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A New Strategic Plan for CECI

This year, CECI marked the start of a great journey by officially adopting and launching our new 2014-2019 strategic plan, rooted in our common vision of a strong, unified organization.

This vision focuses on mobilizing key agents for change, both in the North and the South, to promote sustainable socioeconomic development, reduce poverty, increase security for the most vulnerable populations and establish greater gender equality.

Two main lines of action were mapped out in the new strategic plan: a gradual shift toward making CECI's country teams more autonomous and transformation of the organization's governance and membership structures to reflect our ties to civil society.

Within an increasingly changing context, our goal is to strengthen CECI's position for years to come, which will call for everyone's cooperation in adopting a change in our organizational culture.

CECI will also create a structured framework for measuring development results within the organization as a whole to assess the impact of its programs and projects. Over the next five years, CECI will focus on our areas of expertise and ability to deliver quality results in order to improve the socioeconomic conditions of 5,000,000 women, men and youth in the countries where we operate.

Volunteerism remains at the core of our actions, giving many Quebecers as well as Canadians from other provinces the chance to share their talent and expertise with our partners in the South. This year, we have taken on a leadership role by increasing our involvement on an international scale in various volunteer networks and with the United Nations. Our goal is to raise awareness about the important role that volunteer cooperation plays in pursuing sustainable objectives beyond 2015.

The future is certainly brighter than it looked last year. Since then, we have received a one-year extension (2014–2015) for our volunteer program, Uniterra, and prepared and submitted a new five-year proposal to the Government of Canada.

Among some of our most significant activities in 2013–2014 were the humanitarian response to Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines and resilience-building activities in three Western African countries in response to the food crisis caused by three years of drought.

Generally speaking, our programming in the Americas, Africa and Asia has been renewed and extended in all of our sectors of activity. This has lead to job creation, increased incomes for target populations, secured access to nutritious food, prevention of violence, improved living conditions and improved status for women.

Turning to finances, this year, CECI reached an overall volume of activities of nearly 42 million dollars with only 7.6% administrative costs. CECI manages its finances with rigour and discipline, all while increasingly diversifying its sources of income so that it is not reliant on single-source funding.

We have also been making great efforts to adopt more efficient and effective work methods while constantly keeping sight of our mission and values. CECI is an organization that prioritizes action and network building.

In this annual report, we cover our activities and ongoing projects in each sector and region to highlight the initiative and innovative spirit of our dynamic teams, both in the field and at our head office. We hope you enjoy our annual report, in which you will read about CECI's numerous accomplishments this year.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our members, donors, partners, volunteers, board members and the entire team at CECI, both in Canada and abroad.

Together, we can help make the world a more equitable place and change the lives of millions of people!



Claudia Black EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Robert Perreault



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Building on Knowledge while Demonstrating Innovation

In 2013, CECI adopted a new five-year strategic plan (2014–2019) aimed at strengthening the organization's positioning within an increasingly competitive international context undergoing profound changes so that it can continue to carry out its mission.

Members of the corporate body and the Board of Directors, as well as staff in Canada and the nine countries where CECI has offices, were called upon to actively participate in a strategic thinking initiative via online consultations, meetings, work sessions and the 2013 Annual General Meeting. This broad-based consultation was very encouraging. The combined brainpower of all participants helped us define a new organizational vision that is both strong and innovative.

Five-Year Vision

An international CECI that mobilizes key agents of change, both in the North and the South, to promote sustainable socioeconomic development, reduce poverty, increase security for the most vulnerable populations and establish greater gender equality.

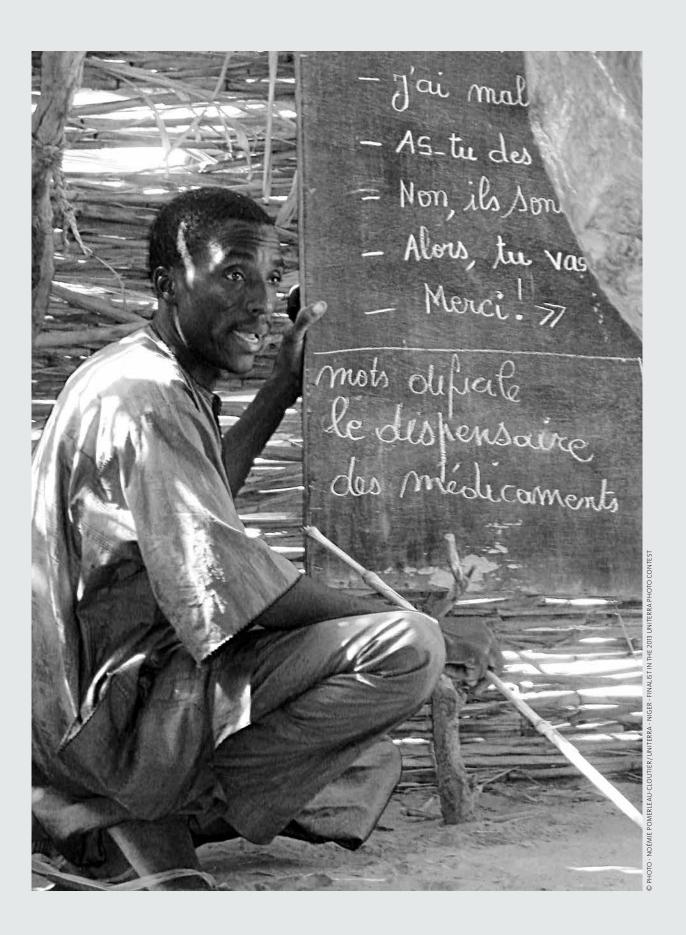
Four organizational priorities were identified based on two main lines of action:

- · Strengthening CECI country team autonomy
- $\cdot\,$ Transforming the structure of governance and membership

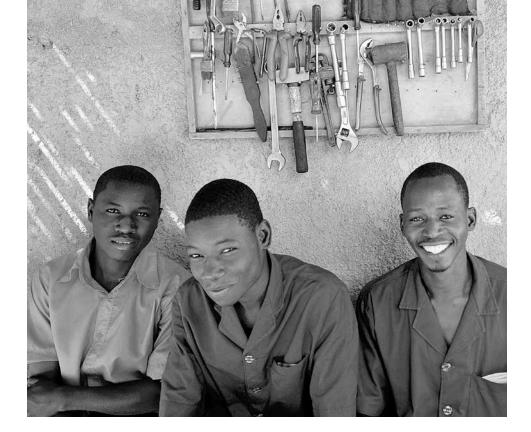
The organizational priorities of the strategic plan are to:

 Promote CECI country team autonomy and their transformation into national entities in charge of developing their own programming in cooperation and synergy with the head office.

- Transform CECI's governance and membership structures to reflect its ties to civil society in the countries where we operate and to further anchor CECI in Quebec civil society.
- Increase diversification of ceci's funding sources in order to decrease dependence on government funding.
- Increase CECI's visibility by projecting a strong, distinctive image to donor agencies, political representatives and operational partners in Canada and in our countries of operation.







Over the years, CECI has developed a consortium approach to implement several of its projects and programs.

By teaming up with other development organizations, CECI maximizes its chances of obtaining results through the sharing of expertise, work methods, resources and contacts. Some of these consortia are temporary arrangements, such as in situations requiring humanitarian assistance. Others are ongoing, strategic partnerships that facilitate joint, diversified program development.

Strategic Partners

Together with World University Service of Canada (wusc), ten years ago, CECI created Uniterra, an important Canadian volunteer cooperation and international development program that offers opportunities for individuals and organizations to make a difference in 13 developing countries. This year, we also teamed up to develop joint projects, particularly in Nepal, where we have been working to improve vocational training.

CECI joined forces with the organizations Alliance agricole internationale (AAI), Société de coopération pour le développement international (SOCODEVI) and the Union des producteurs agricoles – Développement international (UPA-DI), using our combined experience to make a more meaningful contribution to agricultural development and support food security and food sovereignty strategies.

In addition, since 2005, CECI has been operating the Haiti Volunteer Cooperation Program in consortium with wusc, the Fondation Paul Gérin-Lajoie and CESO.







This year, CECI redefined its sectors of operation to better reflect its work in the field and staff know-how, both in Canada and abroad. Its staff now offer expertise in four main areas.

— ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

To support local economic development, CECI concentrates on training relevant stakeholders, implementing a support fund for initiatives pertaining to local development plans, using a social and solidarity economy approach, supporting entrepreneurship and business creation and fostering ties between the Canadian private sector and the private sectors of countries where it operates. For example, in Nepal, CECI lent its support to the Federation of Community Forest Users, a group of 2,500 households, for the development of 1,300 micro-businesses and the commercialization of timber products.

FOOD SECURITY

CECI gives priorities to non-polluting forms of agriculture that feed people and generate decent income for farmers. We strive to reconcile the interests of consumers with those of producers, contributing to both food security and food sovereignty. An example of this is our work in Haiti, where we have been implementing more environmentally friendly technical production plans by cutting back on pesticides and water use for optimal plant growth.

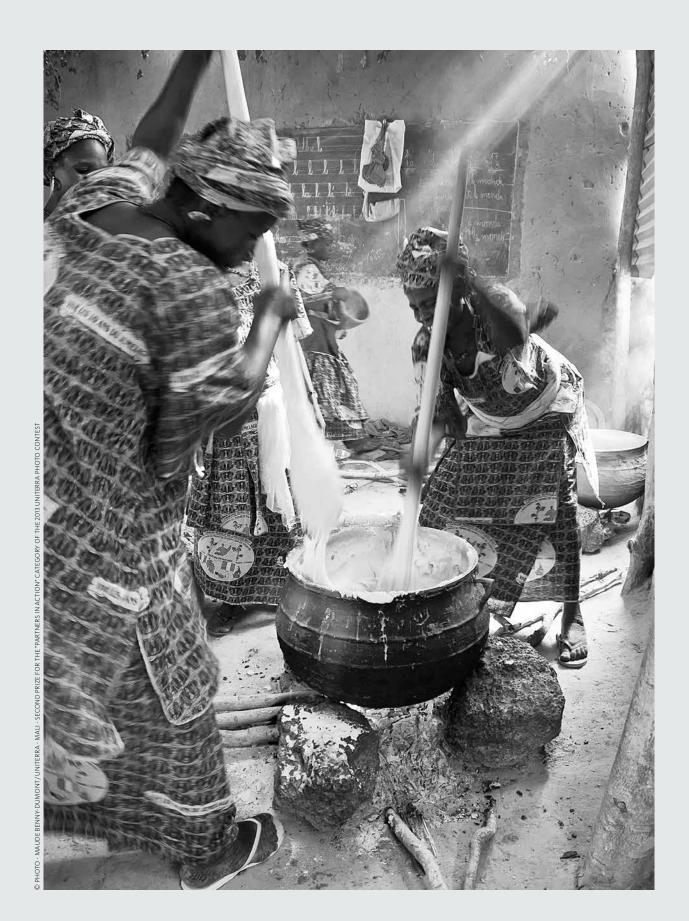
— HUMAN SECURITY

CECI intervenes in the aftermath of natural disasters to help affected populations quickly recover their livelihoods. We focus on preventative measures to prepare communities to react efficiently in emergency situations and to minimize human and material losses. CECI also supports post-conflict reconciliation initiatives between communities. We contribute to violence prevention in several countries. Such is the case in Central America where, through the Central American Observatory on Violence (OCAVI), we have been working to build upon and strengthen the capacities of civil society organizations and member-states to produce, utilize and disseminate strategic information on regional security to act more effectively against crime and the culture of violence.

GENDER EQUALITY

CECI places the principle of equal rights and dignity for all people at the centre of its mission and actions. We could not fight poverty and exclusion without empowering women and steadfastly combating all forms of sex-based discrimination. For this reason, we support women's organizations that promote women's active representation and participation in decision-making bodies and those that promote increased female entrepreneurship. Our program to help strengthen the decentralized healthcare system in Mali, in partnership with the Université de Montréal, exemplifies these principles. We give priority to the inclusion of populations, particularly women and youth, in decision-making processes.

We reaffirm our commitment to concentrating and consolidating our efforts into four areas of operation, with democratic governance remaining firmly at the core of our development approaches. Cooperation with local actors is the foundation of all our operations. In addition, we believe it is important to more systematically integrate issues surrounding climate change, environmental protection and sustainable development into our approaches.



For more than 30 years, CECI has focused on both the local and the creative resources of African women and men to fight poverty and exclusion. We have made small miracles happen by embracing an integrated approach and responding to emergencies, especially relating to food security, while developing local economies and never losing sight of the importance of gender equality. Our shea butter development initiative is one shining example of this success, and our work in the rice parboiling sector is following suit.

In **BURKINA FASO**, with the backing of Québec's ministère des Relations internationales (MRI), the shea butter processing project for women's shea producer cooperatives has undergone a technical "greening" of its practices. Three years later, the ingenious local artisans supported by volunteer engineers from the **Uniterra program have helped to:**

- · cut water consumption in half and timber consumption by 30%
- · transform processing waste into thermal energy to cook shea butter
- · increase shea butter production from 1.5 kg to 170 kg per hour
- · increase women's income by 36%

In **SENEGAL**, the Bey Dunde project boosted rice production in the Senegal River Valley to meet the needs **600,000** people annually. This project was funded by the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD) and implemented by the Alliance agricole internationale.

In **MALI**, the food security project funded by the Mali-Canada Common Development Funds subsidized the purchase of fertilizer for **4,500** family farms, benefitting **90,000** people

CECI also pursued a project supporting local development in mining communities. In **GUINEA**, the Simandou communities support project is the result of a public-private partnership that improves quality of life for the local populations by encouraging them to become actively involved in making decisions about their social services.

CECI worked with miner populations in **BURKINA FASO**, where the prevalence of HIV/AIDS is the highest. These populations are largely made up of youth with very little knowledge about the risks of transmission and who are not being adequately reached by awareness campaigns. The project involves 18 gold mining sites and their surrounding villages. The number one objective of this project is to reduce sexually transmitted infections and bolster prevention and screening measures. Some **44,500** people learned about and adopted better attitudes and practices surrounding STI transmission prevention.

In Kamsar, **GUINEA**, CECI helped improve public health and hygiene conditions in an effort to eliminate diseases like malaria and cholera. This was mainly accomplished through awareness campaigns targeting **14,000** households.

Last but not least, CECI continued its work to eliminate violence. With UNICEF funding, it carried out a project in **NIGER** to educate parents and foster dialogue among 25,000 members of 60 village communities that led to real changes in behaviour towards children.

In the **AFRICAN GREAT LAKES** region, an area rife with conflict and insecurity, CECI supported a network of 11 collectives totalling **2,481** women's organizations and groups in combating violence against women. This work was funded by the DFATD.



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cECI has been active in Latin America since the 1990's, developing local economies while emphasizing gender equality and environmental sustainability. Over the years, there has been substantial economic growth in Latin America, particularly in the non-renewable natural resources sector. The challenge here has been to ensure sustainable management practices and equitable returns for marginalized populations.

We favour participative approaches aimed at economic diversification that include all community stakeholders and gives priority to youth and women. Our support of **GUATEMALA'S** fair trade coffee industry is still a success today.

In **BOLIVIA**, CECI has been working to improve dairy production in 15 communities of Viacha. It has been promoting economic diversification in the municipality, despite the Bolivian Cement Company being the area's largest employer. It focuses on good environmental practices, including improving pastures and water usage, and fostering women's participation in decision-making processes.

•	797 families	totalling 3,188	producers t	penefit from	the program	

In **GUATEMALA**, DFATD funding has enabled CECI and partner SOCODEVI to work together toward sustainable economic development in the Sololá department to reduce poverty for:

- $\cdot~$ 915 men and 1,160 women, who received training in tourism services
- some 3,000 agricultural producers, who received training on agro-industries
- · coffee producers, who saw more than 75% increase in revenues
 - 2,400 people, 71% of whom were women, who benefitted from technical and financial support to develop small businesses.

Insecurity caused by violence, crime and climate change remains prevalent in the region. With USAID funding, CECI and partner RTI International have continued their violence and crime prevention activities in **GUATEMALA**. This has helped at-risk youth become more competitive in the job market and encouraged their social integration:

- · 31,691 educational bursaries were granted
- · 491 young women and men earned a diploma

ceci has maintained a constant presence in Haiti since 1971, even through the numerous periods of political instability that the country has undergone. Our teams are active on 30% of the territory. We are one of the largest development organizations in the country in terms of our geographical coverage, budget, range of donors and areas of intervention. Today, ceci has 89 employees in Haiti that contribute to maintaining and increasing our organization's credibility on the ground.

This year, CECI has helped improve the living conditions of some 1,000,000 people by providing better access to drinking water, electricity and education. It has contributed to improving transportation and facilitating access to services and farm inputs and has given priority to vocational training in high-demand service sectors. This has resulted in the following:

- · 800 youth received vocational training.
- · 300 small and medium businesses were launched.
- · 1,150 people, 30% of whom were women, received technical support to better manage their businesses.
 - 10,000 youth were given training in entrepreneurship and obtaining access to credit.
 - 550 professionals in government, local administrations and civil-society organizations, 35% of whom were women, improved their management, customer service and communication skills.
 - $\cdot\,$ 2,100 teachers, 40% of whom were women, in elementary schools and vocational schools enhanced their teaching skills.

Together with our Haitian partners, we intervened in 10 slums to improve living conditions:

· 38,000 people now have access to drinking water, and 24,000 have access to electricity.

In addition, CECI worked to create new partnership models between the various stakeholders, including governments, civil society and, in particular, private businesses. Brilliant examples of this strategy include the projects carried out in recent years to rebuild the Carrefour-Feuilles commune in Portau-Prince and the support CECI provided in developing the Nord department's tourism sector. In 2013–2014, the Haitian government signed a new contract to continue reconstruction efforts in Carrefour-Feuilles, while two agricultural development projects were launched in the Nord department.

CECI's programs promote good governance, peace and security through the development of more efficient, responsible, professional and reputable services. Through its project to support the construction of better court houses and police departments, CECI provides technical support to staff in order to improve the quality of public services. Such was the case for the Kenscoff court this year, as well as for the Registrar's Office.

CECI works with women's rights organizations like Kay Fanm and Fanm Deside, who are enlisted in the efforts to raise awareness among legal professionals and police officers on the topic of violence against women and girls. These organizations can be credited with an increase in reporting of sexual assaults and greater involvement among men in changing mentalities and gender relations.





FINANCIAL INFORM

Statement of changes in net assets $_{\ |\ \ \text{YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2014}}$

	Invested in capital assets	Restricted for endowment purposes	Unrestricted	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, April 1, 2012	1,825,853	601,329	1,050,465	3,477,647
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(351,524)(1)	_	811,464	459,940
Acquisition of capital assets	123,766	_	(123,766)	_
Reimbursement of long-term debt	178,001	_	(178,001)	_
Exchange losses on net assets restricted for endowment purposes	_	(36,853)	_	(36,853)
Balance, March 31, 2013	1,776,096	564,476	1,560,162	3,900,734
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(208,247) ⁽²⁾	_	1,793,022	1,584,775
Acquisition of capital assets	44,250	_	(44,250)	_
Reimbursement of long-term debt	186,481	_	(186,481)	_
Disposal of capital assets	(4,500)	_	4,500	_
Exchange gains on net assets restricted for endowment purposes	_	83,731	_	83,731
Balance, March 31, 2014	1,794,080	648,207	3,126,953	5,569,240

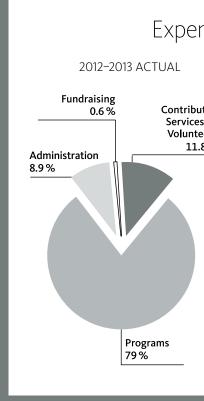
(1) Including amortization of tangible and intangible assets of \$265,550, write-offs of web site and softwares of \$86,195 and amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets of \$221. (2) Including amortization of tangible and intangible assets of \$214,423, gains on disposal of automotive equipment of \$4,500, write-off of buildings of \$1,500, less amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets of \$3,176.

Statement of financial position | ASATMARCH 31, 2014

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current		
Cash	10,427,627	10,106,702
Accounts receivable	500,610	1,149,679
Advances to partners	52,137	347,970
Prepaid expenses	291,452	340,211
	11,271,826	11,944,562
Long-term		
Cash in trust	49,038	186,869
Term deposit in trust	140,380	_
Loans and interest receivable	450,404	369,222
Tangible assets	3,527,499	3,685,780
Intangible assets	26,421	39,813
	15,465,568	16,226,246
Liabilities Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,739,629	2,565,954
Government remittances	12,322	57,547
Deferred contributions	6,384,537	7,752,514
Current portion of long-term debt	194,628	186,432
	8,331,116	10,562,447
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Deferred contributions related to capital assets	89,312	92,488
Long-term debt	1,475,900 9,896,328	1,670,577 12,325,512
	9,896,328	12,323,312
Net assets		
Invested in capital assets	1,794,080	1,776,096
Restricted for endowment purposes	648,207	564,476
Unrestricted	3,126,953	1,560,162
	5,569,240	3,900,734
	15,465,568	16,226,246

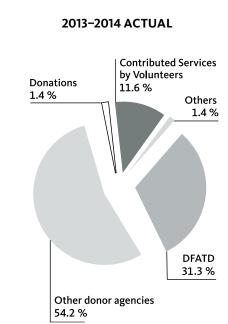
2013-2014

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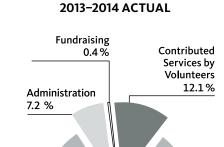
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Programs 80.3 %

Statement of operations | YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2014

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Revenue		
DFATD – Partnership	6,841,040	8,778,082
DEATD - Bilateral and other	6,720,497	12.938.604
Other funding organizations	23,448,320	13,408,787
Donations	621,994	425,103
Contributed services by volunteers	5,034,115	4,785,546
Other revenue	593,917	511,184
	43,259,883	40,847,306
Expenses		
Programs	30,070,724	28.109.403
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Expenses attributed to programs	3,388,682	3,677,992
Administration	2,228,271	2,947,015
Program development	456,064	267,038
From discretion and seat states	106 421	226.656
Fundraising activities	186,431	226,656
Interest on long-term debt	96,398	108,166
Amortization of tangible assets	201,032	216,466
Amortization of intangible assets	13,391	49,084
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Contributed services by volunteers	5,034,115	4,785,546
	41,675,108	40,387,366
Excess of revenue over expenses	1,584,775	459,940

Statement of cash flows | YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2014

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Operating activities		
Excess of revenue over expenses	1,584,775	459,940
Adjustments for:		
Gain on disposal of tangible assets	(4,500)	_
Amortization of tangible and intangible assets	214,423	265,550
Amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets	(3,176)	(221)
Write-off of tangible assets	1,500	86,195
Foreign exchange gain on cash held in	(394,338)	(142,145)
foreign currency	1,398,684	669,319
	1,550,004	000,510_
Changes in non-cash operating working capital items	(1,245,866)	2,648,617
capital items	152,818	3,317,936
Financing activity		_
Reimbursement of long-term debt	(186,481)	(178,001)
		-
Investing activities Acquisition of tangible and intangible assets	(44,250)	(122.7())
Proceeds on disposal of tangible assets	4,500	(123,766)
rioceeus on disposal of taligible assets	(39,750)	(123,766)
	(33,730)	(123,700)
Foreign exchange gain on cash held in foreign	394,338	- 142,145
currency		
Increase in cash	320,925	3,158,314
Cash, beginning of year	10,106,702	6,948,388
Cash, end of year	10,427,627	10,106,702
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Transactions during the year in "Cash in trust", "Term deposit in trust" and "Loans and interest receivable" are not disclosed in the statement of cash flows because the aggregate amount available in foreign currency is always the same. The change in the balance of the endowment represents the foreign exchange gain or loss of the amount available in Canadian dollars.

In 2013–2014, CECI focused its regional activities in Nepal. Over the past 25 years, CECI has executed 34 projects in more than 40 districts in Nepal's five regions, making it the most active Canadian international development organization in the areas of economic and social development in the country.

CECI Nepal's personnel demonstrate outstanding leadership and ability to achieve results. This means the team is highly skilled at developing partnerships with a vast number of stakeholders. These qualities are undoubtedly what led the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) to entrust CECI with the second consecutive year of managing Australian volunteers mobilized in the districts of Kathmandu and Kaski. Their mandates range from health, education and economic development to natural disaster risk reduction.

CECI was also put in charge of executing one component of a project funded by the World Bank to promote good governance and social responsibility. CECI is responsible for strengthening the knowledge and skills of non-state actors to effectively promote social responsibility approaches in order to enhance the Nepalese government's responsiveness, accountability and transparency with due regard for constructive engagement, through a grant-making scheme. **This year:**

 74 civil society organizations were awarded grants to support health, education, agriculture, water and community development initiatives that benefited 62,289 people, 50% of whom are women.

Together, CECI and WUSC initiated a project to improve vocational training in an effort to strengthen private sector development. Funded by the Asian Development Bank and the Nepalese government, this project will enable the state to enact reforms designed to improve the quality of public education, encouraging the private sector to get more involved in providing training and job placement for employees. **This project targets:**

 450,000 individuals, 40 % women and 30% members of traditionally marginalized ethnic groups.



ASA



CECI counts on the power of volunteer cooperation to attain its objectives, produce convincing project results and fulfil its mission.

Based on the mutual reinforcement of organizations and networks, CECI's volunteer cooperation programs pool expertise and knowledge to more effectively combat poverty. The **Uniterra** program offers several volunteering possibilities that range from a few weeks to two years of service. The **Quebec without Borders**, **Students without Borders** and **Leave for Change** options are tailored to young people, students and corporate professionals looking for an experience in international cooperation suited to their interests, areas of expertise, and availability. **The program, implemented jointly with wusc, sent out:**

- $\cdot\,$ 234 long-term volunteers, and
- · 197 short-term volunteers.

The efforts of these 431 volunteers, 268 of whom are women, contributed to improving the socioeconomic conditions of 200,000 people in over 60 projects carried out in partnership with 129 local organizations in 13 countries.

Volunteer Cooperation Program in Haiti

68 volunteers lent their professional knowledge and skills to public and private institutions in Haiti in order to more effectively fight poverty in four of the country's departments: Artibonite, Nord, Sud-est and Ouest. This year again, the program contributed to building the capacity of 25 Haitian partner organizations in the areas of governance, education and economic development and changed the lives of tens of thousands of people. The program is run jointly by CECI, WUSC, the Fondation Paul Gérin-Lajoie and CESO.

Our volunteer cooperation programs give individuals and organizations the opportunity to make a difference, one person at a time!



In 2013–2014, CECI provided relief to the Philippines following the earth-quake and typhoon while maintaining efforts in West Africa to respond to a food crisis brought on by three years of drought that have left millions of families exposed to food insecurity.

CECI'S APPROACH TO HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE IS:

INNOVATIVE, as it pursues sustainable development in crisis situations;

UNIQUE, as both victims and local authorities are stakeholders integrated in our relief response so that they can continue pursuing actions undertaken even after our teams leave the field.

CECI provides humanitarian assistance in accordance with norms and principles set out by the SPHERE project, which brings together major international emergency relief agencies and is supported by the Canadian government. CECI also sits at the Policy Action Group on Emergency Response (PAGER) issue table and coordinates the efforts of Canadian humanitarian agencies with the United Nations and local governments so as to avoid duplication and oversights in activity implementation.

Food Security

In **MALI**, with financial support from USAID, CECI partnered with the local association Subahi-Goumou to provide relief in the Cercle de Dire commune:

- · 1,650 households each received \$100 to support farming activities, and
- 682 people received training in rice production techniques, maintenance of irrigation and water spreading canals and water distribution management.

In **NIGER'S** Tahoua region, CECI implemented actions within the World Food Program's intervention framework:

- · 1,322 hectares of additional unusable land were restored, and
- 243,931,000 FCFA was distributed to 1,928 households for agricultural production.

In the Matam and Podor communes of **SENEGAL** and in partnership with the Fédération des associations du Fouta pour le développement, we supported:

- \cdot the distribution of cereal seeds to sow 3,707 hectares of land.
- the production of 1,843,829 kg of cereals valued at US \$908,459, of which 22% was sold.
 - the revitalization of 4,969 women's vegetable gardens that produced 297,000 kg of vegetables on 65 hectares of land.
 - the digging of 5 new wells and the rehabilitation of 6 others.

Emergency Response

After the October 15, 2013 Bohol earthquake in the **PHILIPPINES**, CECI provided relief to the most vulnerable populations in the cities of Catigbian and Tubigon. In partnership with the Centre for Emergency Aid and Rehabilitation (CONCERN) and with the support from the Government of Canada, we assisted communities in debris removal, supported reconstruction efforts and provided livelihood assistance:

- · 762 families found shelter.
- · 50 people were trained in carpentry to facilitate reconstruction.
- · 562 female merchants, 110 fishers and 180 farmers were able to quickly recover their livelihoods.
- 4 irrigation pumps were repaired to support irrigation of 180 farmers' rice paddies.

Likewise, following Typhoon Haiyan, which hit the archipelago a few weeks later on November 2, CECI and local partner CONCERN provided assistance to populations in Tacloban, Leyte and Western Samar to support quick recovery of the local market:

• 12,000 families of fishermen, farmers and female merchants received support for livelihood recovery.

Each year several thousand Quebecers support CECI's mission. Over the course of the previous year, these esteemed donors again provided us with the means to implement several projects in food security and violence prevention. The many fundraising initiatives led in 2013-2014 collected nearly \$640,000. It is in large part thanks to your support over the last 56 years that we have been able to continue our fight against poverty and exclusion and to help change the lives of more than 2,000,000 people this year!

Run to Promote Women's Rights | \$20,150

On April 29, 2013, for the second year in a row, CECI took up the Scotia Bank Charity Challenge. CECI's participants in the Scotia Bank Challenge raised a total of \$20,150.

· 336 people supported more than 20 runners who used their networks to make the 2013 run a true success.

Two Brave Volunteers at Fort Boyard! | \$8,690

In 2013, former Uniterra Volunteers Jean-Philippe Jolin and Marie-Pier Nadeau braved the harrowing challenges of the famous Fort Boyard in the Charente Maritime region of France, where they raised \$8,690. They donated their winnings to CECI in return for everything they received and learned during their stay in Mali. Teamed up with artists Jean-Michel Anctil and Edith Cochrane, their "high in adrenaline" experience was broadcast over the TVA network!

CECI extends our warmest thanks to them for this act of generosity!

Armande Begin Fund | \$32,195

The Armande Begin Fund's aim is to contribute to bettering the health and socio-economic conditions of women and children in Mali. The fund was created by her family in 2011. Armande Begin dedicated her life to volunteer cooperation, mostly in Africa and for women, and in particular as a CECI volunteer. Some of the monies for this fund were raised during the Scotia Bank Charity Challenge. In June 2013, a benefit even in honour of her memory was also held to rhythms of African music and was attended by more than 100 guests!

Thank you to all the women and men that donated to Armande Begin Fund!

Religious Communities at the Heart of CECI's History

We would like to thank the religious communities who have given us 56 years of steadfast support. Their solidarity has enabled CECI to pursue its mission of fighting poverty and exclusion and to work with disadvantaged communities, particularly with women and children, while drawing on their strengths, capacities and native cultures.

In 2013-2014, their support enabled us to respond to the Filipino population's plea for help, bring relief to the food crisis in Senegal and in Mali and pursue our efforts to prevent violence against women and girls in the African Great Lakes region and in Haiti.

CECI is a recognized charitable organization, with the following tax registration number: 118846575RR0001. The organization is an accredited member of Imagine Canada and adheres to the Code of Ethics and Operation Standards of the Canadian Council for International Cooperation (CCIC) and to the Canadian Association of Gift Planners' (CAGP) Code of Ethics.

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55th Anniversary

In 2013, CECI celebrated its 55th Anniversary!

Celebrations were kicked off on October 5 with a cocktail buffet at the Phi Centre in the heart of Old Montreal, following CECI'S Annual General Assembly. Over 100 individuals, members and friends accepted our invitation. Volunteers returned from the field came to share heart-warming stories, and a spirit of contentment prevailed over the event.

We also celebrated 55 years of fighting poverty and exclusion on November 29, 2013 in the magnificent venue provided by the Maison Symphonique de Montréal. For the occasion, the author Stanley Pean acted as our master of ceremonies, and filmmaker Kim Nguyen delivered a message of solidarity from Paris. Guests were treated to a concert by orchestra chef Yannick Nezet-Seguin, contralto Marie-Nicole Lemieux and the Orchestre Metropolitain.

\$20,500 was raised at this event.

ceci Ambassadors

Stanley Pean

Stanley Pean has authored over 20 books. A music lover, radio presenter and TV presenter, he is also a journalist and editor-in-chief for the newspaper *Le Libraire* and acted as president of the Union des écrivaines et écrivains québécois (UNEQ, the French-language Quebec writers' guild) from 2004 to 2010. Since 2009, Stanley Pean spent his evenings manning the radio show *Quand le jazz est là* on the airwaves of *Espace musique*.

Kim Nguyen

Director, producer and scriptwriter Kim Nguyen has made 4 feature films, including *War Witch*. The film dramatizes the plight of child soldiers and was selected for the prestigious Berlinale, where it was awarded the Silver Bear for Best Actress and won a special mention for the Prize of the Ecumenical Jury. The film was later nominated for an Oscar in the Best Foreign Language Film category in 2013.

ceci is proud to have counted on their support for its annual fundraising campaign!



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At a glance:

- · 87,219 visitors to CECI's website
- 8,500 subscribers to our weekly newsletter
- 3,280 likes on our Facebook page, a 33% increase since last year
- 1,403 followers on CECI's Twitter feed, a 30% increase since last year
- 50,935 viewings of 137 videos on CECI's YouTube site
- · Launch of the CECI LinkedIn profile!
- 2,115 likes on Uniterra's Facebook page, a 139% increase compared to the previous year

Volunteer Cooperation – A Source of Pride!

In fall 2013, CECI and its partner wusc launched a television, Internet and regional media campaign to promote volunteer cooperation. It set out to move people by telling the story of volunteers who are making a difference around the world, one person at a time.

A 30-second video spoke to the pride volunteers derive from their service commitment!

In total, the campaign reached over 3,000,000 people.

Making a Difference, One Photo at a Time

Nearly 1,000 people visited the exhibition held at Montreal's Centre for Sustainable Development from July 9 – August 9, 2013 and again in Gatineau at the Place du Centre, from August 30 - October 30, 2013. The exhibition showcased selected photographs submitted to the Making a difference, one photo at a time contest that was kicked off in winter 2013 and open to

Uniterra program volunteers. The works on display explored the many facets of development, including education, food, agriculture and economic development, as captured through the lenses of volunteers in the field.

The public was invited to view all 287 photos submitted to the contest and to vote online on Facebook (http://bit.ly/UniterraPhoto); 8,104 people took part in the fun!

Votes from the public were weighted in equal parts with votes from a jury comprising five professionals: Catherine Pappas, Dominic Morrissette, Michel Huneault, Normand Blouin and Marcel Mueller. These votes took into account the aesthetic and graphic value of photos submitted as well as the message they convey about the experience of international volunteer cooperation.

The jury highlighted: "The emotion, complicity and beautiful human relationships that show through in these photos, not only in the subjects of the photos (volunteers, partners and beneficiaries) but also between the photographers and those captured by their lenses."

Seven prizes were awarded over the course of an evening that brought together 150 people attending the International Forum in Ottawa on November 2, 2013.

International Forum

The International Forum is an initiative of the World University Service of Canada (wusc). For the November 2013 edition, CECI took an active part in organizing this thought-provoking annual gathering for sharing the best ideas and practices in international development. Over 400 people attended the event, which was held in Ottawa from November 1-3, 2013.

Féria de Moda

In December, CECI held the second edition of its Feria de Moda at the Monument National in Montreal to promote the latest creations in the collections of Bolivian lines of stylish ethical clothing. These creations were the work of our partners. Through the Uniterra program, CECI is supporting efforts of the Bolivian government, which has recognized both the importance of the social economy as a tool to fight poverty and create a social economy movement. This event raised nearly \$7,000.

ceci members play a vital role in our organization's community life.

These women and men embody our values of cooperation, respect and equity, and they safeguard the dynamism and relevance of our mission. We extend our sincerest thanks to our members, who spent another year investing in our organization in a number of ways most notably by taking part in extremely energetic and productive working groups and task forces.

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Philanthropy Committee

This committee works to make CECI known in any milieu deemed influential and relevant to pursing CECI's mission, diversifying its activities and increasing its independent sources of funding. This year, the committee is focusing on our canvassing strategies and messages so as to increase our visibility with a strong and distinctive image. Execution of a communication strategy began with advertisements in the *Devoir* newspaper and on social media. This is just the beginning; the committee intends on going much further in 2014–2015 and on setting CECI another step forward!

Pierre Bernard Marie-Pierre Chazel Sacha Declomesnil Michel Gagnon Kerlande Mibel Danielle Sauvage

Membership Committee

This committee's goals are to enhance the status of members within the organization and to foster their participation in CECI's activities and the fulfilment of its mission. This year, the committee was particularly active, looking into the structure of CECI's governance and its membership so as to better reflect our ties with civil society in the countries where we operate and to further anchor CECI within civil society in Quebec. The committee's work was done in accordance with objectives set out in the five-year strategic plan adopted at the 2013 Annual General Assembly. Its findings led to a proposal for the revision of CECI's membership and statutes to be presented at the 2014 Annual General Assembly.

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Over 50 projects!

In 2013–2014, CECI initiated or continued the implementation of over 50 development and humanitarian relief projects as well as its two volunteer cooperation programs in 19 countries. In total, CECI's interventions have contributed to changing the lives of 2,000,000 people around the world. Major programs and projects for 2013-2014 are:

Australian Volunteers in Nepal Management Project

Burkina Faso HIV/AIDS Prevention Project

Food Security for Children in Burkina Faso Project

Food Security Projects in Mali

Food Security Projects in Senegal

Guatemala Community-based Youth Violence Prevention Project

Guatemala Sustainable Economic Development Project

Guinea Health and Sanitation Project

Haiti Agricultural Extension and Strengthening of Rural Public Services Projects

Haiti Drainage Basin Development Project

Haiti Integrated Management of Maternal and Child Health Project

Haiti Risk and Disaster Management and Community Resilience Projects Haiti Rural and Urban Community-Driven Development Projects

Humanitarian Response Projects in the Philippines

Maternal and Child Health Project in Bolivia

Nepal Community Forest Project

Nepal Project to Promote Good Governance and Social Responsibility

Project for Community Resilience in Niger

Project to Combat Violence against Women in the African Great Lakes Region

Project to Develop Royal Organic Quinoa in Bolivia

Project to Mechanize Shea Butter Processing in Burkina

Project to Rebuild Police and Justice Infrastructures and Prevent Violence in Haiti

Project to Strengthen Bolivian Dairy Production

Project to Strengthen the Central American Integration Observatory and Democratic Security

Project to Supply Drinking Water in Haiti

Project to Support Agroforestry in Mali

Project to Support the Development and Enhancement of Tourism in the Nord Department of Haiti

Projects for Community Capacity Building in Guinea

Projects for Parent Education and Community-Based Protection for the Rights of Children in Niger

Rural Business Development in Guatemala Project

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