The Annual Report 2024

A word of introduction

Dear friends, another year has passed, and we would like to thank you for all the wonderful encounters, events, and support you have given us in 2024. We truly appreciate it. We are happy to share with you more beautiful, touching, and loving stories and testimonials from our volunteers, adoptive parents, sponsors, and supporters. What more could we wish for than to see that our mission—to create bonds of solidarity, understanding, and respect between different cultures—lives on in you. Thank you, and we are looking forward to continue our journey together in the coming year.

Your Centrum Narovinu

About us

The Centrum Narovinu was founded in 1995. Its main activities are foreign development cooperation projects, global development education and the promotion of volunteerism. All projects emphasize sustainability and self-sufficiency, the active approach of local people, taking responsibility and using their own possibilities. The Centrum Narovinu has long supported the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's).

Goals

- Contribute to the creation of a tolerant multicultural society, raise public awareness of the situation in developing countries and prevent discrimination and racism.
- Contribute to the improvement of education, health care and the overall standard of living in Kenya.
- Contribute to the development of volunteer work and to the wider participation of volunteers.

Hostýnská Elementary School in Prague 10 joined the Long-Distance Adoption project run by the Centrum Narovinu in 2007. The students chose a boy named Elijah and supported him in gaining access to education and healthcare. Each student contributed CZK 30, which was enough to cover school fees, learning materials, and healthcare. Elijah faced health challenges, including recurring pneumonia that required hospital treatment. In addition to funding his education, the students helped fulfil one of his biggest dreams and bought him a bicycle. Over the years, Elijah maintained regular contact with the students through letters written in English, a language he was learning. With the support of Hostýnská Elementary School, he successfully com pleted both elementary and high school and was later accepted into university to study information technology and mathematics. When he started his university studies, the students and teachers gifted him a laptop, which made it easier for him to study as well as keep in touch with his supporters. Nevertheless, Elijah contin ued to write letters in which he regularly shared updates about his life.

Despite the complications connected to the COVID-19 pan demic, Elijah managed to successfully finish his university studies. He graduated in December, sharing his gratitude in his final letter: "...I will finally graduate next Friday, December 13th. I am so happy! The journey hasn't been easy, but you have stood by my side along the way, offering support and fi nances. I wouldn't have done it without you. Please give my regards to the whole team and tell them that their work bears fruit and that their son (me) is finally graduating. I can't express how happy I am". Hostýnská Elementary School is really proud of Elijah, and his story is proof that even small steps can change a person's life.

Collective of teachers, parents, and students of Hostýnská Elementary School

I am a student of social work at Charles University in Prague. I have been helping people in need since I was a child. When I learned about the Centrum Narovinu project, I knew from the very beginning that it would be a great honor for me to participate in the program as a volunteer. I love traveling and learning about foreign cultures, so I knew from the very beginning that the trip to the Island of Hope would be a unique, unforgettable and very valuable life experience. And it was. I fell in love with the project so much that I really hope that I will have the opportunity to return to the orphanage in my life. My task is to write a report on my stay for my university and to present examples of the best practice in it. I don't know how I will be able to limit this information to a few pages. It was beyond belief for me how kindness and respect can work in a place full of cruelty that the local resi dents face every day. The children from the orphanage have often experienced traumatic experiences that are completely beyond the limits of humanity and tolerability for us, as the Europeans. Not only do the children in the orphanage have clean facilities where they receive three hot meals a day, but they can also experience a real sense of security, where they feel that someone is listening to them, is genuinely interested in them, and someone is trying to ensure their future with the prospect of permanent employment and finding the right val ues, without the need for violence. So I can only evaluate my experience as a volunteer positively. Thank you very much for this opportunity. **Anežka Pěnkavová**

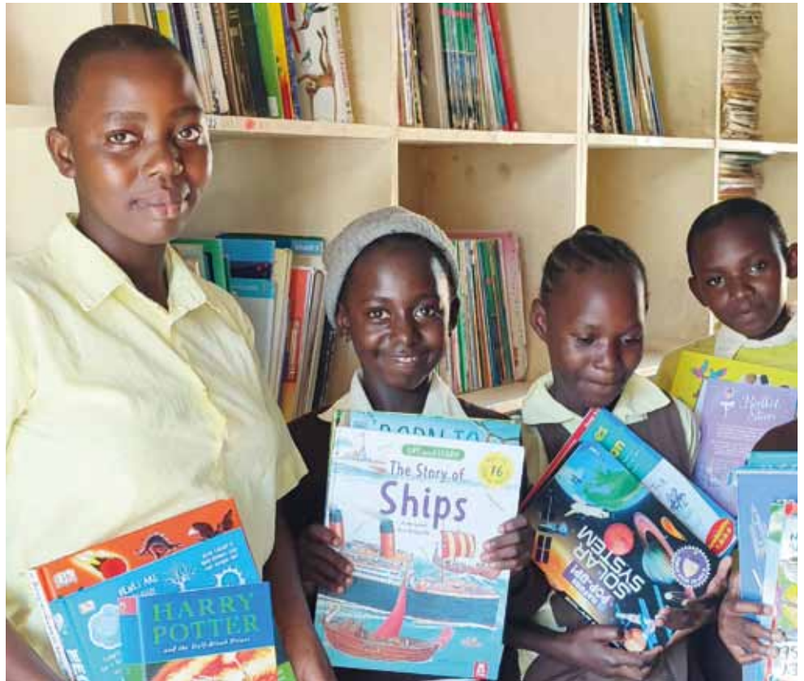
Our Projects

Adoption of African children - a long distance assistance project

• Illiteracy and low education often lead to poverty, with girls often failing to complete even primary education. Since 2002, the programme has therefore provided Kenyan children with access to education without removing them from their natural environment of their community.

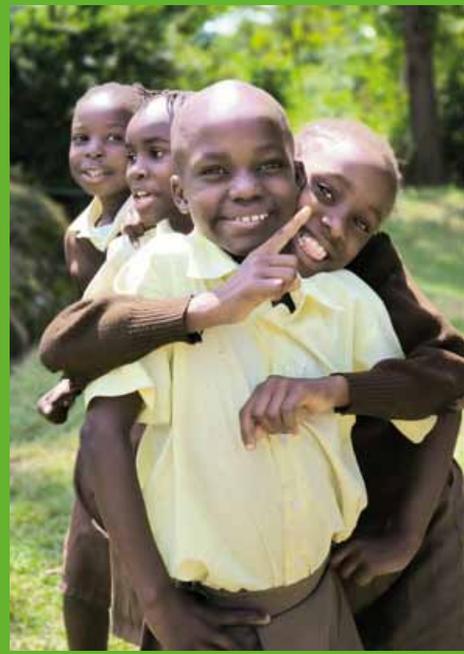
• Adoptive parents can also pay for health insurance for their children through the programme. With prompt health care, children return to school more quickly.

• Distance adoption is much more than a mere economic handout, for it creates a bond of solidarity, understanding and mutual affection between different cultures.



The project in 2024 in figures:

- 1,017 children studied in 1st school period, 979 children in 2nd school period and 982 children in 3rd school period.
- In 1st school period, 87 children were in kindergarten, 418 children were in primary school, 232 students were in secondary school and 280 students were at university or college.
- Of the total number of adopted children, 542 were girls and 475 were boys.
- Friends of Adoption Club received payments in the amount of CZK 182,870 which were used to support education and basic living needs of children in the Long Distance Adoption programme in the Island of Hope.
- The Health Insurance Programme provided health care for 581 children and 36 family members. A total of 392 cases were treated, including 23 hospitalizations.
- The implementation of the project is handled by volunteers - 19 coordinators in the Czech Republic, 2 coordinators in Slovakia and 16 teams in Kenya.
- 104 new long distance adoptions were concluded during the year.
- 22 adoptive parents visited their sponsored children in Kenya. • Adoptive parents sent 243 extra payments in the total amount of CZK 805,986 to Kenyan families to help them with additional family expenses, mainly emergency assistance, food purchases, additional school expenses, vaccinations, laptops for high school and college students, bicycles, home repairs, etc.



Hello, as these days we are finishing the long-lasting adoption of our „third child“ Edward Macharia in the framework of the Adopt an African Child project, we would like to share some experiences and evaluate the whole system. We have supported our adopted child for about 22 years until now, i.e. until he is about 26 years old. Throughout the adoption period, in addition to the cost of school fees and tuition, we have also paid an optional, but recommended fee to secure health insurance. In general, the cost of a child in Kenya is relatively low

compared to the cost in our country, so we believe that many other people from the Czech Republic, who are not indifferent to the fate of Kenyan children, could become adoptive parents. People are - often rightly - suspicious of many foundations or non-profit organizations, which often use the funds raised for their own use (in the better case) or steal them (in the worst case). In the case of the Centrum Narovinu, the experience is quite different. Each year we received a detailed breakdown of what we sent and what and how it was used in the adoption. In the case of health insurance payments, we were sent both vaccination records and the results of our child‘s medical exam. Of course, we were also provided with report cards and regular letters from our adopted son, including photo documentation. Based on our long and very good experience with this project so far, we have decided to adopt another child and we believe that everything will be done again to our full satisfaction. At the same time, we would like to thank all the coordinators of the AdopceAfrika.cz project and wish them all the best for the coming year. Sincerely, **Kateřina a Karel Janečkovi**

In May 2024, we made a trip to Kenya - two dads from families and their two teenage boys - to visit a sponsored girl, Siprine, living on Rusinga Island. After six years of long distance adoption, regular correspondence, and rejoicing in the educational success of our sponsored girl, we set out, duly laden with gifts to Siprine‘s family and the community. We spent three days on Lake Victoria on Rusinga Island, during which we visited the school and hospital. We watched in amazement the unique fishing on the lake in which a large part of the local community participated. We took a trip in a typical boat to the Bat Islands, where we watched herons and giant lizards that could perhaps have been a prequel to Capek‘s War with the Salamanders. Accompanied by a young guide, we climbed to the highest peak of the island, rented motorbikes and drove around the island in two hours. As a surprise for the boys, at the end of their stay we organized a guided tour of Kibera, the largest African slum in Nairobi. This final tour was probably the one that most resonated with our teenage boys‘ values. It was a very powerful learn ing experience for us to see how the systematic work of the Centrum Narovinu is reflected in the lives of the Rusinga Is land community, how the locals speak respectfully about the education and healthcare that local children receive from this organization, and how friendly the locals are to us tourists. Their cry of „Jambo-Jambo“ still rings in our ears... The Centrum Narovinu helped us organize the whole adven ture: from tons of advice and recommendations, to taking care of us Europeans on Rusinga, organizing excursions and escorting us to the airport in Kisumu, to the friendly welcome and arranging accommodation in Nairobi to the actual tour of Kibera. Care like a charm! Centrum Narovinu, we bow to the work you have created! **Marek Hřebíček a Petr Němec**

A few colleagues responded to the call to see who would like to join me, and in the end there were nine of us. My colleague Martin with his wife and four daughters (three adults and one five-year-old) and my colleague Milada and Markéta. For organizational and time reasons, we split into two groups to "share" Brian. Each group created their own programme, and we enjoyed most of the time together at Rusinga. A big thanks to Dana Feminová who helped us prepare everything here in the Czech Republic and gave us valuable information. Our group of three, Milada, Markéta and I, left on June 27 and returned three weeks later. We spent a week on Rusinga Island and two weeks traveling around Kenya, where we planned VIP places, among other things. These included meeting the last two surviving female northern white rhinos from Dvůr Králové Zoo, Jane Goodall's rescued chimpanzees, and an extraordinary visit to the Elsamere Ecological Centre, where Joy Adamson, famous for her book The Story of Elsa the Lioness, lived. During our stay on the island and in Nairobi we were looked after by Ken, the director of the Nairobi office, his colleagues on Rusinga and his colleagues in Nairobi. I would like to say a big thank you to all of them once again because they made us feel completely safe and we came home with incredible experiences that we will look back on for a lifetime. Brian was chosen for adoption by students of the Třeboň Grammar School in 2013. Initially, his studies at primary and secondary school were supported by one class together with their class teacher, Martin. With the start of the university, the funds were raised and Martin's new class, a large part of the students of the 2023/24 quintet and the whole teaching staff willingly participated again. Thanks to the cooperation of the adoptive parents, who numbered over 60 throughout Brian's undergraduate studies, all tuition was paid so that Brian was not burdened with any government loans at the end of his medical studies at the University of Kabianga, and we rejoiced immensely over his graduation in the fall of 2025. **Lenka Kopečková, Grammar School Třeboň**

Island of Hope Community Centre on Rusinga Island in Kenya

• Since 2003, we have been working with the local community to create a sustainable centre that provides quality education with a respectful, non-violent approach, as well as basic medical care.

• Hope Island sets an example of how to improve living conditions by using sustainable technologies and cooperation in solidarity.

• Corporate partners can support the project through the Adopt-a-Teacher campaign, which aims to support teachers, and thus a quality and stable education for children.

• Students and volunteers regularly come to the project to intern and help out. Since 2021, we have been cooperating with the University of Ostrava, which financially supports the internships of its students within the framework of the OU Aid university program.

The project in 2024 in figures:

- Employees: 66 (39 men and 27 women)
- Kenyan interns in the project: 3
- Children in the orphanage: 84 (37 girls and 47 boys) • Children in the Montessori kindergarten: 105 (46 girls and 59 boys)
- Children in primary school: 283 (136 girls and 147 boys)
- Students in secondary school: 122 (61 girls and 61 boys)
- Computers available to students in the new IT classroom: 57 • Registered patients of the clinic: 18,774
- Hospitalized clinic patients: 407 • HIV patients on active treatment: 7,683
- Patients diagnosed for tuberculosis: 155 • Pregnant women registered for antenatal clinic: 500
- Babies born: 74
- Registered mothers in paediatric care: 483
- Mothers and women coming to family planning clinic: 987 • Fully vaccinated children: 2,125
- Tilapia breeding ponds: 4
- Breeding cages directly in Lake Victoria: 15 (9 large and 6 small) • Total catches: 9
- Fish sold: 11 tons
- Personal development seminars organized: 4 for students and 4 for teachers
- Number of students and volunteers from Europe helping in the project in the framework of internships and volunteer stays: 10
- Organized collections: 2 (material collections - books, school and educational aids, clothes and Donio financial collections - for school aids and textbooks)

On 4 June 2024, I arrived at the Rusinga Island Community Centre in the late afternoon after a rather lengthy journey. Thus began my month-long stay full of rich and unique experiences. I was able to visit Kenya mainly thanks to the University of Ostrava and the OU Aid programme, which cooperates not only with the Centrum Narovinu but also with other organisa tions, offering students the opportunity to volunteer in developing countries. My time in the centre was primarily spent with the children from the orphanage. Together we played various outdoor games, drew, read or watched stories or movies in the evenings (especially on weekends). I can't forget to mention the moments dedicated to listening to modern Kenyan music and dancing. Many times I was amazed at how well the children were dancing. A lot of children also devote their free time to various sports activities - football, netball, volleyball... After school or on weekends the playground was always full. I used to join in and practice. It was very rewarding just to talk to the kids (both younger and high school kids). I learned more about the kids themselves, their culture, and I also gave them a little insight into what it's like here. During my stay I had the opportunity to attend classes at the local primary and secondary school, and even taught three such classes myself. I am very happy for this opportunity and experience. I am glad that there are organizations like the Centrum Narovinu. Some people may be skeptical about the idea of helping somewhere in a foreign country. After all, we have enough problems of our own here... That may be true. It's just that this help gives a lot of people hope that one day they can have a better life. So this is targeted and meaningful aid, which I think makes a lot of sense. The results don't come immediately, it takes time. But it is all the more valuable to see that this help bears fruit and that it works. The Centrum Narovinu is doing great work. **Marek Nožička**

In September 2024 I went to Rusinga Island for the second time as a volunteer to visit the children. Again, we of ten did creative crafts, played games, pre pared for their classes together and shared stories. On weekends we organize bigger events together, such as the „Talent Show" where the kids gave us amazing perfor mances (singing, dancing, acrobatics, recitation...) to show us that they were all good at something, which is what we were trying to show them. Next, we experienced a „Treasure Hunt" where the children learned to work in teams, involve all their friends and at the end they joined together to crack the code and find the treasure. We also went on a water slide, had a „DJ's show" and every weekend we went on walks around the is land, which were always very popular - if the kids weren't sick, they all went - the experience of taking 80 kids on a walk for a few hours was really worth it :). Since my family and I decided to become long-distance adoptive parents after a previous volunteer placement, I also took our „adopted son" on a day trip on a safari, which he said he really enjoyed. We shared stories about our lives, families, experiences with each other, and it was clear that he appreciated the time together and the real encounter. I really appreciate this experience and the opportunity to stay at Rusinga, to experience a completely different world, a different culture, to pass on a piece of myself to the children there is priceless. I hope and believe that it was enriching not only for me but also for the children. Africa and being in the project appealed to me so much that I decided to spread awareness in our country - to give lectures to the public and to schools and to make others aware of what the Centrum Narovinu makes possible on the Island of Hope and how it helps the local community. **Tereza Hovadíková**

When I started supporting six-year-old Mercelyne from the Island of Hope orphanage in 2021, I was piecing to gether the individual parts of the mosaic about her life in my mind. A fatherless girl in a difficult life situation, spending most of her life in an orphanage away from her family. I regularly received letters, which, given her age, were written by her friends or uncle. I learned how she was doing at school, what she liked to do, what the weather was like, and how the plants were doing. I always thought it would be great if I could talk to her in person. In October 2024, I went on a trip to Kenya with my brother. The most beautiful moment came on the day we visited Island of Hope and I met Mercelyne and her sister Regina for the first time. We hugged and talked. It

was nice when she told me in Czech that she loved me. We toured the school premises, the orphanage, the fish farm and then we visited her family and the house where her mother lives with her uncle. The children live there during the holidays when school is not in session. They welcomed us warmly, prepared food for us – they baked tilapia fish and Uncle Harun even sang us a song about the Day of Judgment. We were accompanied by quite a large group on the visit, including two talented volunteers from the Czech Republic. We were happy to be able to share our experience. In the afternoon, the chil dren from the orphanage prepared an entertaining program for us. The children sang, danced and also performed various acrobatic and dramatic performances or even a fashion show. It was nice to talk to them. For example, I started showing Mer celyne photos on my mobile phone and within a minute, we were surrounded by about 20 children so densely that it was almost impossible to breathe. Everyone wanted to see some thing. The children were amazing and loved talking about the future and what they wanted to be. We left full of impressions. I am very glad that I decided to take this journey, on which we met many wonderful people. I am still in touch with many of them, knowing that I want to come back there someday. **Peter Butora**

Programme Africa from a different point of view

• Through awareness-raising activities, we help to alleviate the growing fears about immigration and the associated tendencies towards disinformation, intolerance and xenophobia. We contribute to breaking down stereotypes through good practice examples and project experiences.

• We organise global development education programmes in schools, mediate cooperation between Kenyan and Czech schools and organise awareness-raising events for the general public.

The project in 2024 in figures:

- 8 awareness-raising events on development issues were held in schools. There were also eight online events connecting children from Czech and Kenyan schools, from kindergarten to high school.
- 6 partner schools from all over the Czech Republic supported the education of children in Kenya by selling Fair Trade goods, making school supplies, collecting school and educational supplies, communicating with each other and sharing topics, letters and photos.
- 39 public awareness events were organized - talks with screenings, information and sales booths and fundraising events.
- 1 photography exhibitions were held in Prague.

We have been working on preparing a fundraiser for a school in Kenya since February. We have been creating pro jects, bulletin boards, going through chronicles, looking for information, writing letters and drawing pictures. We prepared a greeting card for the school in Kenya that also sent us one. The fun draiser focused on school and art sup plies. A lot of items were collected and are now heading to Kenya. This fund raiser was held as part of our school's 90th anniversary. At the same time you could buy coffee, tea, bracelets and other small items from Kenya. An incredible CZK 15,963 was collected which is going to Kenya so that the children can go to school there. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed, either financially or with art supplies!!
Hanička Bolková, 9th grade student at U Obory Elementary School

Volunteers for Development

• Volunteering brings significant value to society, which is why we organise seminars for volunteers and contribute to the development of volunteering and the wider use of volunteers.

• Our projects are largely based on volunteer help - volunteers provide administrative activities and communication with adoptive parents within the Long Distance Adoption programme, specific activities for the Island of Hope community centre in Kenya and also help to implement awareness and sales events and travelling exhibitions across the Czech Republic.

The project in 2024 in figures:

- 2 seminars were held for new volunteers - coordinators of the project Long distance Adoption, project has therefore expanded to include three new volunteers.
- One seminar was held for students and volunteers who were preparing to go to the Island of Hope, with six people taking part.
- There were 2 traditional motivational and informational seminars for active volunteers of the Centrum Narovinu: 13 people attended the one in May and 16 people attended the one in November.
- One student from AAU was on a study internship at the Centre Narovinu office, helping with project administration, preparing materials, collections, and the Fair Trade Shop.

My name is **Daniela Jurkechová** *and I have been working as a volunteer at Centrum Narovinu for approximately 4 months. As a part of volunteering, I am main ly in charge of communicating with adoptive parents, handling their questions and possible co mments. I also cover new adoptions and inform new interested parties about the Adoption of African Children project. I became a volunteer and at the same time as an adoptive parent mainly for the reason of making this world more beautiful and helping children for whom education is not a matter of course like here in our countries. I would be very happy if as many people as possible would join us to help make this world kinder.*

Once again, I made my way to the Island of Hope Orphanage on Rusinga Island, this time through Masaryk Uni versity, to which I had committed myself by completing a research project while volunteering at the orphanage. I study sociology, which is related to anthropology, so visiting and living in another culture is a rich source of information. I was amazed by the journey the children from the orphanage have made in just three years. I first went to volunteer at Rus ing in 2021 through OU AID, I was enchanted by the experience and consider it the turning point of my life. You can see that the principles that the Centre is putting forward (cooperation, non-violence and the joy of education) are translated into practice here. Believe me, the shift in the three years has really been great. Three years ago, some of the children went to first grade, they hadn't been at the Centre that long and they were sometimes aggressive, f ighting over materials for fear of not being able to get them. I'm proud of them today. Not only are they incredibly talented and have ambitious dreams of what they will study, but they have also adopted really nice moral values. All of the kids study very hard too. Some of them have had the experience of public schools where they were punished physically with out a second thought, so they are really grateful to be here. I would describe the atmosphere in Kenya as the calm before the storm. The political and economic crisis is currently present everywhere (the most popular song, which is the message of „generation Z" to the Kenyan President, is AngukaNayo = Get down!). Hopefully the „generation Z" will be able to change the country for the better and pass on some of the values that the Centrum Narovinu represents. **Tereza Klusáková**

Fair trade shop

• The products with a story are bought for the Fair Trade shop directly in Kenya and delivered to our e-shop, i.e. without intermediaries.

• The offer also includes „Send It On“ gift certificates and other small items made in the Czech Republic.

• 100% of the proceeds go back to the Island of Hope project in Kenya and help to develop it in the long term.

The project in 2024 in figures:

- The profit from the shop in the amount of CZK 398,665 and the sale of gift certificates in the amount of CZK 15,860 supported the operation of the high school and the clinic of the Island of Hope.
- A total of 4,892 items were sold with a total value of CZK 566,987. • The best-selling items were soapstone hearts (521 pieces) and Island of Hope bracelets (327 pieces), while Kenyan tea and coffee remain popular – 119 kg of coffee and 68 kg of tea were sold. • 81 orders were shipped
- CZK 402,810 worth of goods were sold at the events.
- 15 entities were involved in consignment sales in schools, cafes and other institutions.

On Wednesday, November 27, we held another Good Shopping Day at **MetLife**, *this time in cooperation with the Narovinu Centre. The organization supports improving living standards in Kenya, so we were able to enjoy Kenyan coffee and purchase beautiful gifts from local producers. 100% of the proceeds go to support children from the Island of Hope – a community centre on Rusinga Island. Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped give children a better chance at education.*

Fundraising and promotion

• Individual donation

We have built a broad base of supporters who support the education of children in the Long Distance Adoption programme on a long-term and regular basis.

• Corporate partnerships for development and social responsibility

We develop corporate partnerships to support the Island of Hope project in Kenya.

• Cooperation with other entities

The GIVT project (a portal for community funding of non-profit organizations) to support the education of high school students on the Island of Hope.
Donor Forum SMS contributed CZK 10,290 to support the education of children.
As part of Giving Tuesday Czechia, a call „Give Education – Give Hope to Children in Kenya" was made.

• Campaigns

Six cafés across the Czech Republic took part in the spring and winter campaign „Buy a gift with a story from the Fair Trade Shop and support one day of a child's schooling".

• Media

As part of our media monitoring, we recorded several articles, mainly in online media, as well as several radio interviews.

Students of SOA ad SPŠE Žatec were talking with children from Africa

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A few years ago, the management of the Private Business Academy and Secondary Technical School of Electrical Engineering in Žatec adopted two children from Kenya, whom they have been supporting ever since. On Tuesday, selected students from both schools had the opportunity to meet these children during an hour-long video call. The conversation between the children took place in English. The students were interested in what sports they play, what their interests and hobbies are, and what school uniforms are like. The children from Kenya introduced them to their classmates, with whom they danced together. „It struck me how modest these children are compared to us, yet they are happy with what they have," said Karla Tůmová, a student at the Private Business Academy, sharing her impressions. „It was definitely beneficial for our students; they had the opportunity to learn about a different culture, a different way of teaching and living," said school director Marie Paťhová. In the end, both sides promised that this video call would definitely not be the last, and they are already looking forward to their next meeting.

Thank you

Thank you to all corporate and private donors, adoptive parents, volunteers, interns and staff for the great support they give to development projects.

In 2024, these included: Art-n-coffee, Café Práh, DHL Express, Dino Schools of Prague, Fair Bio, iNETPrint, Café Kaaba, Café na Kozím plácku, Café PANT, Kawak, KB Printing, L-Trust Europe, Mathesso, Municipal Library of Prague, Mony's design, Moos, O2 Foundation, Pikola Publishing House, Newton Media, OpenWiseSolutions, Ostrava University, Park Lane International School, Powerful Commerce, Sitting at Andělka, Prusa Research 3D printers, Trado Image, Creative Africa and many others.

Organizational structure

The Management Board and the Supervisory Board are involved in the management of the company. The office of the Centrum Narovinu is headed by the Director, who is the statutory body of the company.

Bodies of Centrum Narovinu, o.p.s.

Board of Trustees

- Simona Heřtusová - Chairwoman of the Board of Trustees
- Petra Augustová - Member of the Board of Trustees
- Vlasta Pauke Dobešová - Member of the Board of Trustees

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Founders

- Dana Feminová
- Simona Heřtusová

Office of Centrum Narovinu

- Dana Feminová – Executive Director and Chief Development Cooperation Project Coordinator
- Simona Heřtusová – Senior Project Coordinator in the Czech Republic, promotion, fundraising
- Hana Jodasová – administrative management of the Adoption of African Children project
- ZdeněkMocek – administrative management of the Adoption of African Children project
- LenkaČumpelíková – administrative management of the Adoption of African Children project

The Centrum Narovinu has a partner office in Nairobi, Kenya, with five local staff. In 2023 there was also one intern.

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Financial report for 2024

Revenues and expenses of the Centrum Narovinu in year 2024 in thousands

Revenue 2024	thsnd. CZK	**Expenses 2024**	thsnd. CZK
Appropriations for gratuitous transactions	15 032	Payments to Kenya	11 386
Proceeds from sales - shop	567	Operating costs	4 259
Bank charges - Exchange gains	49	Exchange losses	5
Other income	12	Bank charges	8
Payments received for postage reimbursement	7		
Total revenue	**15667**	**Total expenditure**	**15 658**
Economic result	**9**		

Overview of funds sent to Kenya for projects in 2024

	thsnd. CZK		thsnd. CZK
Payments for adoptions	7 930	Payments for the Send It On Project	12
Payments for administration in Kenya	1 002	Payments for donations - extra payments	619
Payments for health insurance	694	Other payments	63
Payments to Rusinga Island	1 066		
Total			**11 386**

Composition of operating expenses of the Centrum Narovinu

	thsnd. CZK		thsnd. CZK
Expenditure on minor supplies	13	Accounting, legal activities	281
Energy	45	Advertising, graphics	21
Cost of goods sold	104	Telephone, internet	30
Travel expenses	184	Salary costs	3 186
Rent	175	Other services	113
Postage	107		
Total			**4 259**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

to founders of

Centrum Narovinu, o. p. s.,

company address: Oldřichova street 358/21, Prague 2, postcode 128 00

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Centrum Narovinu, o. p. s. (hereinafter also the "Company") prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Czech Republic, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2024, and the income statement, for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information. For details of the Company, see Note 1 to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of Centrum Narovinu, o. p. s. as at 31 December 2024, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Czech Republic.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Act on Auditors and Auditing Standards of the Chamber of Auditors of the Czech Republic, which are International Standards on Auditing (ISAs), as amended by the related application clauses. Our responsibilities under this law and regulation are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Act on Auditors and the Code of Ethics adopted by the Chamber of Auditors of the Czech Republic and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information in the Annual Report

In compliance with Section 2(b) of the Act on Auditors, the other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and auditor's report thereon. The Statutory Body of the Company is responsible for the other information.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information. In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. In addition, we assess whether the other information has been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with applicable law or regulation, in particular, whether the other information complies with law or regulation in terms of formal requirements and

procedure for preparing the other information in the context of materiality, i.e. whether any non-compliance with these requirements could influence judgments made on the basis of the other information.

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

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

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

Responsibilities of the Company's Statutory Body for the Financial Statements

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

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

The Board of Trustees is responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and

obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Statutory Body.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Statutory Body use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

Prague, 03. 07. 2025

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Report of supervisory board
of civic association Centre Narovinu, o.p.s. (IČ 63109948)

After a review of a closing of book of Centre Narovinu, o.p.s. from 1.1. to 31. 12. 2024 and based on external financial guard commissary, the supervisory board states that book keeping was conducted in a demonstrative way and in agreement with generaly effectual regulations adjusting guiding of bookkeeping of civic associations.

Zpráva dozorčí rady
obecně prospěšné společnosti Centrum Narovinu, o.p.s. (IČ: 63109948)

Po přezkoumání účetní závěrky Centra Narovinu o.p.s. za období od 1. 1. do 31. 12. 2024 a na základě externího auditora k této účetní závěrce, dozorčí rada konstatuje, že účetnictví bylo vedeno průkazným způsobem a v souladu s obecně závaznými předpisy upravujícími vedení účetnictví obecně prospěšných společností.

V Praze dne 4.9. 2025

Předsedkyně dozorčí rady
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