


SOLAFRICA

Annual report 2017




SOLAR ENERGY

FOR PEOPLE AND CLIMATE

 **3 new projects** were launched in Ethiopia, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Burkina Faso.


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Editorial

 **3.5°Celsius** is the temperature in the SolarChill-refrigerator in Koumassi, Cameroun. Vital drugs like vaccines are being cooled with it.


More about the project on page 6:

Climate-Carawane

 Around **CHF 25'000.-** of the costs for petroleum are being saved yearly by the Kenyan families, who have received a solar system in 2017.


More about the project on page 10:

Solar Learning

 **313 persons** supported Solafrica in 2017 with a private donation – of them are 102 favourers and 34 SOLidarity-members. In 2018, the efforts to raise the number of private donors shall continue.


We say thank you on page 15:

Thank you!

 **1'250 hours** a year are being invested by volunteers for the projects of Solafrica. This corresponds approximately to 60% of a full-time job.


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Administrative Office and Business Structure

 **20'000 Scouts** around the globe came into contact with solar energy thanks to the project Scouts go Solar.

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Scouts go Solar

 **4'771 Solarvignettes** were sold in 2017. This corresponds to 68'180 kWh of solar energy.

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Solar Vignette

Dear Reader

Solafrica has shown a pleasant development in the past year. Thus, in 2017 we were able to invest into the future and launch several new projects:

Thanks to our experience in Kenya, we were invited to undertake a pilot study in Ethiopia for the build-up of a vocational education and training (VET) course in solar technology.

In Burkina Faso, our partners from Artistes-éclairés started a new stage play, which is powered entirely by solar lighting and went on a tour through three villages at the beginning of 2018.

After successful pilot studies the vocational school EPROBA in Kinshasa, the capital of the Democratic Republic of Congo, is evaluating to add the VET training in solar technology as the 6th construction job training to their portfolio. These projects illustrate the important role played by Solafrica, namely the mediation and coordination of South to South know-how transfer.

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Our approach, to protect the climate through education, solar energy and social entrepreneurship is increasingly being approved.

Thanks to the positive development, we were also able to invest into our operative and administrative processes: The website was relaunched, a new way for donor payments was introduced, a marketing campaign for the Solar Vignette was carried out and partnerships with agencies were built, which consequently increased the number of our supporters overall.

At the same time, thanks to the great work of our local partners, the existing projects continued to run successfully – a brief description of the projects can be found on page 4 and 5.

These successes would not be possible without the great financial and content-related support of institutional sponsors, private donors, the staff in Berne and the partner organisations abroad as well as the many volunteers. A big thank you goes out to all, who contributed to Solafrica in 2017!



Cédric Marty & Kuno Roth
Co-Presidents Solafrica

However, as always, there is a down side to the sunny side: We end the year with a financial loss, as those several investments needed to be paid for. That it was worth it, is shown by the facts that we were already able to effectively start the projects in Ethiopia and the Democratic Republic of Congo in early 2018 and to enlarge the project in Burkina Faso.

Considering the private donors, who are essential for the solid partial financing of the organisation, the numbers developed favourably. Therefore, we were able to increase the sales of the Solar Vignette by 30% and the number of donors could be doubled. As we still see more potential in this particular field, we keep pursuing the ongoing strategy in 2018.

Cédric Marty
Co-President

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About Solafrica

Solafrica is an independent Swiss non-profit organisation, which works for the support of solar energy in economically disadvantaged regions in order to improve the living conditions of the people and to protect the climate. With education, know-how transfer and the promotion of social entrepreneurship, Solafrica is enabling an access to solar technology to people, who have not been profiting from solar energy so far. Solafrica is organised as an association and is financed by project contributions, donations and the sales of the so-called Solar Vignette.



Projects

For already several years, Solafrica is realising projects in Cameroon, Kenya and Switzerland. Initiatives in Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Ethiopia have been added in 2017.

Artistes-éclairs: Solar Energy for Art and Culture in Burkina Faso

In Burkina Faso, the majority of the population lives without access to the national grid and is thus dependent on polluting alternatives like batteries or diesel generators. The photovoltaic material, which is on the market is often of poor quality or not affordable for the people. To enhance the confidence in solar energy and to distribute reliable photovoltaic material, we work together with local artists, which have a very good reputation in Burkina Faso and beyond. Thus, they are not only serving as role models for the population, but also are contributing a relevant share to the GDP. The project "Artistes-éclairs" provides the artists with a training in solar technology, so that they are able to conduct drama, dance or music events, which rely completely on solar energy. Thanks to the portable installations, the nationwide "Artistes-éclairs" theatre tour is able to reach remote regions. The audience can enjoy the entertainment and simultaneously find out about the

usefulness of solar energy. After the play, the visitors can get information on solar material or directly purchase it on site.

The Climate-Caravan: Solar Energy for better Life Conditions

In the South of Cameroon, where the rainforest of the Congo Basin starts, people live in villages, which lack access to clean water, electricity and comprehensive healthcare. On top of the poor economic perspectives for the local families, who mostly make a living from small-scale agriculture, the advancing deforestation is endangering their livelihood. Through the access to solar energy, the living conditions of the village community is improved substantially.

Like that, Solafrica gains the confidence of the local decision makers and can sensitise them for climate and forest protection.

The activities of Solafrica focus on the areas of solar energy for families, schools and health centres.

Scouts go Solar: The global Solar Ambassadors of Scouts go Solar

The project Scouts go Solar aims at integrating the usage of solar energy into the national programmes of Scout organisations worldwide. Thus, the possibility to use renewable energy and act against climate change is being given to children and teenagers all around the world. It is in the Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC) in Switzerland, where a solar training for around 20 Scout leaders of the International Scout Movement is being realised once a year, in which the participants learn how to use solar energy and build solar constructions. After the training, the participants sensitise Scouts in their home country to use solar energy and act as so-called Solar Ambassadors, who launch small-scale to large-scale solar projects. Around 20'000 Scouts participate in solar activities yearly and learn, for example, how to use a solar cooker or how to build a simple solar torch.

Solar Learning: Professional Training in Solar Technology and Entrepreneurship

In the district of Homa Bay in the Western part of Kenya, only a small part of the population has access to the national grid. Normally, diesel generators or oil lamps are being used to provide electricity and light. Solar energy is a cheap and clean alternative to produce off-grid power independently instead. In order to use solar systems efficiently over a long time, it is essential that qualified technicians are in charge. For this reason, the Sarah Obama Solar Learning Center (SOSLC) was founded in 2013 with the help of Solafrica. The institution, which the grandmother of Barack Obama has pledged her name for, provides a solid education for 20 to 30 students each year. The young male and female adults acquire theoretical and practical knowledge in solar technology as well as in entrepreneurship and IT. After their education, the graduates are being assisted long-term in setting up their own business idea. The company Kenya Solar Solutions, which was co-founded by Solafrica, offers graduates the opportunity of self-employment in a franchise system, where they distribute, install and maintain solar systems on their own.

Solarvignette: Solar Energy for Phones, Tablets, Computers and E-Bikes in Switzerland

One Solarvignette covers the average yearly electricity consumption of a phone, a computer or an E-bike. For each Solarvignette, which has been sold, the corresponding amount of electricity is being produced over Swiss solar plants and fed into the grid. The electricity is bought by Solafrica from solar energy producers, who guarantee a fair price through their certificates of origin and consequently enables them to run their plants efficiently.

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more solar plants in Switzerland. The profit of the Solar Vignette sales is being used for the solar projects of Solafrica. Therefore, the Solar Vignette is indirectly creating access to solar energy for people, who have not been connected to it.

CO₂-Compensation: Sustainability through Solar Projects in Africa

The negative impact of flying for the climate is being equalised by Solafrica through practical and sustainable solar projects in Africa. Depending on the flight distance, travellers choose to which degree their CO₂ emissions should be compensated. A short-haul flight, for example, is being compensated by Solafrica through the replacement of an environmentally harmful petrol lamp by a solar lamp in the region of Homa Bay in Kenya. For long-haul flights, bigger investments in the project regions of Solafrica are being made.

Administrative Office and Business Structure

Solafrica is an organisation with its headquarters in Bern. At the moment, 10 persons are sharing a workload of 440 per cent. Additionally, Solafrica is regularly supported by young people, who chose to have their obligatory national community service hours over us. A voluntary board of 8 persons serves as steering committee.

Financing

Solafrica is financed by project contributions, donations and the sale of its own products. On the one hand, the donations originate from companies and foundations, on the other hand from private persons. In 2017, 102 persons supported Solafrica as patrons (2016: 85) and 34 as members of the SOLidarity Club (2016: 31). The Club members commit themselves to support Solafrica with 250 CHF yearly, which is also contributing to enable the necessary project management tasks in Switzerland.



The Climate-Caravan: Development of a long-term Strategy

64 families and around 1'250 pupils of five schools have received access to solar energy in 2017. 52 persons have been sensitised for climate and forest protection and the installation of two solar powered refrigerators was prepared. A long-term strategy has been developed to address the various challenges in the current projects and will be implemented in 2019.

Pending project activities of 2016 were still being conducted at the beginning of the year. Thus, 10 solar systems for households of the village Atong were being installed in January 2017. In March, the project managers of the local partner organisation, Association Jeunesse Verte du Cameroun, have visited additional villages to present the project. In four villages, enough funds were being raised to electrify 54 households with solar energy. At the same time, 9 young adults received a VET education in solar technology. They assure that the solar systems are maintained appropriately and that new solar systems can be installed independently without external support.

The evaluation of the households with solar installations has shown that both the environment and the people profit from the solar systems.

Savings in Ressources and Money¹

Reduction of petroleum by	66 %
Reduction of batteries by	20 %
Reduction of diesel by	28 %
Reduction of 31 tons of	31 Tonnen
Increased yearly household budget because of lower consumption of fossil fuels and improved income opportunities by	CHF 123

¹based on 54 households

Environment-Education-Workshop in Forest and Climate Protection

On the 17th and 18th of May 2017, an environmental education workshop was carried out in the village Bedoumo in Eastern Cameroon. Invited were decision-makers from the project villages of 2017 as well as the participants from earlier workshops. In total, 52 persons were attending. The goal was to sensitise the local population for the protection of the rainforest. Thus, the topics were the legal framework on forests in Cameroon, international conventions, legal and illegal practices in municipal, community and national forests as well as forestry concessions. Through various group works, solutions and claims were being worked out. For example, the population should be more involved in the processes of the territorial delineation and the transparency concerning the cultivation of the community forest as well as the recording of the municipality meetings should be improved. In 2017, Solafrica conducted a field study, which shows the discrepancy of legal and illegal actions in forestry through two case examples. The elaborated approaches shall be further enhanced in an additional project or study. The results are available on the Solafrica website under Climate-Caravan.

Solar energy for schools

Until now, Solafrica has electrified eight schools in Cameroon. In 2017, additional five schools were being equipped with a solar system and computers bought by the municipality, were being put into operation. The installations are regularly controlled and maintained by the teachers and members of the parent association, who have received an adequate training.

Solar energy for health centers

Thanks to Solafrica, six health centres in Cameroon are run with solar energy. In 2017, two additional centres and the belonging staff housing should have been electrified. These plans and the installation of the solar refrigerator SolarChill was delayed by 3 months due to administrative formalities of the customs authorities. The facilities were installed by February 2018 and the technical revision and evaluation took place in April.

During a visit of the health centres in Kwoamb and Koumassi, which had been electrified in 2016, the SolarChills and the lightning proofed to work flawlessly.

In both centres, the refrigerators were filled with medications and the temperature was working within the normal range. In order to support the centre of Koumassi financially, Solafrica provided free medications. Through the selling of these drugs, its stock can be constantly renewed.

Strategic realignment

From 2019, the solar and forest protection project are to be managed separately to counteract the challenges the project has been facing for some time. On the one hand, the independent dissemination of solar energy proved difficult, if the solarisation is mainly supported by foreign funds. On

the other hand, the organisation would like to enable the trained solar technicians to earn a living, as the small repairs in the villages are not generating enough income. In 2019, the electrification of households with solar power will therefore be relaunched: A solar cooperative shall be set up, in which the solar technicians will gather to sell high-quality solar material on the market of rural areas.

The strategy of 2019 to 2024 also includes the establishment of a training centre. In the field of forest protection, a programme is being developed, which will most likely focus more specifically on environmental education in the rainforest. At the same time, further pilot projects to improve the living conditions through solar energy are being implemented, such as a project to raise income through solar dryers or solar irrigation. In 2018, the programme will be realigned to be starting in 2019.

Outlook

In 2018, it is planned to solarise three more schools and carry out an internal evaluation of all schools previously supplied with solar electricity. In the field of health, a conference will be organised to disseminate the SolarChills to local authorities and civil society organisations. The aim is to attract at least five players, who will invest in a SolarChill. In addition, Solafrica will install a SolarChill in another health centre in cooperation with Fairmed. For the last time in its current form, the solarisation of households will take place, of which three more villages are expected to benefit. In addition, the installations of 2012 will be reviewed technically. This should also sensitise the owners that they have to pay for new batteries or repairs themselves. Additionally, the environmental education workshop for local decision-makers will take place again.



Scouts go Solar: New Activities around the Globe

In 2017, Solafrica trained leaders of Scout groups from all over the world as Solar Ambassadors in Kandersteg. Additionally, well over 20'000 Scouts worldwide had the opportunity to take part in a Scouts go Solar workshop led by a Solar Ambassador. New Scouts go Solar projects have also been developed with representatives in Mexico, the Philippines and Pakistan.

From the 4th to the 14th of September, the 7th Solafrica Scouts go Solar Training took place at the Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC). The ten participating Scout leaders from Ethiopia, Chile, Luxembourg, Palestine, the Philippines, Poland, Zimbabwe and the Czech Republic learned how to produce solar constructions such as solar lamps, solar cookers, solar games or the complex solar suitcase- a mobile solar power station- themselves. The participants additionally had to prove that they could put their acquired knowledge into practice: During a Scouts go Solar workshop, they demonstrated the usage of solar energy to 25 Sri Lankan Scouts, who spent their summer camp at KISC. Together they made sunglasses, experimented with the solar water pump, cooked with the solar cooker, organised a race with solar-powered toy grasshoppers and created solar art.

At KISC, Scouts go Solar activities also take place without Solafrica now.

The KISC guides regularly offer Scouts go Solar workshops to interested Scout groups to further disseminate the solar know-how.

Global Scouts go Solar Activities

Shortly after the training in Switzerland, the new Solar Ambassadors began to apply what they had learned at home: Still in 2017, Paddington Johannes realised the first Scouts go Solar training on African soil in Zimbabwe. 35 group leaders from eight of the ten regions of the country participated. Bernardo De Leon passed on his knowledge in several workshops on the Philippines. Amongst other things, his team introduced around 12'000 Scouts to solar energy at the ASEAN Jamboree. In Addis Ababa in Ethiopia, Getie Gismie designed a first solar workshop in 2017, which will be realised in 2018.

Change in Project Coordination

Since April 2017, the global coordination of Scouts go Solar lies in the hands of Solafrica. The former coordinator, Asif Mahmood, has taken over the co-leadership of Scouts go Solar in Pakistan.

Outlook

The next Scouts go Solar Training will take place at KISC from the 16th to the 24th of July 2018. In addition to the training, the focus is on the three new projects: Solar Am-

bassador Bernardo De Leon will inform schools and communities on the Philippines about the usage of solar energy and distribute solar emergency kits as preventive disaster relief. In addition to the money he acquired himself, he receives financial support from Solafrica. In Mexico, community kitchens in five disadvantaged regions with a mainly indigenous population will be supplied with solar cookers by the Solar Ambassador Abelardo Rosas Castillo. And in Pakistan, Solar Ambassador Asif Mahmood is providing Scouts with special needs with a solar training with the support of Solafrica.





Solar Learning: Success despite a difficult Starting Position

In 2017, Kenya was heavily affected by drought and high food prices. In addition, political unrest surrounding the presidential elections led to security problems. As a result, several young people could no longer afford the VET training in solar technology. Instead of the targeted 30 students, only 23 young adults have completed their vocational training at the Sarah Obama Solar Learning Centre. Through the installation of solar systems, over 400 more people have gained access to light and electricity.

In 2017, a total of 23 participants from the Homa Bay and Migori region in Western Kenya were trained as solar technicians within two courses. In a theoretical part, the training provided general know-how on solar energy, electrical engineering and the operation and usage of photovoltaic systems amongst other things. During the subject of business administration, the participants also learned the basics of founding a company, accounting and marketing. In a practical part, the prospective solar technicians learned how to correctly dimension, install and repair the systems. In the autumn course, the revised curriculum, which had been adapted to the state of the art and the legal conditions in Kenya, was used for the first time. It was approved by the Kenyan National Industrial Training Authority, which is responsible for technical vocational training. The focus is now on work safety, tools and system components, dimensioning and installation of a solar system, system testing and commissioning, troubleshooting and system maintenance.

After completing the training, thirteen selected graduates were allowed to take part in a three-month internship at the solar company Kenya Solar Solutions.

During this time, the interns drew up business plans, in which they developed their business ideas. Subsequently, they were able to prove what they had learned by selling and installing small solar systems. For this, Kenya Solar Solutions provided them with administrative and material support.

Household Survey on the Energy Situation

In July 2017, Solafrica was surveying around 80 households in the region about their energy supply in cooperation with its partner organisation Kenya Solar Solutions. This showed that around 19% of households, which do not have a solar system are connected to the grid. With costs of around CHF 225 and 14 centimes per kWh, a connection to the public electricity grid is relatively expensive and thus not an option for low-income households. 62% of households, who

cannot afford such an electricity connection use kerosene lamps to produce light, 10% use candles, 5% use rechargeable lanterns and 4% use diesel generators.

rural and urban training institutions. In a pilot project, the Solar Learning training programme is additionally being extended to Ethiopia and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Thus, the electrification rate in the rural project area has increased from 3.3 % in 2012 to 19 % in 2017.

Thanks to the improved access to solar energy, one third of households already have a solar system.

However, it also showed that unfortunately only every second household had been introduced to handling the solar systems and only 30% found the instructions for the usage and maintenance of the solar systems comprehensible. In addition, around 70% of households reported that they have problems generating enough light with their solar systems during the rainy season.

These findings will be used for the further development of the project. Starting this year, households will be better introduced to the handling and maintenance of their solar systems. For this, the corresponding operating manuals are also being translated into Swahili and Luo.

ETH Zurich Impact Study and on-site Monitoring

In February 2017, the ETH Zurich two-year impact study had been completed. In it, the impact of the project on the local population had been investigated: How did the employment situation change, how widespread is the know-how for handling solar systems and how is solar technology being used? The study concludes that the lives of the trained technicians and the inhabitants of the region have changed positively and permanently thanks to solar learning and the access to electricity. The market-based approach of the project has successfully led to the creation of local income opportunities and the sustainable distribution of solar systems.

The participatory approach of the research cooperation between the ETH Zurich, Solafrica's Kenyan partner organisation Ramogi Resource Centre and Solafrica has awoken international interest: Consequently, the research team was invited to present the results at the Annual Global Business School Network Conference in Washington. Interesting new contacts were being made at the conference. A project visit to Kenya had also been used for monitoring and further project planning. Potential problems and barriers to the successful project implementation were identified and feedback from the people involved on site was obtained systematically.

Outlook for 2018

For 2018, two further VET courses for around 30 solar technicians are being planned. An intensified mentoring and coaching programme ensure that graduates receive the best support and advice to successfully find a job or build up an opportunity of income. Knowledge exchange is being promoted through an exchange programme with Kenya's

Solarvignette: Continued positive Development

Compared to the previous year, sales of the so-called Solarvignette increased by more than 35 %. Thus, the growth of the recent years has continued continuously. Amongst our popular gifts is the SolarSchoggi, a gift set consisting of Swiss chocolate and a Solarvignette.

Thanks to the Solar Vignette, 2'834 Swiss mobile phones and 879 computers and/or e-bikes were running on solar energy in 2017.

From the sales of the Solarvignette, Solafrica additionally supported its international projects with CHF 56,000 in net profit.

Successful SolarSchoggi

Amongst 772 small Solar Vignettes for mobile phones, 106 large ones were being sold for bikes or computers in combination with SolarSchoggi bars. The offer to purchase a SolarSchoggi as a company gift was being used by several companies, which bought 180 pieces together with a small Solar Vignette.

Outlook

In 2018, Solafrica will invest even more in the marketing of the Solar Vignette to further promote the popular product. Other products are also being developed, such as the Solar Vignette for electric cars or household appliances.



Income Statement

Financial year from 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017

INCOME in CHF	2017	2016	EXPENSES IN CHF	2017	2016
Donations without a purpose			Direct project expenditure		
Donations from private individuals	39,398	30,132	Solar Learning Kenya	150,829	119,290
Donation from institutions	26,162	16,861	Climate Caravan Cameroon	168,326	138,607
Total donations without purpose	65,560	46,993	Solar Square	0	26,292
Donations for a specific purpose			Scouts go Solar	80,187	70,500
Solar Learning Kenya	148,499	180,443	Further projects	10,107	61,386
Climate Caravan Cameroon	184,032	177,797	Solarvignette	18,481	13,982
Scouts go Solar	63,824	103,563	Total direct project expenditure	427,930	430,057
Further projects	18,453	64,651	Expenses for fundraising		
Total donations for a specific purpose	414,808	526,454	CO ₂ compensation	0	0
Further income			School sale of dried fruits	1,189	11,470
Solarvignette	90,243	61,003	HR costs for Fundraising	42,173	48,473
CO ₂ compensation	3,655	5,833	Solarvignette	18,482	13,982
School sale of dried fruits	5,135	9,967	Total expenses for fundraising	61,844	73,925
Miscellaneous other income	6,736	5,702	Other administrative expenses		
Total additional income	105,769	82,505	Advertising and communication	25,080	18,906
Extraordinary income			Costs Headquarters	31,266	20,057
Extraordinary income	0	6,176	Write-offs	0	9,570
Extraordinary expenses	-2,954	-9,590	HR costs for Administration	57,773	30,938
Total extraordinary income	-2,954	-3,414	Total other administrative expenses	114,119	79,471
Total income	583,183	652,538	Outlay / Total expenses	603,893	583,453
			Result before fund changes	-18,830	69,085
			Fund changes		
			Fund withdrawals	107,319	41,774
			Fund allocations	-109,199	-107,319
			Fund changes	-1,880	-65,545
			Result for the year after fund changes	-20,710	23,542
			Allocation of organisational capital	20,710	-23,542
			Annual result after allocations	0	0

Balance

At 31.12.2017

ASSETS in CHF	2017	2016
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	131,985	138,027
Accounts receivable from third parties	18,910	11,884
Accrued income	5,829	211
Total current assets	156,724	150,122
Fixed assets		
Property, plant and equipment	1,037	0
Total fixed assets	1,037	0
Total assets	157,761	150,122
LIABILITIES in CHF		
Short-term liabilities		
Accounts payable to third parties	39,344	11,355
Deferred income	7,000	4,207
Total current liabilities	46,344	15,562
Fund capital		
Solar Learning Kenya Fund	23,082	51,282
Climate Caravan Fund Cameroon	48,210	30,150
Solar Square Fund	0	0
Scouts go Solar Fund	37,907	25,887
Total fund capital	109,199	107,319
Organisational capital	2,218	27,241
Total liabilities	157,761	150,122

The complete and audited financial statements including the audit report can be ordered from Solafrika (info@solafrica.ch).

The finances were audited in accordance with Swiss GAAP ARR 21. Auditor: Matthias Günter, Zurich.

Comment

The year 2017 was marked by various investments for the future. Several new projects were initiated or prepared. At the same time, investments were also being made in the Swiss headquarters to improve the areas of communication and marketing, which had been little developed.

As expected, the continuation of the strategy initiated in the previous year was reflected in a negative annual result. In combination with the low organisational capital, this represents a challenge for Solafrika. Fortunately, both the figures for the Solar Vignette as well as for the donations from private persons show that the investments are having the desired effect.

As most of the one-off projects carried out in 2016 were ended, both expenses and income were reduced accordingly. Due to the concentration on the new projects, revenues from previous projects also remained slightly below the level of the previous year.

Thanks to the already secured financing of the new projects and the improved starting position in the field of private donations, Solafrika is financially better positioned than in previous years despite the negative annual result.

Thank you very much!

In addition to the numerous private donors, the following institutions supported Solafrika financially in 2017:

Solar Learning

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 Megasol
 RG Energie
 Savenergy Light Solutions
 Standout GmbH

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Solafrica has been ZEWo-certified since 2015. This seal of approval stands for:

- Earmarked, economical and effective use of your donation
- Transparent information and meaningful accounting
- Independent and appropriate control structures
- Genuine communication and fair fundraising

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