

Annual report 2012

Composition of the board:

The day-to-day board was comprised of the following persons:

Mr. J. Lansen MSc, chairman

Ms. M. Bous-Vocking, secretary

Mr.

W. van den Broek, treasurer

Ms.

M. Muthert

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Advisor: Ms. F. Meijer-Degen

Pursuant to the articles of association, it is not required to have a general board. Hence, from now on only meetings of the day-to-day board will be held.

During 2011, the day-to-day board gathered three times.

Reputation:

To realize its goals, the Hijman Degen Foundation remains dependent on external financial aid. The Hijman Degen Foundation has a limited number of donors.

The Hijman Degen Foundation qualifies as a public benefit organization (*algemeen nut beogende instelling* or *ANBI*). As a result thereof, donors could benefit from certain fiscal advantages when making donations.

The trainings that were organized in Cameroon in 2011, were completed this year. An evaluation report, together with the financial accounts, were sent to, and discussed with, Impulsis. Impulsis has borne 50% of the costs of the training. The set objectives were achieved and the results were great. Currently, it is being explored whether there are possibilities for onsite supervision.

In August 2012, a training was organized in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. A number of trainees associated with IBISS, a long-standing organization, received useful tools to make their daily practice in neighborhoods with drugs related violence more effective.

A number of people has expressed their interest to be involved with the Hijman Degen Foundation, either as member of the board, trainer or otherwise. We will discuss the same with them.

The new director of the HU University of Applied Sciences (*Hogeschool Utrecht*) got acquainted with Ms. F. Meijer-Degen, advisor of the Hijman Degen Foundation. He indicated that he would like to send some of his teachers along with training and that he will try to raise the required funding.

Training manual "Coping with loss and trauma through art therapy":

The training manual that was written by Ms. Fiety Meijer has been completely sold out. However, it is still possible to order the manual on demand. Persons working in institutions in low-wage countries mostly order the manual. For each such order it is assessed whether or not the manual should be distributed for free. Furthermore, it is currently envisaged to translate the manual in Arabic. We are discussing the same with WTF (War Trauma

Foundation).

In 2012 the following contacts were made:

Impulsis

HAN University of Applied Sciences (*Hogeschool Arnhem/
Nijmegen* or *HAN*)

HU University of Applied Sciences (*Hogeschool Utrecht*)

War Trauma Foundation

IRCT Copenhagen

Kirkuk Center for Torture Victims, Iraq