



Special Grants and IT Donations Report (2017)

The EIB Institute aims at promoting local philanthropy by channelling support through donations of IT equipment that is no longer used by the EIB Group to non-profit organisations, local community centres or schools, registered in an EU Member State.

Furthermore, the Institute managed the following special donations (details on pages 2 to 6):

2017 Special Grants	Amount in EUR	No Beneficiary Institutions
Peru Floods and Colombia Mudslide	250 000	5
Portugal Forestry Fire	500 000	1
Hurricane Irma and Maria in the Caribbean & Mexico earthquake	250 000	8
Total special grants provided	1 000 000	

The Institute also donated 185 desktops, laptops, printers and other IT equipment to 16 schools and non-profit organisations (see page 7 for details):

2017 IT Donations	Number
Total desktop PCs	63
Total laptops	99
Other equipment	23
Total IT equipment	185
Number of schools benefiting from IT donations	6
Other organisations	7
Number of countries benefiting from IT donations	13

The number of donations in 2017 was considerably lower than in past years because the Bank interrupted the replacement of staff computers to make it possible to roll out a new Image for existing computers.

The rules governing the donation of decommissioned IT equipment can be found via the following [link](#).

1 - Beneficiaries of special grants in 2017

Peru Floods and Colombia Mudslide

This donation helped 5 beneficiary organisations to provide emergency relief aid for two catastrophes that occurred in early 2017: Peru floods and Colombia mudslide of 1st April 2017.

ORGANISATION	COUNTRY	INITIATIVE	AMOUNT (in EUR)
Save the Children	Spain	<p>COUNTRY: PERU</p> <p>Humanitarian relief to improve the living conditions of families in Piura, covering the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Water and hygiene; (ii) Shelter; (iii) Protection and education in emergencies. 	50 000
SOS Villages d'Enfants Monde	Luxembourg	<p>COUNTRY: COLOMBIA</p> <p>SOSVE emergency response in Mocoa aiming to help in the recovery effort, notably:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Child friendly spaces: Daily activities to reduce their exposure to risks and guarantee basic access to food; (ii) Water and hygiene sanitation training for families, and provision of kits for those families that require them; (iii) Family psychosocial support and orientation in the crisis, and training for recovery; (iv) Temporary shelter for children separated from their families and support in reintegration of families. 	50 000
CARE	Luxembourg	<p>COUNTRY: PERU</p> <p>Humanitarian relief to improve the living conditions of families in other regions than Piura with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Water, sanitation and hygiene; (ii) Livelihood activities, including restoration of water systems, housing constructions and agricultural recovery. 	50 000
International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies	Switzerland	<p>COUNTRY: PERU</p> <p>Emergency aid to families in the regions of Piura and Lambayeque, focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Shelter, through the distribution of kitchen sets and tarpaulins; (ii) Water, sanitation and hygiene to provide access to safe water through the distribution of jerrycans. 	50 000

Welthungerhilfe	Germany	<p>COUNTRY: PERU</p> <p>Intervention through their local partner PREDES-Centro de Estudios y Prevencion de Desastres.</p> <p>EIB funding made it possible to intensify the work of the NGO in four regions (Lambayeque, La Libertad, Ica and Lima), for the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Supplying families with water, hygiene kits and health kits; (ii) Distributing materials and tools for the families to build shelters to replace the tents that many families were using. 	50 000
TOTAL			250 000 (*)

(*) Of which EUR 3 876.31 donated by the EIB staff.

Portugal Forestry Fire

ORGANISATION	COUNTRY	PROJECT	AMOUNT (in EUR)
Fundo Revita	Portugal	Reconstruction of houses fully destroyed by the fires of June 2017 for people in need.	500 000
TOTAL			500 000 (*)

(*) Of which EUR 12 048.05, donated by EIB staff.

Hurricane Irma & Mexico earthquake

With this donation, the EIB targeted those affected by three catastrophes that all took place in September 2017 on six Caribbean islands and in Mexico, and which were severely affected by widespread devastation:

CATASTROPHES	COUNTRIES
Hurricane Irma	Cuba + Dominican Republic + Saint-Martin + Saint-Barthelemy
Hurricane Maria	Dominica + Guadeloupe + Dominican Republic
Mexico Earthquake	Mexico

For Mexico, the donation covered the regions impacted by the earthquakes of both 7 and 19 September.

The beneficiary organisations and the respective actions were as follows:

ORGANISATION	COUNTRY	PROJECT	AMOUNT (in EUR)
Rode Kruis	The Netherlands	<p><u>Catastrophe: Hurricane Irma</u> <u>Island: Sint Maarten</u></p> <p>Funding of the following emergency early recovery aid activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Actions of the Individual Relief Team to ensure that vulnerable people continued to be provided with adequate food assistance (this included providing water and food parcels to churches who serve the people in need with breakfast and lunch); (ii) The school meal program, ensuring that children in schools had both breakfast and lunch, contributing to their health, learning ability and freeing up their parents/caregivers to invest time in their recovery; (iii) Cash transfer programme, enabling vulnerable families to purchase food through vouchers; (iv) Shelter program where vouchers for construction materials and awareness on building more safely were given to target beneficiaries. 	31 250
UNICEF	The Netherlands	<p><u>Catastrophe: Hurricane Irma</u> <u>Island: Sint Maarten</u></p> <p>Funding of the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Training of teachers to provide psychosocial support to children affected by the hurricane; (ii) Supporting the education authorities in making sure that all children could go back to learning in a safe and stimulating learning environment; (iii) Supporting early childhood education and day care centres in re-opening, providing quality services. 	31 250
Save the Children	Spain	<p><u>Catastrophes: Hurricane Irma + Earthquake in Mexico</u> <u>Countries: Dominican Republic + Mexico + Cuba</u></p> <p><u>Mexico (Earthquake of 7 September)</u> Emergency response in the Oaxaca region (Juchitán, Ixtepec and San Juan Ixcaltepec):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Child-friendly spaces; (ii) Participation of children in socio-emotional workshops; (iii) Protection and education in emergencies. <p><u>Dominican Republic (Hurricane Irma + Hurricane Maria)</u> Health response for the control of epidemics with a focus on children, adolescents and their families in the municipalities of San Cristóbal, Santiago and Santo Domingo Oeste, as follows:</p>	31 250

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Distribution of hygiene kits; (ii) Distribution of mosquito nets; (iii) Clean-up of communities, eliminate trash/debris; (iv) Distribution of secure water and cleaning kits; (v) Campaigns for promoting hygiene good practices. <p><u>Cuba (Hurricane Irma)</u> Humanitarian relief to improve the living conditions of families in the Camagüey province, in particular in the Esmeralda municipality.</p> <p>The interventions were carried out <u>in partnership with Oxfam</u> and centred on two areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Shelter, including the distribution of tarpaulins, mosquito nets and mattresses; (ii) Water and sanitation, aiming at ensuring increased access to drinking water and improved hygiene practices. 	
CARE	Luxembourg	<p><u>Catastrophe:</u> Hurricane Irma <u>Country:</u> Cuba</p> <p>Support of CARE activities related to the distribution of water and hygiene kits, including provision of training and basic education materials.</p> <p>Interventions targeted female-headed households and other marginalised households, including the elderly and mothers with infants.</p>	31 250
Croix-Rouge	France	<p><u>Catastrophes:</u> Hurricane Irma + Hurricane Maria <u>French Territories:</u> Saint-Barthelemy + Saint-Martin + Guadeloupe</p> <p>Funds were used for providing families with a survival package kit, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Family kit, with basic items for hygiene products and essential household items; (ii) Shelter tool kit with basic items for an adequate shelter; (iii) 1 solar lamp which can also be used to recharge a mobile phone; (iv) Access to water. 	31 250
International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies	Switzerland	<p><u>Catastrophe:</u> Hurricane Maria <u>Country:</u> Dominica</p> <p>Provision of essential basic household non-food items and emergency shelter assistance with the distribution of tarpaulins (two per family) and kitchen sets (one per family).</p>	31 250

British Red Cross	UK	<p><u>Catastrophes:</u> Hurricanes Irma and Maria <u>Island:</u> Turks and Caicos</p> <p>Providing to families who lost everything:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Kitchen sets; (ii) Clean-up kits containing buckets, brooms and mops; (iii) Tarpaulins to help those who had lost their homes to create temporary shelters. 	31 250
Médecins du Monde	Luxembourg	<p><u>Catastrophe:</u> Earthquake in Mexico <u>Country:</u> Mexico (Earthquake of 19 September)</p> <p>The EIB funding covered interventions in the areas of Atencigo (Puebla State) and Tepalcingo (Morales State) and the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Provision of mobile emergency mental health assistance; ii) Provision of support to volunteer teams. 	31 250
TOTAL			250 000 (*)

(*) Of which EUR 3 315, was donated by EIB staff.

2 - Beneficiaries of decommissioned IT equipment in 2017

In total, 63 desktops PCs and 99 laptops, corresponding to a total of 16 requests, were donated in 2017. Beneficiaries were located in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Greece, the Czech Republic, Spain, Slovakia, Hungary and Bulgaria. Donations were made also to several organisations in Romania, Turkey, Kenya and Italy through the EIB external offices.

Beneficiary Name	Country	Desktops	Laptops	Other Equipment
Institut Médico-Educatif Les Primevères	France		20	
Fondation CARITAS	Luxembourg		10	
Association Eurointegration Varna	Bulgaria		5	
Sociedad San Vicente de Paul	Spain		20	
École Fondamentale Communale Erézée Mormont	Belgium	6		
Újpesti Könyves Kálmán Gimnázium	Hungary	11	15	
Sine Metu Civic Association	Slovakia		5	2
Cesta Domu	Czech Republic		8	
Ecole Communale de Habay-la-Vieille	Belgium	20		
Collège Guynemer	France	10	2	
Geniko Lykeio Platykampou	Greece	9	1	
Greek Catholic Church Zemplin	Slovakia	7	4	3
EXTERNAL OFFICES (*)				
Asociatia Magicamp	Romania		9	3
Togan Ozliyen Gunduz Bakim Evi	Turkey			1
Computers for Schools Kenya	Kenya			10
Instituto Comprensivo "P. le della Gioventu' 1"	Italy			4
	TOTAL	63	99	23

(*) Contrary to the general rule that stipulates that the beneficiary has to be registered in an EU Member State, the beneficiaries of IT equipment from external offices can be local non-profit organisations.

The Institute renewed in 2017, for a period of three years, its partnership with Close the Gap which takes used IT equipment to African schools helping young people in the countries concerned to improve their educational and economic prospects. Since the first contract with Close the Gap was signed in August 2014, the EIB has donated more than 2 000 pieces of IT equipment to the organisation.