

2019 Annual Financial Report on projects of PA HRM “Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan”



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Bishkek

To Audit Commission of the PA HRM "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan"

**MANAGEMENT STATEMENT ON RESPONSIBILITY FOR PREPARATION OF THE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.12.2019**

This letter-presentation is sent in connection with conducted by you audit of the financial statements of the Public Association "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" for the year ended 31.12.2019, with the purpose of conveying the message on whether financial reporting on each implemented project fairly presents financial position of the Public Association "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" in all significant aspects as at 31.12.2019, the financial performance and cash flows for the projects for the year ended on the indicated date.

We acknowledge our responsibility for the fair presentation of the projects' financial reporting.

The management is also responsible for:

- developing, implementing and maintaining the efficient and reliable internal control system functioning in the Projects;
- maintaining the accounting system that allows at any time preparing information on the financial position of Projects with a sufficient degree of accuracy and ensuring that the financial statements comply with the requirements of the Projects Contracts;
- taking measures within its competence to ensure the safety of the Projects assets;
- adequate disclosure, in accordance with the cash-basis accounting method and terms of the Project Contracts,

and states that the funds received on the basis of the Project Contracts were used for the purpose which the financing was provided for, based on the assumption that the Association will continue its activities in the foreseeable future.

These financial statements from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019 were approved on April 8, 2020 by the management of the Public Association "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan".



T. Ismailova, Board Chair of PA "HRM
:"Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan"



A. Samsakova, Accountant of
of PA "HRM: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan"

Cash flows of projects in 2019

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№	Project	Balance as at 31.12.2018	Inflows in 2019	Spent in 2019	Exchange differences	Balance as at 31.12.2019
1	Caritas France	1 638,25	1 586 899,10	1 548 238,25	(40 299,03)	0,00
2	WLP	639 769,42	1 388 811,49	2 019 455,43	0,00	9 125,48
3	TRUST	2 580 185,85	6 829 957,59	5 381 405,55	0,00	4 028 737,89
4	BICE	124,33	0,00	124,33	0,00	0,00
5	Movies That Matter	0,34	0,00	0,34	0,00	0,00
6	FSDS	328,76	0,00	328,76	0,00	0,00
7	Swiss Embassy	0,00	2 478 450,00	2 478 450,00	0,00	0,00
8	Un Fund	3 512,92	2 645 442,35	2 547 811,67	0,00	101 143,60
9	PRI	1 158 994,19	1 325 686,93	1 758 242,22	0,00	726 438,90
10	Urgent Action Fund (Rehabilitation)	146 423,06	0,00	146 423,06	0,00	0,00
11	German Embassy	392,38	0,00	392,38	0,00	0,00
13	Svenssonstiftelsen	0,00	779 023,20	0,00	0,00	779 023,20
14	GNDR	0,00	2 176 274,21	2 168 402,10	0,00	7 872,11
15	UPR Info	0,00	1 791 888,09	1 791 887,68	0,00	0,41
16	Gete Institute (Fest-19)	0,00	155 960,60	155 960,60	0,00	0,00
17	Front Line Defenders	0,00	194 950,75	191 900,00	(3 050,75)	0,00
18	UNDP in Kyrgyzstan	0,00	35 160,00	35 160,00	0,00	0,00
19	OHCHR	0,00	2 634 862,04	2 277 042,49	(14 902,55)	342 917,00
	ИТОГО	4 531 369,51	24 023 366,28	22 501 224,86	(58 252,33)	5 995 258,93

Accountant of PF "HRD: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan"

A. Samsakova

Comments to the 2019 financial statements

Note 1. Description of activities

Public Association "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" is a non-profit organization which was established and operates its activities in accordance with the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic №111 "On Non-Profit Organizations" as of October 15, 1999.

PA "HRD: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" is a voluntary association of individuals established as provided for by law. The Association carries out its activities in accordance with the regulations of the Kyrgyz Republic and Charter of the Association.

The main purpose of the Association is to implement and protect the rights and fundamental freedoms of its members by promoting the practical implementation of humanitarian articles of the Final Act of the 1975 Helsinki Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), other international legal instruments adopted for its development, as well as all other obligations of Kyrgyzstan in the field of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

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Relations with the State

The state, through the State Tax Service Committee and Social Fund of the Kyrgyz Republic, controls the activities of the PA "HRD: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" in terms of paying taxes and compulsory insurance contributions.

Note 2. Main principles of the accounting policy

2.1. Main principle of the accounting policy

The methodological basis for the preparation of the financial statements of the PU "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" is International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), published by the Committee on International Financial Reporting Standards and being valid as at December 31, 2014.

Financial statements are prepared based on the historical cost principle. The book value of the assets and liabilities that would otherwise be taken into account at historical cost, related to the hedged (protected) risks. Financial statements are presented in som, unless otherwise indicated.

2.2. Principle of continuity

Management believes that the PU "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" will be able to continue its activities in the near future in accordance with the principle of continuity, alternatively applying IT-technologies in an online mode starting from March 15, 2020.

Therefore, the management has prepared these financial reports based on the assumption that the PA "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" will continue its activities in the foreseeable future.

Note 3. Basic Association's accounting principles

3.1. Reporting currency

The currency unit used for the preparation of projects' financial statements is the agreed currency specified in the contracts with the donors at the beginning of the project implementation.

The monetary unit used for the preparation of the Association's financial statements for the period from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019 is the Kyrgyz som. The currency of evaluation reflects the economic substance of the main events and environment where the Association operates.

3.2. Cash and cash equivalents

The funds of the PA "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" include cash on hand and in bank accounts. Cash is available in both national and foreign currency. In accounting, foreign currency is reflected in som at the NBKR exchange rate actual at the date of the financial reporting.

3.3. Personal income tax

PA "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino-Kyrgyzstan" pays personal income tax in accordance with the current legislation of the Kyrgyz Republic. Income tax rate is 10%.

3.4. Employee benefits

Employee benefits include all forms of remuneration and payments provided by the Association to the employees in exchange of services rendered by them under concluded labor agreements for the provision of services by an individual working on the basis of a patent. Paid remuneration is classified as expenses of the Association's Projects.

3.5. Recording of grant activities' operations

In PA "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan", the grant accounting is performed based on the income approach. Grants are recognized as income of those periods as the related expenses, which are compensated on the systematic basis. At the time of grants' receipt, they are not recognized as income and recorded as long-term liabilities.

Grants are donated. After PA "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" receives them, it implements activities provided for in the grant agreement (contract). Therefore, grants are recognized as income and correspond with to the costs associated with them, that are compensated in the reporting period.

Note 4. Funds

Funds of the PA "Human Rights Movement: "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" as at 31.12.2019 are **5 995 259** and include:

(som)

	2019	2018	Change (+/-)
Cash on hand	0	0	
Bank	5 995 259	4 531 370	1 463 889
Total:	5 995 259	4 531 370	1 463 889

The cash balance classified by sources, in a single currency, som is as follows:

	Total equivalent in som
OHCHR	342 917
WLP	9 125
TRUST	4 028 738
Svenssonstiftelsen	779 023
PRI	726 439
UN Fund	101 144
GNDR	7 873
Total	5 995 259

Note 5.

The management does not have information about any actual or pending legal proceedings, as well as potential risks that may be brought against the Association.

Projects implemented by Association in 2019

The project "Identification of working children of migrants and provision them support through social, psychological and legal services and protection of their labor rights", implemented in accordance with Project Contract № PI190087 dated 09.09.2019, financed by Secours Catholique Caritas France

The main project objectives are:

1. Capacity building of employees of the government agencies, local authorities, educational institutions that work with the migrant children. Promoting appropriate access to basic human rights (social, educational, legal, documentary) and labor rights for the migrant children.
2. Providing support for migrant children through social, psychological and legal services and protection of their labor rights.
3. Holding XIII International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival-2019, dedicated to Sustainable Development Goals of the Kyrgyz Republic and the 30th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Project results:

1. A special report "Implementation of the principle of ensuring the best interests of the child while administering justice in the Kyrgyz Republic" has been prepared for the Institute of Ombudsman of the Kyrgyz Republic in Kyrgyz and Russian.
2. Collaboratively with volunteers, an online questionnaire has been developed for youth to identify employment problems in Kyrgyz and Russian.
3. 6 trainings have been conducted for children. As part of 16 days of Activism "Let us unite to end violence against women!", dedicated to strategies to eliminate violence, discrimination and harassment of women and girls in the field of work, 7 guest lectures have been carried out which were held in vocational schools and universities, with participation of 195 people.
4. Total number of people applied for assistance to the Center is 312:
men - 38, women - 116, adolescents and children - 158 (boys - 89, girls - 69).
Number of consultations is 270, including:
Provided on the "hot line" and as directed by the Commission for Children –134, individual calls - 136.
Number of interviews - 42: 8 men, 29 women, 5 girls.
Number of assisted people - 96, including 47 families, 49 adolescents (26 boys and 23 girls).
5. Opening of the first beauty salon for girls with disabilities (#правонатрудбезбарьеров)
6. Within the framework of the festival the following events were held:
3 workshops with the Caritas France support
Workshop under guidance of the director Anna Kersting "Children and Parliament"
Panel discussion "Critical issues of justice for children"
Workshop "Child-friendly Justice"
Democracy, social justice and peace: prospects for Central Asian countries.
Third coordination meeting of International Monitoring Mission on Labor Rights in Central Asia, Bishkek (IMM in Central Asia).

Project start date – January 1, 2019.

Project end date – December 31, 2019

Project budget:

	Euro	Budget som	Revised budget som
SCCF	20 350	1 568 171	1 546 600
Solidarity Center	5 749	443 018	436 924
Total	26 099	2 011 188	1 983 524

When concluding the Contract, the exchange rate of 1 EUR - 77.06 som was applied. In fact, 20 350 Euro were received at the rate of 1 EUR - 76 som (1,546,600 som).

The project involved 4 (four) key employees:

- Coordinator: L. Ismailova (service agreement)
- Hotline manager: Abdrayimova R.A. (staff member)
- Accountant: Samsakova A. (service agreement)
- Psychologist: Kirillina I.V. (outsourced)

The financial statements have been prepared in a format approved by SCCF, in accordance with the requirements of a Project Contract and reflect the period from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. These financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and integrate the following key accounting policies consistent in all material respects.

In accordance with the requirements of the Project Contract, financial statements include:

- Report on accounts in accordance with the project budget, including all costs and resources related to the project, as well as costs and resources of other partners.
- A description and explanation of any discrepancies between the actual Project development and description when requesting funding for the Project. As for the financial report, all categories with deviation of 15% from the planed one.

Project on capacity building of national stakeholders to use the Universal Periodic Review as a driving force to improve the human rights situation in target countries

Project objectives:

1. Developing qualitative UPR recommendations in the 3rd cycle.
2. Strengthening collaboration between government, NHRIs (national human rights institutions) and CSOs.
3. Enhancing participation of the journalists.
4. Determining a goal of the foreign policy of the recommending states.
5. Increasing knowledge about human rights among CSOs working in the field.
6. Strengthening skills of international advocacy.

The project involved 2 (two) key employees:

- Coordinator: L. Ismailova (service agreement)
- Accountant: Samsakova A. (service agreement)

with the involvement of experts and partners of the organization from 7 regions.

Total project budget: **25 729,29 US dollars**

Results:

- Memorandum of cooperation with the Institute of Ombudsman of the Kyrgyz Republic, National Center for Prevention of Torture in the Kyrgyz Republic.
- 7 regional consultations in Kyrgyzstan, over 200 participants.
- 2 trainings: Training on capacity building of CSOs, identifying topics and preparing of UPR, 10-11 April (56 participants from all regions of the Kyrgyz Republic). Training on advocacy for CSOs within the framework of the UPR, October 22-23, 2019. 14 fact sheets were prepared.
- Pre-sessions in Bishkek and Almaty, October.
- Pre-session in Bishkek as part of the Bir Duino Festival, November.
- Pre-session in Geneva, December.
- As part of the activities, two Alternative reports on the human rights situation in Kyrgyzstan were prepared as part of the 3rd UPR cycle:
 1. Collaboratively with the Equality Public Foundation, PA HRD "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan", Ensan Diamond Public Association (Southern Region of the Kyrgyz Republic) and Alga Public Association (Chui region).
 2. UPR Working Group: Alga NGO, Insan-Diamond NGO, "Human Rights Movement: Bir Duino-Kyrgyzstan", Solidarity Center, Kyrgyz Indigo, Experts: Diana Makembaeva, gender expert; Timur Arykov, lawyer; Zakir Amanbaev, lawyer; Kamaldin Zhaparov, NCPT.

Project start date - February 2019.

Project end date - November 30, 2019.

Project "Legal protection of victims of torture and ill-treatment" in accordance with the Project Agreement P-1089-DA-19-Kyrgyzstan, financed by UN Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture

Project goals:

Protecting the rights of victims of torture and ill-treatment through the qualified legal assistance and legal representation, using national and international protection mechanisms.

Results:

- Within the framework of this project, the legal consultations for 166 persons and more than 153 citizens were provided (victims of torture and their relatives);
- Legal assistance was provided for 16 cases;
- The project lawyers, on a volunteer basis, provide legal support in the main case for 16 victims of torture;
- The lawyer services provided for the defense in the first instance and filing an appeal for 2 victims of torture who are the labor migrants, were paid;
- 4 civil claims for receiving compensation for the victims of torture, Khairulo Saipova, Shukurulo Kochkorov, Fahirdin Ashirov, Azimzhan Askarov were submitted;
- 4 complaints were sent to the UN Human Rights Committee;
- 35 materials were published in the media, social networks and on websites.

Project start date – January 1, 2019.

Project end date - December 31, 2019.

Total project budget: **38 000 US dollars**

In fact, **37 985,27 US dollars** were received to the Association's bank account on February 12, 2019, taking into account the bank commission in the amount of 14,73 US dollars.

4 (four) main staff and 3 (three) lawyers were involved in the project:

- A. Baijumanova, Coordinator in Bishkek
- H. Saliev, Coordinator in Osh
- A. Samsakova, Accountant
- S. Nazarova, PR Specialist
- V.A. Vahitov, Lawyer 1
- Sh. Saliev, Lawyer 2
- F. Kamilzhanov, Lawyer 3.

The financial statements were prepared in the format approved by the UN Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture in accordance with the requirements of the Project Contract and reflect the period from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. These financial statements were prepared based on the historical cost and combine the following main accounting policies consistent in all material respects.

The financial report was sent through online-system on February 27, 2020.

Project "Support of the State and Civil Society efforts to combat torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment and punishment in Kyrgyzstan" in accordance with the Grant Agreement 02/2018/628/EU dated January 1, 2018, implemented by the Office of the International Public Association «Penal Reform International» (here and after referred to as PRI) in Central Asia, with financial support of the European Union.

Main project objectives:

- Creating a network of civil society organizations collaboratively with partner organizations to interact with the government.
- Dialogue at the political level with the respective ministries and stakeholders in the frame of advocacy campaign, in favor of legislative amendments, judicial reforms aimed at preventing torture. Involving all major stakeholders in project implementation.
- Cooperation with the National Centre for Prevention of Torture (NCPT) and Office of Ombudsman to carry out the targeted monitoring visits.
- Conducting trainings for the members of the civil society organizations on application of the curriculum developed in the frame of the project with aim to promote a democratic dialogue with the government.
- Carrying out a nationwide public awareness campaign "Know Your Rights" using public places and social networking tools collaboratively with the Network of CSOs, the Ombudsman of Kyrgyzstan, NCPT, Supreme Court and Ministry of Internal Affairs through publishing in social networks and media.
- Promoting major issues of torture and obligations of Kyrgyzstan in this field at the international level in UN Human Rights Council and at the OSCE Meeting on taking measures for issues of human dimension through awareness-raising activities.

Project start date is January 1, 2018.

Project end date is December 31, 2020.

Project budget for 2019: **13 392 Euro**

In fact, 17 000,28 Euro were received

1 (one) main staff was involved in the project:

- T.A. Ismailova, Project Director
- Experts and volunteers of the Youth Movement "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan"

Project implementation:

In order to increase the participation of CSOs in the criminal justice system, promote development of the network of civil society organizations (CSOs) and increase public awareness of the activities of the National Center for prevention of torture in the Kyrgyz Republic and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment and punishment (NCPT KR), the Human Rights Movement "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" held joint civil forums "Role of CSOs in criminal justice system", as well as carried out monitoring in the closed institutions in Issyk-Kul region - Balykchi, Cholpon-Ata, Karakol, Tyup village, Kyzyl-Suu village of Dzhety-Oguz district, Tort-Kul village of the Ton district and in Jalal-Abad region - Toktogul, Kerben, Karakul, Jalal-Abad.

To achieve effective results, our organizations used a partnership approach when employees of the Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan PA participated as external experts in monitoring of closed institutions, and the NCPT took part in forums, presented information about its mandate and activities, as well as interaction with state bodies and civil society organizations in the fight against torture. Forums created a unique discussion platform for representatives of the city halls, deputies of city keneshes, representatives of the judiciary, prosecutors, law enforcement agencies, activists and leaders of civil society organizations.

Forum Achievements:

The forums created platforms and provided an opportunity for the exchange of experience of expert groups of representatives of civil society organizations and government bodies.

Representatives of internal affairs agencies, prosecutors and courts actively participated in discussions, thus forums helped representatives of human rights CSOs to be heard by local authorities.

At the initiative of Bir Duino, the issues of prisoners with special needs in closed institutions have been raised in the format of the Mandella's principles. The problems related to mortality of convicted individuals in the closed institutions, letters-responses of the State Penitentiary Service of the Kyrgyz Republic and the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the KR regarding systematic mortality of people in closed institutions were raised. More than 100 volunteers from various educational institutions were involved in the campaign against torture in the Kyrgyz Republic. Issues of release and alternative measures of humanization in favor of prisoners with special needs are lobbied, such as the sick and the elderly, women and minors in closed institutions. The work with the lawyers on implementation of the views of the UN Human Rights Committee by the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic regarding the human rights defender, prisoner of conscience, Askarov is ongoing. Tolekan Ismailova is Askarov's public defender by proxy in courts at all levels.

Within the framework of the project, a network of CSOs was created (more than 120 representatives), many of them became experts at the NCPT, Institute of Ombudsman and were involved in monitoring of the closed institutions. Joint reports were issued jointly with the NCPT of the KR, along with recommendations in regard of reform of closed institutions.

The financial statements were prepared in the format approved by the European Union in accordance with the requirements of the Project Contract and reflect the period from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

Financial statements have been audited and approved by the auditor on March 17, 2020.

Project on expanding and strengthening solidarity network and providing assistance to the human rights defenders at risk, financed by Sigrid Rausing Trust

Activities have been carried out to support and protect human rights defenders, advocate and lobby at the national, regional and international level in favor of Kyrgyzstan and international institutions, which will be supported as key components such as judicial reform, access to justice for vulnerable groups, effectiveness of the national institutions due to the compliance with the Paris Principles, mechanisms for prevention of torture, openness and transparency of development banks through effective and public awareness, prevention of the gender-based violence and domestic violence, and assistance provided by the international organizations in adoption of anti-discrimination legislation. This includes participation of the local partners in Festival-2018, innovative laboratories on human rights of the vulnerable groups and gender injustice.

TRUST is one of the main donors of the annual Human Rights Documentary Film Festival "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan", which was held on 12-16 November, 2018 and devoted to the 70th anniversary of the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights with slogan "For Human Dignity!". More than 200 guests took part at the opening of the Festival, such as representatives of the Government of the KR, Jogorku Kenesh, city kenesh, UN, embassies and international organizations, accredited in Kyrgyzstan, documentarians and experts from 12 countries, journalists, human rights defenders and volunteers. Ten innovative laboratories were held resulted in development of recommendations for all clue institutions.

<http://www.birduino.kg/images/pdf/2019/Report-final-for-Birduino-ilovepdf-compressed.pdf>

<http://www.birduino.kg/xii-mezhdunarodnyij-festival-dokumentalnyix-filmov-po-pravam-cheloveka-za-chelovecheskoe-dostoinstvo!>

<http://www.birduino.kg/pravozashhitnoe-dvizhenie-i-mezhdunarodnyij-festival-bir-dujno-kyrgyzstan>

TRUST contributed to the Festival amount - 20% of the budget, items of expenditure are indicated in the final report of the project.

Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan and Ayna Shormanbaeva (Legal Initiative, Kazakhstan) took part in Yerevan, at the meeting Resolution 2467 Women's Participation in Prevention and Peace Processes, and Protection from Sexual Violence in Conflict focused on women victims, refugees from the Xinjiang camps of the Uighur district of China.

UPR Info and Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan organized national consultations and workshop in Bishkek to prepare national CSOs to present joint civil society materials that contain action-oriented, specific and relevant recommendations, up to the 3rd UPR of Kyrgyzstan (January 2020) in the framework of the country program (2019-2021).

Within the framework of the project, the support and security are provided for the offices and staff of Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan.

Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan conducted an annual independent audit of financial statements for 2018.

<http://www.birduino.kg/pressaru/nezavisimyj-audit-finansovoj-otchetnosti-ob-edinen>

Project start date is January 1, 2017.

Project end date is December 31, 2019.

Project budget for 2019-2019 - **50 000 pound sterling.**

3 (three) main staff were involved in the project:

- T.A. Ismailova, Director
- Project Coordinator
- A. Samsakova, Accountant
- Leading lawyers: E. Iriskulbekov, H. Saliev, V.A. Vahitov

The media, local and international experts and partners of the Youth Movement "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" were involved in the project.

Project "View from the Frontline" according to the memorandum of cooperation between Bir Duino and the Global Network of Civil Society Organizations for Natural Disaster Reduction (GNDR) dated November 11, 2018

Project goal: Reducing disaster risks by identifying the most critical social, economic and ecological aspects of livelihood of the local communities and developing the joint recommendations for the state authorities of Kyrgyzstan.

Project start date is November 1, 2018.

Project end date is December 31, 2020.

Project budget for 2019 - **27 908 Euro**

3 (three) key employees were involved in the project:

- T. Ismailova, Project Director.
- N. Kubatbekov, Project Coordinator.
- A. Samsakova, Project Accountant.

The media, local, international experts and partners, volunteers of the Youth Movement "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" were involved in the project.

To date, during project implementation, the following positive results have been achieved:

1. The concrete social, economic and ecological problems were identified in 15 local communities in Osh, Jalal-Abad and Issyk-Kul regions
2. The action plans were developed in the field with purpose of joint taking decision of the most acute issues, with involvement of representatives of the communities, local authorities and experts.
3. The consultations and working meetings were held with the members of the National Consultative Committee to develop recommendations and enhance involvement in a work on the ground.
4. The expert meetings were conducted with the Institute of Ombudsman, representatives of the state authorities, particularly the Ministry of Emergency, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Labor and Social Development to promote and include the project outcomes in country recommendations, when preparing the Independent Volunteer Report of Kyrgyzstan, as part of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) program.

Project "Protection and promotion of human rights in the context of the state efforts on preventing the violent extremism", according to the grant agreement SB-009509: Kyrgyzstan - Preventing Violent Extremism (PVE) with support of the UN Human Rights Office in Central Asia and financial support of UN Peacebuilding Fund and European Union.

Project objectives:

1. Improving respect for human rights during the pre-trial investigation, court proceedings and corrections in cases related to charges of "extremism";
2. Raising awareness of human rights and legal literacy in the field of human rights in the context of criminal acts in regard of "extremism";

Project start date is March 1, 2019.

Project end date is February 29, 2020.

The project budget for 2019 amounted to: **49,800.00 US dollars, of which 47,310 US dollars were contributed by OHCHR and 2,490 US dollars were self-financed by the Association.**

In fact, **37 833,35 US dollars** were received to the Association's bank account on June 18, 2019, taking into account the bank commission in the amount of 14,65 US dollars.

According to the terms of the agreement, the final tranche will be transferred upon submission of the report by March 30, 2020.

4 (four) main staff were involved in the project:

- E. Kaiypov, Project Manager
- H. Saliev, Project Coordinator
- A. Samsakova, Accountant
- S. Nazarova, PR-manager
- V.A. Vahitov, Lawyer 1
- Sh. Saliev, Lawyer 2
- F. Kamilzhanov, Lawyer 3.
- I. Juraev, Consultant

Project "Women Learning Partnership"

Project goal: Promoting women's leadership in Kyrgyzstan through training and exchange of the successful practices and innovations

Results:

- Within the framework of this project, the National TOT "How to organize a public campaign to amend family legislation to ensure gender equality in the Kyrgyz Republic?" was held for the representatives of CSOs and community leaders from all regions of Kyrgyzstan.
- 4 trainings were conducted for the teachers of KSNU, youth and representatives of local authorities
- BDK organized a free screening of the drama film "AIKA" about the fate of the migrant worker from Kyrgyzstan in Ala-Too cinema, jointly with the Union of Cinematographers of the Kyrgyz Republic, Center of Solidarity, on the eve of International Women's Day, 8th of March;
- Together with the partner organizations Equality Now, Ensan Diamond and Alga, the CEDAW alternative report on violence against women in Kyrgyzstan was prepared.
- Within the framework of the XIII International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival, the international workshop "Climate change: empowering women and children through the promotion of

gender equality in the Kyrgyz Republic" was held to develop joint recommendations and action plan of all responsible persons in politics and society.

XIII International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival in Kyrgyzstan "Bir Duino-Kyrgyzstan"

Regional Documentary Film Festival "Bir Duino-Kyrgyzstan", entitled "FILMS on the MOVE", May-June 2019

Within the framework of the festival, in the regions, the films, winners of the festival, were shown. Partners: "Insan Leilek", Isfana city, BDK Regional Office in Osh, Alga Public Association, Community Multimedia Centre "Tun-Uk", Youth Reproductive Health Alliance, PF "Voices of Citizens", Community Women's Council, Institute of Ombudsman of the KR and regional offices, Regional Plenipotentiary Offices and local authorities, Offices of Free Legal Aid Centers, local partners and experts, local TV and radio.

On 26 June, International Day in Support for Victims of Torture, HRM "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan", the Regional Documentary Film Festival "Bir Duino-Kyrgyzstan", entitled "FILMS on the MOVE", May-June 2019, partners, regional offices of the Institute of Ombudsman of the KR, Centers of Guaranteed Legal Aid took part in the National Information Campaign. The events were carried out in 7 regions of Kyrgyzstan - Osh, Isfana, Jalal-Abad, Karakol, Kant, Talas, and on 25 June, in Baetov village of Naryn region.

Impact and outcomes:

During tour, Bir Duino jointly with the partners of seven regions has achieved 8 objectives, through:

1. raising awareness on issues of national, regional and international human rights;
2. provision of support to the local communities in development of a model for public debates and discussions;
3. strengthening regional partners to conduct the festival in the regions;
4. enhancing understanding of local perspectives and necessity of the greater involvement of civil society in rural areas;
5. enhancing promotion and increase of civic engagement through innovations and involvement of new regional NGOs in the CSO criminal justice network.
6. capacity building of the Community Media and local partners on use of documentary films, facilitating discussions on problem solving and involving local communities in decision-making process.
7. involvement of local organizations in the preparation process of Festival-2019, dedicated to the 30th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.
8. holding screenings on International Day in Support for Victims of Torture, June 26, in all cities of Kyrgyzstan. The film "Life after Torture. Four Stories" (Foundation "Public Verdict", directed by Ksenia Gagai and Asmik Novikova, Russia), the winner in the nomination "The right to life, liberty and security", was shown.

The film demonstrations were held in closed communities such as mothers of children with disabilities, poor women, women who have children with HIV in their families and families who have members with HIV. Those were closed groups of people, but thanks to the activists, they were involved in film screenings.

At the initiative of our partners, additional screenings were held out of planned schedule.

During discussions, the issues of migration, cross-border conflicts, involvement of women in peacekeeping, lack of kindergartens in regions, need to provide the stimulating grants to the regions,

child labor in mines, especially among migrant children, the practice of early marriage, violence against children, big number of intermarriages, frequent cases of conflicts on ethnic grounds were raised. The issue of small involvement of women in the peacekeeping process was also raised, as men cannot solve anything and only exacerbate a conflict. It is necessary to train women on UN Resolution 3524, mediation and negotiations.

The regional Festival "Films on the move" was held with the support of the Embassy of Switzerland in the Kyrgyz Republic by transferring 1,086,050 som to the account of the organization.

Main Festival, November 2019

On 11-15 November 2019, Human Rights Movement "Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan" held XIII International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival "Bir Duino-Kyrgyzstan" in Bishkek. Festival-2019 was dedicated to the Sustainable Development Goals and the 30th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, with the slogan "Voices of Children and Equal Participation".

All film presenters covered the topic of children's rights, children with disabilities, children of migrants, refugees and had innovation techniques for solving the systematic problems in the field of protection of children's rights in Kyrgyzstan, at regional and international level. This year 22 documentary films from USA, Russia, Switzerland, Afghanistan, Austria, Finland, Serbia, Spain, Turkey, Canada, Poland, Georgia, Germany, France, Italy, Netherlands, Japan and Kazakhstan were included in the Festival Program. After screenings and discussions, the jury members, Ela Kinovska, Tereza Kralova, Almut Rohovanski, Ruben Kazaryan, Valentina Galich, Stambulbek Mambetaliev, Chyngyz Narynov announced the winners.

- Grand Prix – "Heart of Stone", Claire Billet and Olivier Jobard (France)
- Best National Film – "Ayana", Aidana Topchubayeva (Kyrgyzstan)
- Best International Film – "White Mama", Zosya Rodkevich and Evgenia Ostanina (Russia)
- Best Short Film – "Teacher", Ibadylla Adzhibayev (Kyrgyzstan)
- Best International Film as per Children's Jury opinion – "The Monsoonshow", Annelies Kruk, Anneke de Lind van Wijnhaarden (Netherlands)
- Best National Film as per Children's Jury opinion - "Childhood stolen by HIV", Sanjar Eraliev (Kyrgyzstan).

Besides, the jury decided to give a special reference to the following films:

- Special Jury Reference for the visual appearance - "Ad Astra", Aisha Sultanbekova (Kyrgyzstan)
- Special Jury Reference for coverage of the topic "Climate change" – "Dulce", Angello Faccini, Guille Isa (Colombia/USA)
- Special Jury Reference for coverage of the topic "Inclusion" – "I am Kilian", Bernadette Hauke (Germany)
- Special Jury Reference for coverage of the topic "Right to Life" – "Bachir in Wonderland", Els Duran, Evelien Vehof (Netherlands)

The films were screened in the Russia cinema from 12 to 15 November, with full audience – more than 1000 persons daily. After viewing of each film, the discussions with the spectators were organized with participation of authors and experts.

Within the framework of XIII International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival "Bir Duino-Kyrgyzstan", the innovative laboratories and master-classes on acute issues were held.

The laboratories were organized and conducted by the HRM "Bir Duino" in partnership with the several organizations, famous foreign and regional experts, under the patronage of the national and international partners. As a result of laboratories, the participants developed significant package of recommendations and action plans, which were presented at the closing ceremony of the festival, addressing them to the Government of the KR, international community, CSOs and local community.

During film screenings, more than 6000 spectators and more than 50 leading experts on human rights took part; the feedback of spectators and participants of Fest-2019 showed a high interest to the documentary and human rights in the KR and Central Asian countries.

<http://www.birduino.kg/pressaru/zaklyuchitelnyj-otchet-xiii-mezhdunarodnogo-festiv>

Festival was financed by the following donors by transferring funds to the account of the Association.

- **Swiss Embassy – 1 400 000 som**
(Technical preparation of the films, laboratories: “Children and Austerity”, Joint reading and talk-show “We can do it! Art Intervention for empowering girls” and Master-class for documentarians).
- **TRUST – 33 380,00 US dollars** Rent of hall in Russia cinema, trips of international experts and filmmakers: Sara Bergamaschi – filmmaker from Italy, Muatar Khaidarova - expert and member of the BDK expert commission, Ela Kinovska – Jury chairman and expert, Anna Kersting - filmmaker from Germany, Gnanasekar – documentary film protagonist, Berkeli Atayev - international expert. Development of the Festival brand book, textile products of the festival, payment for printing services - notebooks, programs, badges and handouts for workshops. Opening and closing ceremonies: payment to moderators and screenwriters, sound and light technical support, simultaneous interpretation into three languages. Trips of the regional participants and partners of the organization: Sakhira Nazarova – BDK PR-manager, Osh, Jamilya Kaparova - expert, Osh, Dinara Koichieva and Dilfuza Mustafokulova (characters of the Sanzhar Eraliev’s film), Rohat Shakirova - participant, Osh, Kamil Ruziev - expert and participant of the workshops, Karakol, Aichurok Isaeva - partner, Jalal-Abad, Feruzbek Askarov and Khadicha Askarova (son and wife of A. Askarov), Anara Usenova - partner, Osh, Toktozhuma Stakhanov – film character, teacher (accompanied by 5 students), Naryn, Bakhodyr Narmirzaev, Temurbek Damizhanov and Tulanjon Kadyrov (mugabs from Osh), Talant Shamshiev, Nurgazy Umarkulov, Bakhtygul Orozbaeva and Shohrukh Saipov - participants of the training “Children and Austerity”, Kezhegul Bayakeeva, Firuza Amadaliyeva, Nurzhan Isaeva and Zhenaiym Osmonova (guests from Min-Kusch village and Mauluu-Suu). Payment for accommodation and daily subsistence allowance. Financing of three workshops within the framework of the festival: “Children and Austerity”, jointly with Nash Vek PF, Fundraising Workshop with participation of the expert Almut Rohovanski, “Climate change: empowering women and children through the promotion of gender equality in the Kyrgyz Republic”.

Note: expenditure will be included in the 2020 report, as the project reporting period is October 2019 – November 2020.

- **Gete Institute – 2 000,00 Euro**
(Trips of two filmmakers: Sussane Quester and Azumo Mieko, film “Why I am here”)
- **BICE – 2 000,00 Euro**
(Workshop «Inspire - Seven strategies to end violence against children» and workshop for adolescents: What is violence against children, How it could be avoided and What could be done in case if it affects me or my family”)
- **Caritas France – 1 250,00 Euro**

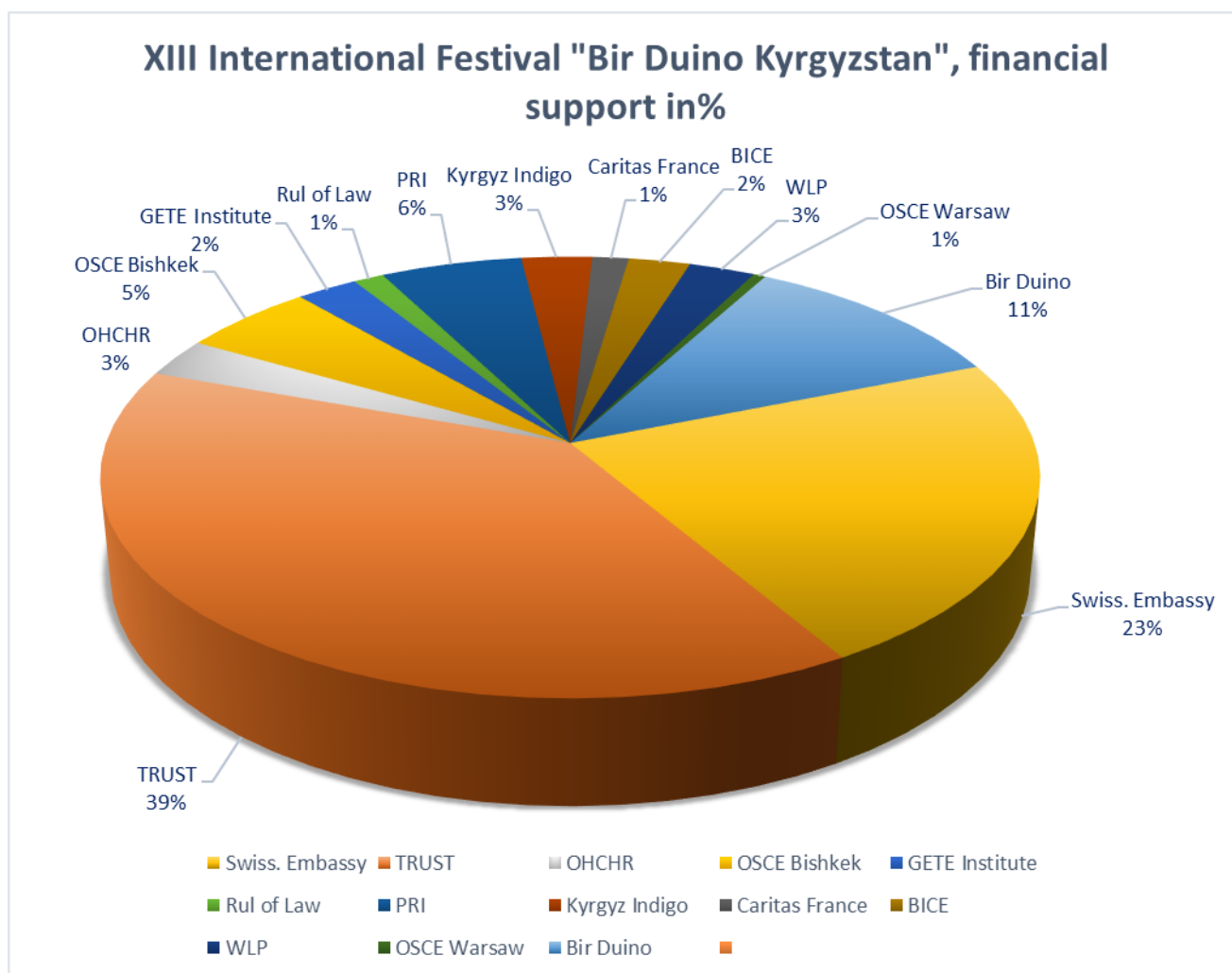
(Workshop "Children and Parliament" and workshop "Democracy, social justice and peace: perspectives of the Central Asian countries. Third Coordination meeting of International monitoring mission on labor rights in Central Asia, Bishkek.

- **WLP – 2 400,00 US dollars**

(Trips of international experts to the workshop "Climate change: Empowering women and children through promotion of gender equality in the KR")

Additionally, Festival was financed by the donors through direct payment:

- **OHCHR** – trip and accommodation of international expert Almut Rohovanski
- **OSCE** – Rent of hall for the opening ceremony in Damas hotel and closing ceremony in Dostuk hotel, Imperial conference room, buffet
- **Kyrgyz Indigo** – «Italk – open platform for the public speaking on topic of equal opportunities for all children of Kyrgyzstan»
- **Rul of Law** – workshop "Social services in child-sensitive manner"
- **PRI** – Panel discussion «Important issues of justice with regard to children»
Workshop "Child-friendly justice"
- **OSCE (Warsaw)** – rent of hall in Russia cinema



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