



# Secours Dentaire International Dental Aid International



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Secours Dentaire International (SDI) is a Swiss foundation with the main purpose to allow social dentistry and prophylaxis in the countries of the South through cooperation with local partners.



Michael Willi / Nabilala – Uganda 2013

## 2013 – AN EVENTFUL YEAR FOR SDI

Since January 2013, the most northern SDI clinic in Djibo, Burkina Faso, has also been affected by the armed conflict in the neighbouring country Mali. It is a difficult situation for the SDI doctors from Ticino, who built the clinic in the capitol Ouagadougou just two years ago and who are involved in a renovation project in Djibo, because the North of Burkina Faso is currently not accessible for Europeans. There is a war also in the Democratic Republic of Congo. While the Congolese army in the east of the vast country takes action against the Tutsi rebel movement M23, the team of Dr. Simada Kasuku is accomplishing great work in the capital Kinshasa despite the most difficult circumstances. Almost 30,000 patients per year are being treated in the largest SDI clinic, according to social and ethical principles, and unlike in other parts of the country: without discrimination.

In Port-au-Prince, where the only SDI clinic outside of Africa is located, there was a reason for celebration in May 2013 with the reopening of the dental clinic, which was heavily damaged by the earthquake in 2010. By a show of strength from SDI it was managed to raise the necessary funds for the purchase and renovation of the damaged building and to successfully complete the construction work despite extremely difficult local conditions. The SDI team under Dr. Angrand made a new start with great motivation. The clinic in the poor district of Carrefour should set a positive sign of hope in Haiti, which was so badly battered by fate.

There was a celebration in Lambaréné, Gabon (central Africa) where Dr. Albert Schweitzer founded his „Jungle Hospital“ 100 years ago. Since the 70s, SDI has been represented in this hospital by a dental clinic, the first SDI clinic on the African continent. It was followed by other clinics in the countries of Burkina Faso, Benin, Madagascar, Tanzania and Zimbabwe, where since many years the best possible dentistry and prophylaxis is being offered with simple means by African teams who have been trained by Swiss SDI dentists. The project managers are staying in touch all year round with "their" clinics and an annual site visit helps to strengthen the relationship with the African partners.

This long-term success, which is not typical for projects in Africa, has moved the management of SDI to take up a new project into the family of SDI clinics: In Mukono, Uganda, near the capital Kampala, our colleague, Dr. Joseph Mubiru is treating up to 100 patients daily at very social prices, in a small room of 3x3 meters, despite extremely difficult conditions. An SDI team launched the expansion of this most recent SDI clinic in October 2013 with the delivery of much-needed instruments and the signing of a memorandum..

**Dr. Michael Willi, President**



## SDI 2013 IN NUMBERS

2013 was also from the view of Finance a very positive year. Although monetary donations slightly decreased, the logistics manager was delighted to receive a large number of material donations. The auditing company demands that these donations need to be listed in the accounting. The administrative expenses (like last year) are well below 10%, compared to the total cost.

For each project, there have been shifts. Indeed, the cost for Haiti after the clinic was inaugurated in the spring, now dropped significantly. Minor issues can be reported to the clinics in Burkina Faso and Kinshasa. In addition, it can be mentioned that the clinic Kinshasa paid their expenses to a large extent from the income. Urgently needed purchases, however, have led to higher costs in the clinics in Cotonou (Benin) and Chikombedzi (Zimbabwe). The establishment of the new building in Ouéssé (Benin), which will be completed in 2014, has already caused certain costs, and finally we have with Mukono (Uganda) launched certain investments in a new project in collaboration with SDI Germany.

**Monika Lang, finances**

## ACTIVITIES OF SDI 2013

The management of SDI has met in the past year for four sessions. In November 2013 the traditional one-day seminar was held with great participation at Nottwil in the canton of Lucerne. This meeting is not just a platform for the exchange of information among the SDI experts coming from three language regions and acting in very different project countries but also a forum for young dentists who are interested in our activities and want to contribute. The annual meeting of the Foundation Board was held in Lucerne in May 2013. All members of the Foundation Board, as well as the project managers and other volunteers are working on an unsalaried basis for SDI.

### Profit and loss account 2013 Secours Dentaire International

<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>		<b>CHF</b>
Revenue of organizations	Fr.	102'670.00
Revenue from private	Fr.	38'144.00
Other income	Fr.	90'212.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>231'026.00</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPEDITURE</b>		
<b>Project costs</b>		
Haiti, Port au Prince	Fr.	36'717.00
Burkina Faso, Ouagadougou	Fr.	15'480.00
Burkina Faso, Djibo	Fr.	4'937.00
Dem. Republik Kongo, Kinshasa	Fr.	24'985.00
Gabun, Lambarene	Fr.	11'445.00
Madagaskar, Ambanja	Fr.	5'070.00
Madagaskar, Antsirabé	Fr.	2'831.00
Benin, Cotonou	Fr.	20'470.00
Benin, Ouéssé	Fr.	16'781.00
Tansania, Ifakara	Fr.	3'399.00
Tansania, Tropenkurs	Fr.	5'700.00
Zimbabwe, Chikombedzi	Fr.	7'177.00
Uganda, Mukono	Fr.	10'695.00
Diverse Kosten	Fr.	60.00
<b>SDI Switzerland</b>		
Administrative costs SDI Switzerland	Fr.	16'063.00
Goods reserve	Fr.	28'848.00
<b>Total expediture</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>210'658.00</b>
<b>Profit</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>20'368.00</b>
<b>FUND PERFORMANCE</b>		
Fund withdrawal Kinshasa/Kongo	Fr.	21'926.00
Fund assign Kinshasa/Kongo	Fr.	-25'282.00
Fund withdrawal tropical course	Fr.	5'700.00
Fund assign tropical course	Fr.	-
<b>Fund result</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>2'344.00</b>
<b>Non-operating loss and income</b>		
Interest income	Fr.	249.00
Total non-operating income	Fr.	249.00
<b>Annual profit</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>22'961.00</b>





**Cotonou, Benin**

Dr Akpovi Georges	médecin-dentiste, resp.
Dr Adjibi Sandrine	médecin-dentiste
Ahlonsou Bienvenu	technicien supérieur
M. Capo-Chichi Hector	technicien-dentiste
M. Houanhou Grégoire	hygiéniste, animateur
M. Assogbadjo Cyriaque	hygiéniste, animateur
Mme Ayédéou Gertrude	hygiéniste
Mme Bogler Chantal	assistante dentaire
Mme Ahlin Hermine	assistante dentaire

Since 1991, SDI supports the dental clinic, which is affiliated with the St. Luc Hospital in Benin's metropolis Cotonou. After this long time and the intense use, the dental facilities need to be replaced in both treatment rooms. A contract between the partners SDI and the Hospital St. Luc regulates the financial contribution to the new facilities. Since the money required is available, in 2014 two new treatment units can be purchased and installed. The team of the dental clinic under the

leadership of the responsible dentist, Dr. Georges Akpovi, is also very happy about this step. Two members of the team, known as "animators", also operate dental health prevention in schools in and around Cotonou.

**Dr. Felix Morgenthaler, chef de projet**

**Ouèssè, Benin**

M. Alougou Jean-Louis	technicien supérieur
M. Alougou Jean	hygiéniste dentaire

Jean Alougou has been working since 2001 as a dental hygienist and organizer of instruction in preventive dental care in the community Ouèssè in Central Benin. Through the appointment of Jean-Louis Alougou, also curative dentistry can be offered since 2013. The dental clinic is supported by SDI professionally and with material supply. The building in which the station is located, is dilapidated. The local partner is now able to provide the funds for a new building, the works are in progress. In the first half of 2014, the

building will be completed and newly equipped by SDI

**Dr. Michael Studer, chef de projet**

Marco Santini / Ouèssè - Benin 2013



**Port au Prince, Haïti**

Dr Angrand Patrick	médecin-dentiste, resp.
Dresse Augustin Michèle	médecin-dentiste
Mme Cassagnol Marie	assistante dentaire
Mme de Pt-Homme Islan	assistante dentaire
Mme Térozile M-David	secrétaire
Mme Guirand Annie	prophylaxiste
Mme Lorquet Madeleine	prophylaxiste
Mme Bazelais Magdjanith	prophylaxiste
Mme Jean Jennifer Augustave	assistante en formation
Mme Jolina Décéan	femme de ménage

Thanks to the support of numerous companies and private individuals, the building of the Dental Clinic of Carrefour was able to open its doors again in May 2013. We would like to thank the project leader, Dr. Michel Lebrun, who has spent an extraordinary amount of time on site and without whom the renovation of the destroyed clinic would not have been possible. Many thanks are also due to the team at the dental clinic under the direction of Dr. Patrick Angrand for the dental care of

the long-suffering and poor population. In the last three and a half years since the earthquake the team has had to work under extremely difficult conditions. Now the beautiful premises of the clinic are available. A donation of Dr. Michel Lebrun has made it possible to install a second treatment chair. In the hospital an average of about 20 patients per day are treated and 2,500 children from the surrounding schools receive prophylaxis teaching, which is given by three particularly trained staff members.

**Quentin Voellinger, chef de projet**

Michael Willi / Port au Prince – Haïti 2013





**Kinshasa, Kongo**

Dr Kasuku Simada	chirurgien-dentiste, resp.
Dresse Mavar Denise	chirurgien-dentiste
Dr Kindembe Alain	chirurgien-dentiste
Dresse Kibundi Mado	chirurgien-dentiste
Mme Nsimba Anderson	administration, prévention
Mme Bobo Bobette	nutritionniste, réceptionniste
M. Mpeti Jean-Paul	infirmier-assistant
Mme Maningu Jeanne	infirmière-assistante
M. Bona Kihila	garçon de salle
M. Kulukila Jean	garçon de salle

The clinic still functions very well and the ten full-time employed staff members treat around 100 patients every day in four treatment rooms. The clinic also provides an exceptional contribution to education and training: it consistently provides internships for three students of the University of Kinshasa, two nursing students as well as post graduate programs for two dentists who already have a degree. One can imagine that it is busy as in a beehive. The dental clinic is directed by Dr. Kasuka who performs this demanding work sensitively and with

great dedication. The dental prophylaxis is on the program on three days of the week, on the one hand with prophylaxis lessons and on the other hand with dental procedures in schools and social organizations. Two of the dental facilities are being replaced in spring 2014 after 20 to 25 years of intensive use and put into operation in the treatment rooms, which have already been renovated at the expense of the dental clinic (new floors and cabinets, new paint). The team of the hospital is looking forward to the visit of the President of SDI in April 2014.

**Dr. Claire Aeschmann, cheffe de projet**

**Djibo, Burkina Faso**

Dr Kisiata Alex	médecin-dentiste
Mme Adama Aïssata	hygiéniste, prophylaxie
M. Traoré Soufiane	technicien-dentiste
Mme Rouamba Haude	secrétaire
M. Sankara Daniel	assistant dentaire
M Ousseini Niampa	gardien
M Rouamba T. David	gardien

At the beginning of the year the facilities and installations were renewed. The training of Aissata Adama in view of a possible takeover of the management of the dental clinic has begun. To continue a new instructor is needed. The new dentist-auxilliary Tamoura Kader has integrated well in the small team.

The clinic has finished on a positive note. Many refugees from Mali have been filed by the association "Médecins du Monde" at the clinic. They were examined on site and necessary emergency treatments have been done.

**Dr. Fiorenzo Frascina, chef de projet**  
**Dr. Paolo Guerra, chef de projet**

**Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso**

M. Ouédraogo Jacques	thérapeute dentaire, resp
Dresse Ouédraogo Myriam	médecin-dentiste
M. Zongo Jérôme	hygiéniste dentaire
M. Nana Constant	assistant en prophylaxie
Mme Zida Emilienne	secrétaire
M. Sankara Daniel	assistant UDM
M. Ouédraogo Issa	thérapeute dentaire UDM
M. Diolompo Sangoun	thérapeute dentaire UDM
Mme Bouda Christine	stérilisation

The year 2013 passed quietly and the clinic "Nioko I" has become even better known in the new environment. The contract with FOSIT (Federazione delle ONG della Svizzera Italiana) was extended, which should enable the financing out of the proceeds of the clinic, a goal that is actually already almost achieved. Most important parts of the new project are buying a new Toyota Hilux 4x4 for the mobile dental clinic and the financial support of the dental study

of the young local, Ulrich Ouedraogo, at the medical faculty of Dakar. The visit of the project leader Dr. Frascina in December 2013 has made it possible to bring material, to meet the two new employees and to re-organize the ordering and management of material bearing.

**Dr. Nicola Fattorini, chef de projet**



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**Ifakara, Tanzania**

Dr Mringo Israel	dental in charge SFRH
Mr Ikongoli Sanktina	nurse auxiliary
Mr Sanda Philip	dental auxiliary
Sr Kingunya Albina	dental auxiliary
Mrs Mwilenga Aristida	dental auxiliary
Mr Massam Bahati	dental lab assistant
Mr Kimbenju Focus	dental technologist

The Saint Francis Hospital in Ifakara is being renovated and expanded at the moment. The rooms of the dental clinic are affected only marginally. The clinic is able to offer its services as usual. Dr. Adolf Mtenga has left the clinic to study medicine at the University of Ifakara. There is now an intensive search for a successor, because the number of patients has risen again. The dental facility is functional, but a compressor needs an overhaul.

In Morogoro district, near Ifakara, two more dental clinics would like to collaborate with SDI. Both are operated

under Medical Dispensaries and both were recently perfectly equipped by an Italian organization with new dental chairs, sterilizers and other equipment. However, it lacks a long-term strategy, because after the installation, the sponsor has not made any contact. In Kisawasawa a young female dentist with a university degree is working, and in Mahenge an extremely motivated former medical assistant, who became a dentist through further education. After examination of our possibilities, in the spring we will submit a proposal with the relevant conditions to the responsible persons for a future cooperation.

**Dr. Markus Willi, project manager**

Markus Willi / Mahenge – Tanzania 2013



**Chikombedzi, Zimbabwe**

M. Chivavo Manuel	dental therap. in charge
M. Chauke Lukas	dental assistant

2013 was an important year for Secours Dentaire International and the Dental Department of the Mission Hospital of Chikombedzi. The collaboration started 20 years ago and the hospital has also received the much-needed vehicles in 2013 from the State, which are needed for transporting the mobile dental clinic

and the staff of the dental clinic. Patients without transportation possibilities could be helped with emergency treatment and the students were received prophylaxis tutorials by the clinical team.

**Etienne Malherbe, project manager**

**Ambanja, Madagascar**

Dr Andrianantenaina José	méd-dent, resp.
Mme Razafinolona Nicole	assistante dentaire
Mme Mbotimina Alexandra	assistante dentaire

In the SDI Clinic Ambanja the established team is working in a good atmosphere and a prosperous cooperation with the local partner organization. Also, the program with the mobile dental clinic could be carried out as planned. The material for the dental clinic is sent with a container from Switzerland to Madagascar. In the future, however, it will be possible to buy a large part of the supplies directly in Antananarivo / Madagascar. The dental devices are now more than 20 years old and need to be replaced, what needs to be negotiated in 2014. An

important exchange of views took place, as every year with Père Stefano Scaringella. He is the director of the local partner organization CMC St Damien Ambanja and comes every year to Europe to solicit support for the hospital, which at the same time makes a meeting possible.

**Dr. Jean-Marc Baechler, chef de projet**



**Antsirabé, Madagascar**

Dr Rahoisoa Miharisoa	médecin-dentiste
Sr Marie-Bernadette	assistante dentaire
Mme Rasoa Baptistine	prophylaxiste
Mme Vololoniaina Odine	prophylaxiste
Mme Ravaomanana Bernadette	prophylaxiste
Mme Razanaka Marcelle	prophylaxiste
Mme Razafinirina Lucie	prophylaxiste
Mme Razanajafy Hanta	prophylaxiste



Giuseppe Botte / Antsirabe – Madagascar

The search for a new medical director was successful in 2013. Until March the dental basic care was still provided by retired Dr. Ramalinarivo Eljarison. Since April Dr. Rahoisoa Miharisoa is now working in the clinic. During my visit in May I was able to get to know her as a motivated colleague and instruct her according to the SDI philosophy. As The Albert Schweitzer Hospital in Lambaréné consists of numerous buildings: the administration, the clinic, the surgery, the Children's Hospital, the maternity ward etc. ... the dental clinic is also part of the hospital. It was set in 1968 by Dr. J.-F. Guignard. The clinic contains three treatment rooms and a mobile dental facility, which is transported by car or by boat to teach dental prophylaxis lessons to children in schools in the surrounding villages. Such

planned, an additional room was set up as a dental laboratory on that occasion. A Madagascan dentist from the capital could be gained as an instructor. He has made the first prosthesis with Dr. Rahoisoa in autumn. The clinic's activities could be increased. During the year, 700 patients were treated and the prophylaxis assistants visited 1550 children in the schools. The clinic facility is currently satisfactory, only the treatment chair is out-dated and should be replaced soon.

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**Dr. Giuseppe Botte, chef de projet**

**Lambaréné, Gabun**

Dr Joseph Kabombo	médecin-dentiste, resp.
M. Engone Godefroy	thérapeute dentaire
Mme Bagayabie Pulchérie	thérapeute dentaire
Mme Matsanga Juliette	assistante dentaire
M. Assoume Elie	technicien-dentaire ext.

an operation can sometimes last several days. In 2013 the hospital was able to celebrate its 100th anniversary - in the presence of the State President and the members of the founding board, which runs the hospital. The hospital is being renovated; the new maternity ward, financed by the Swiss Albert Schweitzer Relief Association (AISL) can soon be inaugurated.

**Dr. Christian Comina, chef de projet**

**Mukono / Uganda embarks on a close cooperation between SDI and SDI Germany \* Switzerland**



Armin Reinartz / Mukono – Uganda 2013

**Mukono, Uganda**

Dr. Mubiru Joseph	dental surgeon
M. Kizito Joseph	public health dentist
M. Nalunga Shamim	public health dentist
M. Kijjambu John	dispenser
M. Ssekagga Kagayi Esau	registration man

The SDI President Michael Willi had made the first contact in April 2013 via Reverend David Natema with the Evangelical Lutheran - Church of Uganda ( ELCU ) and the Ugandan dentist Dr. Joseph Mubiru. During a project visit by Thomas Truninger ( Switzerland ) and Armin Reinartz ( Germany ) they



decided in October 2013 to support the dental clinic of Dr. Mubiru . After a successful repair of the clinic, in the second phase the newly built health centre of ELCU in Nabilala shall be regularly visited and taken care of by dentists.

Dr. Mubiru , our new partner in Mukono , a suburb of Kampala, is providing treatment under the simplest conditions at extremely social prices (for children and the needy even often free of charge ); he enjoys a high reputation and the absolute confidence of his up to 100 patients per day. His dental practice is located in a very simple rented premise. As a treatment room only a tiny 9 m2 room is available to him, with two treatment chairs and stools offered for his patients. There is no connection to the public water supply and only a stuffy latrine in the backyard. On two days per week Dr. Mubiru gets help from the young dentist Joseph Kizito, who has completed a training course in Dental Primary Health Care and who with his smartphone is our most important communication bridge.



With donations of SDI Germany at the time the clinic rooms are undergoing renovation: In addition to the one treatment room, a waiting room and a storage room are being converted into treatment rooms and connected by wall penetrations. The courtyard is being covered with a steel structure as a waiting area, the floors are being tiled, the roof is being sealed, the ceiling and walls repainted. The dental facilities of the two treatment rooms will be delivered shortly by sea containers from Germany and Switzerland. The compressor and a mobile dental x-ray tube, necessary for the operation, as well as all the usual consumables are available in Kampala.

Already built are two toilets with flush and a sewage system. The fieldwork was planned and supervised by an African civil engineer, who had already proven himself in the establishment of the Health Centre of ELCU.

The objective of our aid program is a dental station guided by social engagement to provide to the patients the benefit of an improved standard of hygiene and to improve working conditions for highly motivated dentists in enlarged facilities and with more modern instruments. We hope that the treatment spectrum can also be extended by installing the X-ray device.

A big Thank you goes out already now to all helpers and sponsors of SDI

**Dr. Armin Reinartz, project manager**

\*) The association SDI Germany, with full name "Secours Dentaire International - International Dental Help" section Germany exists since 1999 and was founded by German dentists, male and female, who had been on mission in Africa for the Swiss Foundation "Secours Dentaire International". The two organizations mainly have the same purposes.