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BY STUDENTS, FOR STUDENTS



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FOREWORD



A BETTER WORLD STARTS WITH US

In our target regions, South America and parts of Asia, equal access to education is a fundamental catalyst for lifting people out of poverty. Despite global efforts, namely the UN's 2030 goals for sustainable development, women and girls continue to bear the brunt of poverty and discrimination. According to the UN Women's report, 122 women aged 25-34 live in extreme poverty for every 100 men of the same age group globally. In Latin America and the Caribbean, this disparity is even more pronounced, with 132 women living in extreme poverty for every 100 men.

Educational opportunities are unevenly distributed, with millions of girls never getting the chance to attend primary school. Globally, 15 million girls of primary school age will never learn to read or write in primary school, compared to 10 million boys. These educational gaps are compounded by unequal access to technology and the internet.

Our charity's mission to fundraise and support initiatives in these regions is therefore more than a charity a crucial contribution in fostering sustainable development. We are happy to work together with our strong partner *Stiftung Hilfe mit Plan* to achieve our goals.

And with the initiatives organized by our local branches, we continue to spread awareness and meaningfully impact our local communities in the process.

Natalie Voll,
Co-founder and President

Maximilian Behrens,
Co-founder and Chairman



ABOUT SPF

THE GLOBAL ORGANIZATION

Founded in 2015 by students of International School of Frankfurt, the Students' Philanthropic Foundation (SPF) is a student-led charity with branches around the globe with the aim of alleviating poverty and hardship in South America and Asia through educational and vocational projects. SPF is deliberately run by students for students.

► Cooperation with Plan International e.V.

The Students' Philanthropic Foundation is a recognized trustee foundation and is recognized as charitable by the German finance ministry according to § 51, 59, 60 and 61 AO. SPF works together with Plan International e.V. to actualize our goals and to support educational and vocational projects that will bring about tangible and positive change in our supported project regions.

► Global Relevance, Local Impact

The Students' Philanthropic Foundation currently has 18 University branches with over 150 members across the globe. Some of the branches operate as accredited student organizations; others work independently.. All work towards the same goal: enriching the student life of their fellow students while at the same time serving charitable causes with global relevance.



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MISSION AND VISION



Mission

Our mission at SPF is to support the education and health outcomes of children and youths worldwide through student-led fundraising. The idea of starting a foundation by students, for students was born when a group of high school students in Germany decided they wanted to give back what they viewed as their greatest privilege: access to education. SPF aims to involve as many students as possible in philanthropic work both globally and regionally, channeling the expertise, creativity, and effort of a diverse and motivated group of individuals to ensure every youth has access to health and education. On a regional scale SPF collaborates with locally operating non-profit organizations and creates change through volunteering action by students, for locals. As a trustee foundation, SPF works together with Plan International to actualize this goal on a global scale, supporting educational and vocational projects that bring about tangible and positive change.



Vision

Our vision at SPF is to drastically reduce extreme poverty and hardship on both a global and regional scale. We recognize that education is a key determinant of economic prosperity and hope to act as a catalyst for the continuous improvement of quality of life and economic development. Furthermore, we want to develop SPF into a charity that acts as a global point of reference for students wanting to get involved in philanthropic work. At SPF, we want to inspire students to work for a greater good wherever and whenever possible.



GLOBAL BOARD

As a trustee foundation, SPF has a worldwide leadership team, referred to as its Global Board. The Global Board is responsible for all operational decisions of the foundation, coordinates among and between branches and seeks to expand SPF's branch network and global fundraising. Successful branch members can apply to the SPF Global Board.



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CURRENT PROJECT

VOCATIONAL PERSPECTIVE AND EMPLOYMENT

PROJECT COUNTRIES: Nepal

PROJECT REGION: Dhanusha and Sindhuli in East Nepal

➤ Goals

Improve future prospects by providing youths with vocational training to obtain reputed jobs and benefit from appropriate working conditions.

➤ How do we achieve these goals?

The project measures include vocational and entrepreneurial training, training on labor law and gender equality, and childcare during the training. For participants with low literacy or numeracy skills, we offer reading, writing and math courses. 275 young men and women also take part in English and computer courses.

➤ How do branches contribute?

Through organizing events for their fellow students, the branch teams raise small amounts of money, which they contribute to SPF's collective funds quarterly. Funds help provide 550 young women and men acquire vocational qualifications and entrepreneurial knowledge.



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Sushmita's Story

Sushmita grew up in a small village in Sindhuli. As part of a Plan project, she was able to train as a receptionist, taking courses in English and general skills. Following her training, Sushmita completed a professional internship and found employment as a receptionist at a security company. Sushmita now regularly sends money home to support her younger brother, whose education costs she has covered.

[Find a detailed presentation of this project in the appendix!](#)



SPF BRANCHES

BY STUDENTS, FOR STUDENTS

EVENTS

01

We organize events for our fellow students to achieve our fundraising goals but we also contribute to the local community, for example by providing homeless people with food.

VOLUNTEERING

02

Our work is 100 % based on engaged volunteers. We try to engage fellow students to participate in SPF to serve a charitable cause and broaden their perspectives and experiences.

FUNDRAISING

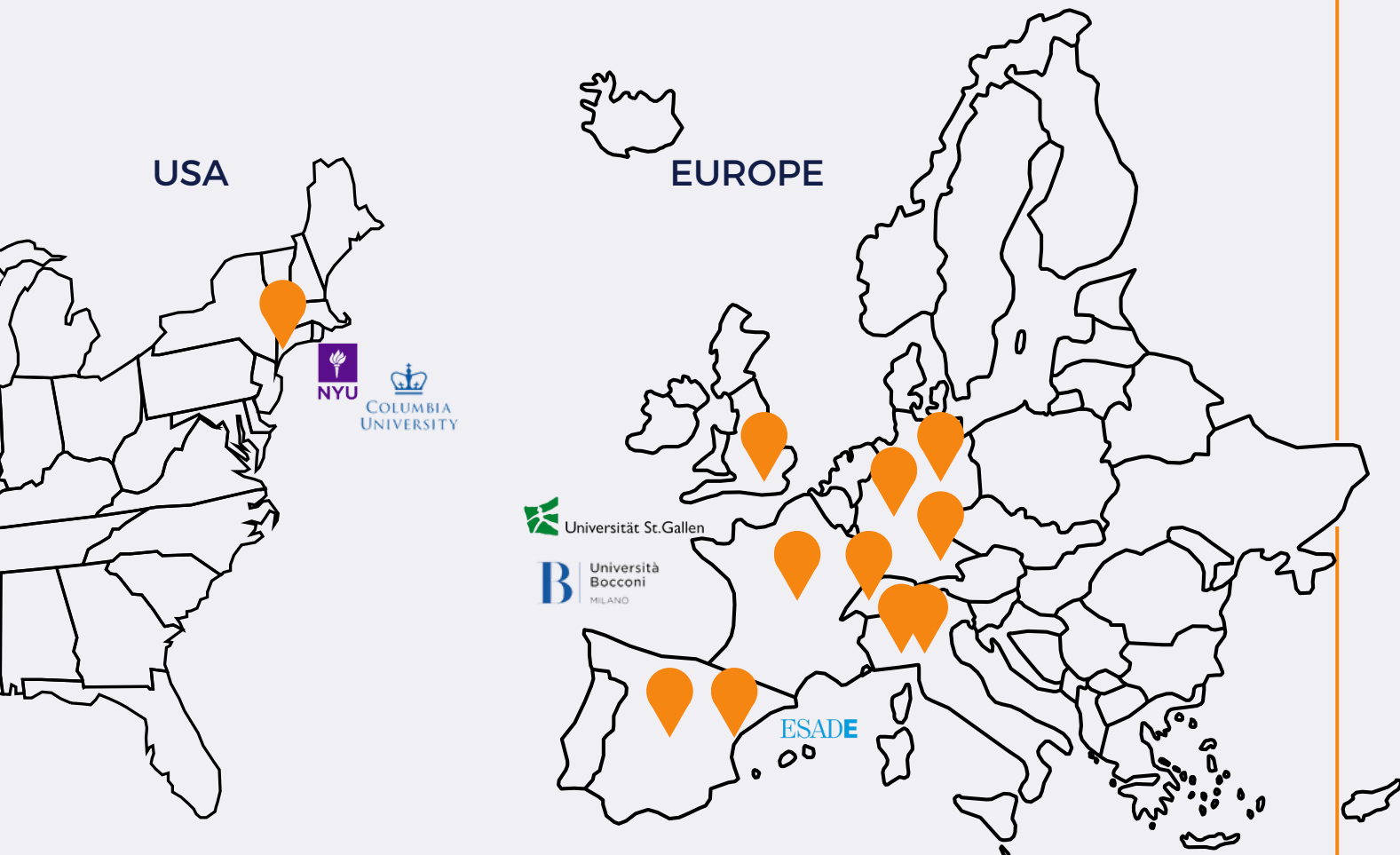
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To contribute to SPF global goals, we try to collect small funds during our events. We operate on our own funds and do not require support from the school.

REPRESENTATION

04

SPF has a valuable and relevant mission that we wish to represent to fellow students and contribute to public awareness of charitable work.





PAST AND PRESENT

PRESENT BRANCHES

1. University of St. Gallen
2. Università Bocconi
3. Frankfurt School of Finance
4. University of Vienna
5. University of Innsbruck
6. ESCP Paris
7. ESCP Turin
8. ESCP Madrid
9. ESCP Berlin
10. University of Amsterdam
11. IE University
12. ESADE
13. City University of London
14. Nova Lisbon

PAST BRANCHES

1. Columbia University
2. NYU
3. WHU Otto Beisheim School of Management
4. International School of Frankfurt
5. Copenhagen Business School
6. Munich Roots in Education
7. Strothoff International School
8. University of Warwick

Interested but can't find your university or high school on the list?

OPEN YOUR OWN BRANCH



EXAMPLE EVENTS

ART EXHIBITION



Art connects people. And so should social causes like our charity. Our Turin branch organized an Art Exhibition earlier this year with exactly this in mind: Connecting people and raising awareness for our mission (and donations) in the process. With plenty of beverages, their own band and several gifted student artists, the Art Exhibition was a huge success.



CHARITY NIGHTS



What's better than spending quality evenings with the people you like? Doing exactly this and raising awareness for global inequality and poverty while doing it!

A charity evening, might it be a dinner, a movie night, a black tie event, or a fun games night poses the perfect occasion to spark important conversations and collect donations.

WALK OF KINDNESS



Invented at our Paris hub, the *Walk of Kindness* brings together students to pack food and survival bags that are afterwards distributed to homeless people in walks across the city. Since 2023, we organized 5 such Walks of Kindness in Paris, Turin, and Madrid and helped more than 100 unhoused people.

Our Walks of Kindness are the perfect example of how our branches are also concerned with meaningfully impacting our local communities and helping wherever we can.





HOLI FESTIVAL



Holi is a Hindu festival known as the Festival of Colours, Love, and Spring. It celebrates the love of the deities Radha and Krishna. More than that, the day signifies the triumph of good over evil, as it commemorates the victory of Vishnu as Narasimha over Hiranyakashipu. What a better occasion to celebrate the victory of good over evil than with a SPF organized Holi workshop! As a global organization, we are deeply aware of cultural celebrations and embrace them as a team.

FOOD SALES



After all, loves goes through the stomach, no? Therefore, our branches are always eager to organize small food sales of self-made cupcakes, crepes, or cookies on their local campuses.

Instead of buying, for example a crepe, the customers will donate an amount to our branch.

And while enjoying their yummy food, we can spark discussions around our mission and raise awareness for our cause.



CHARITY SKI RACE



Why not?

A charity or fundraising event is not always the most straightforward thing for students. But charity can be cool and fun all the same! Our Paris branch proved it in February 2023 when they organized a student ski race in Risoul together with the local ski school!

When it comes to charity events, one cannot be creative enough. The more exceptional and fun the event, the more likely it will stay in good memory of the participants and the more likely are the participants to support our cause or similar causes in the future!



SPF BRANCH SETUP

GET IN TOUCH



GET IN TOUCH

- Contact us and have a first interview with us
- We are looking for bright and motivated students who would like to contribute to a bigger cause

START BRANCH



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- You will receive a Welcome Pack, including templates, guidelines and more
- Set up your branch and recruit a team of motivated students
- If possible, get recognition from your university or school

FUNDRAISE



FUNDRAISE

- Start fundraising events. Be creative: bakesales, charity parties, ski races, art exhibitions, national celebrations - you can make a fundraiser out of everything
- Organize and coordinate funds transfer, working closely with Global Board

ADVOCACY



ADVOCACY

- Organize a Walk of Kindness, help the local pet shelter or do something else that positively impacts your local community
- Potentially invite guest speakers, or organize charity networking events and talks

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



➤ How will I transfer the donations from my branch to the SPF account?

Ideally there is a designated treasurer (potentially the President or Head of Finance) that collects the donations in cash and then sends them to the SPF Bank Account on a regular basis (i.e. monthly). In schools the treasurer should be the CAS/IB advisor or a parent of the parents of the SPF members.

➤ Where is SPF registered?

The Students' Philanthropic Foundation is a recognized trustee foundation and is recognized as charitable by the German finance ministry according to § 51, 59, 60 and 61 AO.

➤ Why did you pick South America and Asia as focus regions?

There is a lot of potential for development in regions like South America and Asia, but they are often overlooked in global aid efforts.

➤ What is involved in setting up a SPF branch?

Setting up a branch involves close contact with the Global Head of Strategy, recruiting members, maintaining the local SPF social media presence, fundraising and ensuring the continuation of SPF for future years.

➤ How much time commitment is expected of me?

All SPF members commit around 1-5 hours a week, depending on their position, but all members are expected to complete their tasks by given deadlines.

More questions?

Feel free to reach out via info@spfworldwide.org or contact us through our social media channels on Instagram or LinkedIn.



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APPENDIX
PRESENT PROJECT



VOCATIONAL PERSPECTIVE AND EMPLOYMENT

PROJECT REGION

Dhanusha and Sindhuli in East-Nepal

PROJECT PERIOD

September 2022 – August 2025

BUDGET

1.363.636 €

GOALS

Equal access to vocational training and decent work for young women and men

MEASURES

- Vocational training and entrepreneurial training for young women and men

- Trainings for employers on labor law, health protection, and gender equality
- Childcare services for young mothers participating in the training program
- Financial training, access to savings groups, and microloans
- Courses in reading, writing, and mathematics
- Start-up assistance for the establishment of micro-enterprises
- Formation of alumni groups to promote exchange and mutual support among trainees
- Education of local authorities and leaders on equality and decent work



EXAMPLES OF PROJECT COSTS

- 828 €** Do the vocational training sessions cost for a trainee
- 1511 €** Plan needs to set up eight childcare rooms
- 3688 €** Are needed for the coaching and mentoring of the trainees
- 9824 €** The startup aid costs for 25 newly founded companies

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS SUPPORTED



2015 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals



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At 19, Kabita was kidnapped by human traffickers and taken to India. However, she was able to escape. Back in her home country of Nepal, she was given the opportunity to attend vocational training. With Plan's help, she opened a grocery store. It now provides a secure livelihood for her and her family.

PROJECT GOALS AND HOW TO REACH THEM

To provide young men and women with professional futures, income opportunities, and life perspectives, this project was launched. It aims to equip young individuals with crucial skills for the professional world and the labor market. Specifically, 550 young people aged 18 to 24 are participating in trainings to acquire vocational qualifications and entrepreneurial knowledge. For participants with limited reading, writing, or arithmetic skills, courses in these basic areas are offered. Additionally, 275 young people are enrolled in English and computer courses.

The selection of participants particularly focuses on disadvantaged groups, such as those belonging to specific castes or ethnic minorities who are affected by poverty. Young people from households with children or adults with disabilities are also given preference.

Given that women in Nepal often face disadvantages in professional and educational opportunities and are paid less than men for the same work, the project promotes gender equality in the labor market. This includes training employers and government and agency employees on labor laws, gender equality, and safety and health protection at work.

The communication and leadership skills of these young people, as well as their abilities to manage stress and resolve conflicts, are enhanced through life-skills training. Furthermore, financial management training and access to savings groups bolster their economic security and assist them in establishing their own micro-enterprises.

ACTIVITIES

- Promote decent work and gender equality,
- Analyze the labor market and adapt curriculum content,
- Provide vocational training and entrepreneurial education,
- Support the transition into professional life,
- And focus on disaster protection and adaptation to climate change.

EXAMINATION AND EVALUATION OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

At the beginning of the project, baseline data collection assesses the community's employment and educational status, setting indicators for ongoing success monitoring and the final evaluation of the project's sustainability, efficiency, and effectiveness. During the project, quality assurance processes check training facilities, materials, and instructors' qualifications, while closely monitoring trainee attendance and engagement. Additionally, regular evaluations ensure that the curriculum remains relevant to the changing labor market demands. Post-project, the employment and income statuses of the graduates are continuously monitored to gauge long-term impact, and alumni groups offer extended support by providing a platform for information exchange, experience sharing, and job opportunities. In disaster-prone areas, the project facilitates connections with financial institutions for risk mitigation and collaborates with local authorities to develop strategies that address the impacts of climate change, encouraging ongoing community engagement and integration into local government planning.



APPENDIX
PAST PROJECT

PROTECTING VICTIMS OF CHILD TRAFFICKING

PROJECT REGION

Eastern Visayas, Mindanao and Caraga (Philippines)

PROJECT PERIOD

November 2017 – April 2021

GOALS

Strengthening support networks for Filipino victims of child trafficking.

MEASURES

- Reintegration into school and financial support for children returning to school in the form of paid travel expenses, school uniforms, and school supplies.
- Establishment of protective structures in the communities.
- Care and support for victims of child trafficking.
- Training young people to take action against child trafficking.



EXAMPLES OF PROJECT COSTS*

- 85 € Does a workshop cost to develop communication materials
- 121 € are needed for the training of a member of a multidisciplinary team that holistically advises and supports abuse victims.
- 173 € is the cost of one-month accommodation for children and adolescents in an emergency shelter
- 222 € we need to educate a parent during information events about the risks of human trafficking and early marriage.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS SUPPORTED



2015 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

*Some information may be taken from similar current projects of Plan International e.V.



In the Philippines, child trafficking is widespread. As part of the project, we are committed to ending this practice. And through the training of professionals, we improve the counseling and care services for children who have become victims of abuse or exploitation.*

WHY THE PHILIPPINES ?

16% of Filipinos live below the national poverty line. Many families rely on children as young as four years old for financial support. These become targets for child traffickers.

Every year, 100,000 Filipinos under the age of 18 are forced into prostitution, with young girls being particularly at risk. Their homes are often villages near major ports or bus terminals, where they are abducted and brought to metropolitan cities and tourist regions.

Upon rescue, victims are often unable to return home, as legal guardians themselves are often found to be involved in child trafficking cases across the country.

ACTIVITIES*

- Community awareness campaigns and workshops educate about child rights and the impacts of human trafficking and forced marriages.
- Peer educators, aged 13 to 24, are trained to lead child protection workshops and share their knowledge in schools.
- Parents and guardians are involved in educational seminars to help them understand their roles in preventing child exploitation.
- Multidisciplinary teams are formed and trained to provide comprehensive support to child abuse and trafficking victims.
- Victims receive housing, medical, and legal support, and are aided in reintegrating into their communities with educational and job training.
- Educational materials on preventing abuse are developed with input from children and youths.

THE PROJECT

This project aims to strengthen the protective structures for girls and boys in 24 villages and towns in the regions of Eastern Visayas, Mindanao, and Caraga. SPF supports children and adolescents affected by human trafficking in processing their traumatic experiences and offers them new perspectives and education to facilitate their reintegration into society.

Above all, this project focuses on raising awareness in the communities, in order to prevent child abduction and enable the reintegration of victims into their social environment. Around 80,000 children and adolescents benefit from our work in the project regions. Since girls are particularly at risk, they are the focus of many measures. Moreover, to ensure the sustainability of this project, SPF works closely with local authorities and civil organizations, who will continue implementing measures after the project is over.



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