



ACTIVITY REPORT 2018





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Editorial

Despite progress, equality between women and men is far from being a reality. The situation

of women remains critical in many parts of the world where they are totally deprived of fundamental rights, freedoms, and are victims of violence.

In this context, and in line with the movements launched in 2017, **commitment to the cause of women is accelerating.** Recognition of gender equality is now a societal goal adopted by many countries. This is one of the objectives of Sustainable Development Goals defined by the United Nations and one of the axes of work of the next G7 meeting under French presidency.

In this dynamic, in 2018, the RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation has kept its course. The fourth **RAJA Foundation Women's Awards** Ceremony has demonstrated the societal commitment of the RAJA Group, and rewarded 6 associations for their exemplary actions in favour of women for a total endowment of €80,000. It was also an opportunity to present our study **"The food and farming transition: key factors in the emancipation of women"**.

For the fourth consecutive year, RAJA has continued its **"Women & the Environment"** sharing program in its companies in Europe with its customers. Since its launch in 2015, we have raised over €1 million for the Foundation and supported 29 associations

carrying out projects that promote the role of women in environmental protection.

In 2018, our Foundation supported **53 projects in 21 countries, benefiting 20,000 women.**

In 2019, we will continue to **support associations** that help strengthen women's capacity and power to act every day. As part of the **RAJApeople programme**, mobilization actions are carried out throughout the year to make the Group's employees in Europe aware of women's rights. Finally, the Foundation will continue to deliver a strong message for women's issues to the general public by participating in **unifying events and awareness campaigns.**

I want our Foundation to be an example, to make other companies want to get involved.

Acting to improve the living conditions of women around the world remains a priority. **That is why we will continue in 2019 to advance women's rights.**

ABOUT THE FOUNDATION



The RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation was founded in 2006 by Danièle Kapel-Marcovici, Chief Executive Officer of the RAJA Group.

Working under the aegis of the Fondation de France, the Foundation supports projects in France and elsewhere in the world, which are devoted to empowering women in ways as varied as they are essential: education and social action, defending women's rights and ending violence against women, professional integration and economic independence, protecting the environment and fighting climate change.

The Foundation supports initiatives designed to combat the many forms of exclusion and discrimination faced by women and girls in society, mobilising the support of the RAJA Group's employees via the RAJApeople programme.

Sous l'égide de

Fondation
de
France

SINCE 2006

OVER
90,000
WOMEN
SUPPORTED

IN
54
COUNTRIES

447
PROJECTS
CO-FINANCED

269
ASSOCIATIONS
SUPPORTED

A BUDGET
OF OVER
€ **9** MILLION



About RAJA

The RAJA Group is the European leader in sales and distribution of packaging, supplies and equipment for businesses.

With 21 subsidiary companies active in 18 countries across Europe, the RAJA Group generated turnover of over 631 million Euros in 2018, employing over 1,900 people across Europe, more than half of whom are based in France.

A TALE OF TWO WOMEN

The history of the RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation has been shaped by two women.

- Rachel Marcovici, who founded RAJA in 1954 and carved out her place in the very male-dominated world of packaging supplies and equipment.
- Her daughter Danièle Kapel-Marcovici, who took over the reins of RAJA in 1982 and has since worked constantly to expand the business nationally and, since 1990, internationally.
- In establishing the RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation, Danièle Kapel-Marcovici was determined to combine her long-standing commitment to the cause of women's rights with her firm conviction that businesses have a responsibility not just to the economy, but also to society more broadly.



RAJA GROUP
N°1 IN EUROPE FOR PACKAGING

SUPPORTING PROJECTS IN FAVOUR OF WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT



The RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation, working under the aegis of the Fondation de France, operates in partnership with French charities striving to further the cause of women's emancipation, in France and elsewhere in the world.



KEY FIGURES 2018

53
CHARITY
PROJECTS

IN
21
COUNTRIES

OVER
20,000
WOMEN
SUPPORTED

€ **907,725**
DONATED

THE FOUNDATION'S FOUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Helping women to defend their rights and stand up against violence



In France,
a woman dies every 2.8 days
on average as a result of domestic violence perpetrated by a partner or ex-partner




Women's rights Fight against violences

Source: Office of the Secretary of State for Gender Equality, 2018

Promoting education and social integration for women and girls



2/3
of the world's
758 million
illiterate people are women




Education Social action

Source: UN, 2017

Supporting professional integration and financial autonomy for women



Women earn just **10%**
of global income, despite accounting for
2/3 of the total hours worked




Training Professional integration

Source: UN, 2015

Promoting the crucial contributions of women to environmental protection and the fight against climate change



Women own
less than 20%
of the world's agricultural land




Protection of the environment Fight against climate change

Source: FAO, 2016

HELPING WOMEN TO DEFEND THEIR RIGHTS AND STAND UP AGAINST VIOLENCE

In France and all over the world, women still face injustice and inequality simply on account of their gender. **This inequality takes many forms, affecting women in every aspect of their lives.** From discrimination (difficulties encountered in accessing rights, employment, wealth, services etc.) to abuse (physical, sexual and psychological), there is still much work to be done to combat the countless injustices which prevent women from **enjoying the rights and freedoms to which they are entitled.**

The Foundation considers the championing of women's rights and the campaign against violence to be essential priorities in all that we do. Once again, this year the Foundation has supported and promoted numerous projects working on these crucial subjects. These projects are all about finding **concrete solutions**, helping women to rebuild and take control of every facet of their lives. They also involve collective actions to raise awareness of gender-based violence.

“ TESTIMONY



Béatrice Eudes

Director of
L'Escale-Solidarité Femmes
Association supported
in 2013, 2014, 2017-2018

“1/3 of the world's women are victims of violence; in France the figure is 1 in 10.

Violence affects women from all countries and social backgrounds; they may be professionals or stay-at-home mothers, executives or manual labourers. Violence against women generally occurs in the private sphere (i.e. at home), with a whole array of physical, psychological and social consequences.

There is still much work to be done to expose and combat the mechanisms of violence (control, the cycle of violence, strategies of isolation and blame-shifting used by abusers). At L'Escale-Solidarité Femmes, we provide psychosocial and legal support for women, forming a network of partners (social workers, police, lawyers, childcare specialists etc.) united to break the cycle of isolation and violence. Zero tolerance for violence against women!”

Supporting women victims of sexual violence

The health conditions faced by women working in the fishing trade at the port of Rumonge, **Burundi** are shocking: a high rate of unwanted pregnancies, a very high rate of HIV infection, and widespread sexual violence. The women make a living by feeding the fishermen and their families and selling their catch, and are often required to offer sexual favours to find work.

In 2014 the Essentiel charity and its local partner SWAA opened a walk-in clinic on the port, offering first aid and doing preventive outreach work on sexual health and reproduction.

Encouraged by the success of the 2016 programme, **ESSENTIEL** now wants to make this health centre a permanent presence, training port workers to become health educators for their own communities and expanding the project to 8 other ports in Rumonge province over the next two years.

Association supported in 2017-2018



Improving access to justice for women and girls who have been victims of violence

Cambodian women and girls suffer various forms of gender-based violence (GBV): physical, sexual and domestic. And yet few victims are able to seek justice via the legal system. There is a perception that the system is corrupt, while many women do not know their rights and have limited financial means, with no free legal aid service available.

In the Battambang region, which has been particularly affected by GBV, **Lawyers Without Borders** are working to expand access to justice for women and girls. Their work includes providing women with the services of a lawyer for the duration of their legal proceedings,

boosting the legal capacities of institutions, associations and professional partners, and raising awareness in the community. This project provides much-needed help to women and girls who have been victims of GBV, and ultimately reinforces the rule of law in Cambodia.

Association supported in 2018



Raising awareness of women's rights

In **Ecuador**, 60% of women have experienced violence in one form or another (domestic violence, sexual exploitation etc.), particularly the most marginalised women, including women from indigenous communities, mixed-race women and women of African descent. And yet, publicly-funded support for victims is rare and there are very few programmes to combat violence.

In response to this situation, **CARE France** and local partner ACDemocracia have launched a pilot scheme in 5 Ecuadorian provinces with

the goal of educating women about their rights, raising public awareness of gender equality and encouraging citizens to lobby their elected representatives to create a legislative system which protects women.

Association supported in 2017-2018



PROMOTING EDUCATION AND SOCIAL INTEGRATION FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

Education is a key requirement for the empowerment of women and girls all over the world, synonymous with greater access to professional opportunities and thus to economic autonomy. And yet, all over the world **girls are being denied a decent education**: in 2018 the UN estimated that 16 million girls worldwide would never see the inside of a classroom*.

Ending the social exclusion of women and girls therefore requires us to expand access to education, but also to **tackle the specific difficulties** they face as women, mothers and migrants.

Women will never achieve autonomy as long as they are prevented from **accessing basic services**, kept in isolation by their precarious circumstances. Faced with these challenges, the Foundation is particularly keen to support initiatives which work to improve of the social integration of women, taking account of the specific constraints they face. Special attention is devoted to projects focusing on the social inclusion of migrant women, who are particularly vulnerable to discrimination in various forms.

**Global education monitoring report, 2018.*

“ TESTIMONY



Véronique
Jenn Treyer

Co-director of the Planète
Enfants & Développement
Association supported
in 2012-2015 and 2017-2018

“In the countries we work in, particularly Burkina Faso and Nepal, women are locked into patriarchal systems and have little control over the decisions which shape their lives and those of their families. Family-focused support is all about helping women to become confident in their own abilities, giving them the tools they need to look after themselves and their families. We train social workers to implement this methodology, providing a sympathetic ear for women, helping them to get to grips with the difficulties they face and find concrete solutions, making full use of the services at their disposal. Family-focused support concentrates on themes which are universal priorities for women: access to rights, respect, dignity and independence.”

Helping street girls to build a brighter future

In Bangui, capital of the **Central African Republic**, **Triangle Génération Humanaire (TGH)** has been running programmes to protect, educate and reintegrate street kids since 2011. TGH is now expanding its operations to provide specific support for young women, who are vulnerable to various kinds of violence (physical abuse, sexual exploitation and other kinds of gender-based violence).

Working in partnership with Fondation Voix du Cœur, TGH offers these girls a lifeline to get off the street, providing health care, preventive care

and psychological support during street outreach initiatives, and offering accommodation in shelters and with host families, access to education and professional training, and family reintegration support. The 2 associations are also collaborating on lobbying campaigns in an effort to obtain more resources for the protection of street children.

Association supported in 2017 and 2018



Promoting the social integration of migrant women

COMEDE (the Committee for the Health of People in Exile) has observed a surge in the number of social emergencies reported to its teams, and a clear deterioration in the access to healthcare and legal rights available to women in exile. Many of these women depend on the COMEDE's free, multi-faceted support services, and the association has developed its operational capacities to better respond to the specific challenges facing these vulnerable users. These support services include medical and psychiatric care, with psychological follow-up care for women who have been victims of violence. There are also social and legal

consultations, themed workshops (on sexual and reproductive health, nutrition, education therapy etc.) and art therapy sessions (dance workshops), helping women to break the cycle of isolation, form new bonds and take control of their lives. COMEDE also organises training for social workers who are directly involved in this process, along with other awareness-raising initiatives.

Association supported in 2017 and 2018



Improving the lives of migrant women

For over 20 years, **Association Mana** has been working in a sensitive neighbourhood in Bordeaux (home to 20% of the city's immigrant population) to help marginalised people know their rights and access healthcare, housing and employment. During this time, Mana has observed first-hand the lack of specialist support available for women who have been victims of violence related to their gender and migrant status.

In order to better assist these most vulnerable of women, Mana wants to expand its range of targeted services: psycho-therapy consultations,

regular meetings with health experts and social workers, discussion groups, dance workshops and craft therapy. This enhanced support will help the women to better understand their rights, improve their physical and psychological health and rebuild their self-esteem.

Association supported in 2018



SUPPORTING PROFESSIONAL INTEGRATION AND FINANCIAL AUTONOMY FOR WOMEN

All over the world, and particularly in developing nations, women face countless obstacles and forms of discrimination which make it very difficult for them to take care of themselves and their families. Those obstacles include limited **access to education**, the burden of **domestic chores and childcare**, and the **traditional roles** reserved for women in many societies. These factors combine to keep women isolated, locked out of the job market and **financially dependent**. The Foundation supports projects which help women to emancipate themselves and become financially autonomous. These initiatives contribute to the independence and integration of women, allowing them to **access professional training tailored to their needs and skills**, and then find work or create their own business.

“ TESTIMONY



Pierre Cuche

Head of Economic
Development
at ATIA

Association supported
in 2014-2015 and 2018

“In Maputo, Mozambique, new neighbourhoods were built to house the rural migrants who flocked to the city during the war of independence and ensuing civil war, conflicts which killed over 1 million people between 1963 and 1992. These ghettos suffer from an array of problems, including endemic prostitution, crime and high rates of HIV/AIDS. The burden of caring for families often falls upon older women, fending for themselves by running small-scale commercial operations. To help them develop their businesses, we offer micro-credit facilities and a range of training courses covering the problems they are most likely to encounter (customer credit, ensuring the security of their premises etc.). We have also opened a crèche, providing childcare and early learning facilities for local children. In a country without public nursery schools we feel it is essential to improve the education available for small children, while also freeing up their mothers to earn a living.”

Professional training for a brighter future

Since 1998, **Vietnam's** Hué Bakery School has provided professional training and a viable career path for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds. In 2015 the European **Institute for Cooperation and Development** (IECD) was called in to help the school restructure and expand its activities to Ho-Chi-Minh City, with a new facility opened in 2017.

In 2018 and 2019 the IECD is supporting a class of 20 students, including 12 girls, with their socio-professional development. The students receive theoretical and practical training in the art of baking,

including hands-on work experience, English lessons and themed workshops (on health and safety, IT, job hunting etc.). This training programme, focusing on a respected and sought-after profession, helps the students to secure their own economic and social autonomy.

Association supported in 2015 and 2018



Getting long-term unemployed women back into work

France's construction industry is heavily male-dominated. But despite the promising career opportunities it offers, businesses are struggling to recruit due to a lack of qualified, well-trained labour. Since 1995, **Habiter au Quotidien** has been providing preliminary professional training in various fields of building (and decorating) to women living in the Val d'Oise département who have previously struggled to find work. The «Women in Construction» project is a 9-month scheme comprising a training site,

a work placement and individual support with finding a job. The aim is to help women overcome obstacles to their social integration and career progress.

Association supported in 2008-2009, 2011-2013 and 2018



Strengthening the professional skills of an association of female leaders

The vast majority of the world's refugees live in the global south, flocking to cities where they are cut off from the humanitarian assistance available in refugee camps. Refugees often organise among themselves to help one another and their communities (education, social services, financial assistance etc.), but a lack of resources and skills can be a serious obstacle to the development of such initiatives.

Urban Refugees is a charity working to boost the capabilities of organisations run by refugees. One of their partner projects is the SWAPDA association, a mutual support group run by and for

Sudanese refugees in **Uganda**. Thanks to the training provided by Urban Refugees, between 20 and 25 women with prominent roles in SWAPDA will have the opportunity to boost the key skills which keep their association running (project management, accounting, leadership, communication etc.). The benefits will be felt by all 500 of SWAPDA's members, and their families.

Association supported in 2018



PROMOTING THE CRUCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOMEN TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE

The threats facing our planet have never been so grave, and it is the world's least privileged inhabitants who are bearing the brunt of growing climate chaos. Among these victims, women are particularly hard hit on account of the failure to recognise their rights, and their limited access to resources and decision-making power. And yet, as well as being **particularly vulnerable to these disruptive forces**, women are also the **most fertile source of solutions** to protect and preserve biodiversity.

The Foundation promotes the contributions made by women to protecting the environment and fighting climate change, supporting female-led projects covering everything from **sustainable agriculture and renewable energy production to responsible waste management**. Particular attention is devoted to projects which involve **innovative approaches and adaptation strategies**, helping to preserve natural resources.

“ TESTIMONY



Stéphanie Pageot

organic farmer, head of the French National Federation for Organic Agriculture
Association supported in 2018

“In France, in the period from 1970 to 2010, the proportion of farming businesses run by women grew from 8% to 27%.

Women account for 1/3 of the new farmers starting out each year. The study which we conducted in 2018 revealed some of the obstacles faced by women in organic farming: difficulties getting started (getting land, accessing bank loans etc.) and also in their day-to-day work and finding the right balance between their professional and personal lives (66% of female organic farmers living with partners say they do all or most of the household chores). What we need is a general change in attitudes, so the next generation of women in farming don't have to work double-shifts which prevent them from truly making the most of their ideas and their skills in the agricultural world, a world in serious need of new ideas and new directions to meet the expectations of today's society.”

Promoting urban agriculture

In **Swaziland**, 26% of the population is HIV positive and 2/3 of people live beneath the poverty line. Since 2005, at Piggs Peak Hospital, our partner charity **Dessine l'Espoir** has been running a vegetable garden teaching HIV-positive and/or pregnant women about sustainable agriculture, and helping them to adopt a healthier and more balanced diet.

The hospital garden is still going strong, and the association is now working on boosting its yield to provide vegetable hampers to pregnant women and the most fragile HIV patients. A model garden is also

being planted elsewhere in the city, encouraging local women to take up small-scale farming in the hope that they can use this model to help feed their families. This project not only works to improve nutrition and food security for local families, it also provides valuable education in sustainable farming techniques.

Association supported in 2018



Developing an environmentally-respectful shellfish industry

The harvesting, processing and sale of shellfish are the principal economic activities of the villages which dot the coast of **Senegal's** Saloum Delta. These activities are largely performed by women, generating a meagre income which is rarely enough to support their families. The working conditions are tough, and the over-exploitation of natural resources is exhausting shellfish populations and weakening the ecosystem of the mangrove.

The **Institut de Coopération pour le Développement en Afrique**, in partnership with the Nébeday association, is working to support 8 groups of

women and develop a new approach to shellfish and oyster production: using new equipment to collect shellfish, renovating production facilities and creating a new cooperative and network of sales kiosks. The project thus works to boost the economic independence of the women while also preserving this fragile natural environment.

Association supported in 2015 and 2018



Supporting women in the transition to agro-ecology

In **Honduras**, many of the indigenous Lenca people live in poverty. This is largely a result of long-standing discrimination against indigenous peoples, and a crisis in the local agricultural model. Many young women seek to migrate to the big cities, but often find themselves faced with extremely tough working conditions.

In order to offer a profitable, innovative alternative, **Agronomes et Vétérinaires Sans Frontières** are working to support 60 female community leaders in 17 rural villages. These women receive training and support in implementing the

techniques of agro-ecology on their land, learning how to launch profitable activities and/or establish a political campaigning strategy (fighting for greater female involvement in decision-making). They then pass on these skills to the 400 other women in their communities.

Association supported in 2006-2008, 2014-2015 and 2018.



EXPOSING, INFORMING, SHARING: COMBATING THE INEQUALITIES FACED BY WOMEN



Because the inequality and violence faced by women are all-too-often misunderstood or under-reported, the Foundation works to make women's voices heard. Mobilising the widest possible coalition of socio-economic stakeholders and partners from civil society in favour of women's rights is not just important - it's also an urgent necessity. With this goal in mind, the Foundation is committed to raising awareness of women's rights issues among our partners (fellow charitable foundations and institutions) and the public at large.

“ TESTIMONY



Pierre-Yves Ginet

Co-director of the magazine *Femmes Ici et Ailleurs*, Member of the French High Council for Gender Equality

“Over the past few years we’ve seen the emergence of new corporate charitable foundations working to improve the world we live in: many of them are focused on issues of the environment, social vulnerability etc. However, the subject of equality between men and women and ending violence against women still appears to be something of a poor relation when it comes to investment from big companies. In my opinion the Fondation RAJA-Danièle Marcovici is not just a pioneering force, it’s an example to be emulated.”

Boosting the visibility of women and making their voices heard, in all their diversity, is a fundamental priority of the campaign for equality and against violence. We need to see women presented as positive role models in the media, it’s crucial to creating a genuine culture of equality. That is one of the constant concerns and biggest motivations of the whole team at Femmes ici et ailleurs. Journalists have a key role to play here, by promoting the countless incredible achievements of women, and moving far beyond the usual clichés. Initiatives such as the RAJA Foundation Women’s Awards are an important part of the process.”

Since September 2018, every issue of *Femmes Ici et Ailleurs* contains a column dedicated to the RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation and the projects it supports.

Film "We are WOMEN - Season 3"

For the third year running, the RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation and 9 other corporate foundations (Groupe ADP, Air France, CHANEL, ELLE, Kering, Sanofi Espoir, Orange, RATP and Unilever) joined forces to fund a new series of "We are WOMEN" ("ELLES ont toutes une histoire").

Via the raw and unfiltered voices of 11 young women, the series explores **their visions of what it means to be a woman today**, the challenges they face and the new realms they plan to conquer. These fascinating portraits, directed by Samuel Le Bihan, were broadcast by France Télévision between 5 and 15 March 2018.



Video campaign "Choose Life"

To mark 25 November, the UN International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, the **Fédération Nationale Solidarité Femmes** (FNSF) orchestrated an awareness-raising campaign entitled "Choose Life". Funded by RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation and the Kering Foundation, this short film tells the story of Alice: a call for help, a planned escape, and professional help to find a new home. Alice is able to rebuild her life thanks to the professionals of the FNSF network (the 3919 support line, social workers, psychologists and legal advisers), who are always on hand to listen, welcome, protect and guide women out of violent situations and towards a new, independent life. The film was shown on all of France's public TV channels in the week 19 - 26 November 2018, as well as Youtube and other social media.



Press file "Women's Time"

The magazine **Alternatives Economiques**, in partnership with the RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation, published a special issue entitled "Le temps des femmes" (Women's time) in September 2018. The idea was to present **an overview of the current state of play in terms of gender equality**, and showcase some of the **many initiatives in France and all over the world** working to further women's rights in various fields: education, employment, health, disability rights, ending violence etc.



THE RAJA FOUNDATION WOMEN'S AWARDS 2018 CEREMONY

The [fourth ceremony of the RAJA Foundation Women's Awards](#) took place on 20 November 2018 at the Théâtre du Trianon in Paris, with over 400 guests in attendance. First held in 2013, and again in 2014 and 2016, the **RAJA Foundation Women's Awards** honour French associations **doing vital and remarkable work for women** in France and elsewhere in the world. The aim is to shine the spotlight on initiatives with concrete results for the living conditions of women, encouraging all involved to continue and expand their operations.



“ EXTRACT FROM THE ADDRESS

“While the challenges we face in advancing the cause of women's rights are still enormous, the examples of positive action which we are celebrating tonight just go to show that progress is possible. As President of the Foundation, I want to take this opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals set out by the United Nations, and specifically Goal 5: “Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls by 2030”. I've always believed that businesses have an important social and societal role to play, in addition to their economic role, and the social responsibility of the RAJA Group continues to go from strength to strength.”

Danièle Kapel-Marcovici
President of the RAJA-Danièle
Marcovici Foundation



For the 2018 awards, the Foundation created a **digital exhibition** honouring 150 inspirational women from all over the world, split into two groups:

- **Women yesterday and today**, inspirational pioneers in the fight to empower women and improve their living conditions. These portraits were selected by the European subsidiaries of the RAJA Group, in partnership with the magazine “Femmes Ici et Ailleurs”.
- **Women of tomorrow**, leading the way with exemplary courage and helping to build a more equal society. These women are all beneficiaries of the programmes supported by the Foundation.



TESTIMONIES

Ada Bazan

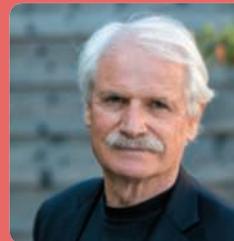
International expert on gender equality for the association Quartiers du Monde; Member of the jury for the RAJA Foundation Women's Awards 2018



“The work of the Fondation RAJA-Danièle Marcovici fills me with hope; it's great to see such a diverse array of associations working with and on behalf of women all over the world. It's inspiring to see the strategies these charities have developed to fight back against violence, to boost women's capacity for action, and to help them build successful professional careers. It's a great learning experience.”

Yann Arthus-Bertrand

President of Fondation GoodPlanet, Photographer and Director; Granted the “Environmental protection and Fight against climate change” award to an association during the RAJA Foundation Women's Awards 2018



“This ceremony is all about celebrating inspirational projects working to empower women all over the world. Women are absolutely essential to the fight against poverty, which is why it's so important to draw attention to the innovative work they are doing. I was very proud to grant the award for “Environmental protection and the fight against climate change.”

WINNERS OF THE RAJA FOUNDATION WOMEN'S AWARDS 2018

Over the course of this wonderful evening hosted by journalist Cécilia Gabizon, **6 prizes worth a total of €80,000** were awarded to associations supported by the Foundation, in recognition of their **exemplary work to further the cause of women's rights**. The winners were selected from among a group of 12 finalists, with the final decision going to a jury composed of the 7 members of the Foundation's Executive Committee along with 6 respected guests.



Women's Rights and Fight against violence



BATIK International Association

Funding awarded: €15,000

Project: Helping migrant workers to assert their rights.

Vietnam

Granted by
Laurence Fischer,
Founder of Fight For Dignity,
3-time karate world champion

Education and Social action



Objectif France-Inde Association

Funding awarded: €15,000

Project: Helping marginalised Indian women break out of the cycle of poverty with the support of self-help groups.

India

Granted by
Bénédicte Jeannerod,
Director of the Paris Bureau of
Human Rights Watch

Training and Professional integration



Passerelles numériques Association

Funding awarded: €15,000

Project: Improving access to jobs in digital technologies for young women.

Combdia

Granted by
Bouchera Azzouz,
Director and Founder of the
Ateliers du Féminisme Populaire



Environmental protection and
Fight against climate change



Terre & Humanisme Association
Funding awarded: €15,000

Project: Restoring natural resources
and empowering women through
agro-ecology.
Togo

Granted by
Yann Arthus-Bertrand, President
of GoodPlanet Foundation,
Photographer and Director

Special Jury Prize



Rejoué Association
Funding awarded: €10,000

Project: Developing a network to
recycle used toys, run by long-term
unemployed women.
France

Granted by
Danièle Kapel-Marcovici,
CEO of RAJA Group, President of the
RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation

Public Prize*



Elevages sans Frontières Association
Funding awarded: €10,000

Project: Promoting the social and
economic integration of women
in rural areas, by improving their
access to the means of production.
Senegal

Granted by
Pierre-Yves Ginet,
Co-director of the magazine Femmes
Ici et Ailleurs, Member of the French
High Council for Gender Equality

*The association emerged victorious from the online poll organised between 12 October and 2 November 2018, with almost 5,500 votes cast (associations, other charitable foundations, RAJA clients and suppliers, as well as RAJA employees and members of the public).

OUR STUDY ON THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE FOOD AND FARMING TRANSITION

Since 2015 and the COP21 summit in Paris, the RAJA-Danièle Marcovici Foundation has been working hard to promote the **role of women in protecting the environment and fighting back against climate change.**

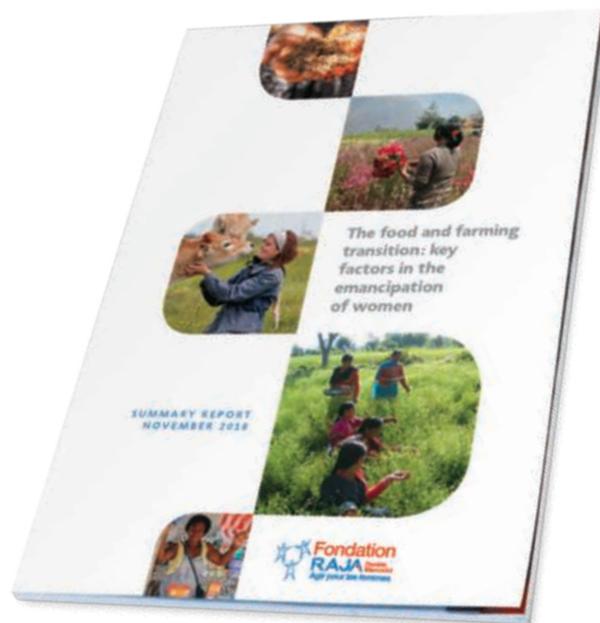
In 2018, this work continued with the commissioning of a report entitled "[The Food and Farming Transition : key factors in the emancipation of women](#)", coordinated by Danièle Sexton, an expert in social studies.

This report highlights the specific **obstacles and constraints** faced by women, while also identifying **opportunities for action** based on the feedback and results generated by the projects backed by the Foundation in France and elsewhere in the world. The results of this study were presented at the of the RAJA Foundation Women's Awards ceremony, which took place on 20 November 2018 at the Théâtre du Trianon in Paris.

The holy trinity: Women - Environment - Food

Between 45 and 60% of the world's agricultural workers are women, accounting for the majority of global agricultural output. Due to **limited access to the means of production and adequate financial resources**, women are often **involved in small-scale, locally-focused agricultural activities.**

The growing environmental pressures we now face make it more important than ever for women **to contribute fully to agro-ecology and agro-forestry projects**, as well as efforts to preserve and select crop strains, all with the help of vital traditional knowledge. The production methods and commercial practices adopted by women in the agriculture and food sector are often more sustainable, **making them crucial assets in the fight against climate change and malnutrition.**



The challenges we face

Women are often responsible for producing and preparing food for their families. Rich sources of traditional knowledge and experts in biodiversity, women ensure the food security of their families and their regions, but in doing so they face many obstacles.

Domestic work

Lack of confidence Insufficient legal frameworks
Cultural stereotypes **Illiteracy**
Under-representation Unsuitable materials

Limited access to training, finance and land

TESTIMONY

Danièle Sexton
Expert in
social transformations



“Men need to be aware of the constraints and injustices that women face, as well as their untapped potential and the major contribution they make to the economic well-being of their families and regions. Speeding up the evolution of gender relations is crucial. The survival of our planet is a struggle that we need to face together. [...] Another point worth highlighting is the need for women to organise and form networks. That facilitates the sharing of experience, helping women to rise to the challenges posed by new modes of production and consumption, and to exert greater influence collectively.”

Opportunities for action

In order to build a world which is more economically and socially viable, and more liveable for all its inhabitants, **we need to support, amplify and promote new initiatives.** This process of change will require us to boost the role of women in the transformation of agriculture and food production. **We have identified a number of opportunities for action, based on the feedback from projects supported by the Foundation.** They are presented in the diagram below.

1

STRATEGIC
PRIORITY

SPECIFICITIES

Gender analysis (equality between men and women)
Taking specific constraints into account
Adopting a 360° approach

2

STRATEGIC
PRIORITY

CAPACITIES

Expanding women's access to information, education and technical supports

3

STRATEGIC
PRIORITY

RESOURCES

Expanding women's access to land, equipment, resources (seeds, fertiliser etc.) and credit

4

STRATEGIC
PRIORITY

SOLIDARITY

Networking and cooperation
Integration with groups and collective initiatives
Sharing the benefits of experience

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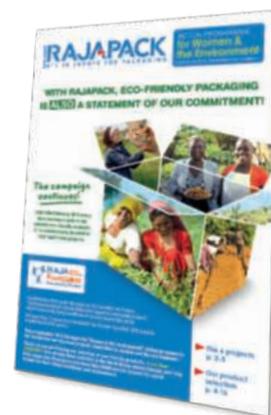
STRATEGIC
PRIORITY

LEADERSHIP

Involvement with management and decision-making bodies at all levels
Working to reform legal and institutional frameworks

OUR "WOMEN & THE ENVIRONMENT" PROGRAMME

Since 2015, the Foundation and the RAJA Group have been working together to promote the important role played by women in protecting the environment. Together we have developed a programme of initiatives under the banner "Women & the Environment". What does this programme consist of?



Founded by a vast sponsored product initiative, "**Women & the Environment**" is a bi-annual programme led by RAJA France and six other European branches (Belgium, Netherlands, Austria, UK, Italy and Spain). **Every time a client buys one of the selected eco-friendly products highlighted in the RAJA catalogue, one of the RAJA branches participating in the programme donates €1 to the Foundation.** After 6 months, all of the sums raised are split between our chosen charities to support women-led initiatives focusing on environmental sustainability.

This programme is an extension of the work of the Foundation. It also helps **to raise awareness and involvement among the various stakeholders in RAJA's economic environment:** employees, suppliers and customers. The action gives clients the opportunity to make a difference with their purchases, and also to discover the charity projects supported by the programme in each new edition of the general catalogue in March and September.

Since launching in 2015, 7 successive campaigns have raised over **€1 million** in support of **29 worthy projects**, improving the lives of almost **6,000 women**.

TESTIMONY

Cathy Privas

RAJA client,
General services France-Monaco Gucci

"The RAJA Group has a range of ecological products, they're very proactive in their work for the environment. The 'Women & the Environment' programme reflects Danièle Kapel-Marcovici's commitment to supporting women's rights, and particularly the important role they play in protecting our environment. I strongly identify with the values championed by RAJA, and I'm proud to count myself among their clients."

AFDI



Initiative Développement



ARUTAM



Movement France



Association Guadeloupe
Équitable et Durable



CAMPAIGN No.6 MARCH - AUGUST 2018

The sixth campaign ran from March to August 2018, raising €98,358 for 5 projects:

- **Agriculteurs Français et Développement International (AFDI)** : Boosting the skills of women in the production and preparation of fruit and vegetables, using agro-ecological techniques to improve food security (*Mali*)
- **Initiative Développement** : Supporting the socio-professional integration of young women working as prostitutes, teaching them to design and sell efficient ovens which are environmentally friendly and better for the health of local people (*Congo Brazzaville*)
- **ARUTAM** : Training Achuar women in the techniques of sustainable bee-keeping, including how to make honey-based products in order to boost their income while also preserving the incredible biodiversity of the Amazon (*Ecuador*)
- **Movement France** : Helping highly vulnerable women to boost their income by teaching them to transform recycled plastic bags into decorative accessories, then sell their products to market (*Burkina Faso*)
- **Association Guadeloupe Equitable et Durable** : Developing an organic, fair-trade cocoa operation, with the creation of a small chocolate factory run by a women's co-operative (*Haiti*)

CAMPAIGN No.7 SEPTEMBER 2018 - FEBRUARY 2019

The seventh campaign ran from September 2018 to February 2019. The €120,227 raised will be split between 6 projects:

- **Groupe de Recherche et d'Echanges Technologiques (GRET)** : Supporting women in farming, working to develop the dairy sector with training on farm management, access to micro-loans and greater influence within local agricultural structures (*Senegal*)
- **Métamorphose** : Supporting the creation of a network of training projects for long-term unemployed women, based on recycling businesses' waste (packaging etc.) to create fashion accessories (*France*)
- **Migrations & Développement** : Working with women's co-operatives to promote agro-ecological farming practices and help expand the commercial reach of their produce (*Morocco*)
- **Entrepreneurs du Monde** : Expanding access to micro-loans and providing clean, efficient ovens to street chefs to help them develop their business (*Haiti*)
- **SOL** : Supporting the transition to sustainable agriculture by training women in isolated regions in the techniques of agro-ecology and seed production (*India*)
- **Fédération Nationale d'Agriculture Biologique (FNAB)** : Promoting the contribution of women to organic agriculture, running gender equality training courses for farmers and producing a new guide to help women starting out in the agricultural sector (*France*)

GRET



Métamorphose



Migrations & Développement



Entrepreneurs du monde



SOL



FNAB



GETTING EMPLOYEES INVOLVED WITH THE RAJAPEOPLE PROGRAMME



RAJApeople

The work of the Foundation has always been firmly rooted within the RAJA Group, and the expansion of its activities is all part of RAJA's ambitious social responsibility policy. Launched in 2013 in France and expanded to all 17 countries in which the Group is present in 2015, **the RAJApeople programme gives all of the Group's employees the chance to contribute** to the work of the Foundation and support women's rights. This personal and collective involvement can take many forms: solidarity days organised internally, regular micro-donations (taken from employees' wages), volunteer work and support for selected charity projects.



Camille Rainsard
Group Human Resources Director, RAJA

TESTIMONY



"Energy, passion, commitment and solidarity are core values inscribed in RAJA's DNA: they're the calling cards of our CEO, and the principles which drive the work of the Fondation RAJA-Danièle Marcovici. The RAJApeople programme is a key pillar of our corporate social responsibility policy, giving RAJA Group employees the chance to get involved with the work of the Foundation. The scheme helps to boost our sense of pride and belonging, providing an opportunity for meaningful, positive engagement which is so crucial to professional well-being. In 2018, the enthusiastic support of our employees for our chosen charities helped to cement the Europe-wide reputation of our company and our Foundation. We are now looking at new, concrete ways to increase the support we give to local associations in all of the countries where we do business."

Award ceremony of the RAJApeople Prizes 2018

On 21 June 2018, during the annual Summer Party for employees of RAJA France and Cenpac (held at RAJA Group HQ), Danièle Kapel-Marcovici presented the 2018 [RAJApeople Prizes](#) to two fantastic causes on behalf of all 133 RAJA microdonors. The donors themselves voted for the **two charity projects** they wished to support, one in France and one overseas, with the money collected throughout the year split between the two winners: **€13,500 (€6,750 to each association)**.

• **The RAJApeople International Prize:** the association **ANAK-Aide aux enfants d'Indonésie** provides accommodation and support for 20 young women from rural communities studying in the town of Singaraja (Bali), helping them to pursue their education and find employment.



• **The RAJApeople France Prize: Gynecology Without Borders** work in the make-shift camps of northern France, where sanitary conditions are highly disturbing, to provide comprehensive care for migrant women (basic care, gynaecological treatment, psychological support).



TESTIMONY

Arnaud Jassat
RAJA graphic designer



"Putting an end to violence against women is a cause which is close to my heart. With the Foundation, I have the opportunity to make my own modest contribution: thanks to the micro-donation system, which allows me to directly support associations fighting back against violence, but also via the events organised by the company to mark special occasions such as 8 March and 25 November. Having our own Foundation makes it that much easier to support projects which are important to us!"

SOLIDARITY EVENTS ALL OVER EUROPE TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE FOUNDATION AND ITS WORK

The Foundation organises various events throughout the year, in partnership with supported associations, in order to raise awareness of women's rights among RAJA Group employees and give them an opportunity to make a tangible contribution to our solidarity efforts. A network of Ambassadors represent the Foundation in each of the RAJA Group's branches and subsidiaries, acting as local coordinators for RAJApeople operations.

Europe-wide fund-raising for at-risk women

To mark **International Women's Day on 8 March 2018**, [the group's 1,900 employees joined forces](#) to collect hygiene and beauty products for charities working with women who have been victims of violence. **More than a ton of products** were collected and donated to 17 associations working in the many countries where RAJA is present.

In France, RAJA France, Cenpac, L'Equipier, Welcome Office and Logisorgues decided to split their 180kg of donations between **COMEDE** (the Committee for the Health of People in Exile) in Marseille, providing medical, social and psychological support to migrant women, and the **Emergency Shelter** in Ivry-sur Seine. Managed by Emmaüs Solidarité and Samusocial Paris, the emergency center is a refuge for migrant women and their children.

With help from the Jungleye artists' collective, some of these women have collaborated on an **exhibition retracing their migration stories**. The exhibition was staged at RAJA HQ in the week 5th-9th March.



Associations supported in Europe:

Italy: La Città' delle donne

Denmark: Rode Kors

Poland: Centrum Praw Kobiet

Spain: Helia

Germany: SOZPÄDAL E. V.

Belgium/Netherlands: CAW

Limburg (De Passerel) et Safegroup

Switzerland: Frauenhaus

Morplan: Safer Places

United Kingdom: MK Act

Austria: Wendepunkt

Norway: Prosjenteret

Czech Republic: Rosa

Sweden: Talita



“ TESTIMONY

Michelle Daenen
HR Director,
RAJApack Belgium



“Thanks to this solidary collection, we worked together to help the most vulnerable women. Contribute to improving the living conditions of women in dire need is rewarding and motivating for all collaborators of RAJApack Belgium!”

RAJAPACK Germany continues to fight for women’s rights

In September 2016 RAJAPACK Germany launched a new programme entitled **“Perspectives for Women”**. It works on the same basis as the **“Women & the Environment”** programme: every time a client purchases one of the selected eco-friendly products highlighted in the RAJA catalogue, RAJAPACK Germany donates €1 to German charities working to help women. The funds raised over the six-month campaign period are split between three German charities jointly selected by RAJAPACK Germany and the Foundation:

- **HORIZONT e.V.** (Munich) is an association which provides temporary shelter for homeless women and their children, redirecting them towards more long-term accommodation.
- **PAPATYA** (Berlin) is an association working with young women in immigrant communities to tackle the consequences of cultural and familial conflicts such as arranged marriages, honour killings and/or violence in all its forms.

- **VbFF e.V** (Frankfurt) is an association working to boost the professional development of women, particularly young mothers without qualifications and immigrants.

The operation has proved to be a great success, with over €170,000 raised over the 5 successive campaigns. RAJAPACK Germany has therefore decided to renew the programme for a 6th consecutive semester, from March to August 2019.



The Foundation and the RAJA Group are taking a stand against the violence suffered by women

Continuing our strong commitment to the cause of women's rights, the Foundation was principal sponsor of the [Nuit des Relais](#), a charity run organised by the Fondation des Femmes on 4 December 2018 at Paris' Grand Palais. Stepping up to the challenge, over **60 RAJA France and Cenpac employees** took part in the race to show their support for the cause.

Thanks to the great effort made by all 4,000 participants, the event raised **over €220,000** to support **charity projects** and raise public awareness of the scourge of violence against women.



TESTIMONY

Gautier Pradère

Reporting and Management
Control Officer RAJA France



"One of the company's responsibilities to its employees is to help them grow and develop, and that includes their humanitarian side. The opportunity to get involved with the work of the Foundation is very important for many of our employees, who find it hard to find the time to give back to the community outside of work. The fight to empower women is far from over, but year after year we are moving towards greater harmony: by respecting the fundamental rights of half of our species, we reassert our own faith in humanity. The Foundation has been a source of inspiration in moulding my opinions, my words and my deeds, making me a committed feminist."

Charity Christmas market

On 18 and 19 December 2018 the Foundation put on a charity Christmas market at RAJA Group HQ.



Charity associations supported by the Foundation came to showcase their **craftsmanship, with products hand-made by the women** whose lives they have touched: leather goods made with recycled materials by Métamorphose, hand-made jewellery and accessories from Burkina Faso courtesy of Afrika Tiss, Les Filles du



Facteur and Movement France, jams and preserves made with unsold fruit and vegetables by Re-belle, organic hyacinth creations from Fleurs de Cocagne, and fair trade chocolate from Le Févier d'Or. This festive charity event gave RAJA employees an opportunity to snap up some ethical Christmas presents and get to know our partner associations too.

Over 116 kilos of toys collected by RAJA France

In the week of 14-21 December, RAJA employees took part in the **big [Christmas toy collection](#) organised by our partner charity Rejoué**, an association working to get people back into employment by recycling second-hand toys in the Paris region.



The collection proved to be a huge success, with 116 kilos of toys, teddies, puzzles, games and books donated to the association, where they will be given a new lease of life.



ORGANISATION AND GOVERNANCE



The governance of the Foundation is entrusted to an Executive Committee comprising representatives of the RAJA Group and independent experts in the fields where the Foundation is active. The Committee is responsible for determining the strategic direction taken by the Foundation, and selecting the projects which will receive our support.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RAJA GROUP



Daniel COHEN

Vice-President for Administration and Finances - RAJA Group



Bernard SIOUFFI

*Associate Director of BGSi
Member of the Board of Directors - RAJA Group*



Jonathan COSTA

Audit and Consolidation Director - RAJA Group



Danièle KAPEL-MARCOVICI

*Chief Executive Officer of RAJA Group
Founder and President of the RAJA Danièle-Marcovici Foundation*

EXPERT MEMBERS



Thalia BRETON

Regional Director for Women's Rights and Equality, Ile-de-France



Françoise BRIÉ

Director of the National Federation of Female Solidarity



Anne-Sophie CASTEIGT

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Brigitte de la HOUSSAYE

Director for the Knowledge Economy and Economic Development at the Caisse des Dépôts



Henri ROUILLE D'ORFEUIL

Member of the French Academy of Agriculture

SELECTING AND MONITORING PROJECTS

The Foundation supports local, national and international programmes led by French associations, and corresponding to a precise set of selection criteria.

1 - Submitting proposals

Project leaders start by submitting an application in response to one of the calls for projects launched on the Foundation's website.

2 - Examination and pre-selection

The Foundation team analyses these proposals with reference to our stated criteria. The team then meets with the project leaders, and selects the proposals which will be presented to the Executive Committee.

3 - Selection

The Executive Committee examines the pre-selected proposals and assesses their compatibility with the objectives of the Foundation. After much discussion the members of the Committee vote to select those projects which will receive funding, and how much.

4 - Follow-up and assessment

Partnership arrangements are made with the successful project leaders, who are required to submit regular activity updates and financial reports. The Foundation team closely monitors the progress and results of sponsored projects.

THE OPERATIONAL TEAM



**Ghislaine
TANDONNET-GUIRAN**

*General Manager
until February 2019*



**Hortense
LANDOWSKI**

*Project Manager, France
and International*



**Pauline
STEPHAN**

*Project Manager,
RAJApeople*



**Charlotte
VAQUERO**

*Project Manager,
Advocacy expert*

A permanent team is responsible for pre-selecting project proposals for consideration by the Executive Committee, as well as keeping track of the progress of current projects with our partner associations. The members of the permanent team also run information and fund-raising campaigns with the Group's employees, via the RAJApeople programme. They also handle all relations with charity partners, contacts in the social economy and the media.

FINANCIAL RESULTS 2018

- Subsidies granted
by the Foundation: **497 232 €**
- Subsidies granted by RAJA through
the "Women & the Environment"
program: **302 073 €**
- RAJA Foundation
Women's Awards grants: **80 000 €**
- RAJApeople Prizes: **13 420 €**
- **Total amount of
the subsidies granted: 907 725 €**
- Study and Women's Awards
Ceremony: **209 173 €**
- Operating costs: **370 363 €**
- **Total : 1 487 261 €**

THE FOUNDATION ON THE FIELD



The Foundation team attaches great importance to getting out and visiting the charities working at grassroots level to further the cause of women's rights. These visits allow us to monitor the progress of projects and assess the impact of these initiatives on women's lives.

MEETING THE YOUNG PUPILS OF CAMBODIA'S SALA BAÏ SCHOOL

In **December 2017** Danièle Kapel-Marcovici travelled to Cambodia to meet the young women studying at the **Sala Baï School of Hospitality, managed by the Agir pour le Cambodge association** (funded by the Foundation from 2008-2014).

Founded in 2002 in Siem Reap, Sala Baï provides professional training in hotel and restaurant management for young Cambodians from underprivileged backgrounds. Every year a hundred young students between the ages of 17 and 23, including 70% girls, are enrolled in the institute's courses.

The programme combines theoretical study at the school with practical experience in the form of placements with partner hotels. 100% of the school's alumni find work within a month of graduating, with an average starting salary three times higher than the income their families have grown up with. The students are thus able to help their families financially, including helping younger siblings to continue their education.



VISIT TO THE MORIA REFUGEE CAMP ON LESBOS, GREECE

From **5 to 8 May 2018**, Ghislaine Tandonnet Guiran, General Manager of the Foundation, took part in a mission led by **Human Rights Watch (HRW)** to visit Athens and the Moria refugee camp on Lesbos, **checking up on the progress of living conditions for women migrants.**

The camp is home to over 7,300 migrants (29% minors, 22% women, 49% men), despite its designated capacity of 3,000 places. There are special zones for the most vulnerable refugees, including an area for unaccompanied women.

The HRW team visited welcome centres run by various associations, and met with women and girls from the camp. The aim of this mission was to better understand living conditions in the camp, particularly the difficulties encountered by women and girls (harassment, insecurity, poor sanitation, difficulties accessing medical care etc.), in order to bolster our appeals to the political powers that be.



HUGE FEMINIST MARCH ON 24 NOVEMBER

One year on from the start of the #MeToo movement, the Nous Toutes collective organised a **huge march against sexist and sexual violence** on 24 November 2018, in Paris and all over France. Estimates for attendance range from 20,000 to 80,000, with many RAJA employees among them. At this watershed moment of women speaking out, this gathering was a welcome reminder of the determination of women and men to say enough is enough when it comes to violence against women.



The “Nous Toutes” march in Marseille, Saturday 24 November 2018

OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH GYNECOLOGY WITHOUT BORDERS



The Foundation attaches particular importance to projects providing **medical and social care for migrant women**, who suffer from two-fold discrimination as both women and migrants.

In this spirit, the Foundation is proud to support Gynecology Without Borders (GWB). We have been vocal supporters of GWB for several years now: in 2014 the Foundation helped to fund a project in Madagascar focused on the prevention of cervical cancer, and in 2017-2018 we backed the “Caminor” programme providing medical, psychological and social care for women and children in the migrant camps of northern France.



GWB volunteers at Bourbourg, Hauts de France



Bourbourg, Hauts de France

FOCUS ON THE “CAMINOR” FIELD MISSION

On 27 November 2018, Danièle Kapel-Marcovici, Daniel Cohen and Ghislaine Tandonnet-Guiran visited the migrant camps of Calais to get a first-hand view of GWB’s work. Accompanied by Richard Matis, a gynecologist-obstetrician and vice-president of the association, they met volunteers working in the camps and visited the refuge centre reserved for the most vulnerable women. This visit provided an opportunity to observe the difficult process of reaching at-risk women - due to the repeated evacuation of the camps - and the great work being done by the GWB team in the field.

DANIÈLE KAPEL-MARCOVICI, GYNECOLOGY WITHOUT BORDERS AMBASSADOR

In December 2018 Danièle Kapel-Marcovici became an official Ambassador for Gynecology Without Borders. Her new role was officially confirmed at a meeting on 13 December, bringing together all of the partners who have supported GWB on the Caminor project.

“When GWB asked me to become an ambassador I accepted immediately, because improving access to sexual and reproductive healthcare - and to women’s healthcare in general, in France and elsewhere - is an absolutely crucial cause, and one that I am passionate about.”
Danièle Kapel-Marcovici.



TESTIMONY

Richard Matis

Gynecologist-obstetrician and
Vice-President of Gynecology Without Borders



“The work done by GWB since 2015, helping women in exile surviving in the migrant camps and Calais “jungle”, really chimes with the core values of the Foundation. Our mission is to take care of these women, providing protection and access to care. Thanks to the support of the Foundation, over the past three years GWB’s volunteers have been able to conduct 22,600 medical consultations (our volunteers are healthcare professionals, mostly midwives).

Over the past 3 years the conditions facing these exiles, especially women and children, have deteriorated as a result of the government’s efforts to dismantle their camps. The exiles themselves have been sent off to different centres all over France, leading GWB to expand our operations with the help of our nationwide network of healthcare professionals. In 2019 we launched a platform to coordinate all of our actions in France focusing on women and children. Our goal is to take care of these vulnerable people medically, psychologically and socially.”

Associations supported in 2018

ACCUEIL, COOPÉRATION ET INSERTION POUR LES NOUVEAUX ARRIVANTS (ACINA) - FRANCE

Empowerment and professional integration for women living in unfit accommodation or on the street
→ € 12 540 *donated*

AFRIKA TISS - BURKINA FASO

Empowering craftswomen by developing their production facilities and commercial outlets
→ € 17 000 *donated*

AGRICULTEURS FRANÇAIS ET DÉVELOPPEMENT INTERNATIONAL - MALI

Boosting the capacities of women in agricultural production and transformation
→ € 44 610 *donated*

AGRONOMES ET VÉTÉRINAIRES SANS FRONTIÈRES - HONDURAS

Agro-ecology for the Lenca people
→ € 15 000 *donated*

ANAK-AIDE AUX ENFANTS D'INDONÉSIE - INDONESIA

Dharma City: 2 centres for young women
→ € 6 710 *donated*

ARUTAM - ECUADOR

The bees of Wachirpas
→ € 12 379 *donated*

ASSOCIATION DES AGENCES DE LA DÉMOCRATIE LOCALE - MOROCCO

Boosting the socio-economic autonomy of women in rural areas, supporting the social economy in a spirit of solidarity and environmental responsibility
→ € 12 700 *donated*

ATIA - MOZAMBIQUE

Overcoming the social and economic isolation of vulnerable women living in underprivileged parts of Maputo
→ € 15 000 *donated*

AVOCATS SANS FRONTIÈRES FRANCE - CAMBODIA

Outreach work and access to justice for Cambodian women
→ € 15 000 *donated*

BATIK INTERNATIONAL - VIETNAM

Phu Nu
→ € 33 500 *donated*

CARE FRANCE - ECUADOR

Mujeres con voz
→ € 13 000 *donated*

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS POUR LA SOLIDARITÉ INTERNATIONALE - SENEGAL

Expanding the involvement of rural women in local food networks
→ € 30 000 *donated*

COMITÉ POUR LA SANTÉ DES EXILÉS - FRANCE

Resource centre and wide-ranging support services for migrant women
→ € 15 000 *donated*

DESSINE L'ESPOIR - SWAZILAND

Sustainable agriculture for greater food security among vulnerable communities in Piggs Peak
→ € 10 000 *donated*

ÉLEVAGES SANS FRONTIÈRES - SENEGAL

Professional training and business support for women farmers in the Matam region
→ € 25 000 *donated*

ENTREPRENEURS DU MONDE - HAÏTI

Expanding access to clean, modern and efficient cooking technologies for female street food chefs
→ € 17 277 *donated*

ESSENTIEL - BURUNDI

Sexual and reproductive healthcare for fisherwomen and market workers at the port of Rumonge
→ € 15 000 *donated*

EXCISION PARLONS-EN - FRANCE

Alerte Excision: a campaign to raise awareness and protect adolescent girls from genital mutilation in France
→ € 10 000 *donated*

FACE ALSACE - FRANCE

Job Academy 4W
→ € 15 000 *donated*

FÉDÉRATION NATIONALE D'AGRICULTURE BIOLOGIQUE - FRANCE

Women and Organic farming
→ € 25 000 *donated*

FOOD 2 RUE - FRANCE

Creation of a food-focused career development centre
→ € 29 700 *donated*

FRIENDS INTERNATIONAL - CAMBODIA

Professional training in the restaurant sector for marginalised mothers in Siem Reap
→ € 15 000 *donated*

GROUPE DE RECHERCHE ET D'ÉCHANGE TECHNOLOGIQUES - SENEGAL

Supporting economic initiatives led by women
→ € 32 950 *donated*

GUADELOUPE ÉQUITABLE ET DURABLE - HAÏTI

Atelier KAKO
→ € 17 645 *donated*

GYNÉCOLOGIE SANS FRONTIÈRES - FRANCE

Mission CAMINOR
→ € 6 710 *donated*

HABITAT CITÉ - NICARAGUA

Exchanging best practices: eco-friendly ovens, family orchards and vegetable gardens
→ € 14 850 *donated*

HABITER AU QUOTIDIEN - FRANCE

Women in construction
→ € 10 000 *donated*

HAMAP-HUMANITAIRE - BURKINA FASO

SOS Mother/Daughter: a project to support, educate and reintegrate young mothers and their children
→ € 15 000 *donated*

INITIATIVE DÉVELOPPEMENT - CONGO BRAZZAVILLE

Women welders, a project aimed at integrating young women in precarious circumstances
→ € 11 952 *donated*

INITIATIVES AU FÉMININ - FRANCE

Careers for all
→ € 14 000 *donated*

INSTITUT DE COOPÉRATION POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT EN AFRIQUE - SENEGAL

Women and shellfish
→ € 15 000 *donated*

INSTITUT EUROPÉEN DE COOPÉRATION ET DE DÉVELOPPEMENT - VIETNAM

French baking school in Ho Chi Minh City
→ € 15 000 *donated*

L'ESCALE - FRANCE

Taking action to end violence against women
→ € 15 000 *donated*

LA MAISON DES FEMMES DE SAINT-DENIS - FRANCE

Creation of a new psycho-social support centre
→ € 20 000 *donated*

LES FORGES-MÉDIATION - FRANCE

A place for women
→ € 18 550 *donated*

MANA - FRANCE

Migrant women: isolation and violence
→ € 10 000 *donated*

MÉTAMORPHOSE - FRANCE

The 1st network of integration projects focused on eco-friendly leather work
→ € 15 000 *donated*

MIGRATIONS & DÉVELOPPEMENT - MOROCCO

Developing agro-ecology projects led by women in southern Morocco

→ € 15 000 donated

MOUVEMENT FRANÇAIS DU PLANNING FAMILIAL - ISÈRE - FRANCE

Café Santé: prevention and healthcare work with people living in precarious circumstances in the Grenoble area

→ € 12 000 donated

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