The Trafigura Foundation supports a variety of programmes run by non-governmental organisations active in the regions where Trafigura operates. By teaming up with associations working in the fields of Sustainable Development, Education and Integration, and Health, we can help improve the lives of communities and individuals across four continents.

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‘JUST ADD VISION’

Why do we ‘just add vision’? Because we see ourselves as the ‘plus’, the added extra that brings people together at the right time and gets things happening. We can’t wait to find the next opportunity. The great idea that simply needs an extra push and the kind of business acumen we have at our fingertips. That’s when we step in: helping our partners create and implement a well-rounded programme that works in the real world.

This is our approach to philanthropy: where there’s value waiting to be tapped into, we add vision in order to unleash great potential.
Reflecting the geographic spread of the Trafigura offices, the funding policy of the Foundation is to partner with valuable community initiatives both near and far. Our six programmes in Europe reflect the presence of Trafigura in the UK and Switzerland, and are characterised by social inclusion projects, funding for the arts, and support for learning disabilities.
CAMARADA:
HELPING SOCIAL INTEGRATION OF MIGRANT WOMEN IN GENEVA

Switzerland’s multicultural city of Geneva is home to the Trafigura Foundation and Trafigura’s operational headquarters. It is also home to a high number of refugees and migrants who are trying to start a new life. ‘Camarada’ specifically helps migrant women enter into society, and offers day care whilst they undertake language and social courses.

Many of the refugees in Geneva are fleeing conflict zones or a dire economy in their own countries. It is often difficult for them to integrate into Swiss society, in particular due to language barriers. Conscious of this and of the specific difficulty faced by migrant mothers whose time is usually taken up with caring for young children, the Trafigura Foundation supports this non-profit association that provides language and other training to migrant women. The Trafigura Foundation first reached out to the organisation in 2008 and went on to renew its support over the years, due to the programme’s success. When the women come to the Camarada centre, their children are minded by professionals, so they can participate in French languages classes or sewing, cooking and screen-printing workshops. These newly acquired skills allow them to gain confidence and a quicker insertion into Geneva’s cultural and professional life.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

- **857** women were registered with Camarada from 90 different countries; 10% are refugees
- **2,484** hours of French language courses and **1,944** hours of literacy were delivered
- **150** Around 150 children were regularly cared for; 80% between 1 and 9 years old

Migrant women in Geneva queue outside the Camarada centre, where they will receive language and social courses.
LUCERNE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:

SHARING THE SOUND OF THE SYMPHONY

In the three years from 2012 to 2015, the LSO will give 12,500 vulnerable children and adults the chance to discover classical music through projects and workshops.

The Lucerne Symphony Orchestra (LSO) is Switzerland’s oldest orchestra and enjoys an international reputation. Supported by the Trafūiga Foundation since 2009, the Orchestra’s HORIZONTE educational programme gives thousands of vulnerable children and adults unprecedented access to classical music and musical education and values every season. Through HORIZONTE, hundreds of young people have met LSO musicians during rehearsals or school visits, and children and adolescents have been able to intensively analyse music in the workshop projects. HORIZONTE also gives access to disabled children and wheelchair users to concerts and workshops, making the world of music more available to them.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

3,600+
young people and seniors attended LSO rehearsals or concerts

Musicians visited schools for composition workshops
Special concerts were hosted for children of different ages
Beneficiaries were granted privileged access to evening concerts of symphony productions
Disabled children were invited to composition workshops (‘Pulcinella’ by Rameau and ‘Les Indes Galantes’ by Stravinsky)
Visually-impaired children attended rehearsals and musician visits

Disabled young people experience a musical awakening with the Lucerne Symphony Orchestra.
The Traffigura Foundation has been working with the UK National Autistic Society (NAS) since 2011 to help them prototype and launch 'Ask Autism', a new e-learning platform for healthcare professionals wanting to increase their knowledge of autism and their capacity to approach the topic.

'Ask Autism' uses an innovative co-production model in which people with autism-spectrum conditions work together with NAS in an equal and reciprocal relationship. The training and support modules are developed and delivered by adults with autism and provide employment opportunities for them. The project was carried out in three phases and is now being rolled out nationwide. During the research phase, a total of 333 potential users from within the health, social care and corporate sectors, were surveyed. They provided valuable feedback and a pool of potential interested leads for the 'Ask Autism' launch. A particularity of this project is the deep involvement from Traffigura staff in the London office. Many gave their time and skills in IT, HR and market research to really help NAS get 'Ask Autism' off the ground.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:
- 'Ask Autism' went live on 25 November 2013
- 'Ask Autism' comprises 5 e-learning modules complete with video, audio and a host of engaging and interactive activities that make it a truly inspiring and unique learning resource
- Feedback from all reviewers has been overwhelmingly positive
- Consensus is that this is going to be a successful and highly important resource for autism professionals across the UK

The National Autistic Society in the UK launched an online learning platform for healthcare professionals with the support of the Traffigura London office.
CERTIS: A STEP UP THE CAREER LADDER FOR UNEMPLOYED GENEVA

CERTIS is committed to getting the long-term unemployed of Geneva back to work. Their 'Carrefour Formation Emploi' programme helps some of these talented recruits progress even further and secure top jobs.

Geneva is known as a vibrant workplace. But for those without work, life can feel desperate and the search for a job can be demoralising. With our support, CERTIS helps willing workers back to work by providing counselling, coaching and contacts. The innovative ‘Carrefour Formation Emploi’ pilot scheme selects some of these workers and, supported by the expertise of carefully selected partners such as recruitment firms, gives them the further mentoring and tailored training they need to move up a next level and define a new professional goal for themselves. In November 2013, 25 participants were selected for the pilot, 15 of whom will be employed directly by CERTIS, the other 10 by partner organisations in Geneva. An estimated 60% will re-enter the primary labour market after the one-year programme. The Trafigura Foundation is providing 46% of the total budget to run the pilot.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

After just 4 months, the first results of the pilot were particularly encouraging, impacting 26 selected beneficiaries:

- **24%** of the group (6 people) re-entered the job market and 2 have the promise of a job offer.

- **12** other people, who received specialist support in defining a new career project, were orientated towards appropriate qualifications.

- **5** The remaining 5 people are receiving ongoing support whilst they redefine their career path.

“Trafigura employees are invited to get involved with CERTIS job seekers, as mentors on the programme.”

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A love of music brings people together and can change lives. The pioneering and creative ‘Orchestre en Classe’ scheme gives many underprivileged children the chance to play classical music for the first time.

The Geneva-based ‘Orchestre en Classe’ programme, run by the Conservatoire Populaire de Musique, Danse et Théâtre and Accademia d’Archi, takes music into Geneva’s Priority Education Zone Schools. It puts instruments into the hands of children least able to afford them, teaches them to play their favourite instrument and encourages them to put together a small orchestra with their classmates. The young musicians are proud of their new skills. In a survey, they and their parents gave the scheme top scores for opening their ears and minds to the joy of classical music.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

- 8 orchestras were in place, of which 2 were created in 2013
- 164 instruments were provided to the young musicians
- 140 children attending school in low-income neighbourhoods benefit from this project

Learning to play an instrument brings new skills and new perspectives to these proud young musicians.
The UK-based National Autistic Society (NAS) provides a telephone Helpline service that brings support and relief to tens of thousands of people each year. The Trafignura Foundation has supported NAS since 2009 and is proud to be part of their invaluable ongoing work.

Between the end of 2013 and early 2014 alone, the NAS Helpline received more than 22,000 calls, bringing the annual total up to 49,687 enquiries. NAS provides a valuable service to families, carers and communities coping with autistic children or adults. 33% of calls offer a diagnosis on autism. Other help, such as emails, text messages and letters, is also offered. A highlight of 2013 was that NAS was able to develop specialist knowledge and offer a wider range of services to callers on topics such as equality and human rights, education rights, mediation, and pro-bono legal support services. Despite the ever-increasing number of calls, the Helpline staff have been coping smoothly and efficiently, thus making a hugely positive impact on the callers’ lives. This service, now embedded in the UK autism community, is more than a telephone call – it’s a lifeline.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

50,000
Close to 50,000 phone enquiries handled

“Helpline staff were fantastic and very patient. They took me seriously, showed compassion asking all the right questions and made me feel less alone with my problems.”
The Trafigura Foundation supports eight programmes across Africa, working with various not-for-profit associations operating in our three areas of intervention. From the ‘hero rats’ that can sniff out landmines in Angola to a youth empowerment scheme in the townships of Johannesburg, these Africa initiatives are striking at the roots of social exclusion and impediments to socioeconomic development.
APOPO operates in Angola across Malanje, Kuanza Norte, Uige and Zaire, using trained ‘hero rats’ as a faster and cost-efficient way to detect the mines. Not only do these remnants of war continue to kill and maim every day, but rural areas cannot fully enjoy development until demining has taken place. In addition to the ‘hero rats’, APOPO also uses machines, manual demining teams, brush cutters and other assets.

In the programme area supported by the Trafigura Foundation since September 2012, APOPO started out with 16 mine detection rats on site and is aiming for 40 in total. It was initially planned that 12 rat handlers would be identified and trained.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

- 28 mine detection rats on site, accredited and ready for operations, up from 16 in 2012
- 15 rat handlers identified and trained, 3 more than originally planned
  - A training area and a kennel for the rats has been established
  
“Angola is the 3rd most mine-ridden country in the world.”

There is still such a high prevalence of landmines in the rural areas of Angola that potential beneficiaries of this programme could reach 1.5 million.
FXB INTERNATIONAL:

BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS IN THE TOWNSHIPS OF SOUTH AFRICA

FXB International empowers young people from the Johannesburg townships of Soweto and Alexandra with the skills and knowledge they need to find work for themselves.

The Traficura Foundation supports FXB International to run a pioneering vocational training programme that empowers 18 to 20 year olds from Johannesburg’s townships. Students benefit from theoretical (25%) and practical (75%) instruction through a tailored mix of college work, on-site training with carefully selected businesses and internships. They are trained in various vocational skills such as bricklaying, beauty therapy and tiling, and also receive career guidance and motivational sessions. Participants graduate with the skills and tools they need to find work or to set up their own small business, having gained the confidence and optimism to encourage their peers to do the same.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

50% of the youths who participated in the 6-month pilot are now employed

16 home visits to families were carried out to introduce FXB’s activities to parents and guardians

90 young people will be trained and empowered during this 3-year programme

Participants in the six-month pilot project to bring skills and knowledge to help these young people land a job further down the line.
The Trafígru Foundation is proud to give continued support to Initiative Développement in their tireless work to provide health, social and nutritional support to people living with HIV/AIDS in Togo.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:**

- **910** HIV-positive patients were followed
- **744** patients received ARV treatment

An awareness session is held to inform people about HIV/AIDS and help them deal with the illness.
Congo-Brazzaville suffers from a weak economy, and life in its urban and semi-urban areas can be hard. French NGO Initiative Développement (ID) is working alongside local communities to help improve living conditions by giving them the tools and skills they need to set up in business-making, selling and distributing improved stoves. These new and efficient stoves will reduce domestic and professional fuel wastage and alleviate the pressure on wood resources in the area. The target is to sell 2,500 stoves in total (2,000 to urban households, 500 to professional users). To enable the project, a full team has been recruited, contracts established with local engineers and local partners identified. Quality guidelines for stove construction and control have been drafted, as have marketing plans.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

- **800** quantitative and qualitative surveys for carbon mobilisation were conducted
- **40** stoves had been sold
- **20** more are in production
- **5** local craftsmen are now able to produce improved stoves

Learning to use the wood-saving cookstoves will reduce domestic and professional fuel wastage.
IECD:

TRAINING TOMORROW’S BUSINESS LEADERS IN WEST AFRICA

The European Institute for Cooperation and Development (IECD) gives young West African entrepreneurs the tools and support they need to run successful rural businesses in the future.

Micro businesses are big business in West Africa, yet local entrepreneurs all too often lack the management skills necessary to shine. We are delighted to be able to help IECD provide tailor-made training programmes that bring out the best in young entrepreneurs in the rural communities of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Cameroon and the Ivory Coast. Set up by IECD, the Family Farm Schools give 13 to 20 year olds who have dropped out of school, comprehensive training over three years in agricultural techniques and the tools they need to add value to their communities. Their target is to train a total 4,500 youngsters over three years.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

82 Family Farm Schools were open for business (52 in Cameroon, 27 in the Ivory Coast and 3 in the DRC)

1,738 pupils attended a Family Farm School

59% of students are girls

“Micro businesses represent 75% of the workforce in the DRC, Cameroon and the Ivory Coast.”

These young 13 to 20 year olds are learning to become professionals who will be able to truly reap the benefits of their work.
NORTH STAR ALLIANCE:

DRIVING THE HEALTH AND SAFETY AGENDA FOR MOBILE AFRICAN WORKERS

North Star Alliance builds Roadside Wellness Centres along Africa’s transport corridors with the aim of delivering health and safety services to truck drivers and for the sex workers and communities they are in contact with.

In 2005, HIV/AIDS was found to be extremely prevalent amongst African truck drivers, while the communities based along the main transport corridors showed a high incidence of communicable diseases. North Star Alliance runs Roadside Wellness Centres (RWCs) across the continent – clinics that deliver health and safety services, and outreach to truck drivers and the sex workers and communities that they come into contact with. With the Foundation’s support, North Star Alliance is extending RWCs into West Africa, continually training its medical staff and developing edutainment materials for truck drivers.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

12% more people treated than in 2012

262,995 people visited one of North Star’s clinics

1.5m+ condoms were distributed

A mix of outreach, prevention, treatment and monitoring of patients makes North Star’s health and safety services to truck drivers unique in Africa.
PLANTING PROMISE:

SOWING THE SEEDS OF SOCIA SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN SIERRA LEONE

Planting Promise is a progressive Sierra Leone-based farming and food processing business that uses its profits to renovate and build schools in the country’s impoverished rural communities.

Planting Promise’s aim is simple but effective. They use the profits raised from their commercial venture – the harvesting and processing of rice and cassava – to invest in poor rural communities. Part of the profits is used to cover the running costs for schools and half of the Trafigura Foundation’s contribution will go towards building more of these schools. Planting Promise’s remaining revenue is shared with the communities or ploughed back into the business. The other half of our contribution will support this farming business to enable further social entrepreneurship.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

- 1,300 children gained improved access to quality primary education (300 above target)
- The construction of the rice and cassava processing factory was completed and is now fully functional
- More than 22,000 small bags of welbodi gari were sold
- The renovation of the existing primary schools was successfully completed

Rice is milled and cassava is processed into Gari, a powdered and dried form of the root vegetable that is a staple food throughout Western Africa.
VOIR LA VIE:

AN END IN SIGHT FOR CATARACT-RELATED BLINDNESS IN WEST AFRICA

Voir la Vie has pioneered a ground-breaking, cheap and easy-to-use technique to cure cataract-related blindness – ideal for the low-income countries of West Africa where the condition is prevalent.

Cataracts cause widespread blindness for 200,000 in West Africa. Suffering from the condition and caring for sufferers takes the focus off education and income generation, and reinforces the vicious cycle of poverty. Voir la Vie’s ‘Phacokit’ is a revolutionary single-use, suture-free surgery kit that can handle a high volume of surgeries in rough field conditions. With the Foundation’s support, ophthalmologists have been trained and equipped with Phacokits to perform operations in ‘eye camps’ across Gambia, Guinea, Senegal and Mali, and transform the lives of individuals and their wider communities. Voir la Vie hopes to eradicate cataract-related blindness by 2020.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:**

- **6,130** kits used

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- **6,130** blind persons recovering vision

Ophthalmologists are trained to perform sight-saving operations.

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Encompassing activities as diverse as water delivery or promoting women entrepreneurs, the ten programmes supported by the Trafigura Foundation in Asia reach from the crowded slums of Bangladesh to innovative green schemes in China. Each programme seeks to implement sustainable models for change that improve living conditions and remove the barriers of poverty, disease or prejudice.
EAU & VIE: DELIVERING CLEAN WATER TO URBAN SLUMS

In the Philippines, Eau & Vie deliver drinking water and sanitation to slum dwellers, a much-maligned group often neglected by local authorities. By creating businesses for locals based on water supply, this population can prevent disease and start to move away from poverty.

In the urban slums around Cebu and Manila, access to clean and safe drinking water is a critical issue. Water can usually only be purchased at very high prices and is of an impure quality, causing chronic diseases. Working in Cebu, the country’s second largest city, and in Cavite, near Manila, Eau & Vie (French for ‘Water & Life’) has engaged a local enterprise to pipe water to the slums in a 15-year partnership contract. Eau & Vie then collaborates with local partners who, through a series of social businesses, supply reasonably priced running water to slum residents. In addition to involving the local community and promoting income generation, the presence of clean running water has a revolutionary impact on health. Eau & Vie also provides training on hygiene and is installing sanitary facilities and a community fire-fighting system. Fires are a great hazard in the overcrowded slums, a fact exacerbated by the lack of water points.

The Trafigura Foundation has supported Eau & Vie’s water delivery programme in the Philippines since 2009.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

- **15** fire hydrants were installed throughout the slums
- **300** people participated in hygiene workshops
- **350** people participated in a slum clean-up operation
- **1,032** families in Cavite were connected to the water network, up from 232 in 2011 and 435 in 2012

Simply being able to drink and wash hands with clean water has a massive impact on disease prevention.
INTER AIDE:

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
IN THE HEART OF
MUMBAI’S SLUMS

Inter Aide offers productive loan and saving schemes, training and advice to help vulnerable families in Mumbai slums improve their living conditions by their own means.

The Foundation’s support for this entrepreneurial social scheme helped with the economic integration of vulnerable families in the slums of Mumbai. Inter Aide worked in close cooperation with two well-established and experienced Mumbai-based NGO’s, offering loans, saving schemes and financial advice to support income-generating activities, and delivering training and counselling to give micro-entrepreneurs the best chance of success. The project’s ultimate goal is to help families become autonomous.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

13,139 micro-entrepreneurs were trained (exceeding project target of 12,500)

5,730 loans were granted to micro-entrepreneurs (exceeding expectations of 4,000)

95% of loans were reimbursed at maturity

1,197 new families opened and supplied a savings account

Coaching, advice and loans add up to these small businesses becoming self-sufficient.
EAU & VIE:

A LEGAL SOURCE FOR SLUM WATER SUPPLY

Following the success of water delivery programmes to slums in the Philippines in 2009, Eau & Vie launched a similar scheme in Bangladesh, based on the principles of social entrepreneurship. It has now attracted international attention and a partnership with the local government and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP).

In Dhaka, Bangladesh, slum dwellers typically have to rely on unauthorised water vendors who illegally tap into the city’s waterways. These unofficial networks offer poor quality water, particularly as the pipes contain holes which let dirt in. The population of Bashantek is aware of the harmful consequences of this water on their health and is requesting to have their situation legalised. In 2010, French NGO Eau & Vie (‘Water & Life’) set up a business in Dhaka, Bangladesh, termed ‘Shobar Jonno Pani’ or ‘Water for All’, based on the principles of social entrepreneurship. This programme went on to be incorporated within Dhaka authorities’ umbrella project, the Urban Partnerships for Poverty Reduction. Eau & Vie now carries out all activities in tandem with these partners. In 2011, an initiative was launched in Dhaka in the area of Bashantek to deliver water to more than 15,000 families who had previously had to collect water from illegal sources. In 2013, Eau & Vie reached its target of building an entirely new water network, as well as a new 60m³ water tower.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

92 people have been trained in fire prevention and fire fighting, a hazard in slums

1,200 people had running water at home. That’s 235 families

650 So far, 650 children have been sensitised to hygiene issues such as hand-washing

The above achievements were in spite of heavy political unrest in the country throughout 2013, which has impeded the programme

The new water network was set up by locals and is now run and enjoyed by them.
WOMANITY FOUNDATION:

GIRL POWER ACHIEVES GREATNESS IN INDIA

The Womanity Foundation delivers programmes for women, run by women. It strives to empower girls and women around the world to shape their future and accelerate progress in their communities, and helps champion female entrepreneurs through its ‘WomenChangeMakers’ programme.

The Trafigura Foundation supports two Womanity ‘Change Maker’ programmes that seek to address gender inequalities in Brazil and India. Womanity identifies leading female social entrepreneurs, known as ‘Fellows’, and connects these smart women to each other and to a network of specialised partners who offer HR, legal and financial management support for three years.

Armed with new skills and optimism, the Fellows are encouraged to empower other women in their communities, and increase the reach and impact of the programme.

IN 2013, TWO NEW FELLOWS WERE SELECTED IN INDIA:

+ Neelam Chhiber, Co-founder and Managing Director of Industree/Mother Earth, a hybrid social enterprise that works on two levels: to support the livelihoods of rural producers and agricultural workers in the natural fibre crafts sector across India by manufacturing contemporary products, mainly home accessories; and to connect rural producers to urban markets, thus ensuring sales outlets. The WomenChangeMakers’ Fellowship will support Industree’s goal of mass scaling its capacity-building of (mainly) women artisans, thus enabling them to acquire a sustainable source of income.

- 200,000 artisans will be targeted over the next 10 years
- 90% of the 10,000+ producers engaged with Industree are women

+ Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Founder and Executive Director of Bandhan, a financial services company set up with a dual objective of poverty alleviation and women’s empowerment. The model incorporates two entities, and through a non-banking financial company, Bandhan is bringing financial stability to poor women through micro-loans. Bandhan-Konnagar, the non-profit arm of the organisation, aims to foster deeper systemic development by focusing on ultra-poor women (such as destitute or homeless women), who fall outside the lending net of most micro-finance institutions. The WomenChangeMakers’ Fellowship will support Bandhan-Konnagar’s expansion plan for three years.

- 10 states or two million households will be targeted through five community development programmes

Two fellows were also selected in Brazil – see the Americas section for more.
Inter Aide aims to improve both the detection of tuberculosis and the standard of treatment available to those with the disease who are living in the slums of Mumbai, India.

Tuberculosis (TB) is a major cause of death in the Mumbai slums. The Trafigura Foundation is proud to have supported Inter Aide’s initiative to improve TB detection and enhance access to free treatment between 2010 and 2013. GPs were encouraged to refer patients, local health centres were supported and new specialist centres opened within the slums to bring detection and treatment closer to the patients. Inter Aide has facilitated the treatment of many who might otherwise have gone without or been diagnosed much later. And grassroots awareness of how to prevent the disease and care for those who suffer from it has significantly increased.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:**

- **4,899** patients treated in 2013, totalling 15,040 over 3 years
- **82** local treatment centres set up and/or supported
- **954,000** people reached by prevention programmes as the 3-year project ended in 2013. The initial aim was 300,000

Health centres are dotted all over the slums to make sure access to detection and treatment is close by.
FXB International aims to combat poverty in Southern India by constructing ‘Villages’ or networks of families that can be empowered to become financially independent, alleviating the burden of poverty and disease.

Thanks to the support of the Trafigura Foundation, FXB International has started constructing the latest FXB Village in the district of Villupuram, Tamil Nadu, the 11th largest state in India. This follows the success of 48 other similar villages in Burundi, China, Colombia and Thailand. In many of these villages, families are ravaged by the impact of HIV/AIDs, and extended family members struggle to look after the orphaned children who are left behind. In the villages, families receive medical and psychosocial support, nutrition, education, and water and sanitation improvements to help improve their lives and build a sustainable foundation for the future.

Women in particular are offered greater support. FXB’s multi-pronged approach focuses on coaching people to develop income-generating activities. It ensures that these vulnerable communities receive the kind of training that will enable them to start their own small business and provide for their families.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

85%+
of participating families progress from extreme poverty to self-sufficiency within 3 years and maintain steady income thereafter

197
beneficiaries (147 adults, 50 children) from 50 households

43
women were trained in micro-business development skills, from making coconut fibre ropes to raising chickens

Women participating in micro-business development courses and receiving training within a company of their choice, including producing hygiene products, making coconut fibre ropes and raising chickens.
UNITED WORLD COLLEGE OF SOUTH EAST ASIA:

SUPPORTING INDONESIAN SCHOLARS IN SINGAPORE

The United World College of South East Asia (UWCSEA) in Singapore is a prestigious institution that offers an International Baccalaureate (IB) programme. The Trafigura Foundation supports young people from Tsunami-hit Banda Aceh by offering scholarships covering their full education.

In addition to offering a top education, UWCSEA also seeks to build students’ confidence and leadership skills, shaping them into responsible adults aware of the community and the world they live in. In 2011, a grant from the Trafigura Foundation allowed four young people from Indonesia to commence or continue their journey to the IB at UWCSEA. The recipients of the scholarships are particularly motivated young students; in addition to studying, they have participated in a rural development programme and raised funds for the orphans of the 2004 Tsunami in Banda Aceh.

AN UPDATE ON THE STUDENTS’ PROGRESS IN 2013:

- Amirah successfully passed her IB exam and is now studying Psychology in the USA
- Said completed the school year and is now in G12
- Rahmat was selected in February 2013 and started the IB in September

“UWCSEA was a life changing experience that I will never ever forget. It has shaped me into a person that I believe is a better version of myself, a more concerned person and definitely a person that now can start actions with full confidence back home to make a change.”

Amirah
1001 Fontaines pour Demain is a French NGO that helps deliver safe drinking water to rural communities often overlooked by larger charities.

1001 Fontaines’ goal of providing populations in West Bengal access to potable water is being delivered via a model of social entrepreneurship. This approach resonates with the Trafigura Foundation’s desire to champion innovative enterprises. Four beneficiary communities form part of a pilot project that, over time, will empower local villagers to sustain their own drinking water supply, delivered at an affordable price of 0.50 Rupees per litre. The Trafigura Foundation has so far provided 24% of the NGO’s total budget for a pilot stage in West Bengal. The building of hydraulic structures began in August 2013.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

- **6,000**
  people participated in the pilot phase and received safe drinking water

- **4**
  sites were identified

  - Construction started on hydraulic structures

Safe drinking water becomes available through this clever social entrepreneurship scheme, which in turn empowers the people who run these small businesses.
INITIATIVE DÉVELOPPEMENT:

RE-ENERGISING RURAL COMMUNITIES IN CHINA

Initiative Développement (ID) is a French NGO recognised at provincial government level in China. It promotes cheaper, greener energy, creates income and enhances lives in rural Chinese communities.

With the support of the Trafigura Foundation, Initiative Développement has been recognised for the difference it makes at grassroots level in the Yunnan and Guizhou Provinces of China. The award-winning NGO promotes green energy, improves income and living conditions and protects the environment. ID provides the equipment and training families need to convert animal or human manure into biogas – an easy to produce, cheap, clean and sustainable source of energy that replaces wood or coal for heating and cooking. In addition, ID promotes and supports reforestation initiatives. The programme, which we have been supporting since 2008, has already met, if not exceeded, its targets.

UP TO AND DURING 2013:

- **1,450** biodigesters constructed
- **1,000** wood-saving stoves distributed to families
- **12,250** people benefited from the project
- **18 ha** of wood replanted in 2013

A group of villagers in China seals the deal for a better, more environmentally-friendly source of energy for their community.

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RANG DE: 

SUPPORTING MICRO-ENTREPRENEURS THROUGH PEER-TO-PEER LENDING

In 2012, we were inspired to reach out to Indian-based organisation Rang De, which targets underprivileged communities in India with low-cost micro-credit schemes that operate via a non-profit peer-to-peer lending platform. We have committed to contributing to a dedicated Corporate Social Responsibility Fund managed by Rang De until 2014.

Created in 2006, Rang De is an innovative Internet-based venture connecting ‘social investors’ to a panel of selected micro-entrepreneurs from underprivileged rural communities. These social investors commit to lending an amount of their choice to the borrowers. This initiative is original, impactful and very practical in that it connects socially aware and resourceful Indians with communities at the other end of the social spectrum. It has been proven that even a small amount can make a big difference. After a given period of time, the loan is returned to the investors with a nominal financial return. Activities are mainly linked to small business creation (22%), apparel production (19%), farming and agriculture (12%) and animal husbandry (11%).

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

640
Rang De reached out to 640 micro-entrepreneurs with the CSR Fund, the vast majority of them women.

94%
restitution rate, all of which is reinvested.

95,000
Close to USD 95,000 invested since 2012.

Small loans can have a big impact for tea and food delivery businesses in India.
Latin American society is still marked by great social divides. Children and marginalised communities struggle most as a result of these inequalities, with far-reaching consequences on educational performance and health. As such, the four programmes supported in Latin America focus on education, nutrition and revenue generation for rural communities.

In North America, where issues are more city-centric, youth education and arts for all are the core themes carried by our four partner organisations in the United States.
The main objective of Fundación Integración Comunitaria (FIC) is to help improve the quality of life within impoverished communities, towns and settlements in Peru. With Trafigura offices and operational sites located near these remote areas, it was natural that Trafigura decided to become an integral part of FIC and support the region’s development.

Since 2009, the Trafigura Foundation has been working in close cooperation with FIC, which was jointly established with Trafigura’s Peruvian entities. FIC prioritises improvements in the areas of health, education, agriculture and the environment, often collaborating closely with the local and regional authorities and population, as well as with the Lima-based Charity Committee.

Typically, FIC also hires medical staff to act as ‘flying doctors’ who visit the remote communities; in one year alone they touched 10,200 patients. Other programmes involve the planting and selling of fruit and vegetables, reforestation, apiculture, and solar shower schemes. Another target is to reduce respiratory illnesses caused by poisoning from smoke from stoves and lowering fuel consumption by swapping to other, more efficient fuel sources.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

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NOCCA:

GETTING CREATIVE WITH ACCESS TO THE ARTS IN NEW ORLEANS

The New Orleans Center for Creative Arts (NOCCA) offers high school students pre-professional training in dance, theatre, music and more. The Trafigura Foundation supports its goal to maintain access to arts education for talented low-income students who are unable to afford usual tuition fees and education costs.

After our first partnership ended in 2011, the Foundation’s support resumed in 2013 for a new three-year cooperation to help NOCCA with four specific goals. The Foundation is offering financial assistance to help renovate a recently acquired warehouse, which will include several income-generating projects such as a café and retail outlet. We have also contributed towards the development of an urban farm (‘The Root Studio’), which will serve the culinary arts programme, as well as a café and restaurants. A food truck (‘The Boxcar’) is also planned, which can act as both a source of income and an outreach instrument to vulnerable groups in the neighbourhood. Finally, ‘Press Street Gardens’ is the newest addition to learning and mastery at NOCCA: the garden comprises a half-acre urban farm and outdoor lab designed to serve arts, academics and the community. We have also contributed towards the capital expenses and start-up costs for the Forum Café and provided a donation to NOCCA’s overall financial aid scheme for underprivileged students and families.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

+ Construction work on the warehouse renovation started, with completion scheduled for September 2014, in time to host the first NOCCA courses for school year 2014–2015
+ The Press Street Gardens has started growing vegetables in temporary satellite properties. The main farming grounds for The Root Studio should be ready before summer 2014
+ The Boxcar has now been fitted, renovated and painted. It will hit the road in March 2014

NOCCA strives to make musical and artistic education accessible to young talents in New Orleans, and develops innovative income generation schemes.
CASCOS VERDES:

BUILDING AN ARMY OF GREEN AMBASSADORS IN ARGENTINA

Cascos Verdes (‘green helmets’ in English) empowers young disabled people in and around Buenos Aires by giving them the skills they need to be environmental ambassadors.

Young disabled people sometimes feel on the edge of society. Cascos Verdes empowers them with a two-year university education in environmental science. As qualified environmental ambassadors, they tour schools, universities and businesses in their area, delivering presentations and environmental messages. Their confidence grows as they make contacts for the future. And, through raising important issues, they help to improve the perception of young people with disabilities.

BY THE END OF JULY 2013:

- 81 students with intellectual disabilities had the opportunity to study in 4 top-tier Universities
- 185+ trainings were delivered by the students in Environmental Science
- 65 of these trainings were carried out at the Local Parliament of the City of Buenos Aires

Proud participants graduate from their two-year University degree in environmental science.
YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROJECT:

OPENING DOORS FOR VULNERABLE YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEW ORLEANS

The Youth Empowerment Project (YEP) is a community-based NGO that hosts the Trafigura Work & Learn Centre. The Centre provides life skills and job training to the vulnerable and marginalised youth of New Orleans.

The Trafigura Foundation’s decision to task YEP in New Orleans with opening and running a new Trafigura Work & Learn Centre was largely based on the huge success of the existing Centre run by Domus in Stamford. This latest New Orleans Centre is home to a youth employment programme in the Central City neighbourhood, dedicated to helping vulnerable and marginalised 16 to 24 year olds by providing valuable life skills and job training, of which the bicycle repair workshop is a very important feature. This entrepreneurial social scheme arms them with the practical skills and confidence they need for their futures.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

39 participants enrolled in the Work & Learn Centre

8 young people secured employment

“In our generation, if something breaks, we just get something new. In this programme, if something breaks, we fix it. The Work & Learn programme is changing the minds of the younger generation.”

Brandon,
A Trafigura Work & Learn Centre participant

Life skills and job training gives hope and job perspectives to these young people from the toughest neighbourhoods in New Orleans.
WOMANITY FOUNDATION:

SUPPORTING BOLD FEMALE ENTREPRENEURS IN BRAZIL

The Womanity Foundation delivers programmes for women, run by women. It strives to empower girls and women around the world to shape their future and accelerate progress in their communities, and helps champion female entrepreneurs through its ‘WomenChangeMakers’ programme.

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The Trafigura Foundation supports two Womanity ‘Change Maker’ programmes that seek to address gender inequalities in Brazil and India. Womanity identifies leading female social entrepreneurs, known as ‘Fellows’, and connects these smart women to each other and to a network of specialised partners who offer HR, legal and financial management support for three years. Armed with new skills and optimism, the Fellows are encouraged to empower other women in their communities, and increase the reach and impact of the programme.

IN 2013, TWO NEW FELLOWS WERE SELECTED IN BRAZIL:

+ Panmela Castro, Founder of Rede Nami Feminista, one of Brazil’s top female graffiti artists and has gained international attention for her feminist graffiti. In addition, she runs a non-profit social development organisation called ‘Nami Rede Feminista de Arte Urbana’ (‘Rede Nami’), whose mission is to contribute to gender equality through graffiti arts, with a specific focus on addressing violence against women. This is achieved through training and art workshops, performances of cultural events, seminars and artistic productions.
  – The Fellowship to Panmela Castro will support Rede Nami to become a financially sustainable organisation and a network of partners that could train at least 1,400 women and men in preventing gender-based violence each year in Brazilian cities. This will boost Rede Nami in the creation of a movement to combat violence against women through graffiti arts

+ Maria Beatriz Kern, Founder of Mulher em Construção, known as ‘Bia’. Kern is the founder and Director of Mulher em Construção (MEC), an organisation in South Brazil that trains women to work in civil construction, with the aim of social and economic empowerment. The construction sector is booming in Brazil and female labour has grown over the past six years. MEC offers professional development to women through and connects them to the job market in this sector. MEC also is one of the only organisations in Brazil that takes a gender perspective to training women as civil construction workers.
  – The Fellowship will support MEC to become a financially sustainable organisation that trains underprivileged women to become skilled construction workers and find stable employment. Over the next three years, MEC Construção wants to replicate its model across Brazil and reach at least 2,000 women per year.

Two fellows were also selected in India – see the Asia section for more.

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DOMUS:

THE ‘TRAFIGURA WORK & LEARN CENTRE’ HELPS YOUNG PEOPLE GET BACK ON TRACK

The Domus Work & Learn Centre gives vulnerable and marginalised youth of Stamford, Connecticut (USA) valuable on-the-job training in professional, marketable skills.

Life after school can be daunting for those who struggle academically, socially and emotionally. Many face homelessness and risk getting involved in crime. The Trafigura Foundation supports the Work & Learn Centre, which teaches 14 to 25 year olds a range of small business skills that include reconditioning and recycling bicycles, small engine repairs, woodwork, horticulture and food preparation. This entrepreneurial social scheme guarantees them a monthly wage and, importantly, arms them with the confidence they need to face the future.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

- 132 students attended the programme
- 95% attendance and 96% graduation rates
- 50+ students secured employment

“Since Trafigura is a major employer in Stamford, this initiative puts into action the Foundation’s philosophy of engaging with local communities.”
HACIENDO CAMINO:

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT IN RURAL ARGENTINA**

Haciendo Camino work to prevent child malnutrition in rural Argentina. With our backing, they run a programme that provides much-needed nutritional support and counselling in the worst-affected areas.

Poor nutrition is, sadly, all-too-common among children who live in rural Argentina. And its consequences are far reaching. It can affect their ability to learn and hold them back from fulfilling their potential. The Trafigura Foundation is proud to support Haciendo Camino in their mission to nourish children and educate parents in the worst-affected districts of Anatuya, Monte Quemado and Santiago del Estero. A few months after launching in 2012, the project opened three Prevention of Child Malnutrition and Human Promotion Centres, with a target objective of reaching 18 rural areas to monitor 660 children under five, and to train more than 1,100 people on nutrition. By January 2013, 13 rural areas were covered by these centres and nearly twice as many children had been monitored.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:**

- **1,100+** persons attended at least 1 of the nutrition-related sessions
- **81** health assistants trained
- **1,200+** children were controlled; 28% were diagnosed undernourished and provided with nutritional support and counselling

“In the worst affected areas of rural Argentina, 40% of children are undernourished.”

Monitoring height and weight of the often undernourished children helps get them back on track.
Teach for America (TFA) recruits top college graduates each year, asks them to commit two years of their lives and trains them to deliver a quality education to children growing up in disadvantaged communities. These graduates are known as corps members. The Foundation’s partnership with TFA has focused on establishing corps members in New Orleans, Houston and Connecticut, and delivering education to the disadvantaged in those communities.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SCHOOL YEAR 2012–2013:

- **573** new college graduates recruited in the 3 regions
- In Connecticut during the last school year, the corps members impacted the lives of nearly 12,000 students
- In the Houston region, more than 1,400 corps members and alumni fuelled the success of the education reforms initiative, working in 150 schools across 10 districts of Houston
- In the Greater New Orleans region, the Recovery School District improved more than any other school district in Louisiana, with students’ performance growing by 34 points since 2007, significantly outpacing the state’s overall growth of 9 points

One of the many corps members who has decided to take two years out of his professional career to give another child a better chance of having one too.