

[about pontis foundation]

statement of the pontis foundation on the occasion of human rights day december 10

One of the goals of the Pontis Foundation is to promote foreign policy of Slovakia and the European Union which is based on the values of democracy, respecting human rights and solidarity. From this perspective the Pontis Foundation annually evaluates foreign policy of Slovakia on the occasion of the Human rights Day December 10. more here >> <http://www.nadaciapontis.sk/en/15668>

via bona times on the right paths in corporate responsibility in slovakia

The Pontis Foundation prepared the first issue of the Via Bona Times on the Right paths in Corporate Responsibility in Slovakia. Via Bona Times is not a commercial newspaper with paid PR articles. A company could not have bought a story about its activities in the area of Corporate Responsibility but had to experience it firsthand. more here >> <http://www.nadaciapontis.sk/en/15658>

happy holiday season!

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[great country]

video from great country café at the concert for those who care

On Wednesday, November 17, apart from a number of music bands, the Great Country Café presented itself at the Bratislava PKO venue. Visitors to the concert could buy a fair trade coffee or tea, hot chocolate, elder lemonade and other refreshments for a contribution of 1,50 €. TV anchor Jarka Hargašová-Lajčáková, actresses Táňa Pauhofová and Zuzka Šebová, author Tomáš Janovic and the world know physicist Vladimír Bužek helped serve in the Great café. watch the video here >> <http://vimeo.com/17266742>

[upcoming events]

January 10

A new call for grant applications from the Dell Foundation Fund will be announced.

January 17

We're opening nomination process for the Via Bona Slovakia 2010.

April 14

Gala evening with the announcement of winners of the Via Bona Slovakia 2010.

May 12

We're organizing a Conference on Corporate Responsibility.

June 17 – 18

We're organizing the Our Town event – an event of corporate volunteering in a new format.

July 7 – 9

Great Country will present itself at the Bažant Pohoda festival.

November 10

At the 4th Corporate Philanthropy Forum we will focus on new trends.

[corporate volunteering]

11 companies collected winter clothing for the socially underprivileged and the homeless

At the end of November and beginning of December, the Pontis Foundation in cooperation with the Engage group organized a collection of clothing and other utilities for three non-profit organizations. 11 companies participated in the collection and altogether collected 2 856 kg of winter clothing, shoes, household textiles, nursing supplies, necessities for the household and toys.

[foundation grants and programs]

positive energy for sport 2011 from zse

In the 6th year of the grant giving program Positive Energy for Sport, the Foundation Fund of the power supplier Západoslovenska energetika at the Pontis Foundation will support the construction and reconstruction of the outside sport arena that will operate all year round. A total amount of 90 000 EUR will be allocated from the fund for this purpose. The program is designed for consumers of services that ZSE Energia provides in the regions of Bratislava, Trnava, Nitra and Trenčín. Applicants who received support last year and need finances to finish their already realized works can also apply for the grant. Deadline for grant applications is January 28, 2011.

[corporate responsibility]

corporate responsibility in the supply chain will be the topic of the blf in 2011

At their annual meeting in Bratislava, representatives of ten member companies of the Business Leaders Forum agreed to concentrate in 2011 on the topic of Corporate Responsibility in the supply chain. Among their other topics still remain measuring and reporting CO2 emissions, raising awareness of the topic of climate change and reporting of corporate responsibility activities by companies.

blf has three new members

On December 2, 2010 members of the Business Leaders Forum voted in favour of accepting Embraco Slovakia s.r.o., Nera Networks s.r.o. and Slovalco, a.s. as members of the BLF association. Currently, this association of companies that committed to corporate responsibility has 24 members. more here >>

<http://www.nadaciapontis.sk/en/15645>

[kenya]

kenyan teachers visited slovakia

At the end of November the Pontis Foundation organized a study trip for Kenyan teachers to Slovakia. Chrispin Mwawana and Fred Otsieno, both teachers from Moi High School - Kasigau and David Ogiga, project coordinator from the partner organization Youth for Conservation stayed in Slovakia from November 21 until December 2, 2010. During their stay in Slovakia, they had the opportunity to get to know better the Slovak school system at all levels, from kindergarten to university education. more here >> <http://www.nadaciapontis.sk/en/15685>

[development aid and development education]

pramila sanjay from india on gender equality and internship offer in jaypur

As a part of the project Knowledge Makes Change, we realised the first series of lectures on development cooperation together with a series of lectures on development cooperation with a host lecturer - Pramila Sanjay from the organization SIDART in India. At 5 lectures, more than 250 students and academicians had the opportunity to listen to interesting lectures on gender equality in rural areas of India and on ideas of the Indian spiritual leader Mahatma Gandhi. You too can experience firsthand rural projects of the organization SIDART in the Indian Jaypur! Slovak students and young academicians have the possibility to go on an internship directly at SIDART. more here >>

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