

H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation



Annual and financial report 2018

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1 Introduction

This is the 2nd annual report of the Stichting H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation (also named: H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation), an organization dedicated to supporting the accelerating of access to affordable and sustainable energy in developing countries and to reduce poverty by providing and deploying energy solutions to women and youth so they can further empower themselves.

The Foundation is founded 23 May 2017.

The first of year of the Foundation focused successfully on introducing the H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation within the world H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma was working. This 2nd year has been focusing on extending the networks and to support the further roll-out of the MAMA-LIGHT® Initiative for Sustainable Energy.

This document outlines the key activities, the key results and the financial report of the H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation in 2018.

2 Background

The H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation is a separate, non-profit organisation. It is an expression of H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma commitment to stand her responsibility as an African Princess to improve the life of the women and youth of the bottom of the pyramid including the informal sector.

The H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation primary focus is (to accelerate) the roll out of the MAMA-LIGHT® Initiative for Sustainable Energy, a Worldwide program that provides access to affordable and sustainable energy for women, small business and children. It empowers the informal sector; it drives the generation of new jobs and it creates a sound basis for gender equality and women empowerment. The program is selected by the United Nations at the Solutions Summit at UN General Assembly in 2015 as one of the 14 breakthrough solutions for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

The H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation supports the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's) and helps the Least Developed countries (LDC's), the Land Locked Developing Countries (LLDC's) and Small Island Developing States in implementing the Paris Agreement with realizing their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC's) and with the MAMA-LIGHT® Carbon Offset.

The H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation is fully independent and run its programs with and within local communities in developing countries with selected global and local organisations.

3 Foundation details in 2018

The name of the institution is Stichting H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation, also named and referred to as H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation

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The H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma foundation was managed by an Executive Committee consisting of 3 members:

H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma, Chairman

Mrs Karen Abrook, secretary and treasurer

Mr Rogier van der Heide, member

All board members participated on a voluntary basis and are not rewarded financially for their service.

The general manager of the foundation in 2018 was Mr Anton Martens. He worked on a voluntary bases and was not rewarded financially for his services.

4 Highlights 2018

4.1 Documentary about the work of H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma by Deutsche Welle

Deutsche Welle, a German independent international broadcaster, and available in 30 languages has filmed a documentary about the work of H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma in Kalembouly. Kalembouly is a village in Burkina Faso more than 200 km south of the capital Ouagadougou. There is no electricity in the village itself nor in the direct environment. 2 years ago, all children in the village got a solar lamp. The report shows the impact this has had, not only on the children, but also on their families. The report has been broadcasted over all channels of Deutsche Welle during a period of 1 week and is still regularly watched on [Internet](#).

4.2 The European Union – African Union Digital Economic Taskforce.



H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma got appointed in November 2018 as member of EU-AU Digital Economy Taskforce.

The digital economy has become one of the pillars of the global economy. The EU-AU Digital Economy Task Force (DETF) will examine how Europe and Africa can build a partnership to draw mutual benefits from the digital transformation of economy and society. The objective is to identify concrete projects under the Africa-Europe Investment and Jobs Alliance in the area of digital economy.

4.3 Completion of the Centre-Sud Kamba project

The ENGIE Foundation and the H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation together empowered 2000 schoolkids and their families in the rural areas of the Centre-Sud region in Burkina Faso.

Access to light and energy is one of the limiting and blocking factors in developing countries to eradicate poverty. In Burkina Faso only 18 percent of the total population has access to energy and less than 3 percent in rural areas (source World Bank Group 2016). This means that almost 100% of the people in rural areas have no light or are dependent on using kerosene for lighting, which is extremely inefficient, dangerous and expensive, and has extensive health and environmental drawbacks.

The partnership between The ENGIE Foundation and the H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation provided 2000 school kids (1000 girls and 1000 boys) and their families in the region Centre-Sud in Burkina Faso access to light with a MAMA-LIGHT® Solar Portable Lamp.

The kids are not only using the MAMA-LIGHT® Solar Portable Lamp for study at home but also share the lamp with their family members: brothers and sisters also can read and study in the evening; mother and father can work in the evening and earn more money to improve family live; household work gets easier and safer with light; the indoor pollution gets significant less: a very nice example of “energy for productive use”!

4.4 Supporting the Burkina Faso Government at COP24 in Katowice.

The United Nations Climate Change Conferences are yearly conferences held in the framework of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). They serve as the formal meeting of the UNFCCC Parties to assess progress in dealing with climate change. In 2018 the annual Climate Conference, COP24, was organized in Katowice, the heart of the Polish mining industry.

At the conference, Governments have adopted a robust set of guidelines for implementing the landmark 2015 Paris Climate Change Agreement.

The H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation supported the Burkina Faso delegation at the conference. H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma participated in many formal and informal meetings and the foundation facilitated many meetings and sessions for the high-level delegates from Burkina Faso. For a detailed overview see H.R.H. Princess Abze at COP24.

4.5 The power of the 4 Billion

H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma was one of the keynote speakers at the OECD Forum for Global Development April 2018 in Paris. She spoke about how technology can mitigate conflicts and support access to finance thereby creating opportunities for women and young people. A few of her statements during the forum:

- “Women are the first to pay back loans. To me this is AAA, but they do not benefit on the rate of AAA. How do you bring businesswomen on board if you do not change the banking system?”
- “Blockchain technology is there for small businesses. With this there is no corruption because it checks where the money goes with a rate upfront that we agreed upon, and it also checks whether the goods and services are delivered” said Princess Abze Djigma.

4.6 Radio and TV

H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma has been on radio and TV several times to explain the needs and the potential of the bottom of the pyramid in Africa.

In July 2018 there as a long interview with H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma on National TV in Burkina Faso. Sur la Brèche is a weekly one-hour interview with a prominent guest at prime time on Sunday evening (19.00-20.00). On the [15 July 2018](#), H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma got interviewed in Sur la Brèche by Jérémie Sié Koulibaly, a famous journalist at RTB Télévision du Burkina.

4.7 Other speaking participations

Next to the topics above the Foundation participated in:

- African Forum in Ivory Coast
- Berlin Energy Transition Days
- Vienna Energy Forum
- Austrian World Summit
- PFAN Investment Forum
- Geneve Global Forum on Inclusive Trade
- InterSolar Munich
- ICEI meeting in Montreal
- 6th GEF General Assembly in Danang
- Irena Innovation week
- Vienna Unido and Women forum
- UNFCCC African Regional Awareness Creation Workshop
- WTO Public Forum 2018 Geneve
- REN21 Berlin
- ECOWAS Sustainable Energy Forum (ESEF2018) in DAKAR

5 Financial report

5.1 Statement of income and expenditure

Income and expenditure (all amount in Euro)			
	<u>2017</u>		<u>2018</u>
	<u>First year</u>		
<u>Starting balance</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>4.971,14</u>
<u>Income</u>			
Donations via website	50		85
Donation ENGIE (for project)	40.000		10.000
Other donations	0		185
Travel costs compensation speaking at conferences			920
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>40.050</u>		<u>11.190</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Bank costs	48,84		144,96
Mollie costs (donations payments)	0,01		1,52
Credit card costs	30		30
Travel costs for the partly compensated speaking at conferences			1336,21
Project Centre-Sud Kamba-2017	35.000		14.634,19
<u>Total Expenditure</u>	<u>35.078,86</u>		<u>16.146,88</u>
<u>Balance per 31-12</u>	<u>4.971,14</u>		<u>14,26</u>

5.2 Notes to statement of income and expenditure

H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma has paid all her travel costs herself for conferences and COP24, except where she got partly compensated

The full donation of ENGIE, (50.000 Euro over 2 years) has been dedicated for the Project Centre-Sud Kamba-2017, see also <https://www.princess-abze.org/kamba-2017>