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INTRODUCTION



Dear friends,

thank you for taking the time to read the annual report of our work. Another year of our center's activity is behind us. This has been our tenth anniversary year and it was also a year that brought a challenge that we have not had faced ever before.

At the beginning of February, full of optimism, we launched the traditional Lenten collection. The proceeds from the Lenten collection were earmarked for the preschool education of children living in the slums of South Beirut. Shortly thereafter, however, in our country fears of the spread of a new coronavirus erupted and churches, schools, offices, small shops and businesses were closed by government measures which hit significantly the people who were already on the verge of economic survival such as socially fragile families and single parents.

We actively engaged with other centres in the larger diaconal family to help those most vulnerable people to cope with the new crisis. We coordinated volunteer work, supported the operation of a crisis line, and organized the "Letters to Bring Joy" event during which letters were sent to homes for the elderly. We started a fundraising campaign to support people in the Czech Republic facing existential problems due to government measures.

The Lenten collection, although held under quite unusual circumstances, eventually raised more than half a million Czech crowns. For this, all the congregations and donors deserve our great thanks. Their great degree of solidarity and willingness was demonstrated again since they helped several times, during the flash floods in Olomouc Region, in August after the tragic explosion in Beirut, Lebanon, and at the turn of the year in support of the Christmas collection for the Father's House in Ukraine.

Regarding our projects abroad, we did our best to ensure that the funds provided by the Czech government were spent efficiently and our activities responded to the new crisis context of the fight against the pandemic. In Jordan and Cambodia, for example, we distributed hygiene kits or supported the production of protective equipment. In Lebanon and Bangladesh, we raised funds for food vouchers or support for the poorest of the poor, many of whom have temporarily or permanently lost even menial jobs.

Across our projects in Southeast Asia, we have supported vocational training and small-scale entrepreneurs in starting their businesses. In Mauritania, through the Medevac programme, we facilitated the equipment of two hospitals for a region of 150,000 people.

In the Czech Republic, we continued our Resilient Municipality programme, helping Czech municipalities with their flood preparedness. In June, we were actively involved in helping people affected by flash floods in Olomouc. We prepared weekend workshops on landscape water retention, trained volunteers and continued our awareness campaign on sustainable development and migration. All this in conditions where we had to limit our meetings as much as possible and adapt to the new situation.

Thank you, all the generous donors, congregations and the entire Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren for your unrelenting support and confidence in our work. Thank you, our staff, volunteers and partners, for your extraordinary commitment in difficult circumstances. I am greatly grateful that together we have made it through this challenging year.

Sincerely

Kristina Ambrožová,
Director of the Centre of Relief
and Development, Diaconia ECCB

A FEW NUMBERS FROM 2020



4 new municipalities have joined the Resilient Municipality project



445 hours that our volunteers have spent helping during floods in Šumvald



8 countries around the world where we work on humanitarian and developmental projects



3 health centres in Mauritania received new equipment



61 families and individuals who found themselves in a difficult life situation due to the COVID-19 pandemic received our support



1 200 people took part the events with SDG's topic



5 infrastructure projects in Cambodia have received our financial support



250 Syrian families in dire need living in Beirut receive food vouchers every month

PROJECTS ABROAD



Our Centre is now active in eight countries, in some of them for five years or more. We are happy that we have been able to maintain continuity and work in new areas in many of them. This is possible thanks to the support of our donors – the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, CzechAid, the Ministry of Interior of the Czech Republic, UNDP, and private donors.

We have been supporting refugees and internally displaced (IDPs) in camps and host communities (in Jordan, Lebanon, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Mauritania) for a long time now. We provide basic food, material and psychosocial assistance, and we support people in improving their professional qualifications and in growing small businesses that can help them become more economically independent. Building on last year's successful Medevac project in cooperation with the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) in Mauritania, this year we will again support health centres with the necessary equipment, materials, and staff training.

Our priorities continue to include the protection of children's rights and their education, which is a major challenge in the context of refugee communities and poverty in general. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic in Lebanon, only 42% of Syrian children attended school. Our Lent collection donors are again supporting a nursery and school in Beirut this year, and we are providing similar support in Myanmar, which is undergoing another major crisis, thanks to the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Our partners in Ukraine are leading the way in foster care support, and the Blue Dragon organization in Vietnam is leading the way in out-of-home child protection, prevention, and support for victims of human trafficking.

Our work would not be possible without both large and small donors, and without experienced local partners – NGOs or faith-based organizations. Thanks to them and our regular trips, we have close contact with the beneficiaries of our support, although last year not as much as we would have liked. We believe our role is to support the initiative of those who want and can help themselves. The small local organization House of Mercy in Kiev supports

and reintegrates elderly homeless or disabled people, and Beirut's Tahaddi reduces both immediate and long-term negative effects of poverty all-around.

We also want to contribute to long-term development and I am pleased that in the last two years Diaconia has launched several multi-year projects. They bring new elements of cooperation to the partnerships mentioned above in Cambodia, Myanmar and elsewhere. Whether it is expert assistance and training in water sources management or promoting menstrual health in an environmentally and economically sustainable way that makes it accessible to the less well-off. Every day we are reminded that humanitarian aid and development cooperation have their pitfalls. Nevertheless, we are convinced that our work is worth continuing and we are happy to share more information about it.

Erik Siegl,
Head of Foreign Projects

Myanmar



In Myanmar, with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, we have been assisting internally displaced persons and host communities from among the Muslim Rohingya people and Buddhist Rakhine people since 2014. In 2020, we added a new development project supported by the Czech Development Agency. Our local partner is Lutheran World Federation Myanmar.

The situation in the area is extremely tense, so part of our work involves monitoring the situation



and working on conflict prevention with representatives of all communities and volunteers.

Despite the stringent measures in the region associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, we have been able to carry out most of the planned work. The COVID-19 pandemic had major economic impacts in 2020. Opportunities for wage labour have narrowed even further and the need for support of alternative earnings and education has increased.

We renovated and equipped 3 rural schools, where we built washrooms and toilets and built new access roads.



761 children and 25 teachers received learning packages. We supplied COVID-19 disease control equipment to schools.

We supported two community road construction projects involving joint planning and implementation by Buddhist Rakhine people and Muslim Rohingya people.

We organized 9 training sessions for 155 small-scale traders and provided them with minigrant.



In a new project with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), we are building the necessary community infrastructure in the urban areas of Sittwe and Pauktaw. This infrastructure serves both displacement camps, new settlements for Muslims and Buddhists who have had to flee their homes due to local conflict, and adjacent so-called host villages.

Two water tanks were cleaned and repaired. We built latrines, distributed water filters and hand pumps for water. We organized 30 events to clean up villages and displacement camps. We support the construction of roads, footpaths and jetties for water transport on the local river.

Cambodia

We have been working in Cambodia since 2014 and have been involved in a range of issues from livelihood support, disaster risk reduction (DRR) to water, sanitation and hygiene.

In 2020, we worked mainly with small local farmers and local communities with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the CzechAid. We also managed to involve the Czech University of Life Sciences Prague and the private sector.

We are helping farmers in the Pursat province to adapt to the effects of climate change and strengthen their resilience to natural disasters.

14 villages have joined our project.

5 schools have been involved in teaching their students how to behave and protect themselves during natural disasters and how to take proper care of the environment.

35 families received new rainwater tanks and learned how to farm better using new farming techniques, resistant seeds and organic fertilizers.

35 households received a solar panel.

In Kampong Chhnang province, we are working on improving access to drinking water, sanitation facilities and personal hygiene education.



Our goal is to reduce the incidence of water-related diseases and poor hygiene habits.

Personal hygiene is especially important for women's menstrual health. Therefore, in 2020, with financial support from UNDP and technical support from the Czech private company Breberky and the Green Lady Cambodia, we started to promote reusable women's menstrual pads. We set out to train the production of reusable textile sanitary pads, marketing and awareness raising in this area. All this in collaboration with our local partner organization Life With Dignity.

Together with the Czech company G-servis, we did a feasibility study for access to drinking water.



In collaboration with the Faculty of Engineering of Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, we organized two training sessions for local professionals on drinking water and sanitation.

We organized two trainings on hygiene, drinking water and sanitation for teachers and local community representatives.

We built washrooms or latrines in 4 schools. We distributed 2,500 hygiene kits to students.

We supported 160 of the poorest households in building their own latrines.



Bangladesh

Thanks to the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, we started working in Bangladesh in 2020. This humanitarian project builds on our experience of supporting Rohingya people in refugee camps in Myanmar and especially the long-standing work of our partner, RDRS in Bangladesh. In 2020, we worked in the region around Cox's Bazar in eastern Bangladesh (including camps #12 and #18).

Our priorities include social and economic support for refugees and covering a wide range of needs not fully covered by other large humanitarian agencies and organizations: from maintenance and rehabilitation of water/sewer systems, to supporting labor, providing specific material assistance, nutritional counseling, or reproductive and menstrual health education. We also support the concept of a green refugee camp, where trees are planted and intended to help reduce the risk of landslides that threaten their homes. Last but not least, we have also dedicated ourselves to supporting the host community.

We cleaned around 12,000 meters of drainage in the refugee camps by deploying refugee workers who were given the opportunity to earn income for their families.



We sensitized 960 households to good hygiene habits as part of the COVID-19 pandemic response. We distributed protective hygiene kits.

We taught more than 1,500 girls and women how best to take care of their menstrual health. We also provided them with basic menstrual hygiene supplies.

We trained 448 small local farmers in an effort to increase their economic self-reliance.

We distributed a total of 10,062 mosquito nets.

Employing local people, we planted a total of 28,551 trees



Vietnam

In 2020, we began implementing a project in Vietnam, in partnership with the organisation Blue Dragon to strengthen and protect children's rights in the police investigation process. The project was developed with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs under the TRANSITION programme. Through this, we supported an expert consultative process to improve the process of investigating sexual offences against children.

An official circular (set of guidelines) of the Ministry of Public Security of Vietnam was created to be used by the police and judiciary to help protect the rights of the child and prevent additional traumatization.

This year, the project continues with training sessions for Vietnamese police investigators in the provinces. The training will include an introduction to good practices in the field. At the same time, we will be involved in expert work through our partner in the preparation of the revision of the law on human trafficking.



MIDDLE EAST

Jordan

Since 2012, our aid has been reaching Syrian refugees who have had to flee their homes because of the war, as well as their host communities. We want to reduce the immediate and long-term risks of deep poverty – whether it is children's lack of education, malnutrition, missing personal documents or mental health problems.

We have been working for a long time in the Zaatari refugee camp in Jordan, where we support the community centre of our partner organisation LWF. In 2020, we continued to support the operation of a full-day kindergarten – the first of its kind there – which we helped build thanks to Lenten fundraising (living containers were provided by our embassy in Amman). The nursery for 60 children and the playground significantly expand leisure opportunities and take a lot of pressure off the women who can work, address their needs or run their households. With the support of the Ministry of Interior (Aid in placeplace), a project has been implemented to increase vocational skills and promote small businesses and crafts directly in this camp of 80,000 people and also in the town of Irbid. It also included the production of protective cloth masks during the covid epidemic.

In the Zarqá city in Jordan, thanks to the support of the humanitarian programme of the Ministry of



Foreign Affairs and again in cooperation with the Lutheran World Federation (LWF), a community centre is now in its third year of operation. It provides psychological support, education and various leisure activities for children and adults (English classes, Zumba, sports clubs or therapeutic groups and a ceramics workshop). Last year and this year, we are paying increased attention to supporting local partners so that they can better provide these services themselves.

60 children attend the preschool we helped build and support.

370 children and adults were supported in education and leisure activities at the community centre. 700 individual psychological counselling sessions we provided.

25 small business owners were provided with a financial grant to start their small business.



Lebanon



In Beirut, Lebanon, we have been working for the fifth year with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic through the local Tahaddi Community Centre in the Hay el Gharbeh slum. In addition to essential food aid in the form of vouchers, diapers or nutrition, it also provides basic necessities for the poorest households, such as blankets, heating, or cookers and cheap refrigerators for storing food. Through our local partner, we also assisted in the acquisition of personal documents (ID cards, birth and marriage certificates...), which are absolutely necessary for access to some services and for the possible future return of refugees back to Syria, if the situation there improves.

In 2020–21, we are also using the proceeds of our Lenten collection to fund the running of a kindergarten and the distribution of winter aid (heating oil, warm blankets, and mattresses) to 540 households in dire need in the Bika Valley. We support the operation of a community health center that provides basic primary care and prevention. základní primární péči a prevenci.

250 families in great need of support receive food vouchers each month, while another 60 or so have been supported in getting their necessary personal documents.

Every month, 25 families have received support from the social fund to purchase essential household equipment or to get personal documents.

60 children (some of them with special needs) attend kindergarten thanks to our support. During covid distance learning, we supported 30 pupils by providing them with a small table and a borrowed tablet to enable them to learn.



Ukraine



In Ukraine, we cooperate with the Father's House organization, which provides foster care for at-risk children. It also offers these often deeply traumatised children psychological care and an opportunity for special education in their own school. We have been able to develop our work thanks to the Otto per Mille programme. In close cooperation with the local administration, we have promoted support services for children to be reintegrated into their biological families, adopted or placed with their relatives. Foster parents and children were regularly provided with psychosocial counselling thanks to our project. The creation of a special individual development plan for each child allowed for better preparation for care in new families and/or reintegration into their families of origin.

A total of 14 children were reintegrated back into their biological families.



3 children were adopted and given the chance to start with a new family.

A total of 53 children were supported in an individual rehabilitation education programme, of which 7 boys and 1 girl had never attended school prior to placement at Father's House.

12 children were allowed to grow up in alternative family care options.

3 children who had reached the age of 18 were supported in their entry into adult life. They became members of a youth project that helps children from orphanages to "stand on their own feet".



Mauritania



Thanks to our long-time partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF), we equipped two health centers in Mauritania (Néma and Bassikounou) with the necessary medical equipment and supplies in 2020. In the east of the country, in the area near the Mali border, there are approximately 60,000 refugees living in the Mbera camp. The surrounding health centres lack some basic medical equipment and local patients in serious health conditions have had to be transported hundreds of kilometres or flown for treatment. **Thanks to the support of the Medevac programme of the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic, an X-ray, a lung ventilator, and equipment for gynaecology and delivery room as well as other necessary medical supplies are now available.** The project also increases the professional qualifications of local staff through training. This spring, the support for the Medevac programme has been extended for another year, which we consider to be a recognition of their contributions.



OUR WORK IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC



We see extraordinary events happening all over the world and the Czech Republic is not an exception. This was no different in 2020 when flash floods repeatedly hit the Czech Republic in several places. The most affected municipality was Šumvald and its local part Břevenec in the Uničov region, where 280 houses were damaged by flash floods.

Diaconia ECCB is helping these people and trying to alleviate their difficult life situation. In Šumvald, we organised volunteer help, lent dehumidifiers and offered financial support to the most vulnerable citizens.

However, in addition to the flash floods, 2020 brought another threat that affected the whole world – the COVID-19 pandemic. It has become a serious health hazard, particularly for the elderly and other vulnerable people, and it has brought with it significant economic and social impacts. We have also tried to respond to this situation, either through our "Letters to Bring Joy" initiative or through public fundraising to support families and individuals in difficult life situations.

Thanks to our donors and supporters, we have been able to provide humanitarian aid to people affected by the floods and other emergencies and to organise volunteer help. We operate five humanitarian warehouses with flood relief equipment. Through the Resilient Municipality programme, we support municipalities in the Czech Republic to be better prepared for future floods.

We thank all our supporters and donors for joining us in supporting those who find themselves in difficult life situations.

Jarmila Dvořáková,
Head of Projects in the Czech Republic

HUMANITARIAN AID AFTER THE FLOODS IN UNIČOV REGION



The year 2020 was largely above-average in terms of the extent and frequency of flash floods. The worst situation occurred in the month of June, which was very significant in terms of rainfall. The first and the most destructive rains hit the Uničov region and the southern part of the Šumpersko region. The worst situation occurred in the Šumvald municipality and its local part Břevenec. 280 houses were flooded and damaged there.

The flash floods hit the villages in the Uničov region very quickly and unexpectedly. It was impossible to warn the inhabitants in time and people could not prepare themselves for the flood. Unfortunately, the speed and force of the flood wave also took two human lives. Many houses were so damaged that some people could not return home. The structural engineers ordered the demolition of two houses.

Right after the first reports regarding the extent of damages in Šumvald and other villages in the Uničov region, we mapped the situation and

the need for humanitarian aid. We immediately set up a humanitarian base and sent volunteers to the village to help clean up the damage caused by the flood in the affected homes of the elderly and families in need. This was followed by drying assistance and a public collection that was distributed to the affected residents in the second half of 2020.

25 volunteers helped in 17 homes of seniors and families in need with cleaning up damages caused by the flood.

445 hours of volunteers' work of cleaning up the damages.

27 households received financial support from the public fundraiser.

"My wife and I would like to once again thank the group of volunteers for their hard work, dedication and extremely welcome help that lasted over several days in the flood relief efforts in the village of Šumvald. We were touched by the incredible helpfulness and hard work of these volunteers. Your humanitarian aid is an example for our whole society. Once again, many thanks and gratitude to all".

Mrs. Marie (80 years old) and Mr. Vojtěch (82 years old).

PREPARING FOR EMERGENCIES IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC



To respond in time to floods and other disasters, we are improving our preparedness. We are reaching out and training new volunteers and maintaining our network of humanitarian warehouses. In cooperation with an expert in crisis intervention, we have prepared a booklet "Communication in a Challenging Life Situation",

which provides volunteers with practical advice for communicating with people affected by an emergency.

We trained 40 volunteers and prepared them to provide humanitarian aid after floods.

We added 105 new people to our database of flood volunteers.



RESILIENT MUNICIPALITY



More information about the project can be found at www.odolnaobec.cz.

The Resilient Municipality programme supports municipalities prone to floods that want to improve their preparedness. The support lies not only in the technical equipment of the municipalities, but also in raising awareness of citizens on how to act in case of floods and how to reduce the damage that floods can cause. In 2020, four new municipalities – Hrobce, Chodouny, Kamýk nad Vltavou and Rumburk – have joined the programme and will work with us for three years to prepare preventative measures, some of which have already been implemented. In Chodouny, we supported the reconstruction of the roof of the humanitarian warehouse and the creation of a digital flood plan.

We also supported the digital flood plan in the village of Hrobce, where a boat was also purchased for the local volunteer fire department. In Rumburk, we supported the purchase of a drinking water tanker, which will enable the town to provide water to citizens whose wells are damaged by the flood. We also supported the education of inhabitants in the villages about flood preparedness. We prepared 2 information manuals, a leaflet, and a practical magnet.

4 new municipalities have joined the programme.

5 preventive measures supported in 3 municipalities.

4 awareness-raising materials for citizens.



LANDSCAPE ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Protection against flash floods depends to a large extent on how we manage water in the landscape. In collaboration with the Mokřady association, we organised 2 new weekend events with volunteers called "I'm Giving My Time to the Landscape", which promoted awareness of landscape adaptation to climate change and the importance of wetlands for water retention in the landscape, as well as the active involvement of volunteers in their care. Volunteers helped with wetland maintenance in the Jihlava region, dug new pools and toured wetland sites during a professional field trip.



2 new weekend events with volunteers involved in wetland care.

ASSISTANCE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected the whole world, including the Czech Republic. It posed a health risk to the elderly and other vulnerable people and brought with it significant social and economic impacts. Diaconia ECCB tried to respond to the situation and offer help. We have been involved in the organisation of volunteer assistance to the elderly and Diaconia ECCB centres by providing methodological support and recruiting new volunteers. Thanks to the public collection, we supported 61 families in need and individuals who found themselves in a difficult life situation due to loss of employment or a significant reduction in income.

Due to serious health threats, many seniors found themselves in social isolation. To encourage them during this difficult time, we organized a letter-writing campaign engaging the general public. The "Letter to Bring Joy" initiative involved over 350 volunteers who wrote words of encouragement to seniors living in residential services. Letters and pictures were given to people in 16 homes for the elderly across the country.

61 families and individuals supported by the public collection.

16 homes for the elderly that took part in the "Letter to Bring Joy" initiative.

350 volunteers wrote letters of encouragement to seniors.

SDG AND MIGRATION EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS – FACES OF MIGRATION



Migration and its link to sustainable development is the main theme of our project is. That is why we communicate the topic of migration in a broad and global context, that is why we talk about migration in the context of climate change, international development cooperation, sustainable consumption, sustainable communities, and other topics. We also want to emphasize the importance of the guiding principle of the 2030 Agenda "leave no one behind".

Hope Based Communication is our communication strategy is, which can convey issues that may be perceived polarizing for society and may be considered controversial, such as migration. We have chosen this way of communication because it gives people hope and motivation to actively participate in building a sustainable present and future. In this way, we also want to counterbalance the somewhat negative narrative we sometimes hear from the media.

We are pleased that young people in particular are not afraid of complex issues and that we can work together to find answers and solutions to the challenges of today's world. We are pleased that people want to contribute – each in their own individual way – to improve living conditions in their neighbourhood, in their country and on their planet.

Thanks to funding from the European Commission, we can share information with other European countries where the project is taking place, and we can bring to the Czech Republic the experience of countries where the topic of migration is more present than in our country.

Veronika Nožínová,
International coordinator of the awareness-raising project

WHAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

In 2020, we focused on raising awareness on the topic of migration, especially in relation to climate change or foreign development cooperation. We created a short video showing a specific example of climate migration and development cooperation needs in Cambodia. 159,850 viewers saw the video spot. Our social media and website feature 130 posts and 66 articles focused on migration and sustainable development.

We reached around 1,200 people through public events, workshops, talks and discussions.

Furthermore, together with experts, we have produced 6 publications, which can be found on our **Faces of Migration** website.

We have prepared a manual "Let's not wait, let's act", which is a concise and practical guide and inspiration to support local activities focused on sustainable development issues.

We participated in TEDx Youth, where we talked about the situation of refugees in the Zaatari camp in Jordan, as well as the experiences of aid workers abroad. At the Jihlava International Documentary Film Festival, we participated in two inspirational forums on journalistic work. Peter Tinti, a prominent independent journalist focusing on conflict, security, human rights and organised crime, was our guest. We also participated in the Migration Summer School, mainly organized by IOM. We also supported the DAT School, an autumn school for reporting and data investigative journalism. Together with Amnesty International and Organization for Aid to Refugees, we organised the event "Once upon a time there was a refugee".

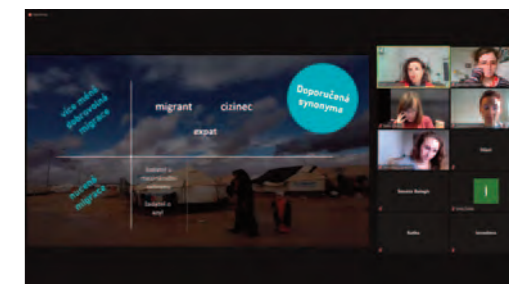
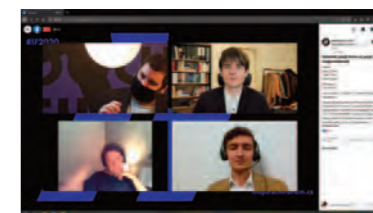
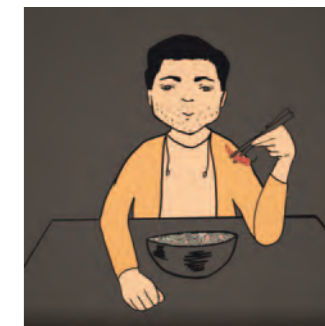


WHAT WE ACHIEVED IN EUROPE WITH OUR 6 PARTNER ORGANISATIONS

a) We reached 3,791,296 citizens on social media and 419,721 on YouTube through videos, video games, publications, and other posts. Video is a highly effective tool for reaching the general public. 1,479,649 viewers have seen our videos. We also held 11 public events (6 of them offline and 5 online) where we were able to reach approximately 10,700 people.

b) We reached 1,877 people through workshops for active citizens and youth programmes. This number is of course much lower than the numbers in the campaign section, but we are immensely proud of this work. We strive to systematically work with active citizens who are involved in public affairs in their neighbourhood. We have also worked with journalists, because we know that the role of the media in shaping public opinion is crucial, and we have tried to contribute to the development of their communication skills in informing the public about the project's topics. We reached 500 journalists through media packages and 150 journalists through workshops.

c) Our advocacy activities are closely related to the topics we cover in our publications, such as background studies, case studies and monitoring reports. We use these publications as the basis and body of arguments for our advocacy work. During the year we met 295 representatives of international and national governments in the countries where the project is implemented. We also joined 28 open letters, either by collaborating on their preparation or by joining letters produced by other organisations.



LIST OF ALL OUR 2020 PROJECTS

Name of the project	Country	Main donor	Total budget for 2020 (in CZK)
Resilient Municipality: Improving disaster preparedness and community resilience through implementation of preventive measures, raising awareness, knowledge and skills	Czech Republic	Diakonie Katastrophenhilfe	2,451,859.70
Supporting the Church Organization of Diaconia ECCB – Center of Relief and Development in Providing Their Forces, Resources and Activities to Ensure Aid for Afflicted Population in a Given Area of the Southern Bohemia Region Affected by an Emergency or a Crisis	Czech Republic	South Bohemian Region	40,000
Supporting Preparedness for Emergencies in the Ústí nad Labem Region	Czech Republic	Ústí nad Labem Region	15,536
Increasing Volunteers Professional Readiness for Humanitarian Help and Educating the Public about Volunteering during Emergencies	Czech Republic	General Directorate of the Fire Rescue Service	249,955
Supporting Work with Volunteers and Preparing Volunteers for Providing Humanitarian Assistance in Emergencies	Czech Republic	Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic	95,000
Supporting the Preparedness of Center of Relief and Development in Providing Humanitarian Assistance in Case of Emergencies	Czech Republic	ECCB	250,000
SDGs and Migration – Multipliers and Journalists Addressing Decision Makers and Citizens in the EU	Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Italy, Greece	EU – DEAR	23,532,061.63
Increasing Availability of Psychosocial Care and Protection of the Rights of Children in Zarqa – Phase III.	Jordan	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic (MFACR)	4,511,337

Name of the project	Country	Main donor	Total budget for 2020 (in CZK)
Improving the Life Conditions of the Most Vulnerable Syrian Households and Lebanese Host Community – Phase IV.	Lebanon	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic	5,000,000
Strengthening Economic Resilience of Syrian Refugees and Their Host Communities via Supporting Small Businesses and Crafts	Jordan	Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic	8,000,000
Improving Access to Healthcare for Refugees and Local Community in the Mbera and Bassiknou Vicinity	Mauritania	Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic	5,000,000
Building Resilience of Afflicted Communities in the Rakhine State	Myanmar	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic	5,000,000
Support for Syrian refugees in Lebanon and Jordan	Lebanon, Jordan	Lent Collection	560,000
Climate Change Agriculture Adaptation of the Czech Republic	Cambodia	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	1,938,605.62
Otto Per Mille Project – Lebanon	Lebanon	Otto Per Mille	783,300
Building the Resilience of Rohingya Refugees and Host Communities through Humanitarian Assistance, Environmental Protection and Promotion of Peaceful Coexistence in the Cox's Bazaar area	Bangladesh	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic	4,927,297.76
Strengthening and Protecting the Rights of Children in Vietnam in the Process of Police Investigation	Vietnam	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic	1,085,976.17
Improving the WASH sector in the Kampong Chhnang Province	Cambodia	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic CzechAid	3,342,287.65
Building WASH and Local Infrastructure to Strengthen Strengthen Communities in Rakhine State, Myanmar	Myanmar	Ministry of Foreign Affairs d of the Czech Republic CzechAi	3,214,021.70

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Ms. Srey Nea lives in a farming area in Kampong Chhnang Province, Cambodia. She has a physical disability that prevents her from working in agriculture. Therefore, several years ago she attended a course organised by a non-profit organisation where she learned how to make clothes. She opened a small tailoring shop where she also earns a small income by selling a local cosmetic brand. She has a great entrepreneurial spirit. When we were looking for seamstresses to make reusable cloth menstrual pads, she was one of the first people we approached. During the initial interviews, Ms. Srey Nea was skeptical. She had never encountered cloth menstrual products before. But then she realised that it could work. Khmer women traditionally use clean pieces of cloth for menstruation. Disposable menstrual products are unaffordable and the quality is poor. They contain a lot of chemicals and cause health problems. Because Ms. Srey Nea has a business mindset, she decided not only to learn how to make the pads but also to become a trainer. She will teach other seamstresses how to sew the pads and also promote the use of cloth sanitary pads among local women and girls. Thank you for joining us in giving hope for a better life to people like Mrs. Srey Nea.

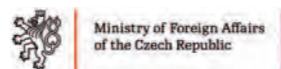
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Financial Report

FINANCIAL REPORT

Costs 2020	In CZK
Consumed purchases and services	778,090.26
Services	45,755,348.78
Personnel costs	11,608,686.64
Taxes and fees	43,758.98
Other costs (of which donations made 1,906,427.49)	2,042,366.16
Depreciation, assets sold, creation and use of provisions and valuation allowances	23,776.00
Contributions made	240,406.91
COSTS total	60,492,433.73

Revenue 2020	In CZK
Revenue from services and goods	98,658.79
Other revenue	681,769.09
Contributions received	6,759,927.32
Operating subsidies	52,952,078.53
REVENUE total	60,492,433.73

BALANCE SHEET

For The Year Ended December 31, 2020 (In CZK thousand)

Label	ASSETS	row no.	State of day 1 of acc. period	State of last day of acc. period
a	b	c	1	2
A.	Total long-term assets	Sum of A.I. to A.IV.	1	24
A. I.	Total intangible fixed assets	Sum of A.I.1. to A.I.7.	9	
A. I. 1.	Intangible research and development results	(012)	2	
A. I. 2.	Software	(013)	3	
A. I. 3.	Appraisable rights	(014)	4	
A. I. 4.	Small long-term intangible assets	(018)	5	
A. I. 5.	Other long-term intangible assets	(019)	6	
A. I. 6.	Unfinished long-term intangible assets	(041)	7	
A. I. 7.	Deposits provided for long-term intangible assets	(051)	8	
A. II.	Total long-term intangible assets	Sum of A.II.1. to A.II.10.	20	399
A. II. 1.	Land	(031)	10	
A. II. 2.	Works of art, objects and collections	(032)	11	
A. II. 3.	Buildings	(021)	12	
A. II. 4.	Material chattel personal and their files	(022)	13	399
A. II. 5.	Producer units of permanent vegetation	(025)	14	
A. II. 6.	Adult animals and their groups	(026)	15	
A. II. 7.	Small long-term tangible assets	(028)	16	
A. II. 8.	Other long-term tangible assets	(029)	17	
A. II. 9.	Unfinished long-term tangible assets	(042)	18	
A. II. 10.	Deposits provided for long-term tangible assets	(052)	19	

Label	ASSETS	row no.	State of day 1 of acc. period	State of last day of acc. period
a	b	c	1	2
A. III.	Total long-term financial assets	Sum of A.III.1. to A.III.6.	28	
A. III. 1.	Shares – controlled or controlling company	(061)	21	
A. III. 2.	Shares – significant influence	(062)	22	
A. III. 3.	Debt securities held to maturity	(063)	23	
A. III. 4.	Loans to organizational items	(066)	24	
A. III. 5.	Other long-term loans	(067)	25	
A. III. 6.	Other long – term financial assets	(069)	26	
A. IV.	Total depreciation of long-term assets	Sum of A.IV.1. to A.IV.11.	40	-375
A. IV. 1.	Depreciation to long-term research and development results	(072)	29	
A. IV. 2.	Depreciation to software	(073)	30	
A. IV. 3.	Depreciation to appraisable rights	(074)	31	
A. IV. 4.	Depreciation to long-term intangible assets	(078)	32	
A. IV. 5.	Depreciation to other long-term intangible assets	(079)	33	
A. IV. 6.	Depreciation to constructions	(081)	34	
A. IV. 7.	Depreciation to independent tangible chattel personal and sets of tangible chattel personal	(082)	35	-375
A. IV. 8.	Depreciation to producer units of permanent vegetation	(085)	36	
A. IV. 9.	Depreciation to basic herds and draught animals	(086)	37	
A. IV. 10.	Depreciation to small long-term tangible assets	(088)	38	
A. IV. 11.	Depreciation to other long-term tangible assets	(089)	39	

Label	ASSETS		row no.	State of day 1 of acc. period	State of last day of acc. period
a	b		c	1	2
B.	Total short-term assets	Sum of B.I. to B.IV.	41	7,409	12,400
B. I.	Total stocks	Sum of B.I.1. to B.I.9.	51		
B. I. 1.	Material in stock	(112)	42		
B. I. 2.	Material on the way	(119)	43		
B. I. 3.	Work in progress	(121)	44		
B. I. 4.	Semi-finished products of own production	(122)	45		
B. I. 5.	Products	(123)	46		
B. I. 6.	Young and other animals and their groups	(124)	47		
B. I. 7.	Goods in stock in shops	(132)	48		
B. I. 8.	Goods on the way	(139)	49		
B. I. 9.	Deposits provided for supplies	(314)	50		
B. II.	Total receivables	Sum of B.II.1. to B.II.19.	71	89	194
B. II. 1.	Clients	(311)	52	77	
B. II. 2.	Collection bills	(312)	53		
B. II. 3.	Receivables from discounted securities	(313)	54		
B. II. 4.	Operational backups provided	(314)	55		87
B. II. 5.	Other receivables	(315)	56		61
B. II. 6.	Receivables from employees	(335)	57	12	46
B. II. 7.	Receivables from the soc. security and health insurance	(336)	58		
B. II. 8.	Income tax	(341)	59		
B. II. 9.	Other direct tax	(342)	60		
B. II. 10.	VAT	(343)	61		

Label	ASSETS		row no.	State of day 1 of acc. period	State of last day of acc. period
a	b		c	1	2
B. II. 11.	Other fees and taxes	(345)	62		
B. II. 12.	Claims for subsidies and other settlements with the state budget	(346)	63		
B. II. 13.	Claims for subsidies and other settlements with the budget of the bodies of territorial self-governing units	(348)	64		
B. II. 14.	Receivables from associates in the company	(358)	65		
B. II. 15.	Receivables from fixed term operations and options	(373)	66		
B. II. 16.	Receivables from issued bonds	(375)	67		
B. II. 17.	Other receivables		(378)	68	
B. II. 18.	Estimated assets	(388)	69		
B. II. 19.	Adjustment to receivables	(391)	70		
B. III.	Total short-term financial property	Sum of B.III.1. to B.III.7.	80	6,249	9,876
B. III. 1.	Financial means in till	(211)	72	84	65
B. III. 2.	Tokens of value	(213)	73		
B. III. 3.	Financial means in accounts	(221)	74	6,165	9,811
B. III. 4.	Property securities for trade	(251)	75		
B. III. 5.	Debt securities for trade	(253)	76		
B. III. 6.	Other securities	(256)	77		
B. III. 7.	Money on the way	(261)	79		
B. IV.	Other assets in total	Sum of B.IV.1.to B.IV.2.	84	1,071	2,330
B. IV. 1.	Costs of future periods	(381)	81		
B. IV. 2.	Income of future periods	(385)	82	1,071	2,330
	Total assets	Sum of A. to B.	85	7,433	12,400

Label	LIABILITIES		row no.	State of day 1 of acc. period	State of last day of acc. period
a	b		c	3	4
A.	Own resources in total	Sum of A.I. to A.II.	86	715	2,906
A. I.	Total property	Sum of A.I.1. to A.I.3.	90	323	2,514
A. I. 1.	Own property	(901)	87	24	
A. I. 2.	Funds	(911)	88	299	2,514
A. I. 3.	Valuation differences from revaluation of financial assets and liabilities	(921)	89		
A. II.	Total business management	Sum of A.II.1 to A.II.3.	94	392	392
A. II. 1.	Business management bill	(963)	91	x	
A. II. 2.	Business management result in the approval process	(931)	92		x
A. II. 3.	Undivided earnings, unpaid loss of past years	(932)	93	392	392
B.	Foreign sources in total	Sum of B.I. to B.IV.	95	6,718	9,494
B. I.	Total reserves	Value B.I.1.	97		
B. I. 1.	Reserves	(941)	96		
B. II.	Total long-term obligations	Sum of B.II.1. to B.II.7.	105		
B. II. 1.	Long-term loans	(951)	98		
B. II. 2.	Issued bonds	(953)	99		
B. II. 3.	Rent obligations	(954)	100		
B. II. 4.	Long-term advances received	(955)	101		
B. II. 5.	Long-term bills for payment	(958)	102		
B. II. 6.	Estimated liabilities	(389)	103		
B. II. 7.	Other long-term obligations	(959)	104		
B. III.	Total short-term obligations	Sum of B.III.1. to B.III.23.	129	1,581	2,859
B. III. 1.	Suppliers	(321)	106	42	19
B. III. 2.	Bills for payment	(322)	107		
B. III. 3.	Received deposits	(324)	108		
B. III. 4.	Other obligations	(325)	109	105	10
B. III. 5.	Employees	(331)	110	558	558
B. III. 6.	Ostatní obligations towards employees	(333)	111		7
B. III. 7.	Obligations to social and health insurance companies	(336)	112	328	324

Label	LIABILITIES		row no.	State of day 1 of acc. period	State of last day of acc. period
a	b		c	3	4
B. III. 8.	Income tax	(341)	113		
B. III. 9.	Other direct tax	(342)	114	111	103
B. III. 10.	VAT	(343)	115		
B. III. 11.	Other fees and taxes	(345)	116		
B. III. 12.	Obligations to the state budget	(346)	117	408	1,838
B. III. 13.	Obligations to the budget of the bodies of local self-governing units	(348)	118		
B. III. 14.	Obligations on subscribed unpaid securities and interests	(367)	119		
B. III. 15.	Obligations to associates in company	(368)	120		
B. III. 16.	Obligations from fixed term operations and options	(373)	121		
B. III. 17.	Other obligations	(379)	122	1	
B. III. 18.	Short-term credits	(231)	123		
B. III. 19.	Discount credits	(232)	124		
B. III. 20.	Issued short-term bonds	(241)	125		
B. III. 21.	Own bonds	(255)	126		
B. III. 22.	Estimated liabilities	(389)	127	28	
B. III. 23.	Other short-term financial assistance	(249)	128		

Label	LIABILITIES	row no.	State of day 1 of acc. period	State of last day of acc. period	
a	b	c	3	4	
B. IV.	Other liabilities in total	Sum of B.IV.1. to B.IV.2.	133	5,137	6,635
B. IV. 1.	Expenditure of future periods	(383)	130	5	40
B. IV. 2.	Income from future periods	(384)	131	5,132	6,595
Total liabilities		Sum of A. to B.	134	7,433	12,400

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT

on the 2020 Financial Statements

of
Diakonie ČCE – Středisko humanitární a rozvojové pomoci
Diaconia ECCB – Center of Relief and Development

Prague, 12th May 2021

Audited entity
Subjekt, u něhož bylo provedeno ověření
Organization: Diakonie ČCE – Středisko humanitární a rozvojové spolupráce
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Audit Report receiver
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Subject of the audit
Financial Statements for the accounting period 01-01.2020 – 31-12-2020

Audit dates
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
for the founder of Diakonie ČCE – Středisko humanitární a rozvojové spolupráce

Financial Statements Audit Report

Opiniona
We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Diakonie ČCE – Středisko humanitární a rozvojové spolupráce (hereinafter also the "Organization") prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Czech Republic, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2020, and the income statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information. For details of the Organization, see introductory paragraph in notes to the financial statements.
In our opinion, the financial statements **give a true and fair view of the financial position of** Diakonie ČCE – Středisko humanitární a rozvojové spolupráce **as at 31st December 2020 and of its financial performance for the year than ended 31st December 2020** in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Czech Republic.

Basis for Opinion
We conducted our audit in accordance with the Act on Auditors, Regulation (EU) No. 537/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council, and Auditing Standards of the Chamber of Auditors of the Czech Republic, which are International Standards on Auditing (ISAs), as amended by the related application clauses. Our responsibilities under this law and regulation are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Organization in accordance with the Act on Auditors and the Code of Ethics adopted by the Chamber of Auditors of the Czech Republic and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information
In compliance with Section 2(b) of the Act on Auditors, the other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and auditor's report thereon. The Committee of the Association is responsible for the other information.
Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information. In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. In addition, we assess whether the other information has been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with applicable law or regulation, in particular, whether the other information complies with law or regulation in terms of formal requirements and procedure for preparing the other information in the context of materiality, i.e. whether any non-compliance with these requirements could influence judgements made on the basis of the other information.

Based on the procedures performed, to the extent we are able to assess it, we report that:

- The other information describing the facts that are also presented in the financial statements is, in all material respects, consistent with the financial statements; and
- The other information is prepared in compliance with applicable law or regulation.

In addition, our responsibility is to report, based on the knowledge and understanding of the Organization obtained in the audit, on whether the other information contains any material misstatement of fact. **Based on the procedures we have performed on the other information obtained, we have not identified any material misstatement of fact.**

Responsibilities of the Committee of the Association for the Financial Statements

The Committee of the Association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Czech Republic and for such internal control as the Committee of the Association determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Committee of the Association is responsible for assessing the Organization’s ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Committee of the Association either intends to liquidate the Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor’s report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with the above law or regulation, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization’s internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Committee of the Association.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Committee’s of the Association use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Organization’s ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor’s report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor’s report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Committee of the Association regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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- This Auditor's Report includes the following attachments:
1. Balance sheet as of December 31st 2020
 2. Profit and loss statement for the 01-01-2020 – 31-12-2020 accounting period
 3. Annex to the financial statement for the 01-01-2020 – 31-12-2020 accounting period

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