32
Workshop Civil Participation in the Implementation of EU Nature Conservation Directives Kiten, Bulgaria	Polish participants: Andrzej Kepel (Polish Society for Nature Preservation <i>Salamandra</i> , Poznań), Anna Liro and Piotr Pawlaczek (Club of Naturalists, Świebodzin) PLN 5 221,58
Workshop Working together for child's safe world Tbilisi, Georgia	Polish participants: Maria Keller-Hamela (<i>Nobody's Children</i> Foundation, Warsaw) and Marzena Jakubowska (Ministry of Labor and Social Policy, Warsaw) PLN 3 926,27



Trilateral study visits of Polish and Georgian NGO's to Moldova <i>Fostering partnerships</i> Chisinau, Moldova	Polish participants: Piotr Czekierda (Angelus Silesius House, Wrocław), Krzysztof Filcek (Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation PAUCI, Warsaw), Krzysztof Jezierski (Centre for Youth Cooperation, Gdynia), Anna Kamińska (International Youth Meeting House Mikuszewo, Mirosław), Wojciech Kłosowski (Foundation <i>Spaces for Dialogues</i> , Gdańsk), Agnieszka Komorowska (Stefan Batory Foundation, Warsaw), Aleksandra Kujawska (Education for Democracy Foundation, Warsaw), Piotr Lipiński (Regional Institute for Sustainable Rural Development, Tarnobrzeg) Jarosław Myśliwski (Education for Democracy Foundation, Warsaw), Anna Stawska (Foundation in Support of Local Democracy FSLD, Warsaw), Józef Strug (Society of Educators, Warsaw) PLN 22 992,95
Trilateral study visits of Polish and Moldavian NGO's to Georgia <i>Fostering partnerships</i> Tbilisi, Georgia	Polish participants: Lena Chotkiewicz (SPLOT Network of Information and Support for Non-Governmental Organizations, Warsaw), Arkadiusz Goliński (Maximilian-Kolbe House, Gdańsk), Wojciech Juszkiewicz (Center of International Meetings Association in Tuchomie), Wojciech Kłosowski (Foundation <i>Spaces for Dialogues</i> , Gdańsk), Jarosław Myśliwski (Foundation Education for Democracy, Warsaw), Sylwia Sobiepan (Stefan Batory Foundation, Warsaw), Władysław Szumelda (<i>Common Knowledge</i> Educational Association, Gdańsk), Marzena Rafalska (Public Educational Association for Supporting Disabled and Handicapped People <i>Educator</i> in Łomża), Anna Rechnio (Polish-Czech-Slovak Solidarity Foundation, Warsaw), Markiyan Zhelyak (European Cooperation Centre, Wschowa) PLN 34 083,33
Study visit <i>Applying restorative practices in criminal policy</i> Chisinau, Moldova	Polish participant: Krzysztof Pawłowski (Polish Association for Legal Education, Warsaw) PLN 4 070,79
Study visit <i>Creation of public strategy of cooperation of partner territorial communities of Vinnytsia Region and Świętokrzyskie Province</i> Vinnitsa, Ukraine	Polish participants: Magdalena Budyła, Karol Gadowski, Leopold Garbacz, Ewa Kapel-Śniowska, Bożena Pałka-Koruba, Dariusz Salwa, Czesław Stępień, Wojciech Ślęfarski, Adam Pałys, Anna Wąsik, Anna Włosek, Grażyna Wójcik (Department of Promotion and International Cooperation, Marshall Office, Świętokrzyskie Province, Kielce) PLN 4 782,00

Financial Report 2006

Income (in PLN)

Ford Foundation, New York	13 249 808,14
Open Society Institute, New York	10 154 005,98
Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Flint, Michigan	3 174 600,00
Polish Foreign Ministry, Warsaw	398 990,96
1% personal income tax donations	338 060,87
Robert Bosch Foundation, Stuttgart	149 537,09
Agora Foundation, Warsaw	100 000,00
Friends of Batory Foundation, Washington	93 480,00
Commercial Union Poland, Warsaw	85 000,00
Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Poland, Warsaw	60 569,64
Institute of International Education, New York	59 566,27
Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS), Brussels	49 638,04
Nestle Poland, Warsaw	30 000,00
Embassy of the United States, Warsaw	15 050,00
ZNAK Publishing Office, Cracow	10 000,00
Individual donors from Poland	7 415,45
Damage fines adjudged by the courts in favor of the Foundation as public charity	5 100,00
Centre for Liberal Strategies, Sofia	4 137,90
Warta Insurance Company, Warsaw	1 500,00
Polityka weekly, Warsaw	965,09
Antalis Poland, Warsaw (in-kind contribution)	830,09
Bank Handlowy, Warsaw	273,83
Grants returned	241 769,16
Total	28 230 298,51



Expenditure (in PLN)

Programs	16 826 295,86
Information and development	323 374,16
Administration	1 998 081,63
Amortization	890 432,56
Total	20 038 184,21

Expenditure according to programs (in PLN)

Domestic Programs	
Civil Society Program	2 970 636,08
Third Sector Program	3 916 514,84
Equal Opportunities Program	1 094 919,03
Program for Tolerance	539 040,00
Legal Education Program	729 635,07
Anti-Corruption Program	449 880,69
International Programs	
International Cooperation Program	1 591 302,59
Citizens in Action Program	2 549 153,06
Community Initiatives Partnership Program	468 876,20
Twin Cities Program	24 586,45
East-East Program	1 868 412,47
Regional Drug and Alcohol Program	623 339,38
Total	16 826 295,86

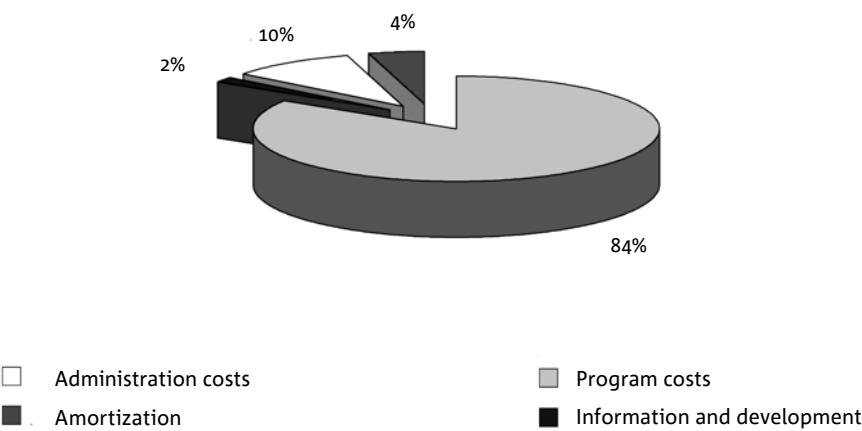
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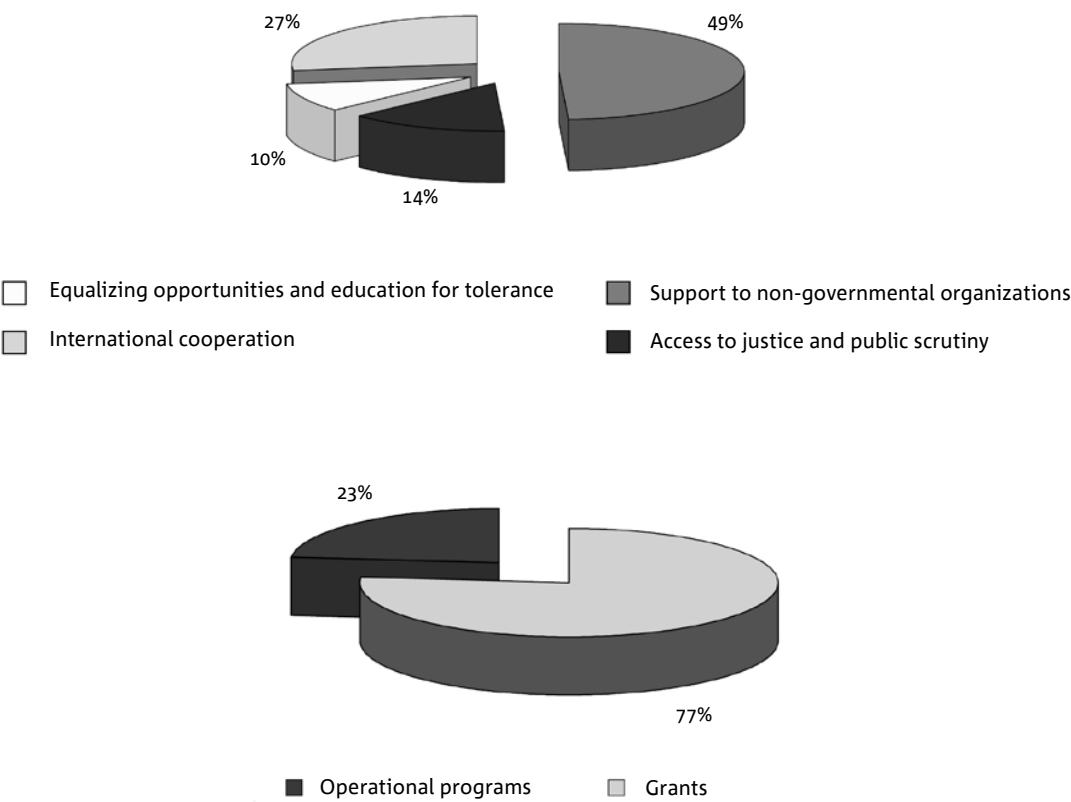
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Expenditure



Expenditure according to programs





Balance Sheet (in PLN)

ASSETS		As of	
		31.12.2005	31.12.2006
1	2	3	4
A	Fixed assets	63 573 206,98	86 689 065,83
I	Intangible fixed assets	0,00	7 822,57
II	Tangible fixed assets	27 622 616,98	26 876 178,26
III	Long-term receivables	0,00	0,00
IV	Long-term investments	35 950 590,00	59 805 065,00
B	Current assets	71 311 640,58	72 865 293,48
II	Short-term receivables	839 810,46	32 635,49
	– other receivables	8 602,26	657,08
	– trade debtors	43 509,93	29 840,69
	– receivables from employees	3 313,69	1 837,56
	– budget receivables	784 384,58	300,16
III	Short-term investments	70 421 872,12	72 793 482,28
1	Short-term assets	55 302 485,75	56 236 895,27
	– equities	26 310 209,22	37 551 766,34
	– others	28 992 276,53	18 685 128,93
2	Cash and other monetary assets	15 119 386,37	16 556 587,01
	– cash in hand	13 747,15	7 603,08
	– current bank account (PLN)	1 051 372,66	723 091,48
	– adjunct bank account (PLN)	43 039,22	54 761,68
	– current foreign currency account	1 790 942,27	2 989 141,85
	– cash in stock brokerage office	3 448 418,10	2 328 269,60
	– other cash (bank deposits, treasury bills)	7 261 300,00	8 000 000,00
	– other monetary assets	1 510 566,97	2 453 719,32
IV	Short-term deferred charges	49 958,00	39 175,71
	BALANCE	134 884 847,56	159 554 359,31



Balance Sheet (in PLN)

LIABILITIES		As of	
		31.12.2005	31.12.2006
5	6	7	8
A	Enterprise fund	106 961 963,63	133 061 597,37
I	Statutory capital, including	69 528 827,21	83 220 322,87
	– net assets	3 664 808,52	3 562 913,00
	– undistributed profit (loss)	65 748 282,16	79 550 487,62
	– start-up fund	115 736,53	106 922,25
II	Fund of long-term investments	4 139 694,13	9 713 593,29
III	Financial result	33 293 442,29	40 127 681,21
	– from previous years	20 280 047,85	19 491 236,83
	– from this year	13 013 394,44	20 636 444,38
B	Liabilities and reserve fund	27 922 883,93	26 492 761,94
I	Long-term liabilities	598 825,35	64 649,00
II	Short-term liabilities	3 351 398,88	3 340 859,11
1	Liabilities	3 308 359,66	3 286 097,43
	– grant creditors	2 156 558,40	2 823 597,26
	– trade creditors	182 813,63	176 470,07
	– amounts owned to employees	106,80	1 413,90
	– uncollected salaries	8 758,96	59 256,51
	– amounts due to the state budget	144 123,14	112 935,87
	– social security contributions	76 071,79	81 603,16
	– others	739 926,94	30 820,66
2	Company social fund	43 039,22	54 761,68
III	Deferred income	23 972 659,70	23 087 253,83
	– long-term	23 072 216,11	22 212 452,73
	– short-term	900 443,59	874 801,10
	BALANCE	134 884 847,56	159 554 359,31



Profit and Loss Account (in PLN)

Item	Description	Amount	
		2005	2006
1	2	3	4
A	Income for statutory activities	20 857 626,78	30 044 533,65
1	Income for public benefit activity	17 633 845,39	28 230 298,51
2	Other income defined by statute	3 223 781,39	1 814 235,14
B	Costs of statutory activities	16 521 962,94	16 826 295,86
C	Gross profit (loss) on statutory activities A-B	4 335 663,84	13 218 237,79
D	Foundation office costs	3 221 023,71	3 211 888,35
1	Material and energy consumption	290 872,10	289 628,32
2	Outsourced services	936 324,51	799 454,17
3	Depreciation	917 448,02	890 432,56
4	Salaries and surcharges	817 978,54	855 843,13
5	Other costs	258 400,54	376 530,17
E	Other income (not recorded in items A and G)	15 845,63	51 971,06
F	Other costs (not recorded in items B, D and H)	2 450,93	776,34
G	Financial income	12 093 462,92	11 973 075,64
H	Financial costs	208 103,31	1 391 741,42
I	Result C-D+E-F+G-H	13 013 394,44	20 638 878,38
J	Extraordinary profit (loss)	0,00	0,00
1	Profit		
2	Loss		
K	Corporate tax	0,00	2 434,00
	Net profit (loss) I (+/-J)-K	13 013 394,44	20 636 444,38



Opinion of the independent auditor

For the Stefan Batory Foundation's Council

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Stefan Batory Foundation, seated in Warsaw, Sapieżyńska 10 A ('Foundation'), consisting of the introduction to the financial statements, the balance sheet as at 31 December 2006 with total assets and total liabilities and equity of PLN 159 554 359,31; the profit and loss account for the year then ended with a net profit of PLN 20 636 444,38; and the supplementary information and explanations.

The management of the Foundation is responsible for the accuracy of the accounting records and the true and fair presentation of the financial statements prepared in accordance with the accounting standards as set out in the Polish Accounting Act dated 29 September 1994 (Official Journal from 2002, No. 76, item 694 with amendments) and the executive regulations promulgated thereunder and other respective regulations. Said responsibility includes: design, implementation and maintenance of internal controls related to the drafting as well as true and fair presentation of financial statements free of intentional irregularities or errors, selection and application of appropriate accounting principles as well as accounting estimates appropriate to existing circumstances.

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 section 7 of the Polish Accounting Act dated 29 September 1994, the professional standards established by the Polish National Council of Certified Auditors and International Standards on Auditing as promulgated by the International Federation of Accountants.

These regulations require us to proceed ethically and to plan and conduct the audit in a manner so as to attain a reasonable certainty that the financial statements and the underlying accounting records are free of material irregularities.

The audit consists of procedures that aim to cull audit records concerning amounts and information disclosed in the financial statements. Selection of audit procedures depends on our evaluation, including an estimate of the risk of the probability of material irregularities in the financial statements due to intentional acts or errors. In conducting an evaluation of this risk, we take into account the internal controls related to drafting as well as the true and fair presentation of the financial statements for the purpose of planning procedures appropriate to the circumstances, not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the efficacy of the internal control within the entity. The audit also evaluates the appropriateness of applied accounting principles, justifiability of estimates performed by the Board of Directors as well as an evaluation of the general presentation of the financial statements. In our opinion, the audit records we obtained constitute a sufficient and appropriate basis for us to express an audit opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements of the Stefan Batory Foundation present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of the Foundation as at 31 December 2006 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 executive regulations promulgated thereunder, 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 and have been prepared from properly maintained accounting records.



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 article 12 of the Act on Foundations dated 6 April 1984 (Official Journal from 1991, No. 46, item 203 with amendments) and the information is consistent with the financial statements.

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Certified Auditor No. 90060/74956

Wojciech Stopka, Member of the Board of Directors

Warsaw, 10 March 2006

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