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Introduction

Year 2011 has marked ten years of existence of the Civic Association Development Worldwide (DWW). Many of our visions seemed more like utopia at the beginning but the results of our work showed that it is worth it to make our dreams come true. Some of our achievements:

- We tried to change the attitude towards development projects by some project management workshops in 2001 and 2002. Many of our recommendations are now used in official methodology of the international development cooperation of the Czech Republic but also are used in Slovakia and partially in Hungary, Romania, Lithuania and Latvia. Our methodology is used at least at three universities (Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague, Metropolitan University Prague and University of Economics in Prague).
- We joined activities of the International Development Evaluation Association (IDEAS) in 2003 and I, the DWW chairman, had the honor to be a member of the IDEAS Board 2006-2012 out of which the last three years as Vice-President. The Czech Evaluation Society came into existence in 2008.
- In 2007 we prepared together with lecturers from Canadian program IPDET the first evaluation summer school Czech DET and year 2012 will mark its sixth season with a new name European Program for Development Evaluation Training - EPDET (already second time it will take place in Slovakia). 56 experts from 20 countries took part in the last year training.
- We were involved in the creation of reaction of Civil Society Organizations to Paris Declaration on Development Effectiveness in 2006. The Czech NGO platform FoRS took lead of this matter in 2007 and in 2008 the global process of the Open Forum for CSO Development Effectiveness was initiated. The Istanbul Principles for CSO Development Effectiveness were adopted in 2010. The FoRS member organizations ratified their own Code on Effectiveness and all main players of development cooperation agreed on Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation in 2011. New worldwide platform called CSO Partnership for Development Effectiveness shall be created in 2012 by unification of the Open Forum and BetterAid. We have participated in all these steps and will be present in the future also. Higher self-confidence and responsibility of the Czech NGOs and their higher impact on international matters is also our great success.
- We were in Vietnam in 2004 for the first time. In 2011 we signed already the third Memorandum of cooperation with the Vietnam Environment Protection Fund and the State Environmental Fund of the Czech Republic. Thanks to our initiative, the second Memorandum of cooperation will be signed in 2012 with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE) and the Czech Ministry of Environment (MoE CZ). We will organize already the sixth international conference in Vietnam, will run the current and new projects. During these 8 years of our cooperation in Vietnam we managed to receive funding not only from the Czech development cooperation funds but also from Canada, Austria, Netherlands, Denmark and France. And last but not least from public collection for which we are very grateful!!!
- We will co-organize already third contest Miss Vietnam Czech Republic of which the second season will be under the auspices of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Karel Schwarzenberg...

Vietnam remains our affair of the heart. Our cooperation is also a proof of the importance of understanding of the social and cultural factors, perfect knowledge of the local environment and mainly the evidence of the real partnership and mutual trust.

We wish to be reliable and trustworthy partners not only for Vietnamese also in the future. We still want to make our dreams come true. Cross your fingers for us please.



Daniel Svoboda, Chairman, Civic Association Development Worldwide

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The DWW long-term goal is to enhance development effectiveness and strengthen partnership between all development actors. Responsibility, openness and experience sharing is our principal strategy.

Activities of our civic association continue in several main areas:

- a) NGO capacity building – the primary target group includes the members and observers of FoRS - the Czech Forum for Development Co-operation.
- b) Development education and awareness – along with NGOs, we also focus on other development actors, e.g. university students, project managers and representatives of Czech or foreign institutions in charge of management and co-ordination of development co-operation.
- c) Support to co-operation on the EU level and standing up for the new member states' interests – DWW continues taking part in working groups of FoRS and CONCORD - European NGO Confederation for Relief and Development, see www.concordeurope.org.
- d) Strengthening co-operation on the international level – enhancing effectiveness of development co-operation connects global efforts to search for substantial possibilities to achieve the Millennium Development Goals. The most important partners of DWW include IDEAS – the International Development Evaluation Association, the Czech Evaluation Society, Slovak Evaluation Society as well as institutions of the World Bank and UN agencies. Since the second half of 2008, DWW has also been represented in the Global Facilitation Group (GFG) within the global process of the “Open Forum for CSO Development Effectiveness”. Transformation of the Open Forum and the BetterAid is currently under way with the aim to unit all the involved organizations in the only process - CSO Partnership for Development Effectiveness.
- e) Development and humanitarian projects implemented in Vietnam – we continue co-operating with the local authorities, NGOs, the private sector and with other donors in Vietnam.

The DWW projects and activities are carried out thanks to voluntary or only partly paid work provided by our members and thanks to financing from several sources:

- Single national and international development projects (subsidies and public orders);
- Sponsors donations;
- The organization's own income and reimbursement for the costs and services provided (consultations and training, organizational and administrative support, expertise and publishing, reimbursement for travel costs etc.);
- Membership fees.



Further down there is an overview of DWW activities in 2011 which is linked to the umbrella project DEFNET within the Czech Development Agency program “Strengthening NGO capacities and partnership” and which is also linked to projects supporting cooperation with Vietnam, which were partially funded by programs of the international development cooperation of the Czech Republic.

DEFNET (DEVELOPMENT EFFECTIVENESS NETWORK – ROAD TO RESULTS)

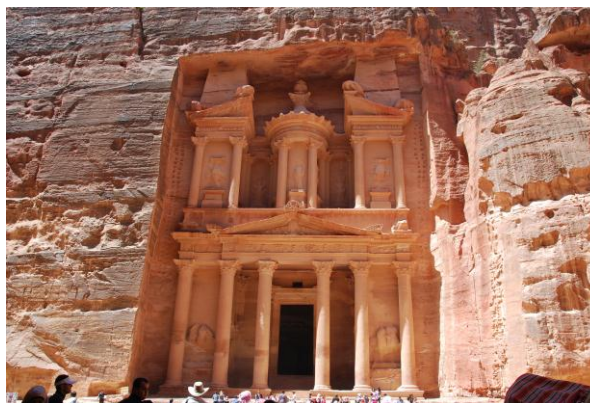
The DEFNET project was launched in 2010, with support from the subsidy program of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs called “Strengthening NGO capacities and partnership”, following up with the results of the FoRS Presidency project and with the ongoing DWW involvement in the global process of the Open Forum for CSO Development Effectiveness. The project aims at national and international networking of CSOs (Civil Society Organizations) in the area of development effectiveness, with emphasis being put on involvement of the new EU member states and other European countries outside the EU.

In order to achieve these goals, the following four specific outputs have been determined for 2011:

Output 1 - Enforcement of CSO development effectiveness and filing this topic into the global IDEAS conference (held in Jordan, April 2011)

The planned output was reached; the topic of CSO development effectiveness was included in the conference program and received great acclaim also from authors for Paris Declaration. The main activities of this part of project were expert and organizational preparation for the IDEAS conference. Daniel Svoboda worked as IDEAS Vice-President from May 2009 till spring 2012 (unpaid position) and since his IDEAS membership in 2003 and his election to the IDEAS Board he strives for higher engagement of new donors and organizations from EU new member states (EU NMS). We are convinced that the role of evaluators and evaluation organizations is essential for both assessment and higher effectiveness of development. Mutual experience exchange strengthens capacity and self-confidence of EU NMS and supports cooperation in region and on worldwide scale.

The next activity was facilitating and lecturing of some parts of the global conference IDEAS. The conference took part from 11 till 15 April 2011 in Amman, Jordan. 196 experts from more than 50 countries participated out of which 60 represented NGOs. Some technical papers from the conference are published at <http://www.ideas-int.org> under section CONFERENCES. Photos are also available (most of the pictures are taken by Daniel Svoboda). Participation rate of EU NMS continues to be low due to insufficient financing – only these countries were represented: the Czech Republic, Hungary, Bulgaria (and Bosnia and Herzegovina). We presented three topics at the conference, which also dealt with preliminary results of second phase of the evaluation of Paris Declaration:



- Standard Assessment Framework for Policies, Programs and Projects (SAF 3Ps) - A Proposal to Fill a Gap in the Paris Declaration (in session of IDEAS Thematic Interest Groups - ITIGs),
- Impact of evaluations matters (in session of Evidence to Policy: Lessons Learnt from Influential Impact Evaluations),
- Aid Effectiveness or Development Effectiveness? - Hot Discussion in Times of Turbulence (in session of Impact Evaluations: Different Perspectives).

The IDEAS conference enhanced enforcement of professional methods of development cooperation evaluation and engagement of evaluators in discussion on principles of development effectiveness.

In the framework of IDEAS cooperation we also participated in preparation of Board members election and in finalization of the handbook Crosswalk of „Evaluators and Managers Competencies and Criteria“ (available at: http://www.ideas-int.org/documents/file_list.cfm?DocsSubCatID=48). We are still in close cooperation with the Czech Evaluation Society (e.g. Evaluators Code of Ethics, preparation of Annual Conference and so on) as well as with the Slovak Evaluation Society (especially EPDET 2011 preparation). Daniel Svoboda is involved in Evaluation working group by the Council on development cooperation; he took part in meeting on March 25, 2011 and in drafting amendments of the evaluation guidelines.

Output 2 – Long-term commitment for support of the Open Forum CSO Development Effectiveness

Our active engagement in this process on Czech, European as well as global level represents best the output – DWW is involved in working groups of FoRS, CONCORD and Global Facilitation Group of the Open Forum (see www.cso-effectiveness.org). We also gained significant support from the Czech Development Agency which as the only agency from EU NMS contributed to the Open Forum.

In 2011 DWW cooperated on many activities of FoRS platform and on projects of other organizations, e.g.:

- We participated actively on meetings of Effectiveness working group and finalization of Code on Effectiveness, which was tested in May 2011 and approved by FoRS Annual Assembly on June 1, 2011. Participation of 4 Czech representatives (2 from DWW, 1 from Caritas Czech Republic and 1 from Czech Development Agency - CZDA) in the second global assembly of the Open Forum in Cambodia is a great success too.
- We have continuously followed, assessed and amended the available documents and information from the worldwide process, consulted them with Czech and foreign partners and proposed own initiatives and suggestions.
- We joined activities of the Czech Evaluation Society as well as their seminars and conference „Evaluation at the Crossroads - Trends and Experience“ which took place on June 2, 2011, and lectured a workshop called „Impact Evaluation of and Impacts of Evaluation“.

DWW activities at European level consisted mainly in cooperating with CONCORD confederation:

- As part of CSO Effectiveness working group we joined the European consultations and also cooperated on finalization of CONCORD Position Paper on CSO Enabling Environment for the 4th High-Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in Busan, South Korea. The cooperation took form of internet communication and teleconferences, meetings were held in Brussels in April, October and November 2011 (in April, FoRS was represented by Zuzana Sládková as Daniel Svoboda participated in IDEAS conference at the same date).

In the Global Facilitation Group (GFG) of the Open Forum global process DWW represents FoRS, countries presiding the European Council and EU NMS:

- The result of joint meeting of BetterAid Coordinating Group and GFG in Harnosand, Sweden in March 2011, is joint position paper „CSOs on the Road to Busan: Key Messages and Proposals“.
- „Key Messages for the 4th High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness“ (HLF) was adopted at subsequent meeting of the Task Team on CSO Development Effectiveness and Enabling Environment representing donors, partner countries and CSOs.
- „The Siem Reap CSO Consensus on the International Framework for CSO Development Effectiveness“ was adopted at the GFG meeting and the second global assembly of the Open Forum in June 2011, in Siem Reap, Cambodia.
- We joined the 10th World Assembly of CIVICUS network and subsequent meeting of the Task Team in September 2011, Montreal, Canada.
- We commented Open Forum's documents „Implementation Toolkit“ and „Advocacy Toolkit“ (June – December 2011).



- From July till beginning of December 2011 we also commented all drafts of Busan Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation and participated in preparation of position papers of civil society organizations.
- We took part in preparation of GFG meeting and Busan Civil Society Forum in November 2011 in Busan and participated actively in 4th HLF on 29th November - 1st December 2011 and had our word also on the final statement (thanks to our intervention, CSOs are mentioned already at the introduction of the Busan Declaration).



Building of new partnership network also brings about deepening of our cooperation with Vietnamese minority in the Czech Republic.

Output 3 – Professional cooperation with EU NMS and with European Countries outside EU

As complement to the Open Forum process we focused on evaluation of development cooperation with emphasis on evaluation of „Theory of Change and Impact“ and on applicability and use of evaluation



outcomes. In cooperation with Slovak Evaluation Society and IPDET lecturers we decided to organise again the Czech/Slovak DET under new title EPDET - European Program for Development Evaluation Training. EPDET took place on 19-25 September, 2011 in Vilanec, close to Jihlava. 56 participants from 22 countries were accepted, next 16 people stayed on waiting list out of which 5 already applied for EPDET 2012. The training was really successful and therefore we decided to organise next EPDET in cooperation with Slovak Evaluation Society in mid September 2012 in Slovakia. Funding

was covered largely outside the Czech development cooperation sources.

Output 4 – Modules of Project Cycle Management (PCM) and Evaluation at two universities

New evaluation seminar was open at the Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague as part of „Road to Results“ project, held in English, and seminar of Project Cycle Management was open at Metropolitan University Prague (MUP), in Czech language. In academic year 2011/2012 we tested both parallel modules at both universities in specialized seminars and workshops. At the Czech University of Life Sciences we also tried an interactive tuition of PCM based on platform Moodle.

Based on our experience and feedback from 2010 we updated existing handbooks of PCM in English and Czech and prepared new manuals, lectures and workshops which are also based on IPDET 2011 manuals that we received in mid July 2011.

New update of handbook „Project Management and Planning“ (from 2003) has been considered at the University of Life Sciences, and drafting of brand new handbook for students on project management is planned at MUP.

We managed to receive funding outside the Czech Development Cooperation for Czech translation of World Bank publication: „The Road to Results - Designing and Conducting Effective Development Evaluations“, however publishing is dependent on arranging a good quality publisher and financial sources for printing and therefore we are still searching additional partners for this project.

Beside the planned scope two separate courses focused on project preparation and evaluation were created and presented at University of Economics in Prague.

DWW also enforced some changes in new Methodology of bilateral development cooperation of the Czech Republic. These changes were adopted by consensus together with FoRS, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Czech Development Agency (CZDA) and they correspond to the principles and procedures presented in our trainings and to the recommendations of IDEAS ITIG on "Standard Assessment Framework for Policies, Programs and Projects". New grant application and reporting forms were also suggested and discussed with CZDA, final decision has been postponed.

New project management and evaluation training was prepared also for Slovak Development Cooperation Agency (SAMRS) and executed in February 2012.

Expected DEFNET outcome is national and international networking of CSOs from EU NMS as well as European countries outside EU focused on development effectiveness. Strengthening development effectiveness includes the ability of CSO to formulate and advocate own opinions and views, find agreement on common positions (in specific historical contexts) and empowering CSOs to jointly enforce them. Commonly applied principles should lead to closer cooperation in concrete projects and programs and in influencing the European development policies. This is our priority which is still valid.

As success indicators we chose at least 3 common activities or standpoints of EU NMS regarding development effectiveness between 2010 and 2011 and at least 4 EU NMS represented among Slovak DET 2010 and EPDET 2011 graduates (at least 20 participants from EU NMS in total).

In the framework of fulfilling of the first indicator, three activities were carried out already in 2010 – seminars within the CASE project in Prague and two panel discussions on development effectiveness in Warsaw. FoRS member organizations agreed upon joint statement – introduction of common Code on Effectiveness. FoRS in cooperation with platforms from other countries prepared several joint projects for EU calls (besides cooperation in the frame of the Open Forum); the results of applications will be released in 2012.

As for the second indicator, 44 experts from 11 countries took part in the Slovak DET 2010 out of which 32 from EU NMS (Slovakia, Czech Republic, Slovenia) and others from the transition countries (Ukraine, Georgia, Serbia and Albania). 56 experts from 22 countries out of which 30 from EU NMS (Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Poland, and Romania) and even 5 from European countries outside EU (Turkey, Kosovo, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Azerbaijan) participated in EPDET 2011 in the Czech Republic. From above mentioned is clear that the second indicator was exceeded by far.

The long-term goal of all DWW activities is the higher development cooperation effectiveness. We would like to contribute to this goal by support of open partnership among all development actors and by stronger involvement of EU NMS organizations in global process of the Open Forum for CSO Development Effectiveness. Putting emphasis on principles of own effectiveness and on enabling environment provided by other actors should lead to full use of added value and potential of CSOs.

Success indicator of this goal is enforcement of CSO standpoints into agenda and outputs of the High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in Busan, 2011 and active involvement of at least 5 NMS in CSO Development Effectiveness process at European and global level until 2011.

As for the first indicator, most of the fundamental CSO principles were integrated into the Busan Declaration which also refers to Istanbul Principles for CSO Development Effectiveness and also refers to the Siem Reap CSO Consensus on the International Framework for CSO Development Effectiveness. However concern persists that the principles will not be fulfilled by donors and governments as the concrete binding commitments, indicators of enabling environment standards for CSO activities and means for enhancing real partnerships among development actors are missing in the document.

The second of the long-term indicators was exceeded by far. Actors from all following countries got involved in the Open Forum process in 2010: Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland, Bulgaria, Malta, Lithuania, Hungary, Turkey, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Macedonia, Moldova, Kosovo, Albania and former Soviet Union countries (Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Russia, Ukraine, Belorussia, Tajikistan, and Kyrgyzstan). Other countries (e.g. Romania, Slovenia) joined the process in 2011, especially

during the second global assembly of the Open Forum in Cambodia and in the 4th High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in Busan. Very important for the future cooperation is a new role of Zuzana Sladkova who quitted her position in FoRS and moved to CONCORD Secretariat as coordinator of development effectiveness at European level, and program of the Open Forum also belongs to her field of activity.

The main coordinator of all activities of the project at the national and international level was Daniel Svoboda who at the same time managed activities at FoRS platform, CONCORD confederation, GFG Open Forum and IDEAS association. Also thanks to this fact the synergy effect and complementarities of all above mentioned development actors was reached.

Further members of the project team were: Jan Banout, Petra Chaloupkova, Tereza Weissova (new) and Kristina Rusarova (new) from the Czech University of Life Sciences, Tereza Nemeckova and Lenka Adamcova from MUP, Jana Pickova as DWW project assistant, Tomas Svoboda as DWW webmaster, others in role of consultants: Petr Honskus, Simona Kosikova Sulcova, Ondrej Pokorny a Dmitrij Svec. External colleagues were: Dagmar Gombitova from Slovak Evaluation Society (preparation and realization of EPDET 2011), reputable American lecturers Ray C. Rist and Linda G. Morra Imas (EPDET 2011) and certificated translator Jarmila Hajkova.

In our view, the project progress and results proved its meaningfulness, importance and influence on cooperation at national level as well as on global process of the Open Forum (and on other actors via its channels and positions). In order to ensure the long-term impacts, it will be necessary to follow up on the fruitful work of the past years and to make up the most of our strong position of the Czech Republic which the Czech CSO built in the international process focused on development effectiveness, also due to close cooperation with government institutions and partners from private sector. In this perspective, 10 000 € contribution to the Open Forum pool fund from the Czech Development Agency is very important and has great symbolic significance (CR contributed as the only new donor and so joined the group of the most respected European donors).

Our further involvement will be important also in 2012. Unification at CSO level is envisaged for Open Forum process and BetterAid under CSO Partnership for Development Effectiveness, and principles of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation will be put in place in cooperation with all development actors.

COOPERATION WITH VIETNAM

Our civic association has been working in Vietnam since 2004, when we were engaged in evaluations of two Czech development cooperation projects and participated in the international mapping mission organized by the Canadian International Development Agency CIDA within the trilateral program ODACE. Since 2005, we carry out own development projects in Vietnam, and between 2006 and 2009 we participated in facilitation and coordination of other Czech development and humanitarian projects.



In 2001 our civic association continued in implementation of two-year project „**HCE2 - Program of improvement of social & environmental responsibilities in Ho Chi Minh City**“, funded by the French Development Agency AFD and focused on capacity building of the Ho Chi Minh City Finance and Investment State-Owned Company - HFIC and of the clients of this development fund (local authorities, social housing companies, hospitals and health centers, and environmental companies). The project included number of trainings, practical workshops and excursions, international study tour for 26 Vietnamese representatives to Indonesia, and preparation of handbooks for all target

groups (General handbook, Handbook to assess environmental and social impacts, Handbook for beneficiaries: Hospitals, Handbook for beneficiaries: Environmental companies, Handbook for beneficiaries: Social housing companies). Technical part of the project was concluded by last workshops

and practical testing of the handbooks through assessment of concrete investment projects in December 2011. In 2012, the project will be completed by the final ceremony in Ho Chi Minh City (March 2012), by the final report and by updating the handbooks, based on the feedback and requirements of the target groups and the French Development Agency.

In the second half of 2011, the HCE2 project was complemented by the project **„SOM – School of Management in Ho Chi Minh City“**, supported from the funds of the Czech Development Agency and focused on the needs of long-term education of HFIC experts and HFIC partners and clients (including identification of appropriate reference materials for the SOM library) and on practical testing of the handbooks prepared within the running HCE2 project. Proposal of the Terms of Reference for the School of Management project to be funded from the new AFD program was the key output.

Both related projects should contribute to sustainable development in Ho Chi Minh City through targeted investments into infrastructure and other projects from priority areas. The aim is trained staff of HFIC – experts who will fully apply acquired skills and knowledge for more effective support of investment projects and for assessing their environmental, social and economic aspects and impacts.

The coordinator of both project was Daniel Svoboda, several experts participated in its implementation: Petr Honskus, Jan Stejfa, Monika Pribylova, Simona Kosikova Sulcova, Tomas Vanicky, and our Vietnamese colleagues Mrs. Phung Thi Phuong Hien (coordinator of DWW projects in Vietnam, translations, desk reviews of legal framework) and Mrs. Nguyen Ngoc Ly (expert consultations, cooperation in trainings including logistics, interpreting and expert translations, preparation of case studies for testing, communication with HFIC).

After the testing of proposed procedures, the partner organization HFIC confirmed their usefulness and applicability and it is working on preparation of the system for long-term trainings of HFIC employees, clients and partners. Sustainability of the results now depends on the will of HFIC management to apply the new procedures in practice (including their necessary approval by national authorities), and partially also on ensuring funding for the School of Management, which is really important for long-term capacity building.

We also continued in cooperation with Vietnam through other joint project with the VEPF - Vietnam Environment Protection Fund. Preparation and realization of **International conference on Phu Quoc Island “Cooperation for Environment Protection and Sustainable Development”** (end of October / beginning of November 2011) was supported through the project **„Introducing system to support sustainable economic, social and environmental development in Vietnam”** also from the development programs of the Czech Development Agency and Ministry of Environment. This project should contribute to sustainable development in Vietnam by means of international exchange of knowledge and experience.

The fourth joint conference of DWW and VEPF, co-funded from the sources of MONRE (Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment) and DANIDA (Danish Development Agency, was based on the agreement on cooperation from the side of the First Deputy Minister of Environment Mrs. Rut Bizkova and the First Deputy Minister of MONRE during the previous conference in Hanoi in 2010 and on the trilateral Memorandum on Cooperation signed in 2009 by the VEPF, DWW and State Environmental Fund of the Czech Republic (SEF), and followed number of joint activities started already in 2006. The conference in 2011 focused on small and medium sized enterprises and local development (in particular on new technologies and energy sector). The situation of Phu Quoc Island well demonstrated strong relations among all aspects of development. Joint identification of problems and opportunities and mutual sharing of experience should lead to concrete joint projects that could be good examples for other regions in Vietnam. Mr. Michal Kral, Ambassador of the Czech Republic in Vietnam, provided patronage to the conference. There were 83 experts from both countries participating (VEPF, Czech delegation, representatives of MONRE and also DONRE from several provinces, representatives of other national authorities, experts from universities and private sector, local authorities from Kien Gieng province and from National Park Phu Quoc), journalists and other media including state and local TV. From the Czech side there were several organizations active or interested in cooperation in Vietnam, including representatives of MoE and the SEF. The participants presented the results of completed and

running projects financed from the Czech program of international development cooperation. The event included visit of the Phu Quoc National Park and other sites and small enterprises on the seaside. Also these excursions were documented by the Vietnamese TV.

Besides the experience exchange, the aim of the conference was also a preparation of new Memorandum of Cooperation between VEPF, DWW and the SEF and two-year plan of joint activities. The Memorandum was signed on 1 November 2011 in the presence of the First Deputy Minister of MONRE Mr. Bui Cach Tuyen and Ambassador of the Czech Republic Mr. Michala Kral. The first planned activity was a study tour of the MONRE and VEPF delegation to the Czech Republic, preparation of a new bilateral Memorandum of Cooperation between MONRE and MoE CZ (May 2012) and preparation of the fifth joint DWW/VEPF conference in Vietnam (Nha Trang, October/November 2012).

The conference was organized from the DWW side by Daniel Svoboda, Petr Honskus, Jan Prasek, Jan Stejfa, Monika Pribylova (participation in expert presentations and communication with partners), Nguyen Thu Trang (interpreting during meetings, organizational support, hand-over of the financial contribution from the public collection for Thai Binh rehabilitation centre), Phung Thi Phuong Hien (translations of presentations, logistic support) and Nguyen Thi Mui (translations and interpreting).

Direct communication and cooperation between Vietnamese communities, enterprises and institutions is a key aspect for long-term success of environmental programs. DWW has an important facilitating role in this regard – besides strengthening capacities of the VEPF and international exchange of experience, we focus on linking Vietnamese authorities, organizations and experts. In many cases, only during our conferences the local authorities and enterprises get the information on possible financial support for their projects or on available expert solutions for their problems. On the other side, the VEPF can better react on concrete requirements and ideas presented by other Vietnamese organizations. Our conferences became catalyst of applied research and innovative solutions (e.g. new technologies for ceramic village Bat Trang) and contributed to new awareness building approaches (e.g. the student film “Lost River” inspired by the problems of contamination of the Ngu Hue Khe River in the Bac Ninh province). During the Phu Quoc conference, we endeavored to inspire local partners for implementation of the joint project on environmental and technology center which could become a practical demonstration of sustainable local development. In the future, we also want to support partnership of National Parks from both countries and other activities focused on nature protection and preservation of natural resources of Vietnam as well as on environment education and awareness building. We are sure that joint expert events are also inspiring for Czech institutions and organizations as environmental problems related to economic transition are similar and usually need unprecedented approaches and new methods. Mutual cooperation is beneficial both from expert and political points of view.

Before the conference, there were expert meetings in Hanoi and DWW also handed over new financial contribution form the public collection for the project **„Aid for people affected by dioxins in Vietnam“** to the Vietnamese Association of Agent Orange Victims – VAVA in Thai Binh province. The project supports reconstruction of the rehabilitation center and protected workshops for Agent Orange victims. It is jointly implemented by DWW and INFO-DRACEK in cooperation with the Association of Vietnamese in the Czech Republic. In 2011, we handed over to VAVA Thai Binh 7800 USD in total. The rehabilitation center was also supported from the Small Grants Program of the Czech Embassy in Hanoi. The Association of Vietnamese in the Czech Republic organized also own national collection for national VAVA and the contribution (around 530 000 CZK) was handed over during the meeting of Thai Binh citizens in the Czech Republic on 17th November 2011. We also participated in this meeting.



The health impacts of using Agent Orange during American–Vietnamese war influence in some cases even the fourth generation. There is not enough information in Vietnam on possible health complications related to dioxins in food chain or to transfer from mother to children, and effective system of the health care for victims or system for their engagement in the society is also missing. Remediation of contaminated sites is another problem calling for urgent solutions.

The public collection is registered by the Prague Municipality under the number S-MHMP/312017/2010. The sponsors can send their financial contributions to bank accounts 235581188/0300 (CZK) or 198711595/0300 (USD). Since 2011, Czech sponsors can contribute also by means of DMS on phone number 87 777 – 30 CZK (of which 27 CZK come to the collection) by entry DMS DETIVIETNAM, or 30 CZK monthly for 12 consecutive months by entry DMS ROK DETIVIETNAM.



We also participated in organizing the contest **Miss Vietnam Czech Republic 2010** (the finale took place on 28th January 2011 (in occasion of the new lunar year). The Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Karel Schwarzenberg and member of the European Parliament Mr. Jan Zahradil provided the patronage. Many other distinguished guests participated, among others: the Ambassador of Vietnam Mr. Do Xuan Dong, First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Tomas Dub, First Deputy Minister of Environment Mrs. Rut Bizkova and other employees of the MoE, Director

of the Czech Development Agency Mr. Michal Pastvinsky, and representatives of the Municipality of Prague. The event was well appreciated by public and media. The gains from the contest were donated for support of burnt-out Vietnamese market in Brno city and for Thai Binh project.

Other joint events included **Social Day** in Sokolov on 30th May 2011 or the first **Vietnamese Cultural Day** at Peace Square in Prague on 8th September 2011, under the patronage of the Municipality of Prague and Prague 2 District.

In cooperation with Bridge Power Investments company we started preparation of the project „**Small Energy Centers combined with pellets production in Vietnam**“. The project should support sustainable agriculture production of biomass and local production of electricity and pellets jointly with construction of ecological



center as motivating example of environmentally sustainable development. We are identifying appropriate partners and locations at this moment. In 2011, we carried out, among others:

- Visit to Quang Tri province including excursion to the starch factory, producing also fertilizers from agriculture wastes, operating biogas plant. The partners presented also the pepper production and other activities (for example the Agriculture Technology Center).
- Visit to Vietnam Forestry University (Biodiversity Centre) in Hanoi, where we discussed potential cooperation in projects focused on energetic use of biomass. The director of Department on Science, Technology and International Cooperation and Director of Biodiversity Center participated in the meeting. The university owns experimental plots, and can engage many Vietnamese pedagogues educated abroad and guest professors from other countries. It cooperates with private sector within the applied research. The University offered project cooperation, own premises as well as research fellowships for Czech experts and students.



Since August 2011 we cooperate with the Czech University of Life Sciences and companies ENVIROS and DEKONTA in implementation of the project „Sustainable energy at local level in Thua Thien Hue province“. The project is funded from the ODA program of the Czech Development Agency. First results were presented during the conference at Phu Quoc Island. The project aims at construction and operation of quality domestic biogas stations, including trainings for the users in four districts Thua Thien Hue province in Central Vietnam. The quality of the stations must correspond to

the requirements of the National Biogas Program for animal production in Vietnam. The project includes also assessment of other renewable sources of energy.

PROSPECT FOR THE YEAR 2012

In 2012, all key DWW activities will still aim at introduction of development effectiveness principles. The Czech platform FoRS will continue in monitoring of its Code on Effectiveness (including peer reviews). The Working groups on Effectiveness of FoRS and CONCORD will also continue as well as the consultations at national, European and global level. The processes of the Open Forum and BetterAid will merge in one platform of CSO Partnership for Development Effectiveness and will engage in the structures of Global Partnership with other development actors. The multi-actors Task Team on CSO Development Effectiveness and Enabling Environment also decided to continue in its activities. DWW will participate in all these activities.

We will also continue in our methodological work and trainings, including courses at three universities (Czech University of Life Sciences, Metropolitan University Prague and University of Economics), cooperation with IDEAS and Czech Evaluation Society, and the sixth international summer school EPDET - European Program for Development Evaluation Training, which will take place in Slovakia.



Cooperation with Vietnam will stay a special chapter of our activities. We are strongly devoted to the work in Vietnam and for Vietnam, including events organized in cooperation with the civic association INFO-DRACEK and Association of Vietnamese in the Czech Republic. The most important national event will be the third contest Miss Vietnam Czech Republic (“Open for Europe” for the first time in 2012). We will also organize study tour of the Vietnamese delegation of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE) and the Vietnam Environment Protection Fund (VEPF) to the Czech Republic; a new Memorandum on Cooperation between MONRE and MoE CZ will be signed during this study tour. We participated also in preparation of the first Memorandum, signed in 2008 in Hanoi.

In Vietnam, we will continue in running projects, including the collection for the rehabilitation center in Thai Binh, and in preparation of new projects, including the 5th joint conference of DWW and VEPF, which will take place in Nha Trang. Number of Czech institutions and organizations should participate, including Ministry of Environment, State Environmental Fund, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Czech Development Agency, and several private companies. We will also invite member of the European Parliament, Mr. Zahradil, who is EP reporter for the Zone of Free Market between EU and Vietnam. Strengthening partnerships, cultural relations and open cooperation both at international level and between Czech majority and Vietnamese community in the Czech Republic is beneficial for all actors.

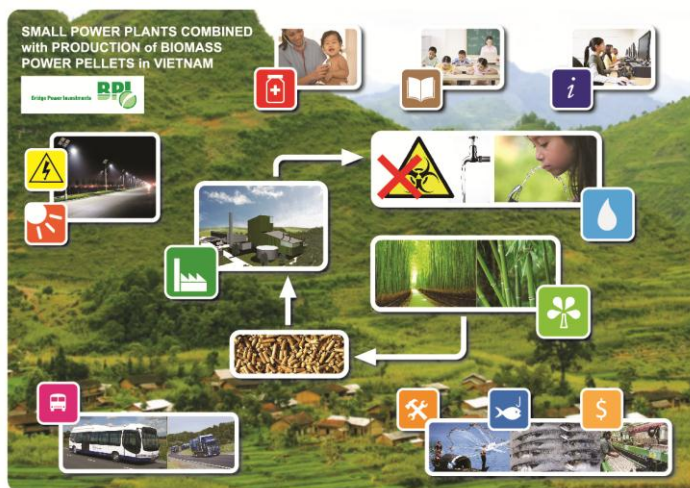
We strongly believe that our development visions and missions are meaningful and we feel still stronger support and trust from our partners and target groups. We do not want to fail in meeting their expectations, and in addition, we really enjoy our work and we welcome new challenges.



Rehabilitation center Thai Binh – reality and plans in October 2011



Rehabilitation center Thai Binh – reality in May 2012



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DWW FINANCIAL REPORT 2011

Financial report of the civic association Development Worldwide is provided as a copy of the final accounts (the balance, statement of profits and losses, annex). The 2011 accountancy was subject to an accounting audit carried out by Eng. Blanka Halova, an independent auditor. The auditor's statement is enclosed.

After the final accounts date, there was no event that would have any important influence on the civic association's activity and should therefore be reflected in the 2011 accountancy.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Administrative Board

I have audited the accompanying balance sheet of **Civic Association Development Worldwide** (hereafter the Company) with the seat in Máchova 23, 120 00 Praha 2, Czech Republic, Id. No. 26584212 as at December 31, 2011 and the related profit and loss account for the period then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of management of the Company. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with the International auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on the test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. I believe that my audit provide a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above **present fairly**, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2011 and the results of its operations for the period then ended in accordance with the relevant legislation of the Czech Republic and the generally accepted accounting principles.

Praha, May 3, 2012

Ing. Blanka Hálová
auditor - decree No.1508
Na Staré silnici 114
397 01 Písek - Semice



BALANCE in simplified form

List of entries
in accordance with Regulation No. 504/2002
in the wording of Regulation No. 476/2003

as at 31.12.2011
(in thousands of CZK)

Identification number
26584212

Name, seat, legal form
activity subject of accounting unit

Development Worldwide, c.a.
Máchova 23
120 00 Prague 2
Civic association
Development cooperation

ASSETS	State of the first day of fiscal period	State of the last day of fiscal period
A. Fixed assets		
I. Intangible fixed assets total		
II. Tangible fixed assets total		
III. Financial investments total		
IV. Cumulated depreciation total		
B. Current assets	1304	1004
I. Stocks total		
II. Debtors total	1036	100
III. Cash and investments total	268	904
IV. Other assets total		
ASSETS TOTAL	1304	1004
LIABILITIES		
A. Own resources total	665	1001
I. Equity total	17	17
II. Earnings total	648	984
B. Other liabilities	639	3
I. Reserves total		
II. Long-term liabilities total		
III. Short-term liabilities total	433	3
IV. Other liabilities total	206	
LIABILITIES TOTAL	1304	1004

Set up by the date: 19.03.2012

Signature entry:



DEVELOPMENT
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IČO: 265 84 212



Profit and Loss Statement in simplified form

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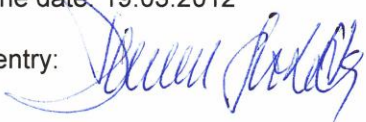
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	Main activities	Economic activities
A. Expenses		
I. Consumption total	17	
II. Services total	3319	
III. Personal expenses total	1085	
IV. Taxes and fees total		
V. Other expenses total	243	
VI. Depreciation, sale of fixed assets, change in provisions, adjustments		
VII. Rendered dues total	5	
VIII. Income tax total		
Expenses total	4669	
B. Revenues		
I. Own services and products total	260	
II. Changes in inventory of own products		
III. Capitalization total		
IV. Other revenues total	28	
V. Revenues from sales of assets, changes in provisions, adjustments		
VI. Received contributions total	198	
VII. Operational grants total	4521	
B. Revenues total	5007	
C. Earnings before tax	338	
D. Earnings after tax	338	

Set up by the date: 19.03.2012

Signature entry:



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BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION DEVELOPMENT WORLDWIDE

DWW PRIORITY AREAS OF ACTIVITY

DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

(Seminars, workshops, conferences, publications)

HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

(Professional training for project managers and university students)

CONSULTANCY AND ADVISORY SERVICES

(For all governmental and non-governmental partners)

INTRODUCTION OF HIGH STANDARDS IN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

(Effective project cycle management, emphasis on results and sustainability)

ASSISTANCE IN BUILDING DEVELOPMENT STRUCTURES

(Strengthening capacities, especially co-operation with the NGDO platform FoRS, Czech Development Agency, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

PREPARATION, IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

(Emphasis on sharing experience and demonstration of procedures and project results)

STRENGTHENING RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND EXPERIENCED DONORS

(Adequate response to needs and opportunities of the developing world)

THE DWW MEMBERS

At present, DWW has 30 active members and their professional expertise covers a wide range of development problems, especially in the following areas:

- Protection of the environment, including environment management systems and education
- Geology and remediation geology, hydrogeology, geochemistry, environmental risk assessment
- Community work – health protection, social care, work with children
- Development education and awareness
- Financial instruments in sustainable development and building of development institutions
- Building of systems in international development co-operation

Foreign working experience of DWW members includes, inter alia, the following countries:

• Afghanistan • Albania • Armenia • Austria • Belgium • Bolivia • Bosnia and Herzegovina • Bulgaria
• Burkina Faso • Cambodia • Cameroon • Canada • Croatia • Egypt • Estonia • France • Georgia
• Germany • Great Britain • Greece • Guinea Bissau • Hungary • India • Iran • Ireland • Israel • Jordan
• Kosovo • Latvia • Libya • Lithuania • Luxembourg • Macedonia • Malaysia • Malawi • Mali • Mexico
• Moldavia • Mongolia • Montenegro • Morocco • Mozambique • Netherlands • Pakistan • Palestine
• Peru • Philippines • Poland • Romania • Serbia • Slovakia • Slovenia • South Africa • Spain • Sri Lanka
• Sudan • Surinam • Syria • Tanzania • Tunisia • Turkey • Yemen • Vietnam • Zambia.