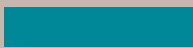




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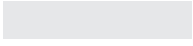
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About the Foundation

The Stefan Batory Foundation, established in 1988 by George Soros, an American financier and philanthropist, and a group of Polish opposition leaders of 1980s, is an independent, private foundation registered as public charity under Polish law.

The mission of the Batory Foundation is to build an open, democratic society – a society of people aware of their rights and responsibilities, who are actively involved in the life of their local community, country and international society. Our priorities include:

■ improving the quality of Polish democracy

We support initiatives aimed at increasing civic participation and strengthening citizens' sense of responsibility for the common good. We are committed to transparency in public life and to promoting civic oversight over the functioning of public institutions. We seek to raise the level of public debate and to "socialize" the process of making and implementing public policies.

■ strengthening the role of civic institutions in public life

We support the development of non-governmental organizations and coalitions working to improve the quality of Polish democracy and expand international cooperation. We seek to professionalize and legitimize their activities, build up their credibility, and increase their influence on the public sphere.

■ developing international cooperation and solidarity

We are committed to closer ties between European Union states and the EU's eastern neighbors, especially Ukraine and Belarus. We support activities that encourage exchange of experiences connected with the processes of political transition, building civil society, and solving social problems among the countries of Central and Eastern Europe. We seek to enhance the role of Polish NGOs in the international arena.

Foundation undertakes also activities aimed at **equalizing opportunities** of young people from poor communities and children with disabilities.

The basic method of the Foundation's operation involves making grants to non-governmental organizations engaged in public benefit activity in Poland and in Central and Eastern Europe. We also carry out – alone or in partnership with other organizations – in-house projects: we host public debates and conferences, organize study visits, seminars and workshops, issue publications, run social campaigns, engage in monitoring of public institutions and advocacy efforts.

The Foundation partners with many institutions from Poland and abroad. It is a part of the Open Society Foundations network and a member of Polish Donors Forum, Polish NGOs Abroad and the European

Foundation Centre. It participates in the work of Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum at the European Commission.

In our activity we observe principles of transparency and accountability. Up-to-date information on our activities and grant-seeking opportunities is posted on our website www.batory.org.pl. 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 2010

In 2010, in the third decade of the Foundation's existence, the main purpose and focal point of our activities are the **improvement of the quality of public life in Poland** and the **development of international cooperation and solidarity**. The first of these objectives was pursued through activities carried out by three of our operational programs (**Debates, Your Vote, Your Choice, Anti-Corruption**), as well as the support offered by the new grantmaking program **Democracy in Action**. This program, expanding the range of issues tackled by us in previous years (such as watchdog activities, anti-discrimination, legal aid), focused on enhancing the participation of citizens in public life, with the use of various methods and tools of participatory democracy, including new technologies.

In the **Democracy in Action** program we supported organizations which engage in activities aimed to involve citizens in the dialogue with local authorities and decision making processes; develop, disseminate and implement propositions of systemic solutions that help to modernize different spheres of social and political life; monitor functioning of public institutions and their compliance with good governance; counteract discrimination of minority groups. To these aims in 2010 we made 55 grants of the value of PLN 5.79 million.

The idea of getting citizens involved in the affairs of their local communities and encouraging them to participate in public life was also behind the **Your Vote, Your Choice** program. In 2010 we focused on: increasing voter turnout in presidential and local government elections, improving the quality of elections, and monitoring the accuracy and impartiality of information on elections and candidates on public television. A record 670 organizations, informal groups, media, schools, internet portals, community centers, parishes, libraries and cooperatives took part in this annual campaign involving NGOs in activities to encourage citizen participation. During both election campaigns we monitored public TV informational programs to check how public television fulfilled its obligation to inform citizens about candidates running for public office. The get-out-the-vote coalition initiated by us already in 2007, ran two national campaign aimed to encourage voters to participate in the presidential and local elections.

The turnout in the presidential elections was 55% (five points higher than five years earlier) and was the highest since the year 2000. In the local government elections 47% of voters went to the polls (two points more than in the 2006 elections). Also our advocacy efforts aimed at changing the electoral law to make it easier for citizens to participate in elections and make informed electoral decision brought some results. The new Election Code adopted by the Parliament extends and unifies voting hours in all types of elections (7am–10pm) and allows for two-day election period and postal voting for people who are abroad. It gives also the State Electoral Commission the additional responsibility of carrying out informational activities.

The issue of civic engagement and mobilization of citizens for common good was at the core of our international **Civic Coalitions** program. Thanks to the cooperation with C.S.Mott Foundation we extended our assistance to those NGO coalitions operating in Visegrad states (Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary) which advocate the interests of civil society and undertake efforts to influence public policies at the national and European levels. Ten coalitions selected in the 2009 grant competition received a second tranche of grants to enhance their resources and organizational capacity, increase professionalism and legitimacy of their operations, build their credibility within the third sector and vis a vis public institution and public opinion.

In **Anti-Corruption** program we monitored observance by authorities and political parties of anti-corruption laws and transparency standards in the legislative processes. We suggested legislative solutions that could ensure transparency of decision-making processes and provide a bulwark against corrupt practices. We undertook activities aimed to strengthen legal protection of individuals who, acting out of concern for the public good, disclose irregularities in their workplace or other professional environment and by doing so, run the risk of mobbing, loss of employment or professional marginalization. Based on the program's ten years of experience, we prepared the publication *How to fight corruption?* presenting principles for designing and properly implementing a national anti-corruption strategy. Our efforts to reform the system of regulations governing financing of electoral campaigns resulted in the adoption of the Electoral Code that follows most of the recommendations we had developed after monitoring of three electoral campaigns financing in years 2005–2009.

The **Batory Foundation Debates** dealt with fundamental challenges in Polish domestic politics, such as the implication of the crash of the presidential plane on April 10 for political and social life and the problem of economic reforms. We also paid special attention to international issues, looking at both the eastern neighbors of Poland and European-American relations.

The generosity of individual and business donors allowed us to continue assistance to local organizations that provide scholarships for young people from small towns and rural areas and run integration programs for disabled children. Thanks to these donations 1,012 high school students receive scholarships in the 2010/2011 school year and 500 children participate in art therapy and integration programs [**Equal Opportunities**].

In the area of international cooperation, we focused on promoting integration of the Eastern Partnership countries with the European Union. We paid particular attention to the question of accelerated liberalization of the EU visa regime for countries of the Eastern Partnership. Thanks to our efforts, the issue of visa abolition was put on the agenda of the Civil Society Forum of the Eastern Partnership, created by the European Commission. We also launched a Coalition for a European Continent Undivided by Visa Barriers in which 25 organizations participate from Eastern Partnership countries and EU [**Open Border**].

We continued also two regional programs, operating within the Open Society Foundations network in the region of Central-Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Caucasus: the **East East: Partnership Beyond Borders** which supports international cooperation for democratic transformation, civil society development and promotion of innovative solutions to social ills, as well as the **Regional Alcohol and Drug** program that disseminates Polish experiences in addiction therapy and prevention as well as in re-education of perpetrators of domestic violence.

In 4 grantmaking programs [Democracy in Action, Civic Coalitions, East East: Partnership Beyond Borders, Equal Opportunities] we made 190 grants of a total amount of PLN 9.9 million. We spent PLN 6 million on projects implemented by ourselves or in cooperation with partners in 5 operating programs [Debates, Your Vote, Your Choice, Anti-Corruption, Open Europe, Regional Alcohol and Drug Program].

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We could carry out our activities in 2010 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. We were assisted in our tasks by the advice and counsel of various institutions and private individuals.

Similarly as in the previous years most of our programs were financed from the funds donated by the **Open Society Foundations**, established by George Soros, an American financier and philanthropist, the founder of a network of civic organizations active in more than 60 countries in Central and Eastern Europe, Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the United States.

The grants from **Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe** co-financed civic scrutiny projects in Democracy in Action program as well as the activities undertaken in Your Vote, Your Choice program. The grant from the **C.S. Mott Foundation** allowed us to continue the support of NGO coalitions operating in Visegrad countries.

Our projects aimed at equalizing educational opportunities for children and youth were financed from **1% personal income tax donations** from individuals, the revenue from an endowed **M Fund** established at the Foundation by a Polish private donor, donations of **Agora Foundation** and the **Quo Vadis Gavell Family Foundation** from the US, as well as **72 individual donations**. The US based **Karol Uryga-Nawarowski Foundation** continued to provide funds to support projects focusing on youth alcohol abuse prevention.

We wish to thank all our donors: individual, private and corporate for their continuous support. We express our gratitude to hundreds of Polish taxpayers who selected our Foundation as a beneficiary of 1% of their tax. With your help we can help others!

We thank experts, consultants and volunteers who served us pro bono with their professional advice and support as well as companies which gave us in-kind contributions.

We wish to express our gratitude to all those who helped us in our 1% income tax campaign. We thank the media which provided us free-of-charge with their advertising time or space: the TV stations of the **TVN Group** (TVN, TVN24, TVN Turbo, TVN Style, TVN Meteo and TVN Warsaw), the channels of the **Canal+** digital platform (Canal+, Ale kino!, Planete, MiniMini, ZigZap/Hyper, DOMO, Kuchnia TV), the channels of the **Discovery Networks CE** (Discovery Channel, Discovery World, Discovery Science, Animal Planet) and the regional **TV Kujawy** and **TV Odra** channels. We equally thank the radio stations of the **Agora Radio Group** (TOK FM, Radio Złote Przeboje, Roxy FM) and **Radio Lublin**; and the newspapers and magazines: **Gazeta Wyborcza**, **Newsweek Polska**, **ThinkTank Magazine**; four biggest TV magazines of **Bauer Publishing**

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Democracy in Action

The aim of the program is to promote attitudes of citizen responsibility for the quality of Polish democracy and to increase the participation of citizens and civic organizations in public life. We support foundations and associations that undertake activities concerning: influencing public policies, engaging citizens in the decision-making processes of local authorities, monitoring the functioning of public institutions and counteracting discrimination.

In 2010 we received nearly 500 letters of intent and made grants for 55 projects. In matters connected with influencing public policies, the most active proved to be organizations dealing with the problems of disability and addiction – four of them received grants for preparing proposals for reforms and legislative changes in these fields. Grants were also made for: research on the political and social consequences of Polish involvement in the intervention in Afghanistan, preparation of proposals concerning Polish aid policy and development of guidelines for liberal social policy.

We supported around a dozen organizations that strive to engage citizens in the decision-making processes of local authorities. These activities – based primarily on a variety of forms of social consultation – focused on specific issues, such as developing a city park in Toruń, use of funds by Łódź Housing Estates' Councils, and developing a strategy for supporting foster families in several counties in Lubuskie province.

The biggest group of our grantees – supported by the Foundation since 2004 – consists of watchdog organizations. They received grants for monitoring legislative processes and functioning of the judiciary, as well as monitoring various aspects of the work of local and state administrations, including policy and practice of counteracting discrimination.

The last group consists of grants for monitoring incidents of a racist and xenophobic nature as well as manifestations of discrimination against groups subject to prejudice and hostility in Polish society (Africans, persons of a different sexual orientation), and also for research projects concerning: discriminatory practices towards Roma children in the school system, the state of anti-discrimination education and observance of the rights of foreign workers. Four organizations received grants for activities in local communities susceptible to majority/minority conflicts (refugee centers or foreigners visiting the Auschwitz Museum).

We continued our support to the Association of Leaders of Local Civic Groups, which disseminates knowledge and experience regarding methods of civic scrutiny. We started cooperation with the Unit for Social Innovation and Research Shipyard which received a grant for promotion of knowledge and experience in the area of civic participation.

In 2010, the program was financed by funds from the Open Society Foundations (PLN 5,167,039.17), the Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe (PLN 100,000) and the Batory Foundation's own resources.

Grants	PLN 5,790,687.35
Experts and monitoring	PLN 38,673.72
Program implementation	PLN 297,891.67
Total program costs	PLN 6,127,252.74

Grants

Public policies

Industrial Foundation, Łódź

Developing guidelines for liberal social policy: work of a group of experts, publications, discussion meetings, public debates. PLN 200,000

Foundation for European Studies, Wrocław

Researching the political and social consequences of Polish participation in international interventions in Afghanistan: analyzing changes in Polish government strategy and legislative initiatives and materials appearing in the media, collecting data on the number of casualties, researching public opinion, disseminating information and analyses, as well as initiating public debate on this topic. PLN 100,000

Institute of Global Responsibility, Warsaw

Preparing drafts of four strategic documents on Polish development policy (general strategy, two strategies for Polish assistance to selected countries, a system for evaluating Polish assistance), consultations and dissemination of documents. PLN 100,000

Coalition for Persons with Disabilities, Warsaw

Developing a proposal for a catalog of basic social rehabilitation services for disabled people and undertaking activities aimed at amending the Law on Rehabilitation. PLN 100,000

Polish Society for Anti-Discrimination Law, Warsaw

Developing alternatives to legal incapacitation with regard to forms of support for mentally disabled persons. PLN 80,000

Jump 93 Association, Warsaw

Developing a proposal for reforms aimed at streamlining the system for treating addiction and taking action to get these reforms implemented. PLN 140,000

Im-Polite Kids Hans Asperger Association for Assistance to Children with Latent Disabilities, Warsaw

Developing a proposal for legislative changes that will guarantee governmental subsidy to educational institutions for children with special needs, monitoring access to and quality of education for disabled students (a continuation of a project funded in 2009). PLN 106,000

Civic participation

Opus Center for Promotion and Development of Civic Initiatives, Łódź

Conducting social consultations in five Łódź housing estates regarding selection of local projects that should be carried out with funds of the Estate Councils. PLN 94,000

Systemic Solutions Center, Wrocław

Developing a social concept for plans to protect and revitalize the Natura 2000 area *Meadows in the vicinity of Kluczbork on the Strobrawa* and a "participatory" guide to drawing up plans concerning Natura 2000 areas. PLN 97,000

Social Initiative Development Center, Rybnik

Developing a social concept for revitalization of the town promenade in Rybnik: research on local public opinion, workshops and discussions with the participation of citizens, town officials and specialists. PLN 28,800

Civis Polonus Foundation, Warsaw

Developing a model for the consultative activities of Commune Youth Councils – preparing a list of local government decisions which should be subject to consultation with councils and procedures for consultation on these decisions, as well as carrying out a process of consultation in three selected communes. PLN 100,000

Our House Foundation, Lutol Mokry

Developing a strategy for supporting foster families in five counties in Lubuskie province: a series of debates and consultative meetings with the participation of foster family representatives and County Centers for Family Assistance.

PLN 70,000

National Federation of Non-Governmental Organizations, Warsaw

Consultations among non-governmental organizations on a draft media law.

PLN 22,325.45

Polish Sociological Association, Warsaw

Conducting social consultations on redevelopment of three localities in the Ochota district of Warsaw (the Banach Bazaar, Filtrowa Street and Narutowicz Square) and development of the Ochota Model of Citizen Dialogue.

PLN 130,000

Sustainable Development Workshop, Toruń

Preparing a social concept for redevelopment of the City Park: research on current use of the park and needs of town residents, creation of a “representative group”, debates and consultations with the participation of citizens, town officials and experts.

PLN 80,000

EuroLegnica Association, Legnica

Developing a social concept for revitalization of the Kopernik housing complex: analysis of the current situation, scientific session on the problems of revitalizing blocks of flats, consultative meetings with the participation of residents, town authorities and residential cooperatives.

PLN 80,000

Stanisław Brzozowski Association, Warsaw

Conducting social consultations – using a new methodology – on specific investment planned by local governments in three cities (Warsaw, Gdańsk, Łódź) and preparation of a “road map” for resolving selected problems.

PLN 120,000

Unblock Association for Improving the Residential Environment, Warsaw

Developing a social concept for revitalization of three courtyards of neglected townhouses in Praga-North and Targówek Warsaw districts (a project carried out in cooperation with the Praga-North Pedagogy and Social Animation Group).

PLN 98,000

“ę” Society for Creative Initiatives, Warsaw

Developing a strategy for the operation of municipal culture centers in three localities in Mazovia province: a series of consultations and workshops with the participation of residents, local government representatives and culture centers (part of the wider project *Zoom into culture centers*)

PLN 150,000

Society for the Preservation of Historical Monuments, Warsaw

Developing a social concept for development of the historic Księży Młyn housing complex in Łódź: analysis of the current situation, workshops for residents with the participation of experts and local authorities, integrative events, meetings and debates.

PLN 130,000

The Unit for Social Innovation and Research “Shipyard”, Warsaw

Laboratory of civic participation – launching and running the portal on civic participation instruments, methods and good practices (partycypacjaobywatelska.pl), gathering and disseminating information about Polish and foreign methods and good practices in “participatory” activities, organizing seminars and workshops aimed at deepening knowledge and exchanging experience regarding participation, issuing publications.

PLN 350,000

Civic scrutiny

Prism Center for Social Activity, Suwałki

Researching procedures for the selection of jurors and their functioning in Białystok appellate courts, preparing and disseminating a report, monitoring the selection of jurors for the 2012–2015 term.

PLN 75,000

Court Watch Poland Foundation, Toruń

Monitoring the functioning of regional courts: developing forms and training of volunteer-observers to monitor selected courts; developing and disseminating a report with a summary of the findings, examples of good and bad practices and recommendations for changes.

PLN 60,000

eGovernment Foundation, Warsaw

Expanding and promoting the web portal Sejmometr.pl that informs about the work of the parliament and the activities of deputies in the legislative process and enables those interested to follow legislative processes (PLN 144,833 from OSF Information Program).

PLN 235,000

Feminoteka Foundation, Warsaw

Gendermeria – activities aimed at disseminating the results of monitoring of public media conducted in 2009 relating to observance of the principles of gender equality, promotion of more effective pursuit of a policy of equality by public media (continuation of a project funded in 2009). **PLN 45,000**

Student Assistance Fund Foundation, Warsaw

Examining the procedure of awarding scholarships from the state Fund for Material Assistance for Students at 54 academic institutions: analyzing by-laws and regulations of scholarship and appeal committees, collecting information appearing in the media and on the internet, formulating recommendations for changes. **PLN 50,000**

Stańczyk Institute of Civic Thought, Kraków

Monitoring the financing of an election campaign for City Council members in Kraków: observing the conduct of the campaign, collecting related materials and information, analyzing reports of election committees, preparing and disseminating a report. **PLN 27,600**

Monitoring the Kraków authorities with regard to links between the political and business circles (personnel policy, public procurement, the practice of granting tax breaks and tax debt reliefs): gathering and publishing information and intervening in case of irregularities. **PLN 64,000**

Rule of Law Institute Foundation, Lublin

Monitoring the validity and accuracy of border guard's motions and judicial decisions concerning placement of people applying for refugee status in guarded facilities and in detention with the aim of their expulsion; preparing and disseminating a report. **PLN 125,000**

Institute of Regional Development, Kraków

Monitoring the lawmaking process with regard to issues concerning disabled persons (including the law on equal opportunities for disabled persons, the draft law on making elections accessible to disabled people), preparing a report on implementing equal rights for the disabled. **PLN 68,000**

Phenomenon Normal City Foundation, Łódź

Monitoring activities of the Road and Transport Administration of the City of Łódź with regard to the organizing of public transport and pedestrian traffic in the city: collecting and analyzing information on plans, decisions, budgets and expenditures, as well as intervening in case of violation of the principles of sustainable development and the interests of non-motorists. **PLN 50,000**

Panoptikon Foundation, Warsaw

Monitoring legislative initiatives and practices of public institutions with regard to threats to the rights and freedoms of citizens resulting from the ability to use personal data gathered through the use of modern technologies (telecommunications, video monitoring, biometry, etc.): collecting, analyzing and disseminating information, preparing commentaries and expert opinions, initiating a public debate on the "surveillance society". **PLN 123,000**

Project: Poland Foundation, Warsaw

Developing a model of visualization and an internet application enabling transparent and easy-to-understand presentation of the national budget (part of a wider project dealing with activities for "open government"). **PLN 65,000**

Free and Open Software Foundation, Poznań

Monitoring public procurement of computer programming carried out by units of national and local government administration, intervening in case irregularities are uncovered, preparing and disseminating a report. **PLN 100,000**

Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Warsaw

Monitoring the process of making and implementing laws relating to the judiciary with regard to guaranteeing protection of the rights and freedoms of citizens and ensuring observance of the constitutional right to a fair trial; carrying out interventions aimed at changing flawed legal regulations and bad practices in implementation of laws. **PLN 200,000**

Campaign Against Homophobia, Warsaw

Developing a methodology for monitoring anti-discrimination policy with regard to sexual orientation carried out by public administration institutions. **PLN 20,000**

61 Association, Warsaw

Don't vote blind! Candidates2010.pl – launching and running an internet service *Kandydaci2010.pl* with information about candidates in local government elections. **PLN 140,000**

Homo Faber Association, Lublin

Open Lublin – monitoring the work of government offices, educational institutions and private companies to determine how foreigners living in Lublin use their services: gathering information and intervening in case of irregularities, preparing a report with descriptions of good and bad practices. **PLN 60,000**

Women Congress, Warsaw

Developing a methodology and indicators to measure the participation of women (and gender inequality) in political, social and economic life. PLN 50,000

Intercultural PL Association for Promoting Multiculturalism, Kraków

Monitoring how Kraków's public institutions are adapting to the needs of foreigners living in and visiting Kraków, preparing and disseminating a report with recommendations for corrective measures, meeting with representatives of the institutions being monitored. PLN 70,000

ProCollegio Association of Students, Graduates and Friends of KMISH University of Warsaw, Warsaw

Developing a methodology for monitoring how effectively parliamentarians' offices manage funds. PLN 6,000

Bona Fides Association, Katowice

Access to public information – activities concerning implementation of the right to public information in Silesia province: participation in court cases, providing legal advice and specialized training on running local advise centers dealing with the right to information (continuation of a project funded in 2007–2009). PLN 45,000

Society of the Friends of Ina and Gowenica Rivers, Stepnica

Monitoring the anti-poaching activities of the State Fishing Patrol (SFP) in Western Pomerania province: joint patrols, gathering and analyzing information and documents obtained from the SFP, the Border Patrol, the Polish Angling Association, the police and others; preparing a report with recommendations and working with the SFP to implement corrective measures. PLN 50,000

Association of Leaders of Local Civic Groups, Warsaw

Civic watch – running the watchdog.org.pl portal which gathers and disseminates information on the activities and experiences of Polish and foreign watchdog organizations, organizing regular and online courses, seminars and meetings aimed at deepening knowledge and exchanging experiences regarding watchdog activities. PLN 335,000

Tolerance

Halina Nieć Human Rights Association, Kraków

Monitoring the situation of refugees during the liquidation of the refugee center in Bytom, monitoring the standards of directing refugees to newly opened center for people with special needs in Grotniki, researching attitude of local residents towards refugees in the newly opened center, information campaign in local community. PLN 90,000

Auschwitz Jewish Center, Oświęcim

Tolerant Oświęcim – developing a strategy for changing the attitudes of residents of Oświęcim, local government representatives, city services and media towards foreigners (especially Jews) visiting the Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum: public opinion poll, developing action for the local government administration and public opinion leaders, organizing a working conference for representatives of local authorities, city services, teachers and the media on the possibilities of implementing recommendations. PLN 80,000

Africa Another Way Foundation, Warsaw

Monitoring the media and internet for content discriminating against Africans and spreading negative stereotypes about them, systematically disseminating the results of monitoring and reacting to cases of discrimination; publishing a guide written by Africans living in Poland for media and public persons. PLN 85,000

Salvation Foundation, Warsaw

Integrating the local community and refugees living in Łomża and at a nearby center in Czerwony Bór: integrative events for residents, workshops (for refugees, journalists, teachers, young people, and staff of the institutions which refugees have contact with), monitoring local media and creating a team of volunteers to help refugees find work and places to live. PLN 130,000

Polish Humanitarian Organization, Warsaw

Integrating the local community and refugees living in Grupa near Grudziądz: researching the attitudes of permanent residents of Grupa towards refugees from a center, a *Meeting of Cultures* cyclical integrative festival, integrative workshops for women, film shows on refugee themes. PLN 100,000

Local Knowledge Foundation, Warsaw

Developing a system for monitoring the Polish internet for hate speech and language of hostility towards ethnic, sexual, religious and other minorities, launching an internet service that presents the results of the monitoring and enables their use for intervention and other actions. PLN 180,000

Legal Intervention Association, Warsaw

Research on observance of the labor rights of foreigners, developing a report on the research. PLN 80,000

Lambda Association, Warsaw

Developing and launching an online system for publishing information on individual cases of discrimination and crimes committed on grounds of sexual orientation, providing information on possibilities for getting assistance; analyzing the data collected and creating a working group to develop solutions aimed at improving the preparedness of institutions and organizations working on behalf of victims of crimes and discrimination (a project based on the experiences of the German organization MANEO e.V. from Berlin). **PLN 80,000**

Never Again Association, Warsaw

Monitoring, documenting and disseminating information about racist, anti-Semitic and xenophobic incidents, expanding the network of local correspondents, and improving the functioning of the website. **PLN 165,000**

The Roma People Association in Poland, Oświęcim

Researching discriminatory practices affecting Roma children in the school system (in Małopolska, Silesia and Opole provinces), preparing recommendations and presenting them to institutions responsible for educating Roma children, undertaking activities aimed at publicizing the problem and changing bad practices. **PLN 100,000**

Society for Anti-Discrimination Education, Warsaw

Researching the system for educating children and youth and training teachers from the viewpoint of anti-discrimination education, developing a methodology for cyclical monitoring, and building the Education for Equality and Diversity coalition of non-governmental organizations. **PLN 124,000**

Other grants

Polis Young Journalists Association, Warsaw

Running the group *Horizon – Against the Death Penalty*, bringing together young people engaged in activities aimed to abolish the death penalty in places where it is still practiced (half of the grant funded by the OSF Human Rights and Governance Grant Program). **PLN 106,640**

Friends of Batory Foundation, Washington

Core support grant for statutory activities. **USD 9,000**

East East: Partnership Beyond Borders

The program aims to support initiatives designed to share ideas, expertise, experiences and knowledge and to promote practical actions that result from information and knowledge networking beyond borders. The program operates in the framework of East East: Partnership Beyond Borders Network Program launched in 1991 by the Open Society Institute. We support international projects implemented by Polish organizations in cooperation with partner organizations from the region of Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia or the Caucasus. We also cover travel costs of Polish experts invited to participate in projects carried out in other countries of the region.

In 2010 we awarded grants for 22 projects. Polish experts took part in 16 projects organized in other countries of the region. The issues most often addressed by partner organizations were various aspects of local development, mobilization of local communities, involvement of young people in activities benefiting their communities. Several initiatives concerned the role and position of women in society and in their local communities, especially in Asian and Caucasus countries. Also, a new issue has emerged, going beyond the traditional sphere of interest of organizations, concerning international assistance with developing alternative proposals for resolving the conflict in the Transnistria region.

Increasingly, projects that we funded were initiatives of a long-term and multifaceted nature (bringing together partners from several countries). The majority of initiatives were based on exchange of experience and good practices, primarily with partners from Georgia, Moldova, Azerbaijan and Tajikistan. There were also activities undertaken in cooperation with partners from new European Union member states (such as Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Latvia and Slovakia). In comparison with previous years, substantially fewer bilateral Polish-Ukrainian projects received funding.

In addition, we awarded a grant to a Polish-Russian project on youth cooperation and two grants concluding Citizen in Action and Civic Initiatives international cooperation programs which had been carried out for few past years.

In 2010, the program was financed by funds from the Open Society Foundations (PLN 1,338,950.88), including OSF East East: Partnership Beyond Borders Program (PLN 976,754.95) and OSF Russia Project (PLN 281,850), as well as by a grant from the Bosch Foundation (PLN 24,948.09) and the Batory Foundation's own resources.

Grants	PLN 1,394,323.72
Experts and monitoring	PLN 69,412.96
Program implementation	PLN 228,734.91
Total program costs	PLN 1,692,471.59

Grants

Partnerships

Lower Silesian Foundation for Sustainable Development, Wrocław

Increasing Women's Activity and Engagement in Rural Areas: Poland and Georgia – promoting active engagement of women in social and economic development of rural communities and increasing grassroots initiatives in partnership with local authorities in rural regions. **PLN 47,470**

Ari Ari Foundation, Bydgoszcz

Overcoming Social Exclusion of People with Disability – sharing experiences and best practices in social integration and participation in public life of people with disabilities in Poland with peers in Armenia and Georgia. **PLN 65,520**

Center for the Advancement of Women, Warsaw

Globalization and Women's Rights: Azerbaijan – Poland – expanding partnership opportunities for women-led NGOs in rural regions of Azerbaijan and sharing experiences in monitoring implementation of the UN Convention against discrimination against women (project implemented jointly with eFKa Woman's Foundation). **PLN 24,760**

eFKa Woman's Foundation, Kraków

Globalization and Women's Rights: Azerbaijan – Poland – expanding partnership opportunities for women-led NGOs in rural regions of Azerbaijan and sharing experiences in monitoring implementation of the UN Convention against discrimination against women (project implemented jointly with Center for Advancement of Women). **PLN 21,940**

Partnership for Warmia Local Action Group Foundation, Pieniężno

Strengthening Youth Activism: Participating in Community Development – facilitating best practices and lessons learned in social activism of youth to engage them in community development in cooperation with local authorities, schools and teachers. **PLN 39,660**

Partners Poland Foundation, Warsaw

Partnership for Education: Innovative Methodologies of School Development – promoting innovation in education in the Gorno-Badakhshan Autonomous Region of Tajikistan by sharing experiences of education reform and community engagement in Poland. **PLN 41,520.19**

Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation PAUCI, Warsaw

Building Public-Private Partnership to Ensure Sustainable Community Development – facilitating an exchange of experiences among policy makers and representatives of local governments in Moldova, Czech Republic, and Poland in the application of PPP, and developing policy recommendations to inform implementation of PPP in Moldova based on experiences in Czech Republic and Poland. **PLN 41,090**

Encouragement Foundation, Górowo Iławieckie

Activation of Local Communities through Social Economy Initiatives – addressing social problems of development in rural areas and small communities by mobilizing local leaders and civic engagement in local development initiatives. **PLN 53,283.09**

Karat Coalition, Warsaw

Connect! Central and Eastern European Women for Development Justice – promoting women's organizations in monitoring, advocacy and development cooperation within Official Development Assistance schemes and sustaining strategic cooperation among development NGOs in Central Europe. **PLN 23,220**

Educational Society for Małopolska, Nowy Sącz

Parent/Teacher Associations in Action – engaging stakeholders in education in Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, and Poland to share experiences in local community mobilization and empowerment of grassroots initiative in community development. **PLN 69,720**

Center for Eastern Studies, Warsaw

Critical Thinking to Accelerate Conflict Resolution in Moldova: Involvement of International Actors – identification of alternative scenarios to resolve the conflict in Transnistria by engaging decision- and policy-makers, think tanks and civil society activists and increasing regional security through monitoring and policy recommendations. **PLN 27,251.91**

Polish Robert Schuman Foundation, Warsaw

European Standards of Education: European Clubs for Students – engaging students and teachers to pilot the creation of European clubs in Georgia as a means to enhance the quality of civic education and promote civic activism among young people. **PLN 52,910**

SIE Social Ecological Institute, Warsaw

Monitoring Nuclear Energy Developments and Energy Policy Decisions: Poland and Belarus – promoting public participation and transparency in policy processes of nuclear energy and demonstrating the necessity of civil society involvement in planning and decision-making regarding practical uses of nuclear power **PLN 25,330**

Haven Association to Support the Establishment of a Friendly Educational Environment for the Children and Youth of Itawa, Itawa

Best Practices of Engaging Young People at Risk – exchanging ideas and innovative methods of creating social structures to address issues of outreach to young people at risk, promoting public awareness for engaging and motivating volunteering in social services. **PLN 50,310**

Villages and Europe Association for Renewal of Rural Areas, Kraków

Social Activists for Rural Community Development – sharing best practices and lessons learned in non-governmental collaboration with local authorities in contributing to sustainable local community development and leadership. **PLN 53,070**

Chocz Borough Family Assistance Association, Chocz

Local Governments and Communes: Experiences of European Integration after Five Years – analyzing best practices and lessons learned in initiatives realized with EU funds in local communes, exploring perceptions of EU integration in small communities. **PLN 7,540**

East European Democratic Centre, Warsaw

Role of Independent Local Newspapers in Local Communities – promoting engagement by editors and journalists of local community newspapers to strengthen the role of local newspapers as a source of cohesion and organization for local communities. **PLN 31,944.95**

Increasing Capacity of Young People in Protecting and Promoting Human Rights – strengthening capacity of and empowering young human rights activists in Kyrgyzstan by promoting international partnerships with young activists in Poland. **PLN 36,810**

Świętokrzyskie Center of Foundation in Support of Local Democracy, Kielce

From Ukraine to United Europe: Oversight of Public Administration – exchanging experiences and best practices of social control of public administration by NGOs and promoting cooperation between non-governmental organizations and public administration. **PLN 58,247**

University of Łódź, Department of International and Political Studies, Łódź

Should Europe Be Afraid of Russia? Should Russia Be Afraid of Europe? – establishing cross-cultural dialogue and understanding of alternative political cultures and development, analyzing foundations of Polish-Russian and Latvian-Russian relations in the context of European integration. **PLN 6,960**

University of Podlasie, Siedlce

New Methodologies and Best Practices in Social Work with Families and Children – supporting skills development of students of social work and social workers by sharing new methodologies of working with risk groups and in child protection systems. **PLN 30,640**

Higher School of Management, Rzeszów

Euro-Regions for Knowledge Transfer and Cross-Border Collaboration – promoting innovative regional development from industrial to knowledge-based economies and promoting policy approaches to sustainable development of border regions. **PLN 376.47**

Travels**Conference Civil Society Development and Public Financing of NGOs: Best Practices and New Opportunities,**

Baku, Azerbaijan

Polish participant: Bogusław Stanisławski (Other Space Foundation, Warsaw), **PLN 2,166.81**

Conference For a Better School Environment: Lessons Learned and Visions for the Future, Sofia, Bulgaria

Polish participants: Alicja Derkowska (Educational Society for Małopolska, Nowy Sącz) and Wojciech Żmudziński (Pedro Arrupe Formation Center for Educational Leaders, Gdynia) **PLN 3,085.99**

Conference Networking for Prevention of Child and Youth Trafficking in Eastern Europe and Central Asia,

Sofia, Bulgaria

Polish participants: Daria Drab, Dorota Gajewska, (Nobody's Children Foundation, Warsaw), Anna Kaszuba (Children's Home, Warsaw) and Agnieszka Patela-Owczarczyk (Center for the Aid to Families, Warsaw) **PLN 6,046.56**

Conference *Innovative Approaches to Overcoming Victimization of Children*, Bansko, Bulgaria

Polish participants: Katarzyna Cioch (La Strada Foundation, Warsaw) and Aleksandra Kupczyk (Nobody's Children Foundation, Warsaw) PLN 3,285.11

Conference *Priorities of the Polish EU Presidency: Czech Perspectives*, Prague, Czech Republic

Polish participants: Marcin Terlikowski and Paweł Tokarski (Polish Institute of International Affairs, Warsaw) PLN 3,555.70

Debate *Sustainability of Non-Governmental and Civil Society Organizations*, Tbilisi, Georgia

Polish participants: Robert Kowałko (Polish Association of Fundraising, Kraków), Dariusz Pietrowski (Volunteer Service Center, Warsaw) and Katarzyna Sadło (Civil Society Development Foundation, Warsaw) PLN 8,601.86

Conference *Democracy after Totalitarianism: Lessons of 20 Years*, Chisinau, Moldova

Polish participants: Adam Leszczyński (*Gazeta Wyborcza* daily, Warsaw) and Aleksandra Rybińska (*Rzeczpospolita* daily, Warsaw) PLN 4,208.13

Conference *Security Architecture in the EU Eastern Neighborhood: Challenges and Realities*, Chisinau, Moldova

Polish participant: Witold Rodkiewicz (Center for Eastern Studies, Warsaw) PLN 2,499.83

Conference *Best Practices in Trans-Border Investigative Journalism*, Chisinau, Moldova

Polish participants: Wojciech Cieśla (*Gazeta Wyborcza* daily, Warsaw) and Paweł Reszka (*Rzeczpospolita* daily, Warsaw) PLN 4,105

Debate *EU Experience in Designing Opportunities for Youth: Employment and Careers*, Chisinau, Moldova

Polish participants: Jakub Krupa and Wiktor Witkowski (European Forum, Warsaw) and Ewelina Kuźmicz (Institute of Public Affairs, Warsaw) PLN 6,568.70

Debate *Building Bridges Across Regions: Central Asia and Central and Eastern Europe*, Vilnius, Lithuania

Polish participant: Wojciech Tworowski (Polish NGO Abroad — *Zagranica* Group, Warsaw) PLN 351.24

Conference *Historical Memory and National Permutations in post-Socialist Countries*, Kazan, Russia

Polish participant: Jadwiga Rogoża (Center for Eastern Studies, Warsaw) PLN 1,205.76

Conference *Moving to EU Integration: Uniting the Efforts of Civil Societies in Moldova and Ukraine*, Kyiv, Ukraine

Polish participant: Przemysław Żurawski vel Grajewski (University of Łódź) PLN 1,465.81

Debate *Ukraine's Relationship with the EU: Preparing for the Hungarian and Polish EU Presidencies*, Kyiv, Ukraine

Polish participants: Agata Gostyńska (Polish Institute of International Affairs, Warsaw) and Sławomir Matuszak (Center for Eastern Studies, Warsaw) PLN 2,452.97

Seminar *Young People and Active European Citizenship: Monitoring the Network of European Clubs*, Kyiv, Ukraine

Polish participants: Agata Cholewińska and Joanna Gospodarczyk (Education Department of the City of Warsaw) PLN 2,487.34

Seminar *Public Achievement: Young, Active and Responsible*, Odessa, Ukraine

Polish participants: Julie Boudreaux and Alicja Derkowska (Educational Society for Małopolska, Nowy Sącz) PLN 493.30

Other grants

Karta Center Foundation, Warsaw

Dialogue and Reconciliation between Polish and Russian Youth – two history competitions for Polish and Russian secondary school students, encouraging them to find in their immediate surroundings materials on the common history of the two nations, and contributing to breaking stereotypes and overcoming prejudices; project carried out jointly with the Moscow-based association Memorial (grant funded by OSF Russia Project). PLN 281,850

Sputnik International Association of Photoreportage, Warsaw

Supplementary grant for production of *12 Days* – a cycle of 12 feature stories on the daily life of beneficiaries of the Community Initiative Partnership program from Poland, Germany, Ukraine, Belarus, and the Kaliningrad District (grant financed by the Bosch Foundation). PLN 7,020

East European Democratic Centre, Warsaw

Promoting the advocacy of interests as an instrument of action by non-governmental organizations in Ukraine and Belarus, utilizing the experience of the Citizens in Action program carried out by the Batory Foundation in 2003–2009 from the Ford Foundation funds. PLN 240,300

Civic Coalitions

The project, planned for 2008–2013, has been initiated and co-financed by the C.S. Mott Foundation. It aims to reinforce NGO coalitions operating in Visegrad states (Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary) which advocate the interests of civil society and influence policies at the national and European levels.

In two grant competitions, we enhanced the resources and organizational capacity of the coalitions, increase professionalism and legitimacy of their operations, build their credibility within the third sector and vis a vis public institutions, and increase their role and participation in civic dialogue. The coalitions may apply for 1–3 years grants of EUR 15 000 annually. Continued support in succeeding years is contingent on approval of their annual reports and operating plans for the following year.

In the first edition of the grant competition launched in 2009 we chose ten coalitions: three from the Czech Republic, three from Slovakia as well as two from Poland and two from Hungary. In this group, there are six registered coalitions and four informal ones operating in different fields of activity: ecology, community development, social assistance, philanthropy promotion, international cooperation.

In 2010 – after acceptance of the coalitions’ progress reports and the approval of their plan of action for the following years and after monitoring-related meetings in Prague, Bratislava, Budapest and Warsaw – grants were awarded to all ten coalitions chosen in the 2009 competition. Both the reports and conversations with representatives of the coalitions showed that our support enabled them to undertake tasks they had not been able to carry out earlier, mainly due to lack of available funding. It also stimulated them to reflect on their role, mission and activity, the relations between member organizations and on their image.

In 2010 we also announced the second edition of the competition, which will be resolved in 2011.

In 2010, the program was financed by funds from the Open Society Foundations (PLN 584,446.95), the C.S. Mott Foundation (PLN 24,840.39), and the Batory Foundation’s own resources.

Grants	PLN 584,446.95
Consultants and monitoring	PLN 24,840.39
Program implementation	PLN 50,000.00
Total program costs	PLN 659,287.34

Grants

Czech Republic

Czech Transport Federation (Dopravní federace), Tabor

Second annual core support grant for a coalition (40 members) that deals with the impact of transport on the natural environment. EUR 15,000

Friends of the Earth (Hnutí DUHA), Brno

Second annual core support grant for Easy Giving informal coalition (30 members), that implements solutions facilitating raising funds from individual donors. EUR 15,000

SKOK Civic Association (SKOK občanské sdružení), Praha

Second annual core support grant for a coalition (69 members) that advocates for the development of the social services market and equalizing the rights of NGOs providing social services with those of public institutions. EUR 15,000

Poland

Polish NGOs Abroad (Grupa Zagranica), Warsaw

Second annual core support grant for a coalition (49 members) that advocates for increasing involvement of Polish NGOs in international development aid. EUR 15,000

National Federation of Non-Governmental Organizations (Ogólnopolska Federacja Organizacji Pozarządowych), Warsaw

Second annual core support grant for a coalition (80 members) that advocates on behalf of the NGO sector, supports regional and local NGO coalitions and represents the third sector vis a vis public officials. EUR 15,000

Slovakia

Ekoforum Service Centre (Servisné centrum Ekofóra), Bratislava

Second annual grant for the *Ekoforum* informal coalition (20 members), which articulates the interests of the environmental organizations and represents them before public authorities and other institutions. EUR 15,000

SOCIA Social Reform Foundation (SOCIA – nadácia na podporu sociálnych zmien), Bratislava

Second annual core support grant for the *SocioForum* informal coalition (100 members) that advocates for equal status of NGOs in the social service system and for citizens' right to choose service providers. EUR 15,000

Slovak Disability Council (Národná rada občanov so zdravotným postihnutím), Bratislava

Second annual core support grant for a coalition (21 members) that advocates on behalf of the interests of the disabled at the national and European level. EUR 15,000

Hungary

Federation for the Development of Community Participation (Szövetség a Közösségi Részvétel Fejlesztéséért), Debrecen

Second annual core support grant for a coalition (10 members), which promotes civic participation in decision-making, supports development of local communities and represents their interests at the national level. EUR 15,000

Nosza Association (NOSZA Egyesület), Budapest

Second annual grant for the NGOs for the Publicity of the National Development Plan informal coalition (15 members) that monitors social consultations of the National Development Plan and develops recommendations concerning its implementation. EUR 8,500

Equal Opportunities

The program goal is 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. We support non-governmental organizations that run scholarship programs for school age youth as well as the organizations that work with disabled children. We also administer funds entrusted to the Batory Foundation by businesses and private individuals.

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. We support local NGOs which raise money in their local communities (from local businesses, local governments, individual donors, street collections, auctions, 1% income tax designations) and assign them for scholarship programs addressed to secondary school students from their community. Local scholarship programs operate on the basis of their own charters drawn up by the organizations. The decision to award a scholarship is usually based on the applicant's school record, the financial standing of her/his family and involvement in the work for community and achievements in other non-academic pursuits. The scholarships, varying between PLN 50 and 300 per month, are used to purchase textbooks and learning aids, to pay for lodging, extra courses, commuting to school, etc.

Each year, organizations participating in the program are offered grants of up to PLN 20,000. The grants are disbursed on the condition the organizations present plans and operating principles of their scholarship programs and document possession of additional funding raised from other donors in the amount that will allow to match Batory Foundation's grants on at least 1:1 proportion. Apart from the grants, we offer to organizations technical assistance in establishing and operating scholarship programs, as well as trainings on fundraising, cooperation with local partners, media, volunteers and scholarship recipients.

In 2010, the project involved 38 organizations from 14 provinces. They received grants in total amount of PLN 602,300. This amount increased by funds raised by organizations from other sources supported 1,012 monthly scholarships in the school year 2010/2011.

In 2010, Local Scholarship Program was financed by funds from 1% personal income tax payments (PLN 369,100), donations of Unilever Polska (PLN 200,000) and the Quo Vadis Gavell Family Foundation (PLN 33,200) and from the Batory Foundation's own resources. Moreover, Agora SA supported the program by in-kind contribution of the free-of-charge advertisements (value of PLN 481,946.18), and Bauer Publishing House offered free-of-charge ad space for 1% income tax campaign of the value of PLN 14,152.

Rainbow Academy

Since 2008 we have been supporting organizations which in their work with the disabled children and youth from small towns and rural areas concentrate on use of drama techniques and art therapy. We offer these organizations grants and qualitative support: trainings and consultations designed and conducted by the Bielsko Artistic Association Grodzki Theatre.

In 2010 we awarded grants – totaling to PLN 173,000 – to 22 organizations selected from among a group of program's grantees from two previous years who participated in training courses organized by the Grodzki Theater. The grants allowed organizations to develop different therapeutic activities involving about 340 disabled youth and 200 of their healthy peers. With the help of various theater techniques they learnt teamwork, communication skills and how to overcome fear and gain self-assurance. They produced elements of stage decoration and theatre costumes and presented their drama production in their communities and at artistic reviews and festivals. Instructors from the Grodzki Theatre provided in-place consultations for the pedagogues and supervised their work with the children. They also organized sum-up meetings combined with the workshops on methods and techniques of drama therapy.

In 2010, Rainbow Academy was financed from the donations by the Agora Foundation (PLN 101,850), M Fund (PLN 70,000) and the Batory Foundation's own resources.

Donors Advised Funds

Apart from running its own grant-making programs, the Foundation administers funds entrusted by companies and individuals. These funds, 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.

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 2010, M Fund earnings were used to finance 10 grants for projects that use scenic arts in working with the disabled children (see the list of grants in the Rainbow Academy section). Moreover, pursuant to the wish of 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 2010, 14 grants were made of the value of PLN 31,300 (see the list of grants in M Fund section).

Beata Pawlak Fund

This fund was established from a donation 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 information see the Batory Foundation Debates program).

Iwona Winiarska-Feleszko Fund

This fund was established by friends and family of attorney Iwona Winiarska-Feleszko after her tragic death in 2007 with an aim to provide grants for scholarships for 1st year students of Warsaw based public higher schools. The scholarships are provided by organizations taking part in the Equal Opportunity – Local

Scholarship Programs and the Bread of Life Community Homes Foundation which recommend scholarships' recipients. In 2010 we provided grants to two local organizations for a total amount of PLN 20,000 which covered scholarships for 5 students.

Karol Uryga-Nawarowski Fund

Thanks to the annual donation by the Karol Uryga-Nawarowski Foundation from the US the Uryga-Nawarowski Fund was established in 2008 to help organizations that support and provide therapy to children and youth threatened with alcohol dependency, and diagnose and treat children suffering from the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS), as well as provide training, support and professional assistance to their biological, foster and adoptive parents, therapists and teachers. In 2010, we provided one grant in amount of PLN 30,000.

Grants	PLN 960,988.15
Meetings, trainings	PLN 25,831.06
Program implementation	PLN 147,760.66
Cost of 1% income tax campaign (including in-kind contribution of free ad space of the value of PLN 14,152)	PLN 74,395.01
Program promotion costs (in-kind contribution of the free-of-charge advertisement in Agora SA media)	PLN 481,946.18
Total program costs	PLN 1,691,124.06

Grants

Local Scholarship Programs

Give us a Chance Foundation, Skarżysko Kamienna

Scholarship program for youth from Skarżysko Kamienna county – from grant and other funds, 33 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Elbląg Foundation, Community Foundation of Elbląg Region, Elbląg

Scholarship program for youth from Elbląg area – from grant and other funds, 27 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Community Foundation of Biłgoraj Region, Biłgoraj

Scholarship program for youth from Biłgoraj county and Zwierzyniec borough – from grant and other funds, 29 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Cultural Initiatives Foundation, Radomsko

Scholarship program for youth from Radomsko county – from grant and other funds, 18 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Foundation for the Development of Wieluń County, Wieluń

Scholarship program for youth from Wieluń county – from grant and other funds, 21 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Social Welfare Foundation, Brzeszcze

Scholarship program for youth from Brzeszcze borough – from grant and other funds, 29 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 13,000**

Family Foundation, Sławno

Scholarship program for youth from Sławno county – from grant and other funds, 26 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Foundation for the Development of Gołdap Region, Gołdap

Scholarship program for youth from Gołdap county – from grant and other funds, 28 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Foundation for the Development of Łukta Region, Łukta

Scholarship program for youth from selected boroughs of Ostróda and Olsztyn counties – from grant and other funds, 35 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Nowy Sącz Foundation, Nowy Sącz

Scholarship program for youth from selected boroughs of Nowy Sącz and Gorlice counties – from grant and other funds, 159 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Sokółka Community Foundation, Sokółka

Scholarship program for youth from Sokółka borough – from grant and other funds, 28 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Vive Foundation Heart to Children, Kielce

Scholarship program for youth from Staszów county – from grant and other funds, 32 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Snow Mountain Community Fund, Stara Bystrzyca

Scholarship program for youth from 4 boroughs of Snow Mountain area: Bystrzyca Kłodzka, Lądek Zdrój, Międzyzlesie and Stronie Śląskie – from grant and other funds, 57 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Leżajsk Development Association, Leżajsk

Scholarship program for youth from Leżajsk county – from grant and other funds, 22 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 9,700

Success for Each Child Srokowo Association, Srokowo

Scholarship program for youth from Srokowo borough – from grant and other funds, 21 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 12,000

Barciany Educational Initiative, Barciany

Scholarship program for youth from Barciany borough – from grant and other funds, 24 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Community Foundation of the Year 2000, Tomaszów Mazowiecki

Scholarship program for youth from Tomaszów county – from grant and other funds, 8 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 8,000

Together Charitable Association, Zelów

Scholarship program for youth from Zelów borough – from grant and other funds, 9 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 9,000

Widok Association of Cultural Education, Białystok

Scholarship program for youth from Białystok – from grant and other funds, 32 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

A. Bąkowska Scholarship Fund for Young People from Rural Areas Association, Sońsk

Scholarship program for high school youth from Gołotczyzna, Ciechanów county – from grant and other funds, 26 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 15,000

Emka Youth for Development Association, Wieliszew

Scholarship program for youth from Wieliszew borough – from grant and other funds, 23 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 13,650

To Restore Hope Association for Rural Children and Youth, Głogów

Scholarship program for youth from Głogów borough – from grant and other funds, 15 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 15,000

Association for Local Development, Białobrzegi

Scholarship program for youth from Białobrzegi borough in Subcarpathian province – from grant and other funds, 30 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Haven Association to Support the Establishment of a Friendly Educational Environment for the Children and Youth of Iława, Iława

Scholarship program for youth from Iława county – from grant and other funds, 40 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Nidzica Community Foundation, Nidzica

Scholarship program for youth from Nidzica county – from grant and other funds, 22 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011.

PLN 20,000

Dezydery Chłapowski Educational Association, Kościan

Scholarship program for youth from Kościan county – from grant and other funds, 16 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 16,000**

Krajna and Pałuki Partnership Association, Nakło nad Notecią

Scholarship program for youth from Nakło borough – from grant and other funds, 10 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 11,000**

Helping Hand Association, Złoty Stok

Scholarship program for youth from Złoty Stok borough – from grant and other funds, 19 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 10,000**

Without Barriers Association for Assisting the Disabled, Zakliczyn

Scholarship program for youth from 4 boroughs of Małopolska province: Czchów, Gromnik, Pleśna and Zakliczyn – from grant and other funds, 34 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Promenade Association, Wyszków

Scholarship program for youth from Wyszków borough – from grant and other funds, 17 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 10,000**

Friends of Jednorożec Area Association, Jednorożec

Scholarship program for youth from Jednorożec borough – from grant and other funds, 8 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 6,000**

Friends of Klonowa Borough Association, Klonowa

Scholarship program for youth from Klonowa borough – from grant and other funds, 3 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 5,200**

Association of Catholic Families of Katowice Archdiocese, St. George Parish Club, Goczałkowice-Zdrój

Scholarship program for youth from Goczałkowice-Zdrój borough – from grant and other funds, 18 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 11,400**

Zarzecze Borough Development Association, Zarzecze

Scholarship program for youth from Zarzecze borough – from grant and other funds, 14 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 11,000**

Świętokrzyskie Region Community Foundation, Kielce

Scholarship program for youth from Kielce province – from grant and other funds, 54 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Association to Support the Development of Człuchów County, Człuchów

Scholarship program for youth from Człuchów county – from grant and other funds, 55 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Echo of Pyzdry Cultural Association, Pyzdry

Scholarship program for youth from Pyzdry, Pleszew, Pniewy, Słupca and Września boroughs – from grant and other funds, 6 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 6,350**

Local Government Association, Konin

Scholarship program for youth from Gniezno, Koło, Konin Słupca, Turek and Września counties – from grant and other funds, 64 scholarships were awarded for the school year 2010/2011. **PLN 20,000**

Rainbow Academy

Foundation for Śrem City Revaluation, Śrem

My colorful world – theater classes for 6 disabled children and 7 of their peers and siblings, putting on two plays, activities carried out with help of 3 students from school volunteer clubs, trip to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 10,000**

Foundation for Assistance to Rural Children, Bliżyce

Step forward – theater, art and music classes for 15 disabled students from schools run by the Foundation, performance of productions; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 8,000**

Heart Association for Children and Youth with Special Needs, Białogard

Poems by Julian Tuwim for children – theater classes inspired by poems, and music and art activities for 14 disabled children and youth and 15 of their peers, performance of production, trips to the theater, art show for students from nearby schools; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 9,000**

Klanza Polish Association of Educators and Animators, Bogatynia

Magical power of imagination – theater classes for 7 disabled children and 10 elementary school children, performances of production, workshops for volunteers, guardians and teachers working with the disabled; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 10,000**

Wojnowo Local Initiative Association, Sicienko

Colors of art – theater, music and art classes for 10 disabled children and 10 volunteers from the school Caritas Club, preparing and presentation of shows, trips to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 8,000**

Cultural and Educational Association of Dominikowice Village, Dominikowice

Together in life and on stage – theatrical and art workshops for 10 disabled children and 13 students from the local schools, performances of productions, trips to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 6,000**

Łańcuchów Village Association, Łańcuchów

Theatrical classes for 37 children (incl. 7 with disabilities) from elementary school, performance of productions, participation in reviews of artistic groups, trips to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 9,000**

Together Association for Disabled Children and Youth, Piekoszów

Theater and pantomime classes for 30 disabled children and youth and 10 of their siblings, preparing and presentation of shows, participation in reviews of artistic groups, trip to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 7,000**

We Inspire Association for Children and Youth, Niezdara

Theatrical, dance and music activities for 20 students from the Medical and Educational Center, preparing and presentation of shows, participation in review of artistic groups, trips to Silesian theaters; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 9,000**

Association for Children and the Disabled, Krotoszyn

Theater therapy – holiday workshops for 10 disabled wards of the Day Care Center and 10 of their peers, during the school year theatrical classes for the Center's wards, performance of productions, participation in reviews of artistic groups and meetings for parents and volunteers; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 6,500**

Ulka Association for Disabled and Chronically Ill, Bochnia

Around love and heart problems – theatrical classes for 10 disabled children and 9 of their peers constructed around two topics: love in different historical periods and healthy lifestyle; presentations of vignettes, meetings with writers, historian and medicine doctor; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 7,000**

Sunbeam Association for Assistance to Disabled Children and Youth and Victims of Traffic Accidents, Szczytno

Children in the land of elements – theatrical and art lessons for 17 of the Association's wards constructed around four elements: earth, water, fire and wind; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 5,000**

Fortitudo Association for Support of Children and Youth Development, Łęczna

Meeting art – theatrical workshops for 22 elementary and high school students (incl. 12 with disabilities), 13 students from school volunteer clubs helped in the activities, preparing of a show and street parade, art-therapy workshop for guardians and teachers working with the disabled, continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 8,500**

Our Community Association, Dulcza Mała

Theatrical classes inspired by Polish poets' poems for 25 elementary school students with disabilities, performances of productions, organizing poem recitation contest for students, trip to the theater and Puppet Museum, continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 8,000**

Child's Smile Association of Friends of Special Education Center, Żagań

The stage: not as black as it's painted – theatrical classes for 15 students and graduates of the Special Educational and Rearing Center, performance of productions; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant financed from M Fund). **PLN 6,000**

Association of the Disabled and Their Families, Rydułtowy

Just the same – theatrical, dance and music classes for 22 disabled wards of the day care center and 3 of their peers, performance of productions, participation in review of artistic groups, trip to the theater, meetings with a psychologist; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant financed from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 8,000**

Stubfurt Association, Stubice

Fun-atics – theatrical and circus workshops for 10 students of the Special Educational and Rearing Center and 10 children from the *What a circus* group, performance of production, participation in review of artistic groups, trip to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 7,000**

Differently Abled Association, Kłodawa

The singing theater – theater classes for 11 of the Association's wards (incl. 6 children) and 6 students from the nearby school, workshops with an actor from the puppet theater, performance of productions, participation in reviews of artistic groups, trips to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 10,000**

Friends of Hugo Kottłataj Primary School Association, Przeworsk

The world in rainbow colors – theater, art and music activities for two groups: 20 children from elementary school and 10 disabled children from special classes; performance of jointly prepared productions, theater trips; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 8,000**

Chance Association in Support of Development of Education in Rural Areas, Bircza

Closer to each other – workshops for 12 students of the high school (incl. 5 with disabilities) and 6 disabled wards of the Community Self-help Center; performance of theatrical etudes and show, trip to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2009 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 8,000**

Give Joy Association in Support of Development of Children and Youth, Szprotawa

Friendship is the most valuable thing – theater, dance and art classes for 45 students of the Special Educational and Rearing Center and 15 of their peers and sibling, presentation of shows, participation in review of artistic groups, trip to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from M Fund). **PLN 7,000**

Child's Smile Złocieniec Association, Złocieniec

Smiling faces – theater and music activities for 20 disabled students from elementary school and the Special Educational and Rearing Center, presentation of two shows, trip to the theater; continuation of activities subsidized in 2008 (grant awarded from Agora Foundation funds). **PLN 8,000**

M Fund**Gift of the Heart Foundation for Children, Bielsko-Biała**

Donation for treatment of three disabled children. **PLN 2,500**

Foundation for People with Spinal Cord Injuries, Gorzów Wielkopolski

Donation for treatment of a disabled person. **PLN 1,500**

Help on Time Foundation for Children, Warszawa

Donation for treatment and rehabilitation of four disabled persons. **PLN 7,000**

Krzyś Foundation for Disabled Children and Youth, Wrocław

Donation for rehabilitation of two disabled children. **PLN 2,500**

Cor Infantis Foundation for Children with Heart Defects, Lublin

Donation for treatment of a disabled child. **PLN 2,000**

Sunshine Foundation for Assistance to Disabled, Złotów

Donation for rehabilitation equipment for disabled person. **PLN 1,800**

Matio Foundation for Assistance to Families and Patients with Cystic Fibrosis, Kraków

Donation for purchase of chest wall oscillation vest for sick child. **PLN 2,000**

Polish Society Against Cystic Fibrosis, Rabka Zdrój

Donation for treatment of a sick person. **PLN 1,000**

Together Association of Parents and Friends of Children with Special Educational Needs, Sławno

Donation for treatment of a disabled child. **PLN 1,500**

Society of the Friends of Children, Wałcz

Donation for rehabilitation of two disabled children. **PLN 2,000**

Donations to individuals

Four donations for treatment of a sick child, for treatment of two disabled children and their sick mother, for elimination of architectural barriers in the apartment of a disabled person and for purchase of sound activating transmitter for deaf child. **PLN 7,500**

Iwona Winiarska-Feleszko Fund

Bread of Life Community Homes Foundation, Ożarów

Scholarship grant for Kinga Jambor, 1st year major at the University of Warsaw.

PLN 4,000

Widok Association of Cultural Education, Białystok

Scholarship grants for: Maciej Jocz and Maciej Dołęgiewicz, 1st year majors at the University of Warsaw, Barbara Olszewska, 1st year major at the Academy of Art and Monika Żyłkowska, 1st year major at the Warsaw School of Economics.

PLN 16,000

Karol Uryga-Nawarowski Fund

Association for Foster Parenting, Łędziny

Comprehensive assistance for children and youth suffering from FAS (Fetal Alcohol Syndrome) and for the foster families who raise them: individual therapy, work with the family, workshops for families and carers, therapist training (continuation of activities subsidized in 2009).

PLN 30,000

Other grants

Polish Humanitarian Organization, Warsaw

Organizing aid for the victims of the Haiti earthquake.

PLN 100,000

The Unit for Social Innovation and Research *Shipyard*, Warsaw

Preparation to launch an NGO information center to coordinate aid for flood victims

PLN 4,388.15

Batory Foundation Debates

Batory Foundation Debates are an attempt at establishing an independent meeting and discussion forum for politicians, professionals, public intellectuals and journalists. We have long organized conferences and discussions on changes taking place in our country, in Europe and in the world, on Polish and EU foreign policy and international affairs relations. Our goal has been to foster public debate on issues important to the future of our country and region.

In 2010, our debates dealt with fundamental challenges in Polish domestic politics, such as the crash of the presidential plane on April 10 and its implications for political and social life and the problem of economic reforms. We also paid special attention to international issues, looking at both the eastern neighbors of Poland and European-American relations. Reports on all the debates, along with complete audio recordings, are posted on the Foundation's website. We have also published the proceedings of the conferences *The Questions of the Two Decades. 1989–2009* and *Leszek Kotakowski – a Thinker and a Citizen* held in 2009.

Current political and social problems

Civil society: Myths and Reality February 8

Introduction: Dr. Dariusz Gawin (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences), Dr. Anna Giza-Poleszczuk (Institute of Sociology, University of Warsaw, the Unit for Social Innovation and Research *Shipyard*), Dr. Agnieszka Graff (American Studies Center, University of Warsaw), Dr. Ireneusz Krzemiński (Institute of Sociology, University of Warsaw), Prof. Andrzej Rychard (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences). Chair: Aleksander Smolar (President, Stefan Batory Foundation).

The debate was devoted to the state of civil society in Poland. Some of the panelists agreed with the argument put forward by Agnieszka Graff in a widely discussed article in *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily from January 2010 that civil society in Poland is in crisis: it does not exist in the public consciousness, and people do not distinguish between non-governmental organizations and public institutions. Others pointed out that the situation is different at the local level, where active communities work closely with associations and foundations. Participants also spoke of a crisis of cognitive perspective, stressing that civil society can sometimes be found in unexpected places, e.g. in rural areas. They stressed, moreover, that one should not identify civil society with NGOs, and highlighted the risks associated with NGOs adapting their activities to the priorities of funders and isolating themselves from the concerns of ordinary people. Some felt that the apathy of Poles is connected with the typical way that NGOs carry out their activities, focusing on the efficient implementation of predetermined goals, rather than the mobilization of communities.

Battle for the public media

March 18

Introduction: Jan Dworak (film and TV producer, former president of Polish Television), Rafał Grupiński (member of Parliament), Elżbieta Kruk (member of Parliament, former president of the National Broadcasting Council), Jacek Żakowski (*Polityka* weekly, Citizens' Committee for Public Media). Chair: Aleksander Smolar (President, Stefan Batory Foundation).

The discussion concerned the draft media law prepared by the Citizens' Committee of Public Media. Its premises were presented by Maciej Strzembosz (president of the National Chamber of Audiovisual Producers), who stressed that the law aims to depoliticize the public media, prevent its commercialization, and restore its public functions. Under the bill, the National Broadcasting Council would no longer be in charge of public media; instead, its governing bodies would be chosen by a 50-person Committee for Public Media whose members, in turn, would be chosen by lot from among a 250-person electoral college. Members of the college would be appointed by non-governmental organizations, creative associations, local governments, and rectors' conferences. The bill also envisaged funding public media from general audiovisual fees, and with regard to regional media, the possibility of co-funding of programs by local governments. Participants in the discussion acknowledged that the bill takes public media out of the hands of politicians and restricts commercialization. However, they had some doubts about the method of selecting members of the Committee for Public Media, as well as the financing of public media by local authorities. Representatives of the Civic Platform and Law and Justice parties declared that they are in favor of referring the bill for further examination by committees of the Parliament.

What did the cross affair tell us about the Polish Church?

September 23

Introduction: Paweł Lisicki (editor-in-chief, *Rzeczpospolita* daily), Zbigniew Nosowski (editor-in-chief, *Więź* monthly), Prof. Magdalena Środa (Institute of Philosophy, University of Warsaw). Chair: Aleksander Smolar (President, Stefan Batory Foundation).

The debate focused on the Church's attitude towards the dispute around the cross placed by a group of scouts on Krakowskie Przedmieście Street after the plane crash that killed President Lech Kaczyński and the entire delegation attending ceremony of the 70th anniversary of the Katyn massacre, and also on the attitudes of Polish society towards the Church. According to participants, the dispute around the cross showed the weakness of the Polish Church and its helplessness in situations requiring a strong response, as well as deep internal divisions and a crisis of leadership. There is great potential for the rise of anti-clerical sentiments in society, with recent surveys showing that confidence in the Church as an institution has fallen to its lowest level since 1996. The church's attitude toward democracy was also discussed. Some participants felt that one cannot expect the Church to consider itself bound only by democratic principles, given that it claims to draw its authority from a source higher than man-made laws. Others suggested that the tension between the state and the Church results from the latter's inability to find its proper place in a democratic order. Portions of the debate were published in *Znak* monthly (December 2010).

Why does Civic Platform want to be in power?

October 8

Introduction: Prof. Stanisław Gomułka (chief economist, Business Center Club, former deputy finance minister), Stefan Kawalec (Capital Strategy, former deputy finance minister), Dr. Krzysztof Rybiński (rector of the University of Economics and Computer Science in Warsaw, former vice-president of the Polish National Bank), Maria Wiśniewska (Board chair, Central European Pharmaceutical Distribution). Chair: Aleksander Smolar (President, Stefan Batory Foundation).

During the debate, participants examined the objectives that motivate the Civic Platform party in exercising governmental authority. In their opinion, the failure of the government to pursue deeper reforms shows that the Platform is only concerned about staying in power, and not in realizing its declared vision. This party is able to skillfully use “soft populism” (with slogans like “the public is tired of reforms”), and its popularity continues to feed on fear of the even more populist Law and Justice party returning to power and pursuing its vision in foreign policy and in the so-called agencies of coercion (military, police, special services). The threat of a looming crisis in the public finances could however force the government to change its policies and implement its declared economic objectives, such as joining the euro zone, accelerating privatization and depoliticizing management in the public sector, cutting taxes, and reducing the ratio of public debt to GDP.

Palikot phenomenon: integral liberalism or populism for the elites?

November 9

Introduction: Dr. Kinga Dunin (*Krytyka Polityczna* magazine, Medical University of Warsaw), Robert Kraśkowski (*Europe* monthly, Immanuel Kant Foundation), Prof. Marcin Król (Institute of Applied Social Sciences, University of Warsaw), Prof. Andrzej Rychard (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences), Dr. Paweł Śpiewak (Institute of Sociology, University of Warsaw). Chair: Aleksander Smolar (President, Stefan Batory Foundation).

Debate participants discussed the causes of the popularity and future prospects of the social movement set up by former Civic Platform MP Janusz Palikot that brings together people supporting civil liberties, individual rights, and state neutrality vis-à-vis religion. The majority of participants felt that the main reason for the sympathy shown in the media and in larger cities for this movement is the increasingly visible evolution of Polish society towards liberalism, understood more broadly than just economic freedom. An intelligentsia frustrated by the conservatism of the present government expects consistent observance of the principle of separation of church and state. Palikot thinks that the balance of power between the liberal and conservative worlds can be only changed through an aggressive struggle against the Church and Donald Tusk, whose efforts have strengthened the dominant position of the Church and conservative circles in Poland. Opinions are divided as to whether Palikot will be able to build his own political grouping. According to some, anti-clericalism and the desire for liberal change in Polish society will continue to grow. Therefore, the former Civic Platform politician’s attack on the Church could be effective in the long run. According to others, he is a frivolous and ephemeral politician and will disappear from public life when he loses access to the media. Some participants also stressed that a major weakness of Palikot’s movement is the absence in his program of proposals concerning other important areas of life, such as the economy.

International relations and regional problems

Changes in Russian domestic and foreign policy

April 20

Introduction by Andrew Wilson (European Council on Foreign Relations). Moderation: Aleksander Smolar (President, Stefan Batory Foundation).

Expert debate revolving around the report *The Limits of Enlargement-Lite: European and Russian Power in the Troubled Neighbourhood* by Nicu Popescu and Andrew Wilson of the European Council on Foreign Relations, which analyzes European Union and Russian policy towards the countries of the Eastern Partnership. The authors of the publication compare the forms, tools and effectiveness of both these actors and present proposals for changes in the ways the European Union and Russia approach the countries of the Eastern Partnership.

During the event, participants focused on the political situation in Russia and its impact on international relations. In Russia's tandem government, Prime Minister Vladimir Putin maintains a balance between interest groups, while the job of President Dmitry Medvedev – Russia's new face for the Western public – is to gain international recognition and legitimization of the division of state resources (natural resources, industry, etc.) carried out in the past decade between the interest groups that benefited from the changes in Putin's Russia. In relations with the Western world it is mainly the president who outlines the priorities of Russian foreign policy, promoting a policy based on cooperation, or at least the avoidance of confrontation. However, the current division of roles between the president and the prime minister does not work very well vis-à-vis neighboring countries. Russia's policy towards them retains its Putinist character, with Medvedev fulfilling only representational functions. Nevertheless, the Medvedev-Putin tandem has proven to be strong and has survived changes in internal and international policy that have taken place in recent years and is likely to continue until 2012.

In pursuing its foreign policy objectives, Russia prefers to use "soft power", (i.e. the ability to win allies and influence due to the attractiveness of its culture, politics, and political ideals), but combines it with "hard power" (i.e. use of political, military or economic compulsion). The rational use of soft power, however, is difficult because of the importance of energy in today's economy, which creates a temptation to use it for political purposes and influence neighboring countries. For example, the government in Kyiv seems to stake everything on getting cheap gas without considering the political costs, which may even lead to the country losing some of its independence.

Extensive material on the report appeared in the magazine *Nowa Europa Wschodnia* (experts from the countries of the Eastern Partnership and Russia responded to the arguments presented there by Andrew Wilson). Comments by three Polish experts: Bartosz Cichocki, Wojciech Konończuk and Wojciech Paczyński were posted on the Foundation's website. The publication was distributed to 1,500 experts, opinion leaders, policymakers and academics.

From consociational democracy to electoral one-party state: the experience of Malaysia

June 21

Introduction: Chin Huat Wong (Association of Journalists for Independent Media). Chair: Prof. Piotr Balcerowicz (School of Social Psychology).

A meeting devoted to the political and social situation in Malaysia, which after independence underwent a surprising evolution from democracy to elective authoritarianism. Today elections in this country are manipulated, the opposition stifled, and the distinction between state and party is getting increasingly blurred. This state of affairs has a lot to do with the country's ethnic divisions – on the one hand the majority Malays, and on the other, minority Chinese and Indians – and leads to occasional tensions between these groups. Periods of consolidation of one-party rule usually trigger a backlash that forces the government to loosen its grip in order to meet the demands of ethnic and religious minorities. During the discussion it was noted out that the problems of many Southeast Asian states stem partly from the fact that they were artificially created by colonial powers and their borders are the result of political calculation.

The meeting was coorganized with the European Institute for Democracy and the Zagranica Group.

European Union – United States: defining a new relationship

June 24

Introduction: Prof. Adam Daniel Rotfeld (former Polish Minister of Foreign Affairs, member of the Group of Experts on a new Strategic Concept for NATO), Nick Witney (European Council on Foreign Relations). Chair: Aleksander Smolar (President, Stefan Batory Foundation).

The debate focused on changes in US–EU relations, their shortcomings, and proposals for future action. It was pointed out that Euro–Atlantic relations in the form established after World War II are now in crisis. International relations no longer revolve around an East-West dichotomy, but are becoming increasingly multipolar. The main dividing line in Europe today is not between east and west, but between north and south. There are also new powers emerging such as Brazil, India and China, while four other permanent UN Security Council members are losing importance. The United States is adapting its policies to the new realities, but the European Union has not yet taken notice of the changes, which require it to play a much more active role on the international stage. The result is the marginalization of Europe in global politics and the drifting apart of the EU and the US. To remedy this, the European Union must take responsibility for its own security and treat the United States as a partner, not a patron. During the discussion a lot of time was devoted to NATO, which is the only institutionalized form of cooperation between the EU and the US. The absence of such an institution in other spheres, e.g. the economic, where the EU is an important actor, was also underscored.

Other debates

I, Author – debate on the occasion of the sixth edition of the Beata Pawlak Prize

October 12

Introduction: Marek Kęskrawiec (reporter), Monika Redzisz (photographer, co-founder of the Zorka Project group), Mariusz Szczygiel (deputy editor of *Duży Format* magazine, a supplement to *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily), Wojciech Tochman (reporter). Chair: Konstanty Gebert (columnist).

The central theme of the discussion was the question of the role of the author in literary genres such as non-fiction and feature stories. During the debate, the whole spectrum of attitudes was outlined: from the author focused only on himself to the author carrying out a key function in the initial phase of a text: choosing a topic and the way to approach it, and on to the author who is absent from his work, limiting his role to the medium through which others speak. As was stressed at the debate, the feature is a deeply personal

genre. But regardless of how they see their role in the creation of a work, participants in the debate acknowledged that through it they want to change the world for the better, even if only in a small way. Whether by strengthening the self-esteem of the people presented in a feature, or by getting readers to change their way of thinking and breaking down their stereotypical attitudes by confronting them with another way of life and convincing them of its worth, or by expanding their sensitivity. Sometimes, however, the creation of a work also changes the author himself, who in the process of creating learns new truths about himself.

Beata Pawlak Award

The Beata Pawlak Award was established pursuant to the last will of Beata Pawlak, a Polish journalist and writer who was killed in the terrorist attack on Bali in 2002. It is awarded annually to an author of an article or publication on foreign cultures, religions and civilizations. The prize is financed from the Fund administered by the Foundation.

The laureate of the 6th edition of the Award was Marek Kęskrawiec for his book *The Fourth Fire in Tehran* (W.A.B. Publishers, Warsaw 2010).

In 2010 the Program was financed from the Batory Foundation's own resources, Beata Pawlak Fund (PLN 10,000) and the *Polityka* Publishers' donation (PLN 1,320.97).

Beata Pawlak Award	PLN 10,000.00
Debates and publications	PLN 217,840.90
Total program costs	PLN 227,840.90

Your Vote, Your Choice

The program's goal is to increase public interest in local affairs and to encourage civic participation in public life, including an informed and responsible participation in local and parliamentary elections. In order to achieve these goals we organize social and awareness raising campaigns. We work with the local organizations assisting them in undertaking activities that spur civic participation, foster dialogue between constituents and their representatives in local governments and integrate local communities around local problems solving. We carry out activities aimed to increase voter turnout and improve the quality of elections, as well as ensure reliable, unbiased information about elections and candidates on public television.

Your vote, your choice. Local government is yours! project

In cooperation with the School of Leaders Association since 2006 we have been implementing the project aimed to stimulate public debate on local issues with the participation of residents and local authorities, and to reinforce a sense of joint responsibility for the election promises and decisions made on the election day. The project is open to any organization or informal group which registers at the project portal www.maszglos.pl and makes a commitment to implement a set of tasks aimed at mobilizing civic participation. All registered participants are offered substantive support, which includes a cycle of training workshops, individual consultations and expert advice, instruction and promotional materials as well as information and experience sharing through the project's website.

In 2010 our action focused on preparing local communities for informed participation in local government elections on November 21. Project's participants were asked to undertake at least one of the following tasks: a diagnosis of local problems, a debate on perspectives for local development, a campaign encouraging local leaders to run for office, a pre-election debate on local problems with representatives of campaign committees, and other local activities as part of a nationwide campaign to increase turnout.

670 organizations, informal groups, media, schools, internet portals, community centers, parishes, libraries and cooperatives joined the project. In 529 localities they organized local civic campaigns encouraging informed participation in local government elections. In 274 localities public debates were held involving candidates for local offices, in 102 of these the discussions revolved around lists of local problems compiled by project participants based on surveys and meetings with residents. 70 organizations and media, as well as numerous libraries, encouraged community leaders to run for local council seats and informed citizens about their right to run for public office (meetings were organized between residents and local leaders, exhibits were put up in libraries, newspapers published articles and ran popularity contests for the best local council candidates). During the election campaign, in cooperation with the magazines *ResPublica*, *Krytyka polityczna* and *Liberte*, we organized public debates in nine cities (Cieszyn, Gdańsk, Kraków, Lublin,

Łódź, Poznań, Toruń, Wrocław, Szczecin). During the debates invited politicians and experts discussed the openness of local politics and the threats and opportunities associated with the growth of party-based local governments, and sought answers to the questions: What kind of people become local politicians? How can an active citizen become one of them?

The School of Leaders Association, the program's partner, organized a cycle of 11 workshops for project's participants on the rules of cooperation with local authorities, passive and active voting rights and methods of conducting public debates. Altogether 134 people took part in these trainings. We also facilitated contacts with local authorities and media, provided consultations regarding the responsibilities and tasks of local government as well as on legal regulations. The project's website served as an interactive platform for exchange of information and experience-sharing among all participants, promotion of the project and dissemination of information on activities carried out on a local level.

More information on these activities can be found at: www.maszglos.pl.

Voter turnout campaigns

Two nationwide voter turnout campaigns – before the June 20 presidential elections and the November 21 local government elections – complemented and reinforced the activities carried out locally by non-governmental organizations taking part in the *Your vote, your choice* project. These campaigns, like those in previous years, were conducted within a broad coalition of NGOs which in 2010 consisted of: the Center for Citizenship Education, the European Forum at the Warsaw University European Center, the Civil Development Forum, the Project:Poland Foundation, the Information Society Development Foundation, Chamber of News Publishers, the Polish Confederation of Private Employers *Lewiatan*, the Polish Robert Schuman Foundation, Local Press Association, Association of Marketing Communications SAR, Local Newspapers Association, the Friends of Integration Association, the School of Leaders Association, the Polish Public Relations Consultants Association.

In the campaign before the June 20 presidential elections, carried out in difficult circumstances (mourning after the Smolensk tragedy, flooding in many regions of the country, the beginning of the vacation season), we focused primarily on disseminating information on election procedures: the option of voting outside the place of permanent residence (a serious problem for vacationers, as well as for workers and students living outside the place of permanent residence) and the newly introduced option of voting by proxy for older persons and the disabled. The strategy and the campaign materials under the slogan *Wherever you are – vote!* designed the PZL agency. Their dissemination was supported by MEC Active Engagement media agency.

Campaign commercials were broadcast across the country by national, regional and local radio and television, including cable TV and the movie theater chain Multikino. The biggest internet portals – gazeta.pl, wp.pl, onet.pl – placed banners on their websites. Printed advertisements appeared in the newspapers and magazines published by Agora, the Bauer publishing company, and the publishers belonging to the Chamber of News Publishers and the Association of Local Newspapers. 500 billboards across Poland displayed the work of Adam Ignaciuk, main winner of the competition organized by the Economic Chamber of Outdoor Advertising and the Batory Foundation for a poster encouraging informed participation in the presidential and local government elections.

The turnout in the presidential elections was 55% (five percentage points higher than five years earlier) and was the highest since the year 2000. 1,2 million voters made use of their right to vote outside the place of their residence (15 times more than in elections four years earlier). For first time since the passage of the law enabling voting by proxy, 10,785 disabled voters made use of that right. The *Wherever you are – vote!* campaign won the two highest awards in the *Golden Paperclips* competition for the best PR campaign: for the best public campaign and also the most effective PR campaign.

Before the November 21 local government elections we conducted a nationwide voter turnout campaign, whose aim was to encourage community leaders to run for local government office (*Future council members are right next to you! Do you know them? Convince them!* August–September) and to encourage citizens to vote in the elections on the basis of good knowledge of candidates, their achievements and programs, as well as familiarity with the competences of local authorities (*Go and vote in an informed way!*, October–November). The strategy and campaign materials were prepared by the Albert Lumberjacker advertising agency in two versions: for female and male candidates, and for female and male voters. The media agency MEC Active Engagement supported the coalition's activities.

During the campaign we carried out intensive informational activities. On the website of *Your vote, your choice* project there were guides for both candidates and voters, the experts ran on-line and telephone consultations. In cooperation with journalists, we provided information in the media about the election calendar, the responsibilities of various levels of local government, the procedures for candidacy and voting (including registration and proxy voting by the disabled and elderly), and advice how to get to know candidates. As part of their *Young people vote* project the Citizen Education Center conducted lessons on local government in 425 schools across Poland. In ten cities (Białystok, Kościan, Kraków, Lublin, Łódź, Nowy Sącz, Szczecin, Warszawa, Włocławek, Wrocław) the Project: Poland Association organized a *Get out and go to the polls* campaign that aimed to remind young people enjoying their weekend not to forget to visit their local polling station.

National, regional and local media broadcast TV and radio commercials, published print ads, and placed internet banners. On the social networking site Facebook, a profile for the campaign was created. In parishes, public transport, and district offices in Warsaw, in cafes and clubs in several Polish towns, and also during major league football matches, leaflets were distributed regarding local government responsibilities and election procedures as well as postcards with the date of the elections and information on voter registration.

We made a grant to the Women Congress Association which organized 17 two-day regional training workshops for women running in local government elections. Attended by 340 candidates, the workshops taught practical skills (public speaking, preparing an electoral program, planning an election campaign) as well as ways of implementing gender equality policies at the local level. Most of the participants represented local election committees. None of them had previously served in local government. At the end of the training, the candidates were invited by the President and his wife to a meeting at the Presidential Palace.

The turnout in the local government elections was 47%, two percentage points higher than in the 2006 elections. In localities with populations of 20,000 or less, it exceeded 52% (in 2006 it was 50%, in 2002 – 44%); in towns of over 20,000 it was 46.6% (in 2006 – 44.8% and in 2002 – 44.1%). Moreover, the number of women candidates for local councils increased from 25.5% in 2002 to 28% in 2006 and to 32% in 2010, while the per-

centage of women among candidates elected to councils went up from 17.76% to 20.7% in 2010. Although the growth in turnout is not that significant, it does indicate a reversal of the earlier downward trend.

Advocacy efforts

Together with the organizations gathered in the get-out-the vote coalition, we have also engaged in advocacy activities aimed at changing the electoral law in order to make it easier for citizens to participate in elections and make informed electoral decisions. In the effect, the draft Election Code being prepared by the Parliament, bringing together in one law election rules for all levels of government, incorporates many of the proposals we were recommending. It extends voting hours (7am–9pm) and makes them uniform for general and local elections; enables elections to be held over a two-day period and introduces postal voting for people who are abroad. It also gives the State Electoral Commission the additional responsibility of carrying out informational activities.

Monitoring TVP informational programs during election campaign

During the presidential and local government election campaigns in 2010, we monitored public TV informational programs to check how public television fulfilled its obligation to inform citizens about candidates running for public office. As part of the monitoring, we studied the amount of time devoted to the election campaign, to the committees running candidates, and to the candidates themselves, and also evaluated the context in which they were shown. Moreover, we analyzed the relationship between the time devoted to candidates and the way they were presented. During the monitoring process we issued weekly reports on our findings, and after the elections we published final reports summarizing the results of the observations. The monitoring was conducted by a team of sociologists from the University of Warsaw using the methodology based on the NDI manual *Media Monitoring to Promote Democratic Elections*.

In 2010 the program was financed from the grants by the Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe (PLN 755,250), the Open Society Foundations (PLN 494,355) and from the Batory Foundation’s own resources. Agora SA supported voter turnout campaigns with in-kind donations in the form of free classified ads in their media outlets equivalent to PLN 2,526,759.09.

Grants	PLN 398,000.00
<i>Your vote, your choice</i> project (including in-kind contribution by Agora SA of a value of PLN 2,526,759.09)	PLN 3,582,544.26
Total cost	PLN 3,980,544.26

Grants

School of Leaders Association, Warsaw

Partnership cooperation in organization of *Your vote, your choice* activities, i.a. assistance and trainings for organizations participating in the project (continuation of activities carried out since 2006).

PLN 298,000

Women Congress Association, Warsaw

Time for Women – organization of trainings for women running in local elections.

PLN 100,000

Anti-Corruption

The program's goal is to prevent corruption and increase transparency in public life. We monitor the government and political parties for compliance with anti-corruption legislation and transparency standards, evaluate how electoral campaign promises to prevent corruption made by political parties are kept and check the implementation of government anti-corruption strategies. We investigate the transparency of campaign financing and public expenditures. We observe the legislative process and support regulations that ensure transparency in decision-making and provide defense against corrupt practices. We also provide legal counseling to individuals who have reported or encountered corruption, and help whistleblowers facing harassment from employers and officials.

Monitoring of electoral promises

This project has been operated since 2001 by the NGO Anti-Corruption Coalition, which consists of the Batory Foundation, the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, the Foundation for Social Communication, the Civic Education Center, the School for Leaders Association and the Association of Leaders of Local Civic Groups. Prior to each parliamentary election, the Coalition asks political parties to submit declarations on the anti-corruption measures they would advocate in the Parliament. The Coalition reviews later how political parties elected to the Parliament keep their election promises and whether party members observe transparency standards. The results of the monitoring are presented at annual conferences and summed up in a report presented at the end of the term of the Parliament.

On October 13, 2010 we organized the third review conference of the fourth term of the Parliament. It showed that the most important promises of curbing the threats of corruption made by the ruling parties have not been fulfilled. Neither a government anti-corruption strategy nor a program preventing irregularities in the public institutions have been introduced; there are no protection mechanisms for people denouncing acts of corruption. While changes were made in the law on the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau, these were mandated by a Constitutional Court ruling and were not the ones promised during the last election campaign. Work on amending the anti-corruption law remains in its initial phases, and the statement of purpose for a proposed law on lobbying, being prepared by the Prime Minister's Office, had come under widespread criticism. Promises to implement preventive measures in public administration to fight the causes of corruption have not been kept. Anti-corruption activities are undertaken on an ad hoc basis, rather than being part of a systematic approach to the problem.

The experts participating in the conference: Prof. Mirosława Grabowska (sociologist), Prof. Antoni Kamiński (politologist), Prof. Edmund Wnuk-Lipiński (sociologist) and Prof. Andrzej Zoll (criminal law)

expert, former president of the Constitutional Tribunal) pointed out to the stagnation of government's fight against corruption and the continued process of strengthening the state's policing functions resulting from a lack of trust in citizens, which leads to a focus on sanctions, prosecution and fighting the symptoms, not the causes, of corruption. They also stressed that legislative procedures are badly structured. Their opinions were commented by the representatives of the political parties: Aleksander Soplinski (Polish Peasants Party) and Ryszard Kalisz (Democratic Left Alliance). Representatives of Civic Platform and Law and Justice were absent.

The Coalition also expresses its opinions on important matters concerning the fight against corruption. In 2010 it criticized regulations proposed by the government in its anti-corruption bill and expressed reservations regarding changes in the law governing the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau (CBA). It also informed the general public about the results of its efforts to obtain information on the government's bill on the so-called "Anti-Corruption Shield" designed to protect the process of privatization of state-owned entities as well as public procurements against corruption. After being denied access to the document setting up the Anti-Corruption Shield, the Association of Leaders of Local Civic Groups, on the behalf of the coalition, filed an appeal against the prime minister's decision with the Provincial Administrative Court, based on the law on access to public information. On December 16, 2010, the Court overturned the prime minister's decision.

More information on the Coalition's activities can be found at www.akop.pl.

Evaluation of the government anti-corruption strategies

The goal of this project, started in 2009, is an evaluation of anti-corruption effectiveness of the three subsequent governments (2001–2011), each of which chose a different method of combating corruption. The governments formed by two left wing parties, the Democratic Left Alliance and the Polish Peasant Party, working under the pressure of the European Commission was introducing legal changes. The government formed by a Law and Justice led coalition would deploy mainly repressive solutions. The coalition of Civic Platform and Polish Peasant Party, which took power in November 2007, focused mostly on strengthening the state control. Within the framework of the project planned for the years 2009–2011, we conduct research and undertake analysis, which will allow for a thorough evaluation of government anti-corruption strategies in last decade.

Following a sociological study evaluating the effectiveness of preventive measures undertaken by public administration and local governments in 2001–2007, as well as a legal analysis of the effects of the anti-corruption activities of three successive governments, in 2010 we examined the implementation of the government's *Program to fight corruption for years 2005–2009*. The results of our examination were compared with the evaluation of the government's first anti-corruption program for 2002–2004.

Catalogue of anti-corruption activities

Based on the program's ten years of experience, the experiences of other countries in our region (e.g. Slovenia, Lithuania and Latvia), and the work of the Anti-Corruption Working Group operating in 2001 with the organizational support of the World Bank, we developed guidelines for designing and properly implementing a national anti-corruption strategy. The document entitled *How to fight corruption?* recommends: adoption of an anti-corruption strategy with a 15–20-year time frame and an allocation of budget sufficient for its implementation, giving one central institution the responsibility for its implementation, and creating a unit in every public institution responsible for performing specific tasks assigned to it under strategy,

establishing a requirement for periodic internal and external progress evaluation, creating an independent team of experts to evaluate the process of its implementation, as well as making the room for independent oversight by the media and non-governmental organizations.

The publication was presented on December 6, 2010 at a conference bringing together representatives of the government, the police, the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau and the Supreme Audit Office, as well as of the academia and NGO communities. The proposals contained in the document were commented by Dr. Kaja Gadowska from Jagiellonian University, minister Julia Pitera, Government Representative for Development of a Program to Prevent Irregularities, and deputies: Elżbieta Witek (Law and Justice party), Stanisława Prządka (Democratic Left Alliance) and Ludwik Dorn (independent). The vast majority of the debaters agreed that the document should be discussed among policymakers. The Deputy Minister for Internal Affairs and Administration Adam Rapacki promised to take it into account in developing the government strategy for 2011–2020. The publication was distributed to parliamentarians, government representatives (including the prime minister's advisory team), academics, journalists and NGO activists, with a request for comments and opinions.

Electoral campaign financing

In March 2010 with a report comprising analysis of financial reports submitted by electoral committees and materials collected during electoral campaign we concluded the monitoring of electoral campaign to European Parliament. In the report we pointed out to the irregularities in the use of public funds by committees and candidates to finance the election campaign and cases of illegal campaign financing using candidates' private funds. The presentation of the report led to discussion on regulations governing financing of campaigns to the European Parliament – among those expressing their views were Rafal Trzaskowski, a MEP, and Witold Gintowt-Dziewiatkowski, deputy chair of the Parliamentary Special Committee for examining certain bills relating to electoral law.

The monitoring of the European Parliament campaign was the third such action after our monitoring of the financing of the presidential and local government election campaigns in 2005–2006. All three actions revealed serious flaws in the legal regulations that enable political parties to cover up improprieties in financial management and revealed weaknesses in statutory supervision over electoral funds. This induced us to undertake advocacy for electoral campaign finance reform. In 2010 we participated in meetings of the Special Parliamentary Committee tasked with the preparation of draft bills on electoral law. This Committee dealt with the development of the new electoral code, which in a single act was to collect uniform rules for organization of elections and election campaign. During the Committee's hearings we presented our recommendations, as well as written opinions on several of the proposed solutions, i.a. legal expertise on access to election committees reports submitted to State Election Commission prepared by Dr Agnieszka Piskorz-Ryń, specialist in the access to information law. The work of the Special Parliamentary Committee resulted in adoption by the Parliament of an Electoral Code which follows most of our recommendations, including: a ban on using billboards for election campaigns and, with regard to presidential elections, on accepting contributions from companies and anonymous donors; a requirement to publish information on donors on the websites of campaign committees, and to make available documentation connected with the campaign finance reports, on the basis of the rules stipulated in the law on access to public information. Moreover, the Code enables real cooperation – for oversight purposes – between the State Election Commission and other state bodies (such as tax offices and the police).

Monitoring legislative procedure

In 2006–2008, pursuant to the Lobbying Act adopted in 2005, we monitored the legislative process of selected laws important in preventing corruption and increasing transparency of public life. Conclusions from the monitoring and recommendations regarding changes in law and in practice have been summed up in a publication *The Transparency of the Law Making Process*, summarizing our three years of experience with monitoring the legislative process. In 2009 we set up the Citizens Legislative Forum which has been undertaking advocacy efforts to implement the proposals and recommendations developed over the past few years. The Forum brings together people taking part in the legislative process or monitoring it: representatives of NGOs and the academic and scientific communities, law firms, and professional lobbyists.

During the presidential election campaign of 2010, the Citizens Legislative Forum submitted questions to all candidates regarding the changes they planned in the legislative process. Several candidates responded: Waldemar Pawlak (Polish Peasants Party), Grzegorz Napieralski (Democratic Left Alliance), Andrzej Lepper (Self-Defence), Jarosław Kaczyński (Law and Justice) and Andrzej Olechowski (independent).

At the request of Waldemar Pawlak, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economy, the Forum gave its feedback on the draft development strategy *The Better Law Program for Reform of Regulations 2010–2011*. It also expressed its position on the report published by the Prime Minister's Office, *The Process of Amending the Law on Games and Mutual Betting in 2008–2009*, whose conclusions – to a large extent – coincided with the recommendations the Forum made a year earlier to government representatives. Members of the Forum took part in consultations on the statement of purpose for a draft law on an electronic platform for consultation on legal acts, prepared by the Ministry of Economy's Department of Regulatory Reform. They also gave their opinion on the solutions proposed in the statement of purpose for the draft law on lobbying.

In addition, the Anti-Corruption Program presented its comments on four pieces of draft legislation: changes in the law on the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau, changes in the law on lobbying activities during the legislative process, the statement of purpose for the draft anti-corruption law, and the statement of purpose for the draft law on lobbying.

Support and protection for whistleblowers

Since 2009 we have been working to strengthen legal protection for individuals who, acting in good faith and out of concern for the public good, disclose irregularities or unethical behavior in their workplace, at the risk of mobbing, loss of employment or professional marginalization. In some countries, particular Anglo-Saxon ones, such individuals, known as whistleblowers, receive statutory legal protection, separate from the general rules of labor law. In Poland, they either do not benefit from any protection (in connection with civil law contracts or temporary work contracts) or can try to claim their rights on the basis of Labor Code regulations that do not specifically recognize whistleblowing as an activity and so do not provide sufficient protection.

With the aim of finding ways to change the legal situation of individuals who inform about suspected criminal activities, in 2009 together with the Helsinki Foundation of Human Rights, we prepared an analysis of the problem and a proposal to solve it. This led to a parliamentary initiative to amend the Criminal Code, with draft amendments being submitted in spring 2010 to a special committee for changes in legal codes. As part of our activities to strengthen legal protection for whistleblowers, we asked 29 judges presiding in labor courts their opinion about the effectiveness of labor law regulations with respect to protecting peo-

ple who in good faith disclose irregularities at the workplace. The survey was carried out with the support of the Netherlands Embassy, and the report on the survey, along with recommendations, will be presented at a conference in spring 2011.

Legal counsel

Since 2000, we have provided legal aid to individuals reporting corruption. We advise in cases that deal with regulations concerning corruption offenses, conflicts of interest, access to public information, public hiring and public procurement. We inform clients and institutions on ways to move forward in specific situations. In appropriate cases, we offer assistance in appeals proceedings or we petition supervisory and control bodies. Occasionally, we contact the prosecutor's office with requests to further investigate a case. In selected cases, we monitor court proceedings as a social representative.

In 2010, we received 76 cases and handled 15 of them. We submitted 8 legal briefs, intervened seven times with control institutions and courts, and submitted 9 public information requests. As part of our legal support for whistleblowers we monitored two court cases: regarding reinstatement of employees of the Agricultural Market Agency fired after they disclosed irregularities involving grants from public funds and a criminal case concerning bribery during implementation of a public investment. We also got involved in a court case regarding reinstatement of a worker who was fired for disclosing cases of alcohol use at work and theft of fuel by his colleagues and superiors. Krzysztof Budnik of the Wrocław law firm Budnik Posnow&Partners, in cooperation with Pro Bono Center, was the trial attorney.

In 2010 this program was financed by funds from the Open Society Foundations (PLN 101,663.64), a grant from the Royal Embassy of the Netherlands (PLN 25,921.45) and the Batory Foundation's own resources.

Total program costs	PLN 539,326.57
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Open Europe

The aim of the program is to influence the development of Polish and European Union policies that are friendly towards our neighbors in the East and participate in debates on international affairs in Poland and at the European level. In 2010 we focused on promoting integration of the Eastern Partnership countries with the European Union. We paid particular attention to the question of accelerated liberalization of the EU visa regime for countries of the Eastern Partnership.

Friendly Border

Since 2002 we have been carrying out activities to implement visa and border solutions that are friendly towards our eastern neighbors. We monitored visa policy and procedures for issuing visas to citizens of Eastern European states by EU countries (2004, 2006, 2009) as well as conditions at the EU's eastern border crossings (2003, 2008). We have been using the results of surveys to run a campaign in Poland and at the EU level aimed at streamlining and easing the visa regime and improving the quality of services for travelers at the EU border.

Our activities had a visible effect on the shape of the debate on visa policy. The issue of liberalization of visa policy has become one of the key issues in EU foreign policy, and visa-free travel for selected countries in Eastern Europe was officially declared a long-term EU objective. Our recommendations are reflected in official documents of the European Parliament: in the Community Visa Code in force since April 2010, which introduces the obligation to state the grounds for any visa refusal as well as the right to appeal a refusal, in the *Interim Report of the EP Working Group on Ukrainian Visas*, and reports of the EP Delegation to Ukraine. Moreover, the European Commission has issued instructions to consulates of the Schengen states (*Handbook for the Organization of Visa Sections and Local Schengen Cooperation* and the *Handbook for the Processing of Visa Applications and the Modification of Issued Visas*). In Poland, our actions have contributed to the lowering of fees for national visas and to the shape of regulations governing the issuing of multiple-entry visas and exemptions from fees. Poland has become a champion of visa facilitation at the EU level, and making progress on liberalization of visa policy is now an official priority for the Polish EU presidency.

In 2010, our activities focused first of all on proposing solutions to enable speedy implementation of the declaration of EU Member States concerning introduction of visa-free travel for Eastern Partnership countries. We called for: implementation of the commitments made in the agreements on visa facilitation and the Visa Code, adoption of a road map leading to visa-free travel, the development of special solutions for Belarus, which has no agreement on visa facilitation, and the abolition of visa fees for the Eastern Partnership countries and Russia. We have made an effort to provide arguments for the liberalization of visa policy and to dispel fears and concerns in the member countries associated with the prospect of visa-free travel.

On January 26, in collaboration with the Centre for Migration Research at the University of Warsaw and the International Renaissance Foundation in Kyiv, we organized an international conference on *Migration from Eastern Europe to the European Union in the context of visa policy* with the participation of experts from Poland, the EU and the Eastern Partnership countries: Izabela Grabowska-Lusińska (Centre for Migration Research, University of Warsaw), Claudia Finotelli (Ortega y Gasset University Research Institute, Spain), Olena Malynovska (National Institute of International Security Problems, Ukraine), Paweł Kaczmarczyk (Centre for Migration Research, University of Warsaw), Oleksandr Sushko (Europe Without Barriers Initiative), Mirosława Keryk (Łazarski School of Commerce and Law) and Włodzimierz Zdunowski (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland). During the conference, participants debated the validity of concerns expressed by opponents of visa liberalization about an uncontrolled influx of migrants. They also discussed the characteristics of current migration flows from Eastern Europe to EU countries and whether the abolition of visa requirements for other countries in the past had a significant impact on migration, as well as how the introduction of visa-free travel will change migration flows from Eastern European countries.

On May 17, at a seminar on *Changes in EU Visa Policy* organized by the Moscow Carnegie Center, we presented the results of our monitoring of visa policy carried out in 2009 at the consulates of EU member states in Kyiv, Chisinau, Minsk and Moscow. The seminar was attended by diplomats from EU states, experts, and representatives of the media and NGOs, among others.

In an effort to change attitudes of societies towards visitors from the East we continued to organize exhibits showing photos of people applying for visas at the consulates of EU member states in Kyiv, Lviv and Chisinau. The exhibition was held in several European capitals: in January at the office of the Open Society Foundations in Brussels, and in October and November at the city halls in Riga and Vilnius. In both Baltic capitals the exhibition was organized in cooperation with the Polish embassies, and its opening was attended by representatives of the diplomatic corps, local government, media and NGOs.

Moreover, in September–October, we sent out 1700 postcards using images from the exhibition to members of parliament of EU member states, members of the European Parliament, representatives of state administrations responsible for visa matters, experts dealing with relations with the countries of Eastern Europe and the South Caucasus, as well as representatives of European institutions. The postcards were issued in six European languages – English, French, Spanish, German, Polish and Italian – and invoked the idea of an open Europe. They showed the difficulties and humiliations faced by residents of Eastern European countries seeking entry into the Schengen zone.

In 2010, thanks to our efforts, the issue of visa abolition was put on the agenda of the Civil Society Forum of the Eastern Partnership, created by the European Commission, whose work involved some 230 organizations from EU member countries and the countries of the Partnership. On October 7–8 at a meeting in Brussels of the working group on “Democracy, Good Governance and Stability”, acting within the first platform of the Forum, a visa sub-group was set up by organizations interested in activities aimed at the abolition of visas. Participants of the meeting adopted a joint action plan and discussed recommendations for the European Commission. At the Second Civil Society Forum held on November 16–17 in Berlin, joint recommendations for liberalizing visa policy towards the countries of the Eastern Partnership were finalized and later presented to the European Commission by the Steering Committee Forum.

On November 25–26, we organized a meeting of 30 NGOs from European Union member states, Eastern Partnership countries and Russia interested in the issue of freedom of travel in Europe, at which the Coalition for a European Continent Undivided by Visa Barriers was formed. The aim of the Coalition, in which 25 organizations participate from Eastern Partnership countries as well as Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Slovakia, Sweden and Hungary, is to take joint action to accelerate the slow-moving process of visa liberalization with the countries of the Eastern Partnership. The Coalition elected a Steering Committee, composed of representatives of the Office for a Democratic Belarus Brussels, the Europe Without Barriers Initiative from Ukraine, and the Batory Foundation. In addition to the Coalition, an advisory committee was formed, consisting of think tanks from Belgium, Spain, Russia and Italy. The organizations participating in the Coalition signed a Joint Declaration, which called on the Polish and Hungarian governments to treat the process of liberalizing the visa regime for Eastern Partnership countries as a priority in the forthcoming EU Council presidencies.

The meeting ended with a public debate *Visas in the EU's Relations with Eastern Partnership Countries and Russia* on obstacles to the introduction of visa-free travel, with the participation of representatives of state administrations and NGOs from Poland, the EU and the Eastern Partnership: Krzysztof Lewandowski (Ministry of Internal Affairs, Poland), Stanisław Łukasik (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland), Oazu Nantoi (Parliament of Moldova), Oleksandr Sushko (Europe Without Barriers Initiative, Ukraine), Alexandra Stiglmeier (European Stability Initiative, Brussels) and Anita Szymborska (Batory Foundation). The debate was moderated by Marcin Wojciechowski of *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily.

Other activities

In cooperation with the Moldovan Embassy in Poland, we organized a public debate on Moldova's relations with the European Union, the Eastern Partnership, Moldovan-Polish relations, and Moldova's European policy (February 8). The guests at the debate: Moldovan Prime Minister Vlad Filat and Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration Iurie Leanca, who were on an official visit to Poland, declared that European integration is a priority for their government with liberalization of the EU's visa regime towards Moldova being their immediate goal. They expressed their hope that the Polish presidency in 2011 will accelerate the process of closer integration of Moldova with the EU.

At international conference *Ukrainian Prospects* organized on May 4, Polish, Ukrainian and European experts assessed the Orange Revolution and discussed the political outlook for Ukraine, seeking answers to questions about the role – present and future – of the country's partners such as the European Union, the US, Russia and Poland. The panelists included: Bogumiła Berdychowska (journalist), Mirosław Czech (journalist, *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily), Prof. Olexiy Haran (University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy; Director of Center for National Security Studies, Kyiv), Dr. Ola Hnatiuk (First Counselor, Polish Embassy in Kyiv), Prof. Yaroslav Hrytsak (Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv; Director of the Institute of Historical Research, Ivan Franko National University, Lviv), Vakhtang Kipiani (deputy editor, TBI television, Kyiv), Dr. Volodymyr Kulyk (Institute of Political Science and Ethnology, Ukrainian Academy of Sciences, Kyiv), Dr. Andriy Portnov (editor-in-chief, *Ukraina Moderna* magazine, Kyiv), Mykola Riabchuk (independent writer, Kyiv), Andrew Wilson (European Council on Foreign Relations, London).

The conference was accompanied by the presentation of two publications: the Polish version of the European Council on Foreign Relations' report *The Limits of Enlargement-Lite: European and Russian Power in a Troubled Neighborhood* by Nicu Popescu and Andrew Wilson, and a report devoted to assessing the last

five years of Ukrainian politics, *Beyond Colours: Assets and Liabilities of “Post-Orange” Ukraine*, prepared in cooperation with the International Renaissance Foundation in Kyiv by several Polish and Ukrainian experts: Grzegorz Gromadzki (Batory Foundation), Veronica Movchan (Institute for Economic Research and Political Consulting, Kyiv), Mykola Riabchuk (Ukrainian Center for Cultural Studies, Kyiv), Susan Stewart (SWP – German Institute for Political and Security Affairs, Berlin), Oleksandr Sushko (Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation, Kyiv), Kataryna Wolczuk (University of Birmingham). Over 1,500 individuals and institutions in Poland received these reports in print or electronic form.

Together with the Media Program of the Open Society Foundations, we organized a meeting of representatives of the Belarusian media, organizations defending journalists’ rights, and grant-making institutions (May 10–12) devoted to the political situation in Belarus and the conditions faced by the media. Participants discussed also Belarusian regulations governing the use of the internet, the current state of online journalism and prospects for its further development, and the way elections are reported in the Belarusian media.

In 2010 this program was financed by funds from the Open Society Foundations (PLN 196,618.37), including OSF Media Program (PLN 14,532.55) and East East: Partnership Beyond Borders (PLN 9,352.64) and the Batory Foundation’s own resources.

Total program costs	PLN 316,404.61
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Regional Alcohol and Drug Program

The aim of the program launched in 1996, is to share Polish experiences in prevention and treatment of alcohol and drug addiction in Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia and in the Caucasus. We cooperate with non-governmental organizations and public administration in countries of these regions to help implement treatment and prevention methods proven in Poland. We organize seminars, workshops, internships and study visits, and support publication of literature, both professional and popular, on problems of addiction.

***Atlantis*: treatment of alcoholics in penitentiary institutions**

The program brought from the U.S. to Poland in 1990–1992 with the help of the Batory Foundation, currently operates in 20 Polish correctional facilities. *Atlantis* offers rehabilitation of alcoholics based on the program of Alcoholics Anonymous and partnership with the AA community. We share Polish experiences with other countries by means of organizing trainings for psychologists, doctors and penitentiary educators. We cooperate with the representatives of Justice Departments of Ukraine, Lithuania, Bulgaria, Moldova, Georgia, Armenia, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan. We also work in Siberia and in eastern Russia. In 2010 we started cooperation with state authorities and NGOs in Latvia and Estonia that were interested in the introduction of treatment for imprisoned addicts. Specific issues of treatment in prison and detailed presentation of the *Atlantis* model are presented and thoroughly discussed during seminars and workshops organized in Poland in cooperation with the State Penitentiary Headquarters and *Atlantis* units in Warsaw or in Barczewo near Olsztyn.

Training in Poland

In 2010 we organized three seminars in Poland: in March for addiction therapists, in May for prison system employees, and in October for journalists. 96 participants from abroad took part in them. On our own or in cooperation with other NGOs, we provided a series of training for Polish specialists: on conducting motivational interviews, on running re-education programs for perpetrators of violence, and – for Polish prison system staff – on therapy programs for perpetrators of domestic violence. We also organized a meeting with Polish therapists in Dublin who provide psychological assistance in the Polish community. A total of 212 psychologists, doctors and other therapists took part in these trainings.

Training abroad

In 2010 we conducted a 3-day seminar in Tallinn (February 17–19) on the treatment of drug addicts with two Polish experts and representatives of the Ministry of Health, Social Welfare, Education and the Alcoholics Anonymous community. In Latvia we ran a Summer School on Addiction Therapy in Rakari (August 10–14) for 55 professionals from the Baltic countries responsible for helping addicted individuals and their families and a one-day seminar in Riga (August 14) on the *Atlantis* Program for the manage-

ment of a correctional facility and other prison authorities (about 30 people). In Siberia we organized: a seminar on the prevention of aggression among children and adolescents for 40 teachers and social workers from the Caritas organization in Novosibirsk with a Polish specialist-trainer (February 19–27), a series of four one-day seminars in Yuzhnosakhalinsk on helping addicts and their families for over 150 participants, which were conducted by specialists trained by us from Khabarovsk, Chita and Irkutsk (September 25 – October 1), and a seminar on addiction therapy run by local specialists for 33 therapists in Ulan-Ude (November 25 – December 1). In addition, on February 27 – March 3, three Polish prison specialists visited correctional facilities in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan to conduct clinical supervision.

We also embarked on cooperation with Polish communities in Dublin, where we organized training for therapists in the field of assistance for addicts and co-dependents combined with clinical supervision, as well as a therapeutic workshop (April 29 – May 3) for 100 people affiliated with a Polish church that has a psychological counseling center serving Polish migrants. Moreover, we organized a visit by Dr. Bohdan Woronowicz of the Institute of Psychiatry, who provided training in the field of clinical knowledge of addictions and conducted clinical supervision for 25 Polish therapists (November 5–11).

Internships

Ten persons from Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia took part in internships lasting several days at Polish addiction treatment centers (including correctional facilities), while six Ukrainian therapists participated in internship exchanges at local addiction treatment centers in Sevastopol, St Petersburg and Lviv.

Publications

In 2010 we published two issues of bulletin on addictions *Arka* (in Russian and in Polish).

The program was financed by the Open Society Foundations.

Total program costs	PLN 672,536.32
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Abbreviated Financial Report

Grants and donations (in PLN)

Foundation Open Society Institute, Zug, Switzerland	8,882,350.00
Robert Bosch Foundation, Stuttgart	682,032.82
Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe, Washington	554,840.00
Stefan Batory Trust, Oxford	166,936.00
Agora Foundation, Warsaw	100,000.00
International Visegrad Fund, Bratislava	89,632.77
Friends of Batory Foundation, Washington (donations by Karol Uryga-Nawarowski Foundation)	29,440.00
Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels	5,382.24
Centre for Liberal Strategies, Sofia	2,735.20
Polityka Cooperative, Warsaw	1,320.97
Institute for Human Sciences, Vienna	948.76
The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies	646.45
Ipsos Observer Ltd., Warsaw	100.00
Commercial Bank BH, Warsaw	78.00
1% Personal Income Tax donations	400,448.53
Individual donors from Poland	60,454.30
Damage fines adjudged by the courts in favor of the Foundation	12,000.00
Agora SA, Warsaw (in-kind contribution of ad space for media campaigns of Your Vote Your Choice and Equal Opportunities programs)	3,008,705.27
Bauer Publishing House, Warsaw (in-kind contribution of ad space for 1% income tax fundraising campaign for Equal Opportunities program)	14,152.00
Grants returned	160,290.68
Total	14,172,493.99

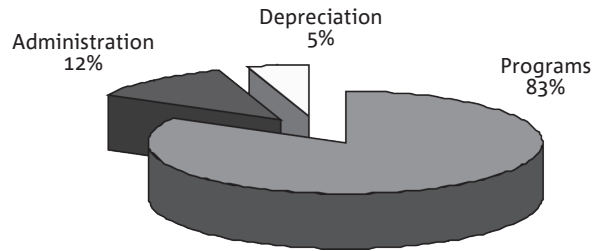
Expenditures (in PLN)

Programs	15,906,788.39
Administration	2,263,584.91
Depreciation	893,734.81
Total	19,064,108.11

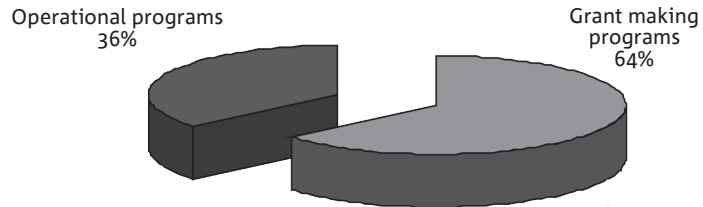
Expenditures according to programs (in PLN)

Grant making programs	
Democracy in Action	6,127,252.74
East East: Partnership Beyond Borders	1,692,471.59
Civic Coalitions	659,287.34
Equal Opportunities	1,691,124.06
Operational programs	
Batory Foundation Debates	227,840.90
Your Vote, Your Choice	3,980,544.26
Anti-Corruption	539,326.57
Open Europe	316,404.61
Regional Drug and Alcohol Program	672,536.32
Total	15,906,788.39

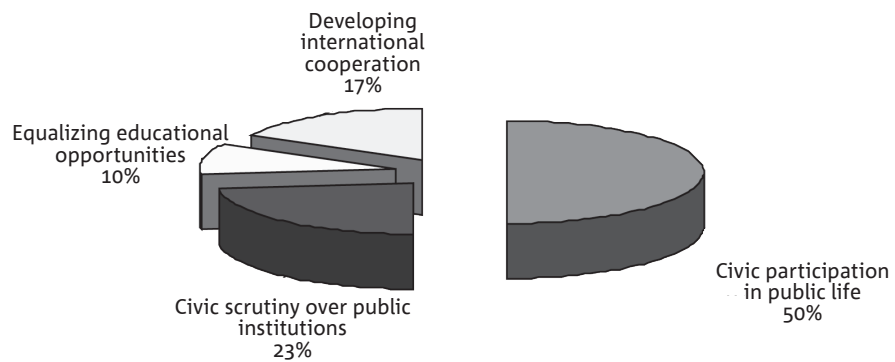
Structure of total expenditures



Structure of program expenditures



Structure of program expenditures according to program areas



Balance Sheet (in PLN)

ASSETS		As of	
		31.12.2009	31.12.2010
1	2	3	4
A	Fixed assets	26,585,240.43	45,912,549.99
I	Intangible fixed assets	10,896.12	2,548.56
II	Tangible fixed assets	24,356,849.31	23,497,068.43
	– perpetual usufruct of land	3,450,805.08	3,450,805.08
	– building	20,324,284.20	19,664,295.84
	– equipment	581,760.03	381,967.51
III	Long-term investments	2,227,495.00	22,412,933.00
B	Current assets	107,184,045.28	136,624,875.50
I	Short-term receivables	231,762.64	36,297.71
	– trade receivables	206,697.64	16,953.35
	– financial receivables	0.00	0.00
	– other receivables	25,065.00	19,344.36
II	Short-term investments	165,912,483.62	136,558,618.04
1	Short-term financial assets	154,399,143.05	126,308,961.59
	– shares	25,683,562.35	18,021,558.33
	– government bonds, bank deposits, investment funds units	128,062,360.70	108,130,827.46
	– other (interest on government bonds)	653,220.00	156,575.80
2	Cash and other monetary assets	11,513,340.57	10,249,656.45
	– cash in hand and bank accounts	7,669,237.15	2,445,302.86
	– other cash (bank deposits)	3,844,103.42	7,804,353.59
III	Prepayments	38,318.49	29,959.75
	– short-term prepayments	38,318.49	29,959.75
TOTAL ASSETS		192,767,805.18	182,537,425.49

EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		As of	
		31.12.2009	31.12.2010
5	6	7	8
A	Equity	168,634,210.42	181,072,602.88
I	Statutory capital	123,837,165.11	150,352,306.25
	– unappropriated profit	123,721,048.96	150,229,133.85
	– start-up fund	116,116.15	123,172.40
II	Revaluation reserve	10,201,309.26	9,391,788.97,
III	Financial result	34,581,967.26	21,328,507.66
	– from previous years	32,707,347.00	8,073,882.37
	– from current year	1,874,620.26	13,254,625.29
B	Liabilities and provisions for liabilities	24,147,363.55	1,464,822.61
I	Long-term liabilities	0.00	211,407.63
II	Short-term liabilities	23,974,209.42	1,227,893.58
1	To other entities	23,898,680.46	1,150,550.81
	– grants payables	2,163,654.12	635,466.47
	– trade payables	87,178.57	97,841.36
	– amounts owned to the state budget	105,565.10	109,382.00
	– social security payables	101,353.10	84,486.68
	– financial payables	21,215,322.12	159,771.54
	– wages and salaries payables	16,060.82	34,630.00
	– others	209,546.63	28,972.76
2	Social fund	75,528.96	77,342.77
III	Accruals and deferred income	173,154.13	25,521.40
	– short-term accruals and deferred income	173,154.13	25,521.40
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		192,767,805.18	182,537,425.49

Profit and Loss Account (in PLN)

Item	Description	Amount	
		2009	2010
1	2	3	4
A	Income from statutory activities	16,447,326.79	16,981,790.96
1	Income from public benefit activity	13,482,154.67	14,172,493.99
2	Other income defined by statute	2,965,172.12	2,809,296.97
B	Costs of statutory activities	15,459,413.83	15,906,788.39
C	Gross profit on statutory activities A-B	987,912.96	1,075,002.57
D	Foundation office costs	3,552,635.44	3,157,319.72
1	Material and energy consumption	350,667.41	314,572.26
2	Third party services	1,361,874.37	965,087.16
3	Depreciation	894,531.80	893,734.81
4	Salaries and related expenses	679,483.14	698,979.28
5	Other	266,078.72	284,946.21
E	Other income	147,407.14	24,352.00
F	Other costs	8,125.08	785.68
G	Financial income	4,773,367.93	15,938,798.85
H	Financial costs	460,152.25	621,594.73
I	Gross financial result on entire activity C-D+E-F+G-H	1,887,775.26	13,258,453.29
K	Corporate income tax	13,155.00	3,828.00
Net profit I-K		1,874,620.26	13,254,625.29

The average exchange rate for the year 2010 acc. to Polish National Bank: 1 USD = 3.0157 PLN



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**REGISTERED AUDITOR'S OPINION
ON THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL REPORT**

TO THE COUNCIL OF FUNDACJA IM. STEFANA BATOREGO

The attached abbreviated financial report of Fundacja im. Stefana Batorego, ul. Sapieżyńska 10 a, Warszawa (hereafter referred to as "the Foundation") was prepared by the Management Board of the Foundation based on the audited financial statements of the Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2010 ("the financial statements"). The financial statements were prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Polish Accounting Act and the Decree of the Minister of Finance on specific accounting regulations for certain non-for profit organizations other than profit oriented companies.

We have audited the financial statements of the Foundation, from which the abbreviated financial report was derived, in accordance with national standards of auditing issued by the National Chamber of Registered Auditors in Poland. On 7 April 2011 we issued an unqualified audit opinion on these financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying abbreviated financial report is consistent, in all material respects, with the Foundation's financial statements from which it was derived.

For a fuller understanding of the Foundation's financial position and the results of its operations for the year ended 31 December 2010, the abbreviated financial report should be read in conjunction with the financial statements from which it was derived and our opinion and audit report thereon.

Conducting an audit on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers Sp. z o.o., Registered Audit Company No. 144:

Michał Mastalerz
Key Registered Auditor
No. 90074

Kraków, 7 April 2011