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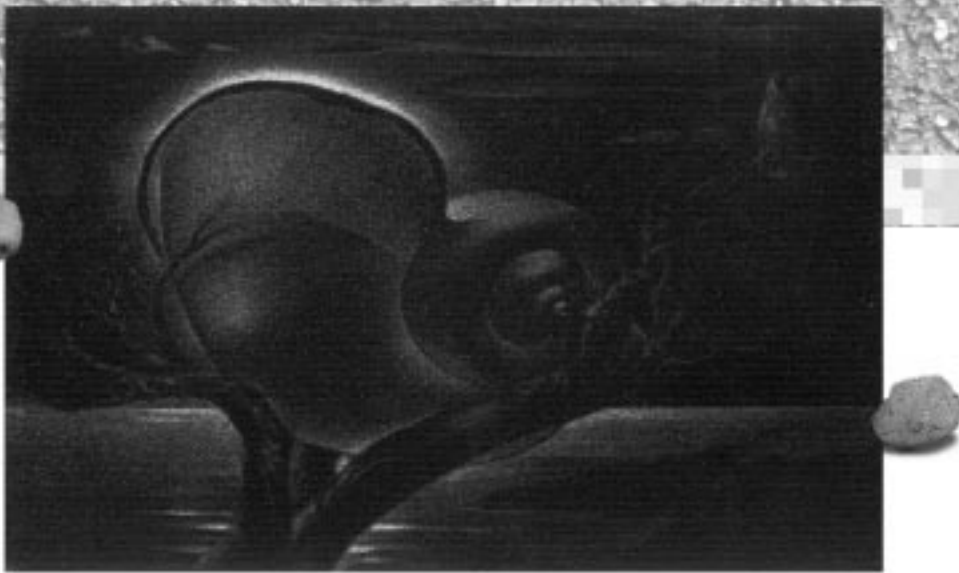


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1999 was a year that marked a turning point in the Foundation's activity. It was shaped by the radical changes that occurred in the Soros foundations network caused by the evolution of events in Moldova and other various parts of the world and the awareness of the role and place of the foundations in social development.

In view of these events, the Foundation had to rethink its strategy, review its mission and vision and develop new activity directions for the next few years.

The mission of the foundation has remained the same: to promote values of an open society, i.e. a society where no one is in possession of ultimate truth and everyone's opinion is heard, listened to, and taken into consideration. However, this right has to be ensured by the development of relevant democratic institutions and by fostering critical thinking and a new mentality. To this end, we decided to focus our activity on the following priority areas: education, legal reform and criminal justice, local governance and economic reform. We think that the irreversibility of reforms in these areas could guarantee the irreversibility of democratic reforms in the country. We will also continue to actively support the areas in which the Foundation has successfully implemented a series of very important projects.

Ensuring a high quality and efficiency of the projects was another focus area of the Foundation which I would like to mention. I guess the most frequently used word by the board members was the word "problem". While reviewing projects seeking financial support we tried to find answers to the following basic questions: what problem and needs does the project address, how does it contribute to attaining the Foundation's goal, how will it impact the development of open society in the country? The same criteria were used while evaluating projects after implementation.

Finally, I would like to thank the staff, expert committee members and the National Board for their efforts made in 1999.

Arcadie Barbăroșie

National Board Chair



HESP

The goal of the program is to support the reform of the higher education system through changing the educational and cultural frameworks, to reorganise higher education institutions through support for various interactive models between the state and the private educational sectors, and to support initiatives of the academic community towards integration into the system of market relations.

According to the above-mentioned directions, the following program priorities were set up:

- support for conceptual reform in education
- curricular innovation (the creation of new alternatives, programs, etc)
- programs of new teaching/learning technologies implementation
- innovative institutions (to create pilot-departments, pilot-chairs, etc)
- the institutional reform of teaching/learning
- programs of training for lecturers and managers in higher education)

HESP Publishing Program

The program addressed the universities' needs of textbooks and manuals in the Romanian language by publishing original works of local authors in the fields of Social Sciences and the Humanities. This also improved the professional qualifications of local authors.

Within the program the following teaching materials for higher education were printed:

Chiril SOROCEAN, **Marketing – the Fundamentals of Business** \$ 2,400

Varvara BUZILĂ, **Bread – Food Product and Symbol** \$ 3,850

Simion TOMA et al., **Physiology of Culture Plants** (4 books) \$ 5,820

Valentina OLĂRESCU, **Restraint in Psychic Development. Teaching Material: Theory, Practice and Therapy** \$ 600

Aurelia RACU, **The Development of Special Education in Moldova: History and Current Status** \$ 1,500

Georg SIMMEL, **Soziologie** (translation into Romanian) \$ 4,000

Except for the textbook **Physiology of Culture Plants** by Simion Toma, which was printed in 160 copies, all the other textbooks were printed in 500 copies and then distributed to university libraries through the Book Foundation.

Grants (600 USD) were offered for textbook writing to the following project authors:

Constantin EȚCO et al., **Economy of Health Protection**

Ion ȘIȘCANU, **Romanian History – Contemporary Epoch**

Stelian MANIC, Virgiliu BÎRLĂDEANU, **History of National Economy**

Ion TÎGULEA, **Technology of Fine Arts Education**

Marian JALENCU, **Management of Enterprise**

Valeriu and Natalia ZBÎRCIOG, **Microeconomics**

Valeriu DULGHERU et al., **Creativity: Necessity, Issues, and Practice**

Maia ROBU, Rodica MOCAN, **Fundamentals of Fine Arts with Elements of Artistic Modelling**

Petru BUTUC, **Thesis and Antithesis in Teaching of Syntax**

Carolina PLATON, **Psychological Counselling in Schools**

Demir DRAGNEV, Ion VARTA, **Modern History of Romanians**

Total Publishing Program

\$ 28,218

Grants for Postgraduate Students

The project's aim was to provide grants to support research projects of postgraduate students in Social Sciences and the Humanities (expenses for research and documentation activity at different university and scientific centres in Moldova and abroad) and to facilitate their theses' writing.

Second tier scholarships (\$ 750)

Ina MORARU

Pavel MORARU

Vitalie BÎRCĂ

Veronica BUDECI

Iolanta DĂNILĂ

Third tier scholarships (\$ 500)

Rodica VÎHOVANET

Angela TOMA

Vitalie POPA

Victor MOCANU

Igor CODREANU

Georgeta FONDOS

Lolita ZAGAEVSCHI

Viorel BOLDUMA

Ina CELAC

Victor GOJINEVSCHI

Lorina PÎSLARI
Ana LIPSIUC

Total Program Expenditures \$ 9,535

Internship Program for University Lecturers and Visiting Professors

This project aimed to support the mobility of lecturers, to establish contacts between the higher education institutions of Moldova and those from abroad, to foster collaboration and informational exchange within the academic community. The internship program for university lecturers provided financial support to lecturers and professors for their participation in programs of different universities from abroad or for their research in the archives and libraries. This program had the goal to develop new courses or to improve the existing ones, to familiarise professors with the new technologies of teaching/learning. At the same time, this program supported the invitation of different lecturers from abroad and important personalities from the academic community.

Internships

Participation at the training seminar: Psycho-synthesis, Transpersonal Psychotherapy, the Main Directions in Psychotherapy, Moscow, January 8 – February 5, 1999

Valentina OLĂRESCU, senior lecturer, Psychology chair, SPU \$ 668

Internship in the field of modernisation of history textbooks and teaching materials at Georg Stober Institute, Germany, January 18 – February 18, 1999

Gheorghe GONȚA, Head of Romanian history chair, SPU \$ 530

Nina PETRENCU, lecturer, Romanian history chair, \$ 530

Internship at Armstrong Browning Library, Texas, USA, October 20 – November 30, 1999

Dmitrii USENKO, lecturer, English language and literature chair, FIUM \$ 900

Seminar: Writing and Adapting School Textbooks for National Use, October 4-17, 1999

Lara ALADIN, Head of English language chair, SUB \$ 100

Ana MUNTEAN, assistant lecturer, English philology chair, SUB \$ 100

Working visit in the area of human rights at the International Institute of Human Rights, Strasbourg, July 5-30, 1999

Marina CHIRIAC, lecturer, Law Faculty, SUM \$ 1,223

Internship at the University of Sofia, Bulgaria, June 15 – August 15, 1999

Elena RAȚEEVA, lecturer of Bulgarian language and literature, SPU \$ 700

International Technical Internship in Archives, Paris, France, April – July, 1999

Silviu TABAC, senior lecturer, Romanian history chair, SUM \$ 822

Internship at High School of Journalism, Lille and at Francois Mitterand Library, Paris, France, May 27 – June 27, 1999

Constantin MARIN, dean of School of Journalism and Communication Sciences, SUM \$ 2,000

Internship at Al.I.Cuza University, Chair of Compared Literature and Aesthetics, Iași, May 15 – June 30, 1999

Loretta HANDRABURA, assistant lecturer, Romanian and compared literature chair, SPU \$ 532

Internship: Dialectology and French Linguistics' Geography, Dijon, France, June 1 – July 1, 1999

Petru ROȘCA, lecturer, French language and literature chair, FIUM \$ 1,300

Internship at Free University, Brussels, Belgium, May 3 – June 2, 1999

Alexandru PERJARU, senior lecturer, Archaeology and Antique history chair, SUM \$ 1,128

Seminar in German language teaching methodology, Berlin, August 15-21, 1999

Irina COTENCO, lecturer, German philology chair, SUB \$ 250

Internship at History Institute of Material Culture, St.Petersburg, April 21-26, 1999

Mark TKACIUK, lecturer, High School of Anthropology, researcher, Institute of Archaeology and Ancient History of the Academy of Science of Moldova \$ 90

The VII Congress of International Association of Semiotic Studies: Sign Process in Complex Systems, Dresden, Germany, October 4-17, 1999

Silvia HÎRNĂU, senior lecturer, Marketing chair, AESM \$ 294

Training seminar, University of Sofia, October 1 – November, 31, 1999

Lilia HANGANU, lecturer, Romanian language for foreign students chair, SPU \$ 720

Internship at Saffron Walden School, Cambridge, Great Britain, August 1-14, 1999

Adela GUTU, lecturer, Translation theory and practice, SUM \$ 620

Training seminar at Applied Arts School, France, 1999-2000 academic year

Constantin SPÎNU, dean of the Light industry faculty, TUM \$ 394

Training in Industrial Policy, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, Great Britain, January 3-24, 2000

Anatolie CARAGANCIU, Head of Banks and Stocks Exchange chair, AESM, \$ 1,200

Internship at Al.I.Cuza University, Iași, Romania, January 15-30, 2000

Marcel SUVEICĂ, Dr. in History, Universal History and International Relations chair, FIUM \$ 265

Internship at Al.I. Cuza University, Iași, Romania, March 1-15, 2000

Svetlana SUVEICĂ, Dr. in History, Romanian History chair, SUM \$ 265

Visiting Professors

Dr. Radu ȚURCANU, psychoanalyst, Ecole de la Cause Freudienne, Champ des Forums Locaniens, Psychoanalysis department, Paris 8

Workshop for students and lecturers from the Schools of Psychology of Moldova: Poetic Speech and Psychoanalysis, June 29 – July 6, 1999

Project director Luminița TÎGÎRLAȘ, Chair, Association of Psychoanalysis of Culture \$ 2,500

MEIXNER Ildico, DAMO Ester, ODOROJAN Katalin, psychologists from Hungary

Symposium: Prevention, Correction and Recovery of Learning Disorders Determined by Language Troubles (dyslexia) for pre-school teachers, psychologists, faculty members, scientific researchers, postgraduate students, April 20-23, 1999

Project director: Domnica GÎNU, researcher, Institute of Pedagogic and Psychological Sciences \$ 1,082

Faculty members from Al.I.Cuza University of Iași, Institute of European Studies, Iași, Institute of Inventiveness, Iași

Seminar: Actuality of Philosophy: Theoretical and Practical Aspects, for students and teachers of Philosophy and Psychology faculties of SUM, May 12-14, 1999

Project director: Vasile ȚAPOC, head of Philosophy chair, SUM \$ 430

Total Program Expenditures \$ 18,744

Students' Initiatives Program

The program's goal is to support extra-curricular student activities: research projects, seminars, student conferences, summer schools, research expeditions, student exchange from different institutions and different forms of collaboration and co-operation among institutions from Moldova and abroad. We also supported projects concerning students' social life, their work in scientific and interest groups, financial help for student associations, and formal and informal meetings. In 1999, two contests were organised and 26 projects were selected:

Summer school: Creative Development of Students, July 4-12, 1999

Ruslan BELOUSOV, 4th year student, Philosophy, SUM \$ 1,000

Summer school: Prognosis of Psycho Diagnosis, July 4-12, 1999

Veronica PEEV, 3rd year student, Psychology, SPU \$ 1,000

International ecological campus: Students for Nature, June 20-29, 1999

Andrei NOVAC, 4th year student, Biology, SUM \$ 1,500

Seminar and conference: Professional Development of Young Psychologists, May 2-20, 1999

Lilia NACU, 3rd year student, Psychology and Pedagogy, SPU \$ 300

Conference: West-East Ethnic and Cultural Ties, May 26-28, 1999

Andrei NICIC, 4th year student, History, SUM \$ 300

Ecological Expedition on the River Răut, July 1–August 31, 1999

Ionel GONȚA, 3rd year student, Geography, SUT (located in Chișinău) \$ 500

Seminar: Abandoned Children, September 30, 1999
Lilia CALANCEA, 3rd year student, Foreign Languages, FIUM \$ 300

Psychological research: Art Therapy – Efficient Psychotherapeutic Method, June 30 – October 30, 1999

Lilia RĂILEANU, 4th year student, Psychology and Pedagogy, SPU \$ 270

National debate: Demystification or Re-mystification of History, April 26-28, 1999

Victor MÎRZA, 3rd year student, History and ethnical pedagogy, SPU \$ 600

Sociological poll: Students' Drug Consumption, April-November 1999

Luciano POPA, 3rd year student, Modern languages, FIUM \$ 1,000

Training in Professional Development, September 1, 1999-February 5, 2000

Angela POPA, 4th year student, Philosophy and psychology, SUM \$ 500

Internship: Archaeological and Museographical Practice in Germany, July 19 – September 18, 1999

Alexandru POPA, professor, SUM \$ 1,080

Summer school: Actor's Psychology, August 11-22, 1999

Natalia LUNGU, 2nd year student, Dramatic art, State University of Arts \$ 550

Student conference: Fashion Trends at the End of the Second Millennium, May 7, 1999

Doina IEPURĂȘ, 3rd year student, Light industry, TUM \$ 300

Seminar: Perspectives on the Investment Policy of the Republic of Moldova, May 20-21, 1999

Renata COSTIȘANU, 4th year student, Economic sciences, FIUM \$ 300

Grant to support the scientific research on the small business, April 1– July 1, 1999

Grigore PETRESCO, 2nd year student, Management, AESM \$ 300

Ecological club: Students' Activity in Rural Areas, April 1 – May 30, 1999

Valentin BUTNARU, 3rd year student, Ecological law, SUM \$ 500

Student conference: Culture and Civilisation in South-East Europe, May 4-7, 1999

Nicolae CHIRILĂ, 3rd year student, History and ethnical pedagogy, SPU \$ 600

Scientific conference: Youth in a Competitive Economy, March 25-26, 1999

Serghei GULCEAC, 4th year student, International Economic Relations, CCUM \$ 300

Summer school: Strengthening Co-operation between Students and Scout Groups, July 1-August 14, 1999

Dorin CIBOTARU, 3rd year student, Ecology, SUM \$ 300

Summer school: The Old Orhei, August 1-20, 1999

Ala CREȚU, 2nd year student, History and international relations, FIUM \$ 1,000

Seminar: Universitas – Nichita Stănescu, September 20-December 6, 1999

Iraida STARĂȘCIUC, 3rd year student, Foreign languages and literature, SUB \$ 300

Internship in Turkey: Students' Ecological Education, June 25-July 8, 1999

Project director: Maria GONȚA. Dr. in chemistry, lecturer, SUM \$ 1,966

Documentation and research expedition: Valea Vornicului– between Legend and History. A Past for the Future, July 10-24, 1999

Marcela POPESCU, 5th year student, History and ethnic pedagogy, SPU \$ 500

Conference: The Third Millennium Ecological Issues from Professors and Students' Perspectives, October 1999

Ludmila NAGRUDNÎI, 3rd year student, Ecological law, SUM \$ 300

Scientific student laboratory: Comparative History

Igor ZAPOROJAN, 2nd year student, History, SUM \$ 300

Program Administration \$ 181

Total Program Expenditures \$ 16,047

Grants for Young Faculty Members

The program encouraged the process of attraction of young lecturers and graduate students into teaching which worked against the "drain" of young faculty members from higher education. Twenty-two grants (400 USD) were given on a competitive basis, which was announced for the following disciplines: pedagogy, philosophy, sociology, arts and sciences.

State University of Moldova

Ala CIORICI, lecturer, Pedagogy and psychology chair

Igor CIALENCO, lecturer, Mathematical analysis chair

Iurie CĂRĂUȘ, lecturer, Information technology chair

Igor CAȘU, lecturer, Contemporary universal history chair

Serghei CORSAC, lecturer, Mathematical analysis chair

Ion GUMENÎI, lecturer, Culture and Religion history chair

Oxana ISAC, lecturer, Sociology and philosophy history chair

Liliana LAUR, lecturer, International relations chair

Diana POSTU, lecturer, Pedagogy and psychology chair

Technical University of Moldova

Andrei CHICIUC, senior lecturer, Electro-mechanics chair

Ana COSTAŞ, assistant lecturer, Mathematics chair
Elena RUSU, assistant lecturer, Mathematics chair

State University of Bălţi

Adrian CIUBOTARU, lecturer, Romanian language and literature chair

Lucian JITARU, assistant lecturer, Romanian language chair

Adelina ŞTEFÎRTĂ, assistant lecturer, Theory of music and conducting chair

Alexandru MARIŢ, assistant lecturer, Law chair

Free International University of Moldova

Ludmila COJOCARU, lecturer, Romanian history chair

Marin DOLINŢĂ, lecturer, Humanities chair

Andrei RUSU, senior lecturer, Mathematics in economy chair

State University of Tiraspol

Valeriu BORDAN, senior lecturer, Algebra chair

Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova

Rodica DUB, lecturer, Social Management chair

The Humanities University of Cahul

Igor BERCU, lecturer, Economic Information chair

Program Administration	\$ 642
Total Program Expenditures	\$ 9,442

Students' Participation in International Summer Schools and Universities

The aim of the program was to involve young students in the process of social democratisation and facilitate their integration into the international academic community and contemporary civilisation. The program addressed students from all higher education institutions by inviting them to participate in international summer schools and workshops organised abroad in the field of social sciences and the humanities.

Participation in international conference: Enlargement and Deepening of European Union, organised by C.I.F.E., Marly-le-Roi, March 22-27, 1999

Viorel ALBU \$ 343

Participation in student conference: Diversity Celebration, Germany, May 7-16, 1999

Nadejda HRIPTIEVSCHI \$ 500

Participation in international summer school, Plzen, Czech Republic, July 12-30, 1999

Eugenia CERBA \$ 470

Participation in summer university: Democracy and Diversity, Cracovia, Poland, July 11-31, 1999

Iulian ROBU \$ 1,350

Program Administration \$ 103

Total Program Expenditures \$ 2,835

Summer Schools in Social Sciences and the Humanities

Summer school: New Europe, Chişinău, August 20, 1999 – September 10, 1999

Participants: 35 persons from Moldova and Romania

Project director: Romaniţa BERGHIA, director of European Centre, Moldova

Project budget \$ 30,620

Soros Foundation Moldova's contribution \$ 5,805

Modernisation of Higher Education Curriculum

The program supported the initiatives of university professors, researchers and individual experts in developing course syllabuses in the areas of Social Sciences and the Humanities.

Grants (250 USD) were offered to:

Grigore ŢAPU, Person Psychology

Ion NEGURĂ, Rodica VÎHOVANET, Psychology of Adult Learning

Tatiana CARTALEANU, Olga COSOVAN, Alvina GROSU, SUM, Reading and Writing for Critical Thinking Development

Rodica SOLOVEI, Transnistrian History (1941-1944) – Social-economic, Cultural and Administrative Issues

Mihai GROSU, Political Economy

Valentina OLĂRESCU, Neuro-psychology

Iurie MALAI, Psychic Stress

Varvara BUZILĂ, Semiotic Ethnology

Vasile ZAGORSCHI, Introduction into Modern Composition Technology

Veronica PĂCURARU, Semantics and Lexicography

Alecsandru POPA, Romanian Currency in Basarabia

Rodica MOCANU, Maia ROBU, Fundamentals of Plastic Arts and Artistic Building, accompanied by a Teacher's Guide for pre-school institutions

Alexandru BURLACU, Iulian CIOCAN, Theory of Literature

Program Administration \$ 1,551

Total Program Expenditures \$ 4,801

Higher Education Reform

The goal of this program was to support research projects in the area of higher education reform through encouraging the initiatives of university professors, researchers and individual experts in this area. The proposed research projects will conclude with an international seminar with the topic: The Pros and Cons of the Credit System in Moldova, to be held on April 10-11, 2000. The research results and the implementation techniques of higher education reform will be discussed in this seminar.

Grants were offered for research projects, selected on a competitive basis.

Dr. Roza DUMBRĂVEANU, Advanced strategy and methodology integration in curriculum \$ 800

Dr. Vasile PANICO, Dr. Vladimir GUȚU, Theory and methodology of university curriculum design in the context of higher education reform in the Republic of Moldova \$ 600

Dr. Tudor BOUNEGRU, Application of computer assisted education in higher education institutions from the Republic of Moldova \$ 600

Dr. Olga COSOVAN, Reading and writing techniques for critical thinking development in linguistic course study \$ 600

Program Administration \$ 503
Total Program Expenditures \$ 10,503

On-going projects

The HESP Program supported projects of university curriculum reform in higher education institutions of Moldova:

Social-psychology observatory, January 1, 2000 – December 31, 2001

The aim of the project is researching the predominant psychological tendencies and applying them to the social field.

Project director: Mihail ȘLEAHTITCHI, Dr. in psychology, Dr. in pedagogy, university lecturer, School of Law, Social Sciences and the Humanities, SUB. \$ 22,500

Providing Cahul University with technical equipment and a book fund for the university library

Project director: Ion ȘIȘCANU, Rector of the State University of Cahul, Dr. in Historical sciences. \$ 30,000

Project of modernisation of the Cultural Anthropology Laboratory, March 1999 – April, 2000

The aim of the project was modernisation of the university curriculum and development of new courses: History, Archaeology, Ethnology.

Project director: Virgiliu BÎRLĂDEANU, lecturer, Social Sciences and the Humanities chair, FIUM. \$ 10,000

In 1999 we continued to finance the projects in the transformation of the university curriculum approved in the previous years, including:

Laboratory of the Clinical Psychology of the Psychology Chair, SUM

Project director Carolina PLATON, Doctor in Psychology, SUM

Creation of the Laboratory of Oral History at the History Department, PSU

Project director Elena ȘIȘCANU

Introduction of a new specialisation in the Ethnology of Ethnic Groups of the South of Moldova in the curriculum, Culture of national minorities faculty, SUC

Project director Svetlana CARA, lecturer, Bulgarian language chair, SUC

Total Program Expenditures \$ 62,500

Network Programs

CEU Summer Courses in Social Sciences and the Humanities, OSI Budapest

Nadejda ANDREEVA, Energy Policy for Economies in Transition \$ 330

Angela CAMINSCHI, Education Reform: Policy and Research \$ 330

Albina COVALENCO, Energy Policy for Economies in Transition \$ 330

Doina DUMBRĂVEANU-MUNTEANU, Innovative Cultural Policies and Cultural Management in Societies in Transition \$ 330

Elena MIDORI, Law of International Economic Transactions \$ 326

Svetlana SUVEICĂ, Global Government and Human Society \$ 327

Victor TCACENCO, Innovative Cultural Policies and Cultural Management in Societies in Transition \$ 326

Natalia RAICHIN, Human Rights and Forced Migration: Interdisciplinary Aspects \$ 330

Program Administration \$ 122
Total Program Expenditures \$ 2,751

Fellowships at Curriculum Resource Center, CEU, Budapest

Vera MUNTEANU, scientific researcher, National Institute of Ecology, March 1999 \$ 302

Ludmila COJOCARU, Dr. in History, FIUM, October 4-17, 1999 \$ 302

Program Administration \$ 693
Total Program Expenditures \$ 1,295

Research Support Scheme

The Research Support Scheme, a program of the Soros Foundation network, is aimed at developing academic research capacity by supporting original, innovative and high quality research in social sciences and the humanities concerning issues particularly specific for Eastern and Central Europe, Transcaucasus, Central Asia and Mongolia.

The following persons received research grants in 1999:

Boris BOINCHAN, Sustainable Agriculture in the Republic of Moldova

Luminița DRUMEA, Perspectives of the Moldova – Transnistria Conflict Resolution: the Role of Civil Society Building

Nikolai BABILUNGĂ, Perspectives of the Moldova – Transnistria Conflict Resolution: the Role of Civil Society Building

Andrei FIODOROV, Analysis of Natural Resources Management in the Black Sea Region

HESP Program Administration \$ 7,862
HESP Program Expenditures \$ 168,938
Total HESP \$ 176,800



INVISIBLE COLLEGE MOLDOVA

This program was started at the Soros Foundation Moldova in February 1996 in partnership with Open Society Institute, Budapest, and three universities in Chișinău as a special International HESP pilot-program. The Invisible College Moldova aims to amplify teaching and research processes in the field of Social Sciences through extra-curricular programs. The College activity focuses on the following priority areas: Political

Science, Sociology, Psychology, Philosophy, Culture Studies and Anthropology.

The main goal of the College is to contribute to the education of a new generation of the intellectual elite in Social Sciences, a group of academics, highly qualified and open-minded professionals active in governmental and non-governmental sectors.

The principal target group of the Invisible College of Moldova's activity is a group of 40 outstanding students in Social Sciences from different universities of Moldova, selected by way of publicly advertised competitive exams.

The College curriculum consists of several components, identified to address the following objectives:

- to provide students with advanced scientific knowledge as well as practical skills in Social Sciences and the Humanities by inviting lecturers and experts from Western, Central Europe and the USA, this being done in addition to their regular university studies

- to ensure students' proficiency in English by means of compulsory intensive courses in order to facilitate their access to foreign academic resources in Social Sciences (periodical publications, textbooks, conferences, summer schools) and informational networks; to establish academic contacts for cooperation with students and academics from abroad

- to be competitive for post-graduate studies in the best university centers around the world

- to train students in computer science for the efficient use of info technologies in their research work

- to create conditions for exchanging and transferring the advanced knowledge and experiences in Political Science, Sociology, Psychology and Philosophy within the academic community in the South-Eastern Europe by means of common training, international seminars, summer schools and publications

During 1999 about 80 persons were involved in the Invisible College (60 students and 20 professors.) The teaching staff is hired from the best professors of the higher education and research institutions of Moldova. Additionally, visiting professors from the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, the European Community and the USA are involved in the College activities. Visiting professors are an important aspect of the program as they bring new ideas, research and teaching practices.

The academic training and research work of the students occur in the framework of specialized laboratories for research and professional training housed on the following addresses:

Sociology: Invisible College Moldova, 16/1 Pușkin St., Chișinău MD 2012

Philosophy, Anthropology and Cultural Studies: Invisible College Moldova, 16/1 Pușkin St., Chișinău MD 2012

Internet Classroom: Invisible College Moldova, 16/1 Puskin St., Chișinău MD 2012

Political Science: Free International University of Moldova, 52 Vlaicu Pîrcălab St., room 216, Chişinău MD 2012

Psychology: Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University, 1 Ion Creangă St., room 60, Chişinău MD 2039

Computer Classroom: Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University, 1 Ion Creangă St., Chişinău MD 2039

For a detailed description of the Invisible College Moldova activities, please visit the homepage: <http://www.ic.soros.md>

Tutorial Programs

The main format of the academic program consists of regular meetings between students and their professors/ tutors. Every professor in the program is an adviser for 2-3 students. Each student at the beginning of the semester selects the topic of the research project. The topics are discussed and approved at the meeting of the College Senate.

Professors of the Invisible College

Political Science Laboratory

Mihai CERNENCU, Laboratory Coordinator, Dr. in History, Head of Social Sciences Department, FIUM

Oleg SEREBRIAN, Professor/tutor, Dr. in Political Science, Vice rector, FIUM

Valentin BENIUC, Professor/tutor, Ph.D. in Political Science, Head of the Political Science Department, SUM

Sociology Laboratory

Valentin TURCAN, Dr. in Philosophy, Senior Lecturer, Sociology and History of Philosophy Department, SUM, Head of the Scientific Laboratory The Sociology of Politics

Ana PASCARU, Dr. in Philosophy, Senior Scientific Worker, Institute of Philosophy, Law and Sociology, ASM

Tatiana SPĂTARU, Dr. in Sociology, Senior Lecturer of Sociology Department, SUM

Psychology Laboratory

Ion NEGURĂ, Dr. in Psychology, Head of General Psychology Department, SPU

Igor RACU, Ph.D. in Psychology, Dean of School of Psychology

Tatiana TURCHINĂ, Lecturer, post-graduate student, SUM

Philosophy, Anthropology and Cultural Studies Laboratory

Gheorghe BOBÎNA, Ph.D. in Philosophy, Head of Esthetics and History of Philosophy Department, Institute of Philosophy, Law and Sociology, ASM

Eudochia SAHARNEANU, Dr. in Philosophy, Associate Professor, SUM

Claudia CRĂCIUN, Ph.D. in Cultural Studies, Professor

Computer Science Laboratory

Iurie GUZUN, Dr. in Technical Sciences, Associate Professor, SPU

Visiting Professors

Outstanding professors from abroad are invited with lectures/courses.

Marie-Louise SANDEN, Linkoping University, Sweden: "The Sociology of the Family and Gender Division in the Society", "Application of SPSS program in Sociological Investigations"

Jacqueline BARUS-MICHEL, Paris-VI University, France: "Clinical Psychosociology: Practical Implications"

Helmuth WAGNER, Berlin University, Germany: "New Geopolitical Centers in Asia"

Stephen BOWERS, James Madison University, USA: "American Foreign Policy. American-Moldovan Relations at Present"

Sergei SHEVTSOV (CEP lecturer), Institute of Business and Law, Odessa, Ukraine: "Philosophy of Mental between Ontological and Epistemological Approaches"

Cezar RADU, Bucharest University, Romania: "Umberto Eco or Contemporary Model of Homo Universale"

Petru IOAN, A.I. Cuza University, Iaşi, Romania: "Logics and World Mysteries"

Nicolae RIMBU, A.I. Cuza University, Iaşi, Romania: "Romanticism and German Philosophy"

Ştefan Cel-Mare, A.I. Cuza University, Iaşi, Romania: "The Concept of Truth in Petre Botezatu's Logics"

Local Visiting Professors

Vasile GUTU, Ph.D., Associate Professor, State University of Moldova: "Theory of Argumentation"

Vasile TAPOC, Ph.D. in Philosophy, University Professor, State University of Moldova: "Theory and Practice of Scientific Research: Procedures, Methods and Principles"

Iurie LEANCĂ, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs of Moldova: "The Republic of Moldova and European Structures"

Victor MORARU, Head of the United Nations Relations Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Moldova: "UNO in New Conditions"

Iurie ROŞCA, Vice-president of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova: "The Basic Principles of the Christian-Democratic Doctrine"

Valeriu MATEI, Vice-president of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova: "The Party of Democratic Forces – Evolution and Perspectives"

Oazu NANTOI, Co-president of the Social-democratic Party of Moldova: "Transnistrian Conflict"

Andrei TURCANU, Ex-counselor of the President: "Current Political Situation in the Republic of Moldova"

Gheorghe BÂRSAN, Ambassador of Romania in the Republic of Moldova: "Romanian-Moldovan Relations at Present"

Vitalia PAVLICENCO, Deputy of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova: "Participation of the Republic of Moldova in Euro-Atlantic Bodies"

Study Visits of Students and Professors Abroad

West University, Timișoara, Romania: members of Philosophy and Psychology Laboratories

Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj, Romania: members of Political Science and Sociology Laboratories

Warsaw University, Center for Studies of Ancient Traditions in Poland and Central and Eastern Europe: Gheorghe BOBÎNĂ, Head of Philosophy Laboratory (HESP Mobility Grant)

Moscow School of Social and Economic Studies: Eudochia SAHARNEANU professor/tutor of Philosophy Laboratory (HESP Mobility Grant)

School of Future Elite, American University in Kyrgyzstan: Eleonora DUPOUY, Invisible College, Program Coordinator

English Language Training

The Invisible College students are given compulsory English language training. By the end of their studies at the College students are to pass successfully the TOEFL examination.

Computer Skills Development

The Invisible College students have compulsory computer training in computer science the end result being the efficient use of modern info technologies in their research work. Two computer classrooms are available for students:

Internet Classroom: Invisible College, 16/1 Puskin St., Chișinău MD2012

Computer Classroom: PSU, 1 Ion Creangă St., Chișinău MD 2039.

Training Courses, Seminars, Conferences, and Summer Schools

College students participate in training, seminars,

conferences and summer schools in order to gain new knowledge, organizational experience and exchange ideas and to develop the capacity to make presentations to a large audience. Students and professors who are not members of the Invisible College are also involved in these events.

International Student Conference: Ten Years of Transition in Central and Eastern Europe: Illusions, Realities and Challenges, April 23-24, 1999, Chișinău

This Conference was organized with the financial support of the East-East Program of Soros Foundation Moldova. Number of participants: 75, 24 foreign undergraduate and post-graduate students, university professors inclusively, 38 students of the Invisible College Moldova, about 15 local professors. Most of the foreign students were representatives of the regional Invisible College network.

Conference of the Invisible College Students Annual Evaluation, May 28-29, 1999

All the students and professors of the Invisible College participated.

International Seminar: NATO Enlargement: A Challenge and Contribution to Stability and Security in South Eastern Europe, November 26-27, 1999, Chișinău.

This seminar was organized by the Euro-Atlantic Center of Moldova in cooperation with the Invisible College. Students of the Political Science Laboratory participated in the organization of the seminar and attended its workshops.

Summer School: Creativity as a Life Style. Creative Psychological Diagnostics, July 4-12, 1999, Hîrjăuca, Moldova.

The school was organized by the students of the Philosophy and Psychology laboratories with the involvement of their colleagues who are not members of the Invisible College and with students and professors invited from Romania.

Scientific Conference: Actuality of Philosophy: Theoretical and Practical Aspects

The conference was organized by the Laboratory of Philosophy of the Invisible College in cooperation with the School of Philosophy of the State University of Moldova and the financial support of the Higher Education Support Program of Soros Foundation Moldova. Invitees: students and professors of A.I. Cuza University, Iași, Romania

Participation in International Conferences, Workshops, Seminars

Frankfurt Young Europeans Forum: Europe – XXI: A New Generation Takes off, September 9-13, 1998,

Frankfurt-on-Mein, Germany
Alexandru MELENCIUC, Political Science Laboratory

International Conference: Economical Development, Crises Management and Regional Collaboration in Baltic Sea, October 28 – November 1, 1999

Valeriu PROHNITCHI, Political Science Laboratory

International Student Conference: Celebrating Diversity, May 7-16, 1999, Ilmenau, Germany

Otilia BOLOGAN, Political Science Laboratory

Summer School in Human Rights, July 1999, Strasbourg, France

Otilia BOLOGAN, Political Science Laboratory

Intensive Course and Conference in European Law, March 22-April 2, 1999, Torun, Poland

Dorin PEREU, Political Science Laboratory

International Summer School: Art of Communication and Social Sciences, July 18 – August 2, 1999, Vadul-lui-Vodă, R. Moldova

Representatives of all Invisible College laboratories

Invisible College Summer Camp in Kyrgyzstan, August 17-25, 1999

Victor ZAHARIA, Victor PARLICOV, Alexandru MELENCIUC, Ruslan BELOUSOV, the Invisible College Moldova

Scientific Conference: Actuality of Philosophy: Practical and Theoretical Aspects, May 12-14, 1999

Students of the Philosophy Laboratory

Education Strategy Conference, February 22-24, 1999, Budapest, Hungary

Nicolae CHIRTOACĂ, Director of the Invisible College Moldova

Workshop: Peer Review of Sociology Programs Warsaw, November 3-7, 1999

Valentin ȚURCAN, Ana PASCARU, professors/tutors of the Sociology Laboratory

Training in Effective Communication in an Administrative English Speaking Academic Environment, August 2-20, American University in Bulgaria, Blagoevgrad

Carolina PLATON, Invisible College, Academic Advisor

Workshop: Curriculum Resource Center Strategic Planning, Budapest, September 16-18, 1999.

Eleonora DUPOUY, Invisible College, Program Coordinator

International Symposium dedicated to Karl Popper's work "Open Society and Its Enemies", Budapest, June 12-17, 1999

Eudochia SAHARNEANU, professor/tutor of the Laboratory of Philosophy

Publications

The Invisible College members share their knowledge with the academic community of Moldova through the published academic papers, written in the framework of the College (presentations at conferences and summer schools, the newsletter of the Invisible College, and articles in mass media.)

Acquisition of Teaching Materials

The Invisible College has a library specialized in Social Sciences and the Humanities including textbooks, dictionaries, books, periodical journals, which is open to all university students. Teaching materials worth about \$ 4,000 were purchased in 1999. 70 titles of American periodical scientific journals in Social Sciences and the Humanities have been bought through The East & Central Europe Journal Donation Project (New School for Social Research, New York, USA).

Scholarships for the Invisible College Students

The scholarships allow the students to devote extra time to studies and ensure that they will not have to work during their studies in order to earn a living.

Students-members of the Invisible College in 1999:

Laboratory of Philosophy, Anthropology and Cultural Studies

Alumni

Larisa CIORNEI, State University of Moldova

Lilia GLIJIN, State University of Moldova

Angela POPA, State University of Moldova

Second Year

Natalia AFTENI, State University of Moldova

Ecaterina ALBU, State University of Moldova

Ruslan BELOUSOV, State University of Moldova

Aurelia MIHALAȘ, State University of Moldova

Victoria ZAPOROJAN, State University of Moldova

First Year

Veronica BOHANȚOV, State University of Moldova

Victor COJOCARU, State University of Moldova
 Ion CRĂCIUN, State University of Moldova
 Doina IEPURĂȘ, Technical University of Moldova
 Ana ODOBESCU, State University of Moldova
 Ionița PĂCURARU, Agrarian State University
 Veronica SEREBRIAN, State University of Moldova

Psychology Laboratory

Alumni

Nicolae BEȘLIU, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Lilia NACU, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Second Year

Alina BUDECI, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Natalia COJOCARI, State University of Moldova

Alina DRUȚĂ, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Svetlana MARDARI, State University of Moldova

Victor PARLICOV, Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova

Veronica PEEV, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Svetlana PRODAN, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Stela SUHAN, State University of Moldova

First Year

Gabriela GHERMAN, State University of Moldova

Livia ROȘCA, State University of Moldova

Stela ȚIMBALISTRU, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Sociology Laboratory

Alumni

Corina CAIREAC, State University of Moldova

Elena CARCEA, State University of Moldova

Adelina LABIC, State University of Moldova

Aliona SECARA, State University of Moldova

Second Year

Aliona BARILOV, State University of Moldova

Ludmila CENUȘĂ, State University of Moldova

Aliona CHIHAI, State University of Moldova

Galina DOLTU, State University of Moldova

Constanta POPESCU, Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova

First Year

Elena APOSTOL, State University of Moldova

Alexandru NARTEA, State University of Moldova

Daniela PLATON, State University of Moldova

Ina ȚURCANU, State University of Moldova

Ruslan SINȚOV, State University of Moldova

Political Science Laboratory

Alumni

Viorel ALBU, State University of Moldova

Elvira ANGHEL, State University of Moldova

Otilia BOLOGAN, State University of Moldova

Vasile CHITII, State University of Moldova

Octavian MAMALIGA, State University of Moldova

Second Year

Igor BUCĂȚARU, State University of Moldova

Sergiu BUȘCĂNEANU, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Alexandru MELENCIUC, State University of Moldova

Valeriu PROHNIȚCHI, Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova

Victor ZAHARIA, State University of Moldova

First Year

Elena GAMARȚ, State University of Moldova

Viorica GRĂDINARU, State University of Moldova

Renata ROTARU, State University of Moldova

Irina RURAC, State University of Moldova

Sergiu RUSU, State University of Moldova

Dumitru TITICA, State University of Moldova

Total SFM's contribution

\$ 18,960



EDUCATIONAL ADVISING CENTER

The Center (EAC) was reorganized in January 1999. The Open World House and the Pro Didactica Educational Center have founded the Educational Advising Center NGO. It is financed by the Soros Foundation Moldova and located in the B.P. Hașdeu Municipal Library. The major objective of the EAC is to provide everyone who is interested in education, research or training in the US all necessary information concerning the opportunities of degree and non-degree, college and post-graduate education in the United States.

The EAC has become more accessible and as a result, the number of visitors has considerably increased. During 1999, the EAC has offered informational support to about 2,500 visitors, mostly students and university graduates. The most popular fields were Business Administration, Economics, Medical Studies, Education, Law, Journalism, Public Administration and Foreign Languages. The number of phone calls has also increased. During 1999, the Center received almost 10,000 phone calls for information request.

With the support of the Soros Foundation and the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State the Educational Advising Center periodically receives textbooks and

other information materials. Approximately 1,500 TOEFL, GMAT and GRE Information Bulletins have been distributed during this year.

By the end of 1999, the EAC updated its web page, making it more accessible to all the Internet users. It also provides various free of charge services, such as the Internet access, printing and copying of resources available.

Since 1994, the EAC has been administrating the Edmund S. Muskie/Freedom Support Act Graduate Fellowship Program. The Muskie/FSA Program provides opportunities for graduate studies in American universities within degree and non-degree programs in the following fields: Business Administration, Economics, Law, Education, Public Policy, Library and Information Science, Journalism and Mass Communications, Public Administration. EAC carries out recruitment activities including the program's advertising campaign, testing, interviewing, and pre-departure orientation.

One of the most important components of the Program is test administration and interviews. The following tests were administrated within the 1999 Muskie/FSA Program: GRE, January 16, 1999, 12 participants; GMAT, January 16, 1999, 14 participants; TOEFL, January 15, 1999, 41 participants. The next stage of the program consists in organizing the interviews. A special team arrived from the USA to interview the Muskie/FSA semifinalists. In 1999, Robert Wellington Campbell, Marjean Knockey, Elena SPENSLEY and Razvigor Bazalla (BECAUSDS Chişinău) represented it. The interviews took place between January 18-19, 1999.

The 2000 Muskie/FSA Graduate Fellowship Program was represented by its coordinator at the Press Conference held at the Independent Journalism Center on September 3, 1999. During the recruiting campaign of the 2000 Muskie Program several presentation lectures were held at the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova, State University of Moldova, Free Independent University of Moldova and Alecu Russo State University in Bălţi. Various NGOs, private and governmental organizations had been contacted for the same reason, such as the Ministry of Education, which helped in disseminating the information throughout the country.

During 1999, the Educational Advising Center director, Vitalie VREMIŞ attended several conferences, such as The Annual Scholarship Program, July 1999, St. Petersburg, Russia and The First Nordic Baltic Educational Advisers' Workshop, September 1999, Vilnius, Lithuania.

Besides The Muskie/FSA Program, the EAC has also participated in the coordination of other exchange and scholarship programs like:

- the Central European University Program
- International Management Center MBA Program (Budapest, Hungary)
- Community Connections (USIS)
- FSA in Contemporary Issues (IREX)
- Regional Scholar Exchange Program (ACCELS)

- 1998-99 FSA Undergraduate Exchange Program
- American University in Bulgaria Program
- the Fulbright Program: Advanced Research and University Lecturing Awards in the United States
- the University of Warwick Graduate School

By the end of the year, the EAC received various information materials, such as: catalogues and information booklets of the top universities from the US: TOEFL, GRE, GMAT, SAT I, SAT II and LSAT preparation materials, etc.

During 1999, the Educational Advising Center has collaborated with the following organizations:

- Soros Foundation Moldova
- the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State
- ACTR/ACCELS: The American Council of Teachers of Russian/ American Council for Collaboration in Education and Language Study
- IREX: International Research and Exchanges Board
- NAFSA: National Association for Foreign Student Affairs
- CIEE: Council on International Educational Exchange
- Moldova - Pennsylvania
- Eurasia Foundation
- TACIS
- UNDP
- Alumni Resource Center
- USIS Information Resource Center
- Pro Didactica Educational Center
- The Invisible College
- B.P. Haşdeu Municipal Library
- The Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Moldova

Total \$ 10,000



SCHOLARSHIPS

Soros Foundation Moldova administered seven network scholarship programs: American University in Bulgaria, The Undergraduate Exchange Program, Central European University, The University of Warwick, University of Oxford, Supplementary Scholarship Program for Undergraduate and Postgraduate Studies, Supplementary Scholarship Program for Doctoral Studies and two national scholarship programs for the College of Europe and Les Ecoles Normales Superieures in France.

The network and national scholarship programs were developed in order to give the young generation of Moldova the possibility to obtain adequate and necessary studies for the future prosperous development of the Republic Moldova. These programs led to the increase of local capacity in different fields as well as to the improvement of their professional training level. Total or partial financial support was provided for studies abroad. Supplementary merit scholarships were given to students from Moldovan universities.

Network Scholarship Programs

American University in Bulgaria	\$ 2,360.18
Natalia CONDORACHI	
Alexandru BIVOL	
Anatolie CERNII	
Ilie VEDRAȘCO	
Eugen KHALSANOV	
Marin CEBOTARI	
Georgeta GAVRILIUC	
Lucia LAVRIC	
Iurie LAIU	
Pavel ALBOT	
Virgiliu MIDRIGAN	
Andrei CERVONEASCII	
Andrei PANICI	

The Undergraduate Exchange Program, USA	\$ 2,479.62
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Vladimir BULICI, Kalamazoo College	
Julia GROSU, Slippery Rock University	
Jana USTINOVA, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire	

The University of Warwick, United Kingdom	\$ 968.83
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Eugen MUZICA	
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The University of Oxford, United Kingdom	\$ 1,663.37
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Nicolae BOTAN	
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Central European University, Hungary	\$ 3,761.52
Alexandru OPRUNENCO	
Olga POATO	
Julia TROMBITCAIA	
Julia CAPROȘ	
Ludmila VASILOV	

Supplementary Scholarships Grants Program (SSGP), OSI, Budapest

Anna BAHOVA, University of Veliko Tirnovo	
Anatolie CERNII, American University in Bulgaria	
Ilie VEDRAȘCO, American University in Bulgaria	

Marcel COROBER, The State Academy of St. Petersburg	
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Ana MĂRGINEANU, University of Bucharest	
Galina ȘINTOVA, Academy of Arts, Bulgaria	

Program Administration:	\$ 335.50
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National Scholarship Programs

American University in Bulgaria	\$ 5,240
Soros Foundation Moldova provided pocket money for all AUBG students from Moldova.	

Natalia CONDORACHI	
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Alexandru BIVOL	
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Pavel ALBOT	
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Virgiliu MIDRIGAN	
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Andrei CERVONEASCII	
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Andrei PANICI	
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College of Europe, Natolin, Poland	
Andrei PORUMBRICA	\$ 14,325.28
Oxana AGACHII – DAAD Scholarship	

College of Europe, Bruges, Belgium	
Aurica PRIPA	\$ 14,455.64
Program administration:	\$ 307.85

Les Ecoles Normales Superieures, France	
Georgeta CÎȘLARU	\$ 10,160.69
Program administration:	\$ 124.23

Supplementary Scholarship Grants

Undergraduate Studies

American University in Bulgaria	
Sergiu LISNIC	\$ 2,115
Viorica URSU	\$ 717.31
Mariana BUZU	\$ 485

University Paris V – Rene Descartes, France	
Diana RUSU	\$ 2,500

University of Oulu, Finland	
Ion MIRON	\$ 232
Rodica CIOBANU	\$ 232

Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy	
Liliana BORTĂ	\$ 1,515

University of Nebraska, USA Daniela MARDAROVICI	\$ 1,393	University of Munchen, Germany Marina DUMBRAVA	\$ 2,500
University of Clemson, USA Mariana DUHATEROV	\$ 1,500	National Kapodistriaca University, Athens, Greece Rodica SOCOLOV	\$ 1,248
Drexel University, USA Sorin ROIBU	\$ 1,495.64	Friedrich-Wilhelms Reinez University, Bonn, Germany	\$ 1731.48
Aliona BELENCAIA	\$ 685.44	Anatolie GROSU	
Clarion University, USA Vladislav DORIN	\$ 751.15	Institute of European Higher Education Studies, Strasbourg, France	
University of Sorbonne Nouvelle Paris III, France Mihaela ŞLEAHTIŢCHI	\$ 2,502.60	Viorel BUTUCEL	\$ 1,344.25
Juhasz Gyula Pedagogical Institute, Hungary		Aurel KISTRUGA	\$ 2,493.52
Rodica ŞARGAROVSKI	\$ 500	Institute of European International Studies, Nice, France	
Inga PANCO	\$ 500	Florentina BODNARI	\$ 894.45
Bretagne Occidentale University, France Valeriu AJDER	\$ 2,500	Dorin PEREU	\$ 2,511.78
Pierre Mendes University, France Igor TURCEAC	\$ 1,500	Nancy 2 University, France Vasile ANDRIEŞ	\$ 827
University of Bonn, Germany Sergiu SCOBIOALĂ	\$ 2,360	Strathclyde University of Glasgow, Great Britain Romeo ŢURCAN	\$ 2,500
Graduate and Postgraduate Studies		International Management Center, Hungary Oleg GALBUR	\$ 410
University of Konstanz, Germany Julia CAPROŞ	\$ 2,500	University of Tianjin, China Lucia SÎRBU	\$ 1,157.38
University of Nuoro, Italy Maria LUNGU	\$ 662.61	S.Anna School of Higher Education , Italy Aurelia GROSU	\$ 599.76
Adrian GURĂU	\$ 830.93	University of Vienna, Austria Ina SCUTELNIC	\$ 2,500
University of Minnesota, USA Oleg ALEXANDROV	\$ 1,330	Marc Bloch University, Strasbourg, France Svetlana PALLADY-BOBEICA	\$ 2,429.80
Paris V – Rene Descartes University, France Liliana COVAL	\$ 1,010	Academy of La Scala Theatre, Milano, Italy Natalia GAVRILAN	\$ 2,290.77
University of Laval, Canada Lilian NEGURĂ	\$ 1,500	Webster University, Leiden, Netherlands Natalia BODIUL	\$ 2,500
Technical University of Texas, USA Anastasia GUSICOVA	\$ 806.90	Jan van Eyck Academy, Maastricht, Netherlands Octavian EŞANU	\$ 1,783
Royal Academy of Art, the Hague, Netherlands Corina COTOROBAL	\$ 2,500	University of Complutense, Madrid, Spain Raisa MIHAI	\$ 1,022.82
Institute of International Business, Jonkoping, Sweden Veaceslav ARION	\$ 750	University of Stockholm, Sweden Victor CROITORU	\$ 349
James Madison University, Harrisonburg, USA Elena NEGRU	\$ 1,500.23	Val de Marne Creteil Paris XII University, France	

Lilia RĂZLOG	\$ 2,500	Universita CA Focsari di Venezia, Italy	
University of Paris II, French Institute of Press, France		Rodica CHIRIAC	\$ 722.73
Inga DOHOTARU	\$ 2,031	Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic	
Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, USA		Natalia LUCHIAN	\$ 405.33
Vladislav VRĂJMAȘU	\$ 495	University of Criminology, Kronach, Germany	
University of Paris VII, France		Mariana GURSCHI	\$ 1,700.41
Luminița ȚÎGÎRLAȘ	\$ 2,100	Internship in Scientific Research, Roma, Italy	
Catholic University of Louvain, France		Carolina SERBUȘCA	\$ 441.99
Andrei MUSAJI	\$ 450	University Medical Center, Grenoble, France	
Utica College, Syracuse University, USA		Lucia SEVERIN	\$ 449.71
Natalia MARDARI	\$ 2,500	Soroca Medical Center, Beer-Sheva, Israel	
		Vladimir ROIBU	\$ 438.16
		Mihai BEREGOI	\$ 438.16
		Victor DOLGANIUC	\$ 438.17
		Veaceslav BATÎR	\$ 420.02
Internships, Summer Schools, Other Events			
Maria Curie Sklodowski University, Lublin, Poland		Internship in Linguistics, Comines, France	
Marcela ZUGRAVU	\$ 69.98	Ileana PUICĂ	\$ 480.58
Victoria MEȘINA	\$ 69.98	Technical University, Kiel, Germany	
Youth for Understanding Project, Hamburg, Germany		Sergiu LANGA	\$ 600
Alexandru TABARCEA	\$ 337.46	Misgav Ladach General Hospital, Jerusalem, Israel	
Tatiana CEBAN	\$ 337.46	Patricia GHIDIRIM	\$ 453
International Center of University Meetings, Besancon, France		University of Philosophy and Letters, Madrid, Spain	
Nadejda STOICA	\$ 400	Tatiana MÎNDRU	\$ 442
American Institute of Economic and Political Studies, Prague, Czech Republic		Belle Arti Academy, Milano, Italy	
Otilia BOLOGAN	\$ 245	Stela GARȘTEA-FILIP	\$ 500
Svetlana LUCA	\$ 200	Internship at the North Carolina Shakespeare Festival, USA	
Arina BRAȘOVEANU	\$ 405.49	Anatol DURBALĂ	\$ 774
University of Leicester, Great Britain		Internship at the Musical Center, Lemine, Italy	
Mariana BERBEC	\$ 402.71	Metodie BUJOR	\$ 925.11
University College of Federalist Studies, Aosta, Italy		International Organization OSCE, Stradtschlaining, Austria	
Valeriu MARDARE	\$ 384.93	Irina GUTU	\$ 304.64
Institute of European and Social Studies, Koszeg, Hungary		Program Administration	\$ 1,850.03
Violeta TEUTU	\$ 340	Total Scholarship Program	\$ 93,524
Slask University, Katowice, Poland			
Mariana IONEL	\$ 81		
University of Lund, Sweden			
Anatol CEBAN	\$ 442.08		
Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany			
Viorel PÎSLARU	\$ 363.12		

Merit Scholarships

In 1999 Soros Foundation Moldova organized the fourth annual Merit Scholarships Program for students of higher education institutions from Moldova. In order to be considered for the competition the students

of the third, fourth and fifth year of study were to have a GPA measured by the Moldovan grading system of no less than 9.0. The value of a scholarship was measured between 200 and 500 USD. All the submitted applications were examined by the Education Board of Soros Foundation Moldova which gave priority to the students' extracurricular activities such as participation at conferences and scientific research. Two hundred and sixty six students from seventeen Moldovan institutions participated in the competition. Sixty nine students were awarded Soros Foundation merit scholarships.

First Tier Merit Scholarship (\$ 500)

State University of Moldova
Sergiu RAȚĂ

Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova
Valeriu PROHNITCHI

Nicolae Testemițanu State Medical and Pharmaceutical University
Natalia POBEDINSCHI

Free International University of Moldova
Florentina BODNARI

Second Tier Merit Scholarship (\$ 300)

State University of Moldova
Lilia GLIJIN
Eugenia BOGATU
Nadejda HRIPTIEVSCHI
Vitalie GERU
Adelina LABIC

Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău
Lilia NACU

Technical University of Moldova
Iurie ȚERNA
Igor ENE
Doina IEPURĂȘ
Sergiu LANGA

Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova
Leonidas CRISCIUNAS
Petru MALERU
Oxana SAVCIUC
Teodor TOCAN

Nicolae Testemițanu State Medical and Pharmaceutical University
Natalia PREGUZA
Alina BATÎR
Petru CEPOIDA

Third Tier Merit Scholarship

(\$ 200)

State University of Moldova
Olga IRIMCIUC
Vladimir FONOBEROV
Irina GUȚU
Vlad PARASCHIV
Svetlana MARDARI
Victor CROITORU
Mariana BERBEC
Mariana MAȘCAUȚEANU
Marcela JALBĂ
Sergiu VERLAN
Oxana AGACHI
Natalia COSTAȘ
Radu DUȘCIAC
Alexandru MELENCIUC
Victor ZAHARIA
Eleonora DARIE
Viorica BEJENARU

Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

Mariana SPĂȚARU-FUIOR
Ana MELNIC
Angela BULGARU
Elena CARTALEANU

Technical University of Moldova
Ruslan ȚĂRNĂ
Maria COPACI
Victor BEJAN

Ștefan cel Mare Police Academy
Vadim SLONIN

Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova
Nicolae PATLATI
Eduard GHERMAN
Constanța POPESCU

Nicolae Testemițanu State Medical and Pharmaceutical University
Călin STOICOV
Larisa CEBAN
Irina APOSTOLOV

Free International University of Moldova
Nadejda MAZUR
Alexandru ZGARDAN
Julia TROMBIȚCAIA
Andrei COVAL

State University of Arts of Moldova
Daniela ZARA-STRUNGARU
Diana NIMIȚAN
Adrian JAVGUREANU

Co-operatist – Commercial University of Moldova
Elena COGÎLNICEANU
Sergiu GULCEAC

State University of Comrat
Natalia LAZAREV

State University of Tiraspol
Ina BOTNARI

National Institute of Physical Training and Sport
Larisa JITNEAC

Agrarian State University
Aliona STRELICIUC
Iana NECULCE

Alecu Russo State University in Bălți
Aliona MANEA
Iraida STARAȘCIUC
Alexandru VASILCENCO

Scholarship Program Administration	\$ 4,921
Scholarship Program Expenditures	\$ 177,305
Total	\$182,226



PRO DIDACTICA EDUCATIONAL CENTER

MODERNIZATION OF THE HUMANITIES EDUCATION PROGRAM

The main areas of activity within the Modernization of the Humanities Education Program were:

- Development of the Information and Documentation Center
- Curriculum development for secondary school
- In-service teacher training
- Training for school managers from pre-university level

The general goals of the program targeted:

- Facilitation of access to up-dated information in the areas of modern teaching
- Promotion, dissemination and sharing of advanced and innovative experiences
- Support of the pre-service and in-service training process for school teachers and managers
- Promotion and support of alternative approaches in education

– Promotion of quality change in curricular development for secondary school

Section I. Information and Documentation in Educational Issues

\$ 34,486.74

Objective 1: Development of the 35 School Resource Centers' collection of local and foreign educational magazines and newspapers

In 1999 all the Resource Centers from 35 schools were subscribed to educational newspapers and magazines from Moldova, Romania and Russia. The users of the collection of newspapers and magazines were teachers and pupils from Resource Centers as well as teachers from lyceums and schools from their neighborhood.

The subscription package included 14 titles for each school.

Objective 2. Development of the Pro Didactica library collection of local and foreign educational magazines and newspapers

Pro Didactica Library offers open access to informational resources to trainers and trainees. They have the possibility to use local and foreign newspapers and magazines on a variety of issues of teaching technologies, school effectiveness, educational leadership, etc. The periodical editions are an important resource for preparing training materials, lesson plans, and other teaching materials for Center's training programs and everyday lessons. Current collection includes 55 titles.

Objective 3: Development of the book collection

The book collection of the Center's library is open for trainers, training participants and school teachers from the community. It includes 1771 books purchased on previous years of program implementation (1996-1998). During 1999 new acquisitions were made – books in management, psychology, evaluation issues, teaching methodology and techniques, etc.

A part of the initial collection – 2149 books – was donated to the Center of Pedagogical Information, a section of Târgoviște Municipal Library. The collection is open for public, especially for teachers, education professionals, pupils and students.

Objective 4. Book acquisition and donation

500 sets of 250 books each, incorporating alternative school textbooks published within the World Bank Project in Romania, were distributed to schools, universities, libraries, Regional Educational Departments and other educational institutions throughout Moldova. The

collection offers concrete tools for implementing the curriculum objectives through a diversity of contents and approaches.

During the training courses provided by the Pro Didactica Center, all participants were offered sets of educational books. All Moldovan secondary schools received in 1999 curricula for grades 10-12. Other institutions and organizations, which received book donations, are Ministry of Education and Science of Moldova, National Institute of Teacher Training, Institute of Pedagogical and Psychological Sciences and libraries from all pedagogical departments of universities.

The list of the donated books included:

- National Curriculum for Lyceums (Curriculum Național. Programe pentru învățământul liceal)
 - the Encyclopedic Illustrated Dictionary (Dicționarul Enciclopedic Ilustrat)
 - Lesson Plans, vol.7 (Culegere de proiecte didactice. Vol. 7)
 - Lesson Plans, vol.8 (Culegere de proiecte didactice. Vol. 8)
 - Dictionary of Language Errors (Dicționar al greșelilor de limbă)
 - a Concise Dictionary of Foreign Proper Names (Mic dicționar de nume proprii străine)
 - Dictionary of Pedagogical Terms (Dicționar de termeni pedagogici)
 - School Development in an Era of Change (Perfecționarea școlii într-o eră a schimbării)
 - Creative Teaching and Learning (Predarea și învățarea creativă)
- Windows. Word. Excel. Access

Objective 5. Information and experience exchange programs

Exchange program for educational professionals March, 22 – April 1, 1999, Bjerringbro (Denmark)

During 1999 the Pro Didactica Educational Center participated in an exchange project, co-financed by the Danish Fund for Democracy. 24 Moldovan professionals from all educational levels benefited from the visit, getting acquainted with the Danish educational system. Informative sessions on political, social and economic systems were succeeded by visits to educational, social and cultural institutions. The participants had the possibility to get an insight into a modern society, based on democratic principles, where education is assigned an important role.

The participants of the project were:

Anatol GREMALSCHI, Minister, Ministry of Education and Science

Mircea CIOBANU, viceminister, Ministry of Education and Science

Ion GUȚU, rector, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University, Chișinău

Nicolae BUCUN, director, Institute of Pedagogical and Psychological Sciences

Gheorghe POSTICĂ, vice-rector, Free International University of Moldova

Ana GOREA, university lecturer, Free International University of Moldova

Natalia BUCĂȚEL, senior specialist, Ministry of Education and Science

Vasile COJOCARU, rector, National Institute of Teacher Training

Nicolae FILIP, rector, A.Russo State University, Bălți

Tatiana CARTALEANU, university lecturer, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University

Olga COSOVAN, university lecturer, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University

Valentin GUZGAN, director, Ion Creangă Lyceum, Chișinău

Gheorghe GÎRNET, head, Regional Education Department, district Cimișlia

Victor SINCHETRU, deputy head, Regional Education Department, district Ștefan-Vodă

Valeriu GORINCIOI, vice director, Theoretical Lyceum, Călărași

Oleg BURSUC, vice director, Lucian Blaga Lyceum, Telenești

Viorica BOLOCAN, vice director, M.Eliade Lyceum, Chișinău

Eleonora GONCEAR, director, general school # 32, Chișinău

Lidia BEZNIȚCHI, director, Theoretical Lyceum, Lapușna

Mariana KIRIAKOV, library coordinator

Neonila MIȚCHEVICI, teacher training program coordinator

Violeta DUMITRAȘCU, teacher training program coordinator

Viorica POSTICĂ, curriculum development program coordinator

Silvia BARBAROV, curriculum development program coordinator

Projects to be implemented in 2000:

Automation of the library at I. Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău

\$ 18,298

Book acquisition

\$ 13,000

Design and publishing of a Pedagogical Journal

\$ 45,000

Section II. Curriculum Development

\$ 59,019.53

Objective 1. Development of Lyceum Curriculum in the Humanities and Sciences

The final stage of the initiated in 1997 project aimed to ensure a high quality of the developed documents. Pro Didactica Educational Center organized and supported the process of an international evaluation of

materials implemented with the help of specialists and experts from the Institute of Educational Sciences, Bucharest (Romania). Prof. Dr. Cezar BÎRZEA, the director of the Institute, contributed to a great extent to the establishment of a group of specialists in the field, who provided the assessment of curricular materials:

Dr. Mihaela SINGER, senior researcher
 Daniel OGHINĂ, researcher
 Ligia SĂRIVAN, senior researcher
 Violeta COPIL, senior researcher
 Antoaneta-Firuța TACEA, scientific researcher
 Lucian CIOLAN, scientific researcher
 Dan CROCNAN, scientific researcher
 Dr. Matei CERKEZ, senior researcher
 Prof. Ioan GROSU
 Gabriela NOVEANU senior researcher
 Dr. Octavian MÎNDRUȚ, senior researcher,
 Anca VOICU, associate researcher
 Dr. Dan Ion NASTA
 Prof. Angela TEȘILEANU

The evaluators reviewed the final drafts of the curriculum within the period between May – June, 1999.

Between July 19-23, 1999, a summer school for finalizing Lyceum Curriculum projects was organized in Holercani. Along with the groups of authors, a team of experts-consultants from the Institute of Educational Sciences of Bucharest was greatly involved:

Dr. Mihaela SINGER
 Daniel OGHINĂ
 Ligia SĂRIVAN
 Violeta COPIL
 Antoaneta-Firuța TACEA
 Lucian CIOLAN
 Dan CROCNAN

Also, an evaluation group comprising local specialists was set up:

Dr. Eugenia NOVAC, Tiraspol State University
 Valentina HAHEU, researcher, Institute of Psychological and Pedagogical Sciences

Tatiana STOIANOV, Ministry of Education
 Nina BÎRNAZ, teacher, Spiru Haret Lyceum, Chișinău

Roman COPĂCEANU, teacher, Cărpini Theoretical Lyceum, Lapușna County

Sergiu GÎNGA, teacher, Constantin Stere Lyceum, Soroca

After this phase, the curriculum materials were submitted to the Collegium of the Ministry of Education and Science, on July 27, 1999, in order to be reviewed and approved for publishing.

Objective 2. Publishing of Curricular Materials

The curricula were published at the ARC and CARTIER Publishing Houses. Three volumes covered the structured programs on curricular areas – LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION, THE HUMANITIES, MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE – each in a print run of 2500 copies. The

Russian Language curriculum for Russian schools was published separately in a circulation of 1000 copies. The distribution of materials to lyceums and schools with lyceum grades was done through cooperation with Regional Departments of Education.

The materials offered to teachers by means of this project represent an important step in curriculum development for pre-university education. The decongestion of curriculum contents, the focus on developing attitudes, competencies and knowledge – these and other aspects of the new documents aim to ensure the functionality of curricular materials and the improvement of teaching-learning-evaluation process. The improvement of these materials will be possible, of course, with the direct help of teachers as well as of students. Only due to this kind of collaboration, it will be possible to have such curricular materials which would ensure an efficient teaching-learning process, a process that will contribute to the development of a free and creative personality who would share open society values and would be capable to integrate into the society.

The project met some clear needs and necessities in pre-university education and its target constituted the secondary level, not covered by the educational project supported by the World Bank (for grades 1-9).

Projects to be implemented in 2000:

High school curriculum implementation guide and materials (development, publishing and distribution)	\$ 45,000
Textbook and teaching materials development	\$ 76,000
Supplementary materials development project	\$ 16,929

Section III. Teacher Training

\$ 196,827.02

Priority areas of activity represented:

– Support of the process of teacher training within the system, through programs oriented specifically on implementation of new curricular materials for secondary school

– Promotion of modern approaches in educational management, through various training programs and experience sharing

– Development of the Training Laboratory for Trainers and Teachers (in the area of the Humanities, Math and Sciences and Educational Management)

Objective I. Development of Teacher Training Laboratory Activities

The activity in the Laboratory was targeted towards working with the National Teams of Trainers on:

– Training strategy design

- Training curricula and training courses design and planning
- Teaching materials development
- Evaluation and on-going improvement of program components

Nine teams of trainers worked within the Teacher Training Laboratory during 1999:

Educational Management

Valentina CHICU, teacher, Călărași Theoretical Lyceum

Gheorghe GÎRNET, head of the Sciences Department, Ministry of Education and Science

Victor SÎNCHETRU, Tighina County Department of Education

Gheorghe ȘALARU, vice-prefect, Lăpușna County

Romanian Language

Viorica BOLOCAN, vice-principal, Mircea Eliade Lyceum

Tatiana CARTALEANU, lecturer, State Pedagogical University

Mircea CIOBANU, researcher, Teacher Training National Institute

Olga COSOVAN, lecturer, State Pedagogical University

Ecaterina ROTARU, specialist, Evaluation and Assessment Department, Ministry of Education

English Language

Viorica CIOBANU, teacher, Nicolai Gogol Lyceum of Bălți

Virginia IASTREMSCHI, teacher, Mihail Kogălniceanu Lyceum of Chișinău

Tatiana ȘTEFÎRȚĂ, teacher, Mihai Eminescu Lyceum of Chișinău

Nadejda MIȘENIN, teacher, Mihai Eminescu Lyceum of Bălți

History

Galina GAVRILITĂ, senior specialist, Ministry of Education

Valentina HAHEU, senior specialist, Institute of Pedagogical and Psychological Sciences

Tatiana MISTREANU, school inspector, Municipal Department of Education, Chișinău

Geography

Natalia BUCĂTEL, senior specialist, Ministry of Education

Petru DRUMEA, lecturer, Pedagogical University of Tiraspol

Nina VOLONTIR, lecturer, Pedagogical University of Tiraspol

Psychology

Aglaiia BOLBOCEANU, laboratory chief, Institute of Pedagogical and Psychological Sciences

Alvina GROSU, lecturer, State University of Moldova

Tatiana TURCHINĂ, lecturer, State University of Moldova

Larisa STOG, lecturer, State University of Bălți

Pedagogy

Otilia DANDARA, lecturer, Moldova State University

Eugenia GONDIU, teacher, Alexei Mateevici High School

Computer Science

Victor EFRIM, system manager, Pro Didactica Educational Center

Ion LINGA, lecturer, Academy of Economic Sciences, Chișinău

Objective 2. Implementation of Training Programs for Teachers and School Managers

Through the Education for an Open Society Scholarships, financial support was offered to 187 teachers and school managers for participation in complex training programs consisting of 2-3 modules each.

The training modules were implemented within the period of April 20 – November 26. The participants had enough time between the modules (4-5 months) to apply in their daily work the knowledge and practical skills acquired during each module.

The training programs were constructed as follows:

Teaching the Humanities: Methodology and Techniques, Training for School Psychologists – 2 training modules of up to 80-100 hours

Educational Management for lyceum principals and vice-principals – 3 training modules of 122 hours

The modules were designed to cover a significant range of issues related to the activity of a teacher, psychologist and school manager.

At the end of the training, the participants received Certificates of Graduation from the Pro Didactica Educational Center (Ministry of Education and Sciences' Authorization, series 99, N 0207). The Certificate is recognized in the teacher evaluation and qualification process.

The statistics below show the following geographical area coverage within the group of 187 participants:

Chișinău County – 82

Bălți County – 24

Lăpușna County – 23

Ungheni County – 19

Orhei County – 17

Tighina County – 11

Soroca County – 6

Edineț County – 5

59 teachers represented rural schools. The rest of 128 trainees represented urban schools (the capital and county centers).

The above mentioned data demonstrate the critical necessity of directing program activities towards supporting rural schools.

Objective 3. Training of Trainers for Mathematics and Sciences

The recently developed curricula in Mathematics and Sciences has prompted the initiative to start working on teacher training programs for teachers in these subject areas. It required the establishment of a new team of trainers.

Four subject areas were added to the program: physics, mathematics, biology and chemistry. The following trainers were selected:

Viorel BOCANCEA, lecturer, Tiraspol Pedagogical University

Tatiana IACUBUȚCHI, vice-principal, Matei Basarab Lyceum, Chișinău

Lidia BEZNIȚCHI, vice-director, Lapușna County Department of Education

Roman COPĂCEANU, teacher, Cărpineni Theoretical Lyceum

Tamara CURTESCU, methodologist, Municipal Department of Education, Chișinău

Nina BÎRNAZ, teacher, Spiru Haret Lyceum, Chișinău

Tatiana DUDNICENCO, post-graduate student, State University of Moldova

Valeriu GORINCIOI, director, Călărași Theoretical Lyceum

Silvia LOZOVANU, methodologist, Municipal Department of Education, Chișinău

Igor POVAR, lecturer, State University of Moldova
Nadejda VELIȘCO, chief of the Pre-university Education Department, Ministry of Education and Sciences

Beginning with October 1999, these educators were involved in a wide variety of training activities and educational events. The topics for professional development training modules included:

- Necessity of Change
- Management of Change
- Personal Efficiency
- Conflict Resolution
- Problem Solving
- Giving and Receiving Feedback
- Specific Features of a Training Activity
- Reading and Writing for Critical Thinking
- Useful Techniques for Working with Adults
- Presentation Skills
- Psychological Aspects of Teaching Adults
- Evaluation
- Interactive Methods of Teaching and Learning
- Cooperative Learning. Group Work
- Stimulating Creativity
- Elements of Psychological Counseling

Objective 4. Establishing Partnerships with the New County Departments of Education

During December 15-20, the Pro Didactica Educational Center, at the Ministry of Education and Science's request and in collaboration with Ministry specialists, organized a training program for the directors and vice-directors of the new County Departments of Education. 40 persons attended this event.

The objectives of this activity were as follows:

- to establish relations of collaboration with the County Departments of Education

- to identify the specific problems and priorities in each county

- to identify areas of need that will help to plan the Center's activity in 2000, in order to assist educational reform at the regional level

- to identify professional development needs for county department staff

The team of trainers from Pro Didactica Educational Center provided a three-day training module on Managerial Roles, which had a very strong impact on participants. Several Ministry specialists were also involved as trainees. They evaluated the program as an effective model of training adults, an alternative to other existing programs provided by state institutions. The content, the interactive methods and techniques, the open atmosphere were highly appreciated.

Projects to be implemented in 2000:

Training of trainers in school evaluation and assessment

\$ 19,941

Training of trainers in educational management, the humanities, math and sciences

\$ 18,041

Training for school managers and Regional Departments of Education staff

\$ 20,000

SECTION IV. OTHER INITIATIVES.

\$ 4,807

The Applied Economics Program of Junior Achievement Moldova was supported through a grant focused on:

- Training activities for teachers involved in program implementation

- Special events for students (national contest, student companies competition, etc.)

- Curriculum development and methodology conferences for teachers

- Participation of students, teachers and program coordinators at international events within JA network (JA International Conference, July 11-14, 1999, India-

napolis, USA; JA Students' – Conference for South-East European countries, July 23-26, 1999, Bucharest, Romania).

Commitment for 2000 \$ 14,725

Development of PRO DIDACTICA Educational Center, operational and program administration expenditures: 92,789.76

Commitments for 2000 \$ 2,000

Total Program Expenditures \$ 713,298



READING AND WRITING FOR CRITICAL THINKING (RWCT) PROGRAM

RWCT Program's general goal is to improve the educational process in the Republic of Moldova by introducing new methodologies that promote active and independent learning.

Project objectives for 1999 included:

- introducing the RWCT concept and methodology into the training of trainers program
- adapting the concepts and methodology to the specific needs of the national educational system

There are 35 participants in RWCT program (teachers from different levels of education) who were selected in September 1998.

RWCT workshops were facilitated by USA volunteer trainers:

Timothy SHANAHAN, Ph.D.

Jerome ZUTELL Ph.D.

Bill SHARA, Ph.D.

Cynthia McDERMOTT, Ed.D.

Training Activities \$ 27,794.51

Workshop on Cooperative Learning

Chişinău, Pro Didactica Educational Center, March 20-23, 1999

Objectives:

- to develop cooperative teaching abilities
- to plan lessons using ERR framework

Topics:

Cooperative learning outcomes
Basic elements of cooperative learning
Sample cooperative learning lessons
Cooperative strategies

Workshop on Teaching Writing: From Self-Expression to Written Arguments

Chişinău, Pro Didactica Educational Center, May 15-19, 1999

Objectives:

- to teach writing techniques
- to develop writing and reading skills

Topics:

- Advantages of a writing-process approach
- The writing process
- Model writing workshops
- How to organize and manage a writing workshop

Workshop on Teaching Adults

Chişinău, Educational Center Pro Didactica, October, 12-14, 1999

Objectives:

- to introduce to participants the main principles of adult teaching
- to review the RWCT methodology
- to plan model lessons for adults

Monthly meetings organized by program leaders

The main purpose of these meetings included sharing professional experience and peer teaching.

Meeting 1, January 23-24, 1999

Objectives:

- to identify interpersonal communication styles
- to develop interpersonal communication skills

Topics:

Communication styles
Transactional analysis and communication styles in teaching

Meeting 2, February 27-28, 1999

Objectives:

- to state connection between teaching objectives and teaching methods
- to discuss lesson planning principles
- to review cooperative learning strategies

Topics:

Mini-conference
Difficulties in implementing RWCT strategies
Action plan for second RWCT year
Case studies

Meeting 3, April 24-25, 1999

Objectives:

- to understand RWCT principles for all subjects
- to develop teaching materials

Topics:

Group discussions
Group presentations
Teaching material developing workshop

Meeting 4, December 2-3, 1999

Objectives:

- to assist participants in developing awareness of the need for change

- to develop planning abilities

Topics:

Management of change

Necessity of change

Three meetings were organized between November – December at Pro Didactica Educational Center. The main goal of the meetings was to develop RWCT curriculum for in-service teacher training courses.

In order to develop participants' teaching skills, presentation skills, peer teaching skills and to disseminate RWCT strategies, several other activities were organized during the summer:

Workshop on Developing a Summer School Curriculum

Vadul-lui-Vodă, July 26-29, 1999

Objectives:

- to plan Summer School activities
- to share information on RWCT action plan for 1999-2000
- to present criteria for trainer certification
- to review RWCT strategies
- to develop communication abilities in offering and receiving feedback

Summer School in Critical Thinking

Holercani, August 15-22, 1999

Participants: 48 university students

Trainers: 18 teachers

Objectives:

- to develop critical thinking skills
- to develop abilities of self-expression and respect for others opinion
- to identify personal learning and teaching styles
- to develop presentation skills
- to develop responsibilities for own learning
- to develop team work and cooperative learning skills

Topics:

Critical thinking process

Oral communication

RWCT reading strategies

Discussions after reading

Reading inspired writing

From personal writing to public writing

Teaching Materials

\$ 1,631.5

The following RWCT guidebooks (on RWCT methodology) were translated:

Guidebook V: Cooperative Learning

Guidebook VI: Lesson Planning and Assessment

Guidebook VII: Writing Workshop: From Self-Expression to Written Arguments

Guidebook VIII: Creating Thoughtful Readers

Several other materials were developed:

Sets of teaching materials: texts, activities, techniques, syllabi, tests, articles, etc.

Translation of materials regarding higher education curriculum development

Collection of videotaped lessons

Informational booklets

Participation at International Conferences

\$ 4,009.77

Effective teaching. Effective learning

Szeged, March 25-28, 1999

The conference was centered on teaching strategies in Higher Education. Four program participants made presentation at this conference.

International Conference in RWCT in Higher Education

Croatia, June 9-16, 1999

Conference participants discussed implementation of RWCT methodology into Higher Education. Participants: Elena MURARU, State University of Moldova; Mihai GROSU, I. Creangă State Pedagogical University; Alvina GROSU, State University of Moldova.

International Conference in RWCT Planning for Next Year

Budapest, Hungary, June 18-22, 1999

Conference participants discussed and planned activities for next year. Program team leaders presented activities for September 1999 – August 2000.

Conference in RWCT

Romania, Constanța July 18-22

Conference participants discussed and presented RWCT strategies and learning theories regarding Higher Education. The following Moldovan representatives participated: Ludmila PAPUC, I. Creangă State Pedagogical University, Alvina GROSU, State University of Moldova, Nicolae CREȚU, program coordinator.

Total RWCT Program Expenditures \$ 40,000



STEP BY STEP

The program's goal is to promote developmental, individualized education, in a true partnership with family and community, through creating child-centered

pre-school and primary classrooms, where children could live the experience of mini-democracies while developing critical thinking.

The program is officially recognized and recommended for wide implementation. Its training certificates are taken into account by the teachers' accreditation boards through a decision of the Ministry of Education Experts Board (May 25, 1999).

1999 witnessed the results of profound changes started in 1994 within the program component "Child-centered Education: Pre-school", followed by other initiatives – "Primary School" and "Higher Education" (1996), and "Infants and Toddlers" (1997). By integrating all these components, the impact of the program in reforming the whole process of pre-service and in-service training for pre-school and primary education became much deeper and more systemic. In 1999 a large group of trainers – more than 30 teachers and faculty – finalized their training. Many of them had the chance, during these years, to attend numerous regional trainings in Romania and the USA. These trainers got actively involved in training teachers in Chişinău and Bălţi training centers. By the end of 1999 over 230 primary and 500 pre-school classrooms were implementing the program. The involvement with the program helped many kindergartens to survive in places where parents had choices, since they were clearly preferred by the latter for the quality of education.

Between November 25-26, 1999, a theoretical-practical conference marking 5 years of program's existence gathered a large number of top officials from the Ministry of Education, World Bank, etc., as well as representatives of the many institutions implementing Step by Step and faculty. The concurrent thematic workshops and the rich exhibition provided a good framework for fruitful exchanges between specialists from all program components.

A new initiative was launched in 1999: Integrating Children with Special Needs. This is becoming an issue of concern in Moldova, particularly in rural areas, where the number of children with special needs is increasing, while the number of institutions providing special services is decreasing.

The 1999/2000 school year, being a final year for the primary cycle for the first generation of children in the program, is particularly important for Step by Step. In order to ensure continuity to the educational technologies promoted by the program and to facilitate transition to secondary school, the Step by Step team, together with another Soros Foundation program – Reading and Writing for Critical Thinking (RWCT), initiated a series of trainings for the Step by Step schools.

In 1999 the seminar for faculty from teacher training universities and colleges continued its work. The most essential changes in the curriculum (a new compulsory course – Alternative Educational Systems: Step by Step; Observation and Recording, etc.), in ways of

training teacher students and planning their practicum took place in A. Russo State University in Bălţi, Bălţi and Soroca Teacher Training Colleges, and in I. Creangă Pedagogical University in Chişinău.

For two years Step by Step has had as its strategic partner the World Bank. Moldova Social Investment Fund (MSIF) in its micro projects focused on schools in rural areas – 38% of all micro projects. By the end of 1999, 30 schools were involved in this joint project; 197 teachers, school administrators, and mayors from these villages attended trainings offered by Step by Step.

The shared belief for this partnership is that human investment is the most significant, absolutely necessary and decisive for the democratic change of our society. Since these teachers come from rural area, some trainings were organized by Step by Step in village schools implementing the program, which had a greater convincing power for the trainees.

Step by Step supported these schools with various educational materials for children and teachers, including encyclopedic dictionaries, alternative textbooks, other literature so badly needed under the circumstances. All the materials are open-ended and stimulate active learning, learning through doing and discovery, and help promote critical thinking in children.

Preschool Education

New Initiatives

SbS – MSIF partnership got extended to include kindergartens as well. Teaching staff from Budeşti kindergarten (6 classrooms) and Petrunca, Glodeni K-primary school (6 pre-school and 4 primary classrooms) are being trained. New educational institutions from Călimăneşti, Nisporeni and Varniţa will soon join in.

A new initiative – Integrating Children with Special Needs – was launched. The first group of trainees included kindergarten teachers and medical staff, as well as special needs experts. A group of local trainers for this initiative took part in a five-day regional training with American experts in Poiana Braşov, Romania.

Continuous Training of SbS Teachers

Using the training base of the two program training centers – Bălţi kindergarten #43 and Chişinău kindergarten # 216 – the SbS core team, local trainers and invited experts offered a total of 67 days of training and guided observation for "1 to 3" and "3 to 7" age group teachers (18 and 46 days), and administrators (3 days) on a large variety of topics.

A total number of 1447 people benefited from training.

Seminars for regional and central education administrators for promoting education reform using SbS model – 8 days (Chişinău #188, #146, Bălţi #43, Căuşeni #1, Sîngerei # 6, Chişinău #216)

Site visits by program experts – 23 schools.

Technical assistance and practicum base for teacher students from teacher training colleges and universities:

Practicum in the final year – 8 weeks; on-going practicum – 6 weeks; observation practicum -1day per week for 7 months (in kindergartens Bălți #43, Chişinău ##216, 188). Total number of teacher students – 320.

Other Activities

Logistic and technical support to two SbS institutions in creating Parents and Teachers' Associations (NGOs).

Curricula and training modules for the SbS license: 1. Child-centered Classroom: 0 to 2; 2. Child-centered Classroom: 3 to 7; 3. Family Involvement. Education for Success.

Final evaluation of 6-7 year-old children leaving SbS Program for school (72 children from kindergarten #216, Chişinău). Materials for the Ministry Expert Board meeting on Alternative Programs Evaluation.

Producing teaching materials on videos: "Developmental Importance of Outdoor Space"; "Literacy in SbS".

Materials for the "SbS Teacher's Guide"; observation sheet for the 6-7 age group; evaluation sheet of SbS teacher; booklet "That's ME".

Material support: Books, educational materials, furniture, particularly for the 7 classrooms with the new "0 to 3" initiative in 3 training centers.

Primary Education

Compared to 1998 the number of classrooms has doubled, the focus remaining on the quality of the program in these classrooms. Administrators from schools with SbS program display special interest and concern for its continuity. They organize seminars and workshops for their secondary level staff using the experience of SbS teachers and submit applications for the RWCT project.

Teacher Re-training

In 1999 the program offered 44 trainings and workshops (74 days). Out of these:

7 in training centers in Bălți (M.Eminescu Lyceum, school # 20)

3 in rural areas

24 in Chişinău schools

10 in the new training center of SbS (on the basis of K-primary school #152)

The trainings were held for the following categories of trainees:

3 for inspectors and school administrators

6 for first grade teachers

6 for second grade teachers

4 for third grade teachers

1 for fourth grade teachers

7 for initiation to SbS

4 introductory trainings for MSIF schools

7 follow-up workshops for MSIF schools

SbS teachers offered trainees 92 observation sessions.

Total number of teachers and administrators trained – 383.

Training of Trainers

The group of trainers was formed mostly from fourth- and third-grade teachers. They attended 3 trainings for trainers with American experts, including one in Sinaia (Romania), a very productive one, since it gave the chance of a double exchange of experience.

Link with Higher Education

Classrooms from Chişinău, Bălți and Soroca were regularly visited by students from teacher training colleges and universities from these cities on their observation practicum; 45 teacher students had their active practicum in these schools.

New initiative – integrating children with special needs. Four primary school teachers attended a training on this module in Poiana Braşov (Romania).

Other Activities

At the request of the Curriculum development project supported by the World Bank, the program produced a film that was distributed in all regions to be demonstrated during their summer trainings with primary school teachers.

It is worth mentioning the increasingly active role parents play in supporting SbS implementation in classrooms. In some schools – like Roşcana, Anenii-Noi, school # 1 Chişinău – parents decided to purchase furniture for the SbS classrooms.

Material support: books, educational materials, particularly for rural schools from MSIF project.

Higher Education

In-country Trainings

3 workshops at A. Russo State University in Bălți on the following topics:

Evaluation in SbS

How to Work with Books: from SbS Experience

Individualized Teaching

International Trainings

Introduction to "0 to 3" module – Vilnius, Lithuania, April 6-9, participants: Maria PERETEATCU, Ph.D., Chair, Department of Pedagogy and Psychology of Preschools and Primary Education, A. Russo State

University in Bălți, Valentina PRIȚCAN, Ph.D., Chair, Department of Pedagogy and Psychology, A. Russo State University in Bălți

Child-centered Curriculum. Learning Through Play. Individualized Teaching. – Poiana Brașov, Romania, July 27-31. Participants from I.Creangă State Pedagogical University: Ion NEGURĂ, Lidia BERGIA; Tiraspol University located in Chișinău: Ludmila CIUBOTARU, Valentina BOTNARU; Alexei Mateevici Teacher Training College in Chișinău: Cornelia REVENCU, Ana HÎNCU; A. Russo State University in Bălți: Lidia STUPACENCO, Valentina PRIȚCAN, Maria PERETEATCU, Maria LAVRIC; Teacher Training College in Bălți: Olga CUCOȘ, Lora CIOBANU, Maria MIHAILOV; Teacher Training College in Soroca: Nadejda NEGARĂ, Valentin GOLOBCIUC, Zinaida BURLACU, Valentina COSMAN, Ionela FRUNZĂ

New module: Integrating Children with Special Needs – Poiana Brașov, October 4-8, Lidia STUPACENCO, Ph.D., Dean, Faculty of Pedagogy and Psychology, Valentina PRIȚCAN, Ph.D., Chair, Department of Pedagogy and Psychology, Maria PERETEATCU, Ph.D., Chair, Department of Pedagogy and Psychology of Preschool and Primary Education, A. Russo State University in Bălți, Cornelia REVENCU, Senior Lecturer, Alexei Mateevici Teacher Training College in Chișinău

Total Program SbS Expenditures \$ 293,000



SPELT (SOROS PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING) PROGRAM

SPELT, a regional program relying on American teachers for collaborative English language instruction, came to an end on July, 1999. This year's two teaching Fellows, who held full-time teaching positions in universities, were acting along with the three Teacher Training Fellows in professional development programs. In fact, SPELT seminars were a major facet of this year's program, wherein long-term training seminars were held both for global methodology and on specific topics such as Literature. Besides teaching and teacher training, the Fellows promoted collaboration through facilitating meetings, programs and research at the Resource Centers, and directed other SPELT activities like editing the TEAM Report Newsletter. Additionally, they supported extra-curricular activities such as school newspapers and English language clubs. For this period, Moldova had 5 SPELT fellows:

Hamilton BECK (Teaching Fellow), State University of Moldova

Christian CLAUSEN (Teacher Trainer), A. Russo State University in Bălți

Victoria GROSS (Teacher Trainer), A. Russo State University in Bălți

Anne STANDER (Teaching Fellow), Academy of Economic Sciences of Moldova

Katja STENGELIN (Teacher Trainer), Free Independent University of Moldova

Program Administrations	\$1,533
Program Expenditures	\$ 11,479
Total Program SPELRT Expenditures	\$ 13,012



NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE LEAGUE

In 1999, the National High School Debate League continued to work on the improvement of the quality of the debates and conducted 50 workshops on debate techniques (both for beginner and advanced levels).

The Debate program activities were not limited to competitions among clubs within Moldova. Our Moldovan students financially supported by the National High School Debate League could also participate at international debating events in Croatia, Ukraine, Romania, and Portugal where Moldovan debaters achieved very good results. In July 1999, a summer camp was organized at which our debaters had the opportunity to exchange ideas on a wide variety of topics with each other and a hosted group of Ukrainian debaters.

In 1999, the activities of the Debate Program were expanded to include 3rd to the 8th grade pupils from secondary schools and lyceums. At this moment, there are debate clubs functioning in all the regions of the country.

General statistical data:

- pupils involved: 2500
- students involved:
- as debaters: 300
- as judges: 28
- national and regional coaches: 6
- regional workshops: 10
- national workshops: 1
- local workshops: 60
- regional competitions: 27
- national competitions: 2
- students competitions: 3

The Chișinău Region

Coordinators: Adrian CATAN, Corneliu CIRIMPEI

At present, we can state firmly that the debating

club activities in Chişinău will continue to develop. The sum of money spent on the club activities in Chişinău was the smallest in comparison to other regions in the country and it is now a common practice to collect a participation fee at regional competitions.

Also, as a result of the agreements reached with the principals of a number of high schools, the National Debate League was exempt from payment for the rental of the classrooms where the debates were held.

In the Chişinău region, the level of interest in debate activities remains high, and recently, new clubs have appeared throughout the city with former club members joining the pool of debate coaches as volunteers. Debate workshops have been organized for the benefit of the newly organized clubs.

Statistical data:

- secondary schools and lyceums involved in the program: 11
- coaches: 17
- regional workshops: 2
- local workshops: 9
- regional competitions: 5

The Central Region

Coordinators: Adrian CATAN, Corneliu CIRIMPEI

In the 2nd year of activity, the Debate Program has become more firmly established. Agreements regarding the organization of regional tournaments were reached with two towns: Călăraşi and Ialoveni, which are willing to offer free accommodation for the tournaments and the participants.

I. Vatamanu Lyceum financially supports the best debaters. In Călăraşi parents made financial contributions for the development of club activities. Some parents also offered accommodation to the participants in the last regional competition.

In 1999, the number of teams and participants at the regional competitions increased. We also increased the number of workshops to improve the debating skills of beginners.

Statistical data:

- secondary schools and lyceums involved in the program: 10
- coaches: 11
- regional workshops: 2
- local workshops: 9
- regional competitions: 2

The Northern Region

Coordinator: Natalia COJUHARI

In 1999, the number of debate clubs in the northern region increased. The cooperation and assistance of the A. Russo State University in Bălţi was essential in enabling the debating clubs to conduct their activities. The University provided rooms for the debates and

accommodation for the participants at a reduced price. Also, the Northern Debate Center is located in one of the university buildings.

Seminars were held with the aim of attracting new members and forming new clubs in several schools in the northern region.

Statistical data:

- secondary schools and lyceums involved in the program: 16
- coaches: 17
- regional workshops: 2
- local workshops: 9
- regional competitions: 4

The Southern Region

Coordinator: Lilia OLOG

In 1999, the debate activities in the Southern region were directed toward the development of a better understanding of the components of a modern democratic society. Taking into account the lack of informational resources available, we made an attempt to provide necessary books and materials for the debate clubs. Nine local seminars held in the region were a great success as they fostered an atmosphere of cooperation between the beginner and the advanced level debaters.

Statistical data:

- secondary schools and lyceums involved in the program: 9
- coaches: 10
- regional workshops: 2
- local workshops: 9
- regional competitions: 2

Debating in Minority Languages

Coordinators: Serghei LÎSENCO, Cristina ARABADJI

Since the creation of the program, the growth in interest in debating among the speakers of the country's minority languages, i.e. Russian, Bulgarian, and Gagauz has been very impressive. In Călăraşi and Cimişlia, Roma students organized debating clubs. There are monthly debate competitions among these clubs. The experience of both teachers and students in the field of debating has greatly increased.

Many of the teachers involved in this program have managed to incorporate various elements of debating into their regular school lessons. Teachers and students from the Transnistria region have also participated in debate activities and have highly appreciated the importance of the debating model of communication and instruction. New schools promoting debate in the minority languages have joined the Debate Program.

Statistical data:

- secondary schools and lyceums involved in the program: 18
- coaches: 21

- regional workshops: 2
- local workshops: 14
- regional competitions: 5

University Students' Debates

Coordinator: Vitalie MIHALACHE

In 1999, debates were held at several of our institutions of higher education. An International Debate Seminar was held in Chişinău where a new model of debating was introduced: Policy Debating. At the end of the year, our most active university debate club members participated at the international debate competition in Odessa, Ukraine. Throughout the year, a number of workshops were organized by the students with the aim of improving the quality of debate judging.

Statistical data:

- university centers: 2
- university clubs: 8
- workshops: 10
- competitions: 3

Total Debate Program Expenditures \$ 96,971



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER

A "spin-off" of the Soros Foundation's Health Education, Conflict Resolution and Youth programs, the Youth Development Center (YDC) was registered as a non-governmental organization on December 16, 1998 and opened its doors in 1999.

To date, almost 10,000 youth throughout Moldova have benefited from the Center's services which assist Moldovan youth in dealing with issues they face today as Moldova moves towards a civil society and into a new millennium.

The Center is comprised of three main departments: Youth Leadership, Out-of-School Activities and Health Education/Conflict and Communication. Collectively, these departments offer programs to meet the goal of the Center which is to help Moldova's youth develop the necessary foundation in order to live happy, healthy and productive lives.

The Youth Leadership Department (YLD)

Coordinators: Stacey MARIANO, Emilia MORARU

The Youth Leadership Department began its activity in February 1999.

The objectives of the department are to help youth communicate effectively, set goals in life and help them make healthy choices.

These objectives were implemented within the framework of workshops, round tables, and radio broadcasting which consisted of:

- An adequate selection of discussed subjects
- Equilibrium between theoretical and practical activities
- Interactive methods of teaching
- Creation of a favourable atmosphere at work.

Members of the Youth Leadership Department were also invited to take part in two radio broadcasting programs: "Semnal Junior" and "Ora Copiilor", where they had the opportunity to practice techniques of interviewing and to talk openly to representatives of the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, the Ministry of Health, and UNICEF.

A summer camp in the Suceava District of Romania was organized in the summer of 1999 which was supported on matching funds by the Suceava Episcopalian Foundation. In addition, together with volunteers, the staff of the Youth Leadership Department organized 3 training sessions with high school students at a summer camp in Vadul lui Voda, Moldova.

Altogether, from February to December 1999, 150 high school students from Chişinău benefited from the services offered by the Young Leaders' School Program.

The Mass Media Extracurricular Program

Program coordinator: Doina MELNIC, Independent Journalism Center (IJC), Chişinău

A component of the Youth Leadership Department is the mass media extracurricular program.

The mass media extracurricular program is aimed at providing short-term training courses in basic journalism. The Youth Development Center coordinators selected a group of pupils (VII-VIII forms) interested in journalism, some which included participants from the Young Leaders' School (a program of the Youth Leadership Department), for weekly meetings at the Independent Journalism Center, in Chişinău. The two-hour sessions included the following subjects: mass media types, skills of a good journalist, periodical publications, editorial boards, editorials, as well as how to write a report, an opinion article, and an interview. Pupils were also taught how to create a media campaign, promotional materials, a newsletter and an advertising flier. In addition, once every two weeks, journalists, professionals and university professors were invited to teach general media courses as well as classes about problems the media is currently facing and how an editorial staff works in agencies and on periodicals. All activities had an interactive and practical approach. A study tour at the National Radio Station was also conducted. Four participants were also

invited by the European Youth Exchange of Moldova to participate as junior journalists in the autumn session of the Children's Parliament.

Several other outcomes of this program were the completion of two issues of YDC's T&U newsletter, with its title, conception and articles made entirely by participants of this program and the YDC launch event, which was also organized by youth from this program.

Out-of-School Activities Department

Coordinator: Melania MIHAILOV

In the course of 1999, the Out-of-School Activities department offered programs that maximized youth's free time while increasing their skills.

Odyssey of the Mind (OM)

Program coordinator: Nina AMBROCI

Our vision is that individuals in Moldova will need to have the necessary creative, critical and spontaneous thinking skills to successfully compete and make substantial contributions in today's competitive business environment. To achieve this vision, we want to provide a fun and challenging opportunity for Moldovan students to learn lifelong skills which they can then apply in any number of situations. In order to meet this goal, our primary objective has been, and continues to be to provide interested Moldovan students with an opportunity to participate in an annual OM program.

During 1999, the Odyssey of the Mind Program continued to expand its activities and it supports the extracurricular activity of pupils for 3 age categories (8-11; 12-15; 16-19) to promote the development of creativity, logical thinking, and the concept of teamwork. In the first half of the year of 1999, the Odyssey of the Mind program was implemented in the creation of 50 teams from villages and towns of Moldova, comprising altogether 350 students and 36 adult-volunteers. 28 teams participated at the National Competition which was conducted in English and 12 teams participated at the regional competitions in Romanian (in Căușeni, Moldova).

To share their expertise and to learn new methods of work in Europe, three winning teams from Chișinău, Cimișlia and Orhei also took part in the European Festival in Klaipeda, Lithuania. In addition, the team from Cimișlia also took part in the OM World competition in Knoxville, Tennessee, the USA. Their participation was supported by: the Youth Development Center, Soros Foundation Moldova, USIS (US Information Systems), private donors and the Moldovan community.

During the second half of the year seven seminars were held for teachers and coaches where 196 persons took part. The focus of these seminars was the diversity of activities with the aim of increasing the quality of OM performances and the materials prepared by the teams.

Enigma Psychological Club for Adolescents

Program facilitator: Ludmila MAZILU

Adolescence is a very important period in people's lives when they learn how to solve conflicts, to resist peer pressure and learn to communicate effectively. Within the framework of the Enigma psychological club for adolescents the following activities were organized: two-phase drawing competitions, an essay competition, roundtable discussions, and a theoretical scientific conference.

Other activities included: 15 training sessions in schools, lyceums, summer camps and playgrounds for children from Chișinău and Vadul lui Voda, on constructive methods of conflict resolution; the organization of activities in Chișinău schools and lyceums (with the help of volunteers) with the topic: "One Day without Conflict" and peer counseling sessions for people of different backgrounds.

Throughout the whole year the facilitators completed the above mentioned activities together with volunteers and the total number of instructed people is 687 teenagers.

Krug Psychological Club for Adolescents

Program facilitator: Serghei CARTAȘEV

This program addressed the issue of adolescence in terms of social and interpersonal skills, thinking and reasoning, opinions and thoughts, ethical and moral values.

Throughout 1999, this club organized the following activities:

- Two selected groups of participants attended the training course with the topic "Art of Communication and Conflict Resolution"

- Booklets were produced about the Club and the Youth Development Center

- More than 2,000 young men and women took part in the Republican drawing competition "Children for the World without Conflicts" which was organized with the help of the Club members

- Two essays contests (with the topic "What I Would Do for Moldova," "My Dream," "My Idea") More than 80 papers were considered, reviewed and some received awards

- Regular consultations for adolescents and adults were organized with topics dealing with psychology and conflict resolution

- Graduates of the Club have started volunteer work and have helped the CONTACT Center in Chișinău develop a range of activities.

Health Education/ Conflict Resolution Department

Coordinator: Melania MIHAILOV

This department focuses on information regarding

health and improving interpersonal relations based on solving conflicts. The most efficient method of spreading information has been through seminars for youth and adults whereby via interactive methods of teaching, participants gained knowledge on how to overcome peer pressure and how to be responsible for their own actions. 13 seminars of this type were organized in orphanages (in Căzânești, Cărpineni, Ivancea, Cinisăuți, Hîncești, Chișinău and Bălți).

Throughout 1999, 3 days of health education were organized in Chișinău and Hîncești. In addition, ten seminars on sexuality were organized in rural regions which had a special impact upon young people in villages. Simultaneously, 8 workshops dealing with the problem of AIDS were organized, in which youth benefited from information about AIDS, values, knowledge of responsible sexual behavior, and other related topics.

Four special campaigns with the topic "For a Healthy Life Style" were organized in Nisporeni, Călărași, Ungheni, Leova, Cantemir, Cahul, Soroca, Dondușeni, Drochia, Rîșcani, Hîncești and 7989 people attended. Program facilitators also organized 15 seminars on conflict resolution in which 450 representatives from a wide variety of backgrounds took part.

The total number of beneficiaries in 1999 was 9309 people.

Total YDC Program Expenditures	\$ 64,870
Funds raised from other sources	\$ 12,848



YOUTH PROGRAM

The goal of this program is to support the activities initiated by the young people and to encourage creativity and initiative among young people. The Youth Program supported various extracurricular activities which expressed youth's interests and contributed to the appearance and development of some progressive and creative abilities.

Contest for Creative Centers for Children

In 1999 seven Creative Centers for Children took part in the competition, two of which were awarded grants:

Creative House for Children, Fălești	\$ 2,000.24
Creative Center for Children, Causeni	\$ 700.03

Contest for School Newspapers and Magazines

The Contest for School Newspapers and Magazines ended in July 1999. Thirteen newspapers and magazines participated in it. The content and structure of these newspapers and magazines were assessed as well as the form of presentation, correctness, variety of the subjects presented and their social impact.

Seven school newspapers and magazines received financial support:

La Steaua newspaper, Creative Center for Children, Telenești	\$ 300.03
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Liceistul magazine, D.Cantemir Lyceum, Edineț	Theoretical \$ 100
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Arca lui NOE newspaper, A.Mateevici Lyceum, Căușeni	Theoretical \$ 400
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Alacritas newspaper, school # 32, Chișinău	\$ 200
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The Cimișlia News magazine, M.Eminescu School # 3, Cimișlia	\$ 200.02
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New Generation magazine, V.Aleksandri Lyceum, Ungheni	\$ 399.73
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Amicul newspaper, A.Mateevici Lyceum, Căinari	Theoretical \$ 350.07
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Projects Initiated by Scout Groups and Other Groups

In the framework of the program, projects were supported for scout camps, extracurricular activities initiated by clubs, literary and school clubs and other groups of pupils aimed at fostering group-work creativity, ability to solve problems, to cultivate initiative and imagination among teenagers.

Based on the projects' content, structure and social impact financial support was granted to:

Atlantida scout group, Chișinău	\$ 499.39
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Vulturii scout group, Ghiliceni, Bălți	\$ 249.28
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Egreta scout group, Zîrnești, Cahul	\$ 400.05
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Pasarea Phoenix scout group, Fălești	\$ 498.95
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Bineva scout group, Biești, Orhei	\$ 500.06
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Terra scout group, Telenești, Orhei	\$ 398.85
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Geia scout group, Volintiri, Tighina	\$ 398.85
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Clio scout group, Chișinău	\$ 250.03
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Nistrenii scout group, Oxentea, Dubăsari	\$ 249.28
Sănătăuca scout group, Sănătăuca, Camenca	\$ 99.71
Dacii scout group, Suhuluceni, Telenești	\$ 299.37
Porumbelul scout group, Chișcăreni, Bălți	\$ 498.56
Rindunelele scout group, Ocnîța	\$ 348.99
Rampa-99 Theater Festival, Chișinău, project director Iurie HARMELIN	\$ 343.30
Moștenire Contest, Chișinău, project director Gheorghe BOLOGAN	\$ 627.74
Scientific Conference, Gaudeamus Lyceum, Chișinău, project director Pavel SERBUȘCA	\$ 279.35
Scientific Conference, School # 20, Chișinău, project director Maia DOBZEU	\$ 170.10
Crafts Club, School of Arts, Criuleni, project director Andrei BĂCIOI	\$ 275.08
Curcubeul Muzical Festival, Culture House, Sîngerei, project director Iurie IVANCEA	\$ 300.03
Photo Club, Ioan Voda Theoretical Lyceum, Cahul, project director Silvia STRELICIUC	\$ 200.25
Junii Istorici Club, I.Creangă Theoretical Lyceum, Zîrnești, Cahul, project director Claudia GALAJU	\$ 200.25
De la Tineri pentru Tineri Club, Chișinău, project director Vasile MIJA	\$ 250.09
The Puppet Theatre in Each House, Creative Center, Chișcăreni, Bălți, project director Elena PANAGUȚĂ	\$ 295.06
Speranta Literary Club, Gymnasium # 6, Orhei, project director Petru BUNĂCALE	\$ 120
Comoara Historical-literary Club, Gymnasium of Ghiliceni, Bălți, project director Maria VLEJU	\$ 103.25
Polytechnic Club, Creative Center for Children, Chișinău, project director Ion DODON	\$ 250
Ecoterra Club, M.Eminescu School, Telenești, Orhei, project director Ana CHIRIAC	\$ 206.51
The Woodcraft Club, Bălți, project director Dumitru MURUZUC	\$ 375

Tinarul Cetățean Group, M. Eminescu Lyceum, Sîngerei, project director Maria DRUGA	\$ 300
Iulia Hașdeu – 130 Literary Contest, Chișinău project director Eugenia BULAT	\$ 170
Traditions and Winter Holidays of the Hispanic Countries Festival, Cervantes Center, Chișinău, project director Ana BOLOGAN	\$ 350
Amarilis Group, Gymnasium of Cerlina, Soroca, project director Elena GLIJIN	\$ 200
Program Administration:	\$ 419
Total	\$ 14,640



INTERCULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

(CCI Summer, CCI Semester, CCI Year, Syracuse Summer, Choate, West Chester, Czech Republic, British Schools).

This program awards scholarships to 10th grade students for study in British and American high schools, and also summer programs in the US and the Czech Republic. The goal is to improve English language skills and cultural awareness through classes, trips, and extracurricular activities. Students become actively involved in the school community and quickly begin to know and appreciate people of different national backgrounds, as well as exchange ideas with peers and adults, thus forming friendships that cross national and cultural boundaries.

The effectiveness of the program can be seen as pupils return with improved language skills, new ideas and experiences, and new insights into the attitudes and values of other cultures. Additionally, participation in the program promotes self-confidence, social responsiveness and other skills essential to the development of a society centered on democracy, intellect and mutual acceptance among citizens.

In 1999 there were 23 recipients:

Doina CEBOTARI
Victor NEAGU
Alexander PASKIN
Vlada ȚUȘKO
Victoria PLUGARU
Christian CANȚÎR
Diana BURDUJA

Lidia MARCHITAN
 Elena MUSTEAȚĂ
 Ana PORUMBRICA
 Alexander ANDRONIC
 Lina BĂLTEANU
 Mircea CERNAT
 Natalia NEAGU
 Daniela HODOBA
 Ana VOINOVA
 Alexandru CIBUC
 Viorica CARA
 Doina VÎRTOSU
 Elena POIATĂ
 Vitalie RUSU
 Daniel CUROȘ
 Diana ZAVZEATÎ

Total	\$ 15,374
Youth Programs Administration Expenditures	\$3,270
Total Youth Programs Expenditures	\$ 328,920



EAST EAST PROGRAM

The main goal of the East East Program is to create a network of collaboration among the Soros Foundations/Open Society Institutes from Central and Eastern Europe as a way of implementing regional dialogue and cooperation among the countries of the region. The main priority is the promotion of the needs and interests of the societies in transition on such important issues as: facilitating the development of an adequate legislative framework for the democratic processes, strengthening civil societies, making them aware of the existing regional problems and finding ways of solving them, as well as overcoming the consequences of the totalitarian way of thinking. The focus is on regional thinking and regional impact. The program's objectives are achieved by promoting, organizing and sustaining various projects: documentation trips, visiting and exchange programs, seminars, conferences, meetings, with the participation of experts from different fields and different countries, etc.

In 1999 the East East Program supported initiatives in the following areas:

Viability and sustainability of the third sector
 Innovations and social changes, challenges of social development

Legal reform, local government and public administration

Civic participation and responsibility, community partnership

Diversity, integrity, communication and identity

Public health, health care reform

Environmental protection and citizens' rights

Youth in the democratization process

Projects developed in Moldova, as well as joint initiatives and regional projects attended by the Moldovan experts are presented below.

Hosting Projects and Bilateral Initiatives

Regional Workshop: Development of a Common Environmental Policy on Solving Transboundary Environmental Issues: Ukraine-Moldova, February 8-10, Kiev

Organizers: International Renaissance Foundation and Soros Foundation Moldova

Participants: Valentin BOBEICĂ, Ion BRUMĂ, Ludmila MUNTEANU, Victor EGOROV, Iurie BODRUG, Eugenia DIMITREVICI, Tatiana MARIN, Tudor SPĂ-TARU, Petru GROZAVU, Margareta PETRUȘEVSCI

\$ 1,613

International Student Conference: Ten Years of Transition in Central and Eastern Europe: Illusions, Realities and Challenges, April 23-24, Chișinău

Organizer: Invisible College of Moldova

Participants: 13 Foundations from the network; students from Invisible Colleges from the region

\$ 5,540

Roundtable Discussion: Communication and the Student Mobility Process, May 6-7, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Organizers: Soros Foundation Moldova and Foundation for an Open Society-Cluj, EEP Advisory Board of the Soros Foundation Moldova and EEP of the Foundation for an Open Society, Romania

Participants: 12 experts, professors and students from Moldova

\$ 4,240

Project on Transborder Collaboration between Moldova and Romania: Sustainable Development of the River Prut Communities, June 28 – July 12, Chișinău-Iași-Chișinău

Organizers: Soros Foundation-Moldova and Foundation for an Open Society-Iași

Project Director: Gheorghe JIGĂU, Institute of Sciences from Chișinău, Eco-Drept Association-Moldova, Institute of Sciences from Chișinău and Alexandru I. Cuza University from Iași

25 participants from Moldova and 15 participants from Romania

\$ 10,570

International Symposium: The Impact of the Totalitarian Past on New Democracies in Central and Eastern Europe, July 1-2, Chişinău

Organizers: National Museum of History of Moldova, Association of Historians of Moldova and Soros Foundation Moldova

Project director: Elena POSTICĂ, National Museum of History of Moldova

Participants: 8 foundations, 11 experts from Estonia, Lithuania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania, Ukraine, Russia, Poland

\$ 8,610

Brainstorm-99. New Generation in the Contemporary World. Summer School in the Art of Communication and Social Sciences, July 18 – August 2, Vadul-lui-Vodă

Organizers: Soros Foundation Moldova, Center for European Education, Moldova, together with the Foundation for an Open Society, Romania

Participants: 9 Foundations, including the Foundation for an Open Society-Romania, Cluj, Iaşi, Timişoara, and Bucharest branches, as well as Bulgaria, Ukraine, Poland, Czech Republic

\$ 14,595

Visiting Program: Health Service Management Development, September 11-27, Bratislava, Slovakia

Participating Foundations: Open Society Fund-Slovakia and Soros Foundation Moldova

Organizer: Medical Management School in Bratislava

Ten participants from Moldova, including heads of the health care units, health care managers, heads of departments; group supervisor: Iurie DONDIUC, Deputy Head of the Municipal Clinic

\$ 7,564

Social Behavior in a Multicultural Environment. Study Visit of Bulgarian Journalists to Moldova, November 20-27, 1999

Participating Foundations: Open Society Fund-Sofia and Soros Foundation Moldova

Organizers: Independent Journalism Center-Moldova (IJC) and ACCESS-Bulgaria (Association for Contacts and Cooperation East European Self-support)

Participants: 10 journalists and researchers from Bulgaria

\$ 7,127

Participating Projects

Seminar on the Free Access to Information on Drugs as Part of the National Drug Policy

January 15-17, Riga

Natalia CEBOTARENCO, DRUG Association

\$ 516

Roundtable on Strengthening Teaching and Capacity Building in Case-study Teaching

January 15-17, Kiev

Nicolae CREȚU, program co-ordinator, Pro-Didactica Educational Center

Nadejda DEMIAN, lecturer, Academy of Public Administration

\$ 405

International Discussion Forum: Grassroots Initiatives and the State

February 26-27, Prague

Ina GUTUIM, IFES-Moldova

Ion CUHAL, Viitorul Foundation

\$ 858

Intensive Course on European Law

March 22-April 2, Torun, Poland

Dorin PEREU, student in Political Sciences, State University of Moldova

\$ 478

Development of Youth Voluntary Activities

March 24-April 1, Palanga, Lithuania

Stela MOCANU, Volunteer Initiative, CONTACT Center

\$ 743

Moot Court Competition: Romania, Moldova and Hungary

March 18- 21, Cluj

Mihaiela GODOROZEA, Law student, State University of Moldova

Catalina CATARAGĂ, Law student, State University of Moldova

Andrei COVALI, Law student, Free International University of Moldova

\$ 262

Life Experience in the Decade of Transition

April 23-27, Timişoara

Elena ŞIŞCANU, Head of the Contemporary History Lab, State Pedagogical University of Moldova

Elena POSTICĂ, Head of department, National Museum of History of Moldova

\$ 1,035

Interactive Training Program: Community Contribution to Civic Participation:

April 18-25, Braşov

Sorin NASTAS, student, Free International University of Moldova

Daniela MURGULEȚ, student, State University of Bălţi
Cristian ZILBERBERG, student, State University of Moldova

Alexandru SAVVA, student, State University of Moldova

\$ 244

<p>Training Workshop: Innovative Knowledge in HIV/AIDS May 26-30, Kiev Galina CHIRIACOV, physician, Toma Ciorba City Hospital of Infections Tatiana CIORNAIA, Youth for the Right to Life Association Lilia GORCIAC, Head of the Family Centre of the Chişinău City Hall</p>	<p>Eastern European Summer School at the University of Warsaw July 1-23, Warsaw Eduard BAIDAU, lecturer in History, State Pedagogical University of Moldova</p>
	\$ 390
	<p>Interdisciplinary Summer School on Constructivism and Security July 11-30, Vilnius Vitalie POPA, lecturer in Psychology, State Pedagogical University of Moldova</p>
	\$ 495
<p>POLMARO International Service: Study Visit May 14-24, Poznan Stela MOCANU, Volunteer Centre Ion BUTNARU, Albert Schweitzer Youth Club</p>	<p>The Liberal Order: Future for Social Justice July 6-12, Omolouc, Check Republic Radu GORINCIOI, President, Association for Civil and Political Culture in Moldova</p>
	\$ 880
	\$ 491
<p>Citizens and Mayoralities: Partnership or Conflict? June 1-3, Pilzen Gheorghe COJOCARU, Mayor of the Secareni Village Alexandru TARANU, Chief Architect at the Orhei City Hall Artur LUNGU, Head of the International Relations Department, Chişinău City Hall</p>	<p>Preserving Cultural Heritage: Problems and Solutions in the Preservation of Monuments July 11-20, Sofia Eugen BÎZGU, Deputy Director, Museum of the Village Gheorghe POSTICĂ, President, Centre for Archaeological Research of Moldova Cornel CIRIMPEL, doctoral student, History Department, State University of Moldova</p>
	\$ 1,539
	\$ 1,233
<p>Practical Work Experience of Mediators in Conflict Resolution June 4-7, St.Petersburg Iurie ATAMAN, Moldova-Transnistria Association for Conciliation and Democracy Ludmila MAZILU, Conflict Resolution Program Coordinator, Youth Development Centre</p>	<p>School of Demography's Alumni Meeting August 21-25, Prague Diana CHEIANU, lecturer in Sociology, State University of Moldova</p>
	\$ 740
	\$ 504
<p>Pension Reform in the Post-totalitarian Region: Results, Issues and Perspectives June 21-25, Almaty, Kazakhstan Anghelina APOSTOL, Head of the Social Insurance Department, Ministry of Work and Social Protection of Moldova Mihai NISCII, director of the Computer Centre, Ministry of Work and Social Protection of Moldova</p>	<p>Corruption in Central and Eastern Europe at the Turn of the Millennium September 16-19, Ljubljana Vladimir GÎLCĂ, Head of the Economic and Finance Police Department, Ministry of Internal Affairs of Moldova</p>
	\$ 1,359
	\$ 907
<p>The Balcan Wars of 1991-1999: Causes and Consequences July 2-3, Warsaw Oleg SEREBRIAN, President of the Centre for European Education</p>	<p>Maximising the Potential of NGO Resource Centres through Internet Network Technology September 15-20, Sofia Corneliu IARINCOVSCHI, Internet manager, CONTACT Centre</p>
	\$ 520
	\$ 290
<p>Junior Achievement International Student Camp July 19 – 25, Apsuciems, Latvia Tatiana CEBAN, program coordinator, Junior Achievement Moldova, and 4 students: Elena GĂINĂ, Daniela DUMBRAVĂ, Cristina GULIŞ, Olga FEIGER</p>	<p>Training Workshop: Legal Education for People with HIV/AIDS September 22-27, Sofia Ecaterina IOVU, Head of the Department of Infectious Diseases, AIDS Centre Antonia FONARI, President, Youth for the Right to Life Association</p>
	\$ 3,310
	\$ 820

Seminar on Talking History September 23-27, Kiten, Bulgaria Maria DANILOV, researcher, National Museum of the History of Moldova Elena ŞIŞCANU, Head of the Oral History Lab, State Pedagogical University of Moldova Anatol PETRESCO, professor in History, State University of Moldova	\$ 737	Trafficking and Forced Prostitution October 28 – November 1, Timișoara Neli COJOCARU, Association of Young Psychologists Ana MELNIC, expert, Documentation Centre for Women	\$ 344
Border Regions and Regional Development Policies September 27 – October 1, Budapest Victor MOCANU, program co-ordinator, Viitorul Foundation Victor GANE, project manager, IFES	\$ 750	Women from the Caucasus: Towards Equal Opportunities and European Awareness November 13-19, Tbilisi Lucia NASTAS, Ignis Youth Club	\$ 500
Seminar on the Legislation on Co-operatives October 20-24, Sofia Varvara DULGHIERU, Head of the Law Department, MOLDCOOP Liliana DANDARA, Dean, School of Law, Cooperator-Commercial University	\$ 711	Workshop for NGOs from the CIS States on Conflict Management and Prevention November 24-29, Moscow Iurie ATAMAN, Moldova-Transnistria Committee for Conciliation and Democracy	\$ 250
Meeting of the Directors of the Junior Achievement Program October 20-22, Vilnius Adela SCUTARU, Director, Junior Achievement Moldova	\$ 537	Disabled Students in Higher Education December 7-11, Budapest Natalia BUGA, student, Foreign Languages Department, State University of Moldova Maria MATIUŞCENKO, supervisor Maria ROTARU, expert, Humanitas Association	\$ 1,147
Community Schools as a Tool for Civil Society Development in Post Communist Countries October 11-14, Krasnoyarsk Valentin UNTURA, Head of the School Management Department, Ministry of Education and Sciences of Moldova Nichifor IONCU, Head of the Education Department, Orhei District Mayoralty	\$ 960	Improving the Quality of Life of People with Multiple Scleroses December 13-17, Samara Victor CELAC, physician, City Hospital # 4 Radu BALTAG, lecturer, Medical State University of Moldova	\$ 798
Homelessness in Central and Eastern Europe October 27-30, Budapest Fiodor SIDNIC, Street Children Project Director, Save the Children Foundation	\$ 422	Administration of Strategic Changes in Local Government December 6-8, Dnepropetrovsk Eugenia CERBA, student, State University of Moldova Tudor DELIU, lecturer, Academy of Public Administration of Moldova	\$ 843
International Student Workshop: Economic Development, Crisis, and Regional Collaboration of the Baltic Region Countries October 28 – November 1, St.Petersburg Valeriu PROHNIŢCHI, student, AESM, Invisible College of Moldova	\$ 380	The Third Sector's Support for Education Reforms December 16-19, Lviv Marina USTUROI, International Amnesty of Moldova	\$ 70
The MAGDALENA Project: Training Seminar on		Art and Its Vital Role in Rehabilitation and Socialisation of Disabled People December 15-19, Tirana Valentina OLĂRESCU, lecturer in psychology, State Pedagogical University of Moldova	\$ 485

South East Europe Subprogram

In 1999 the Open Society Institute, Budapest, announced a new subprogram for the South Eastern Europe within the framework of the East East Program. Its goal is to promote collaboration between/among individuals and organizations from Southeast European countries, including Greece, Turkey and Moldova. The following events were financially supported through this subprogram:

International Roundtable Discussion: Dimensions of the Transnistrian Conflict in the Context of the Stability Pact in the South Eastern Europe

December 16-17, Chişinău

Organizers: Center for European Education-Moldova and Soros Foundation Moldova

\$ 9,396

Security and Reconstruction of the South Eastern Europe: A Policy Outlook from the Region

September 24-27, Sofia

Veaceslav PITUŞCAN, Deputy Head of the European Integration Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Moldova

Oleg SEREBRIAN, President, Centre for European Education of Moldova

\$ 767

A System for the Post War South Eastern Europe

July 18-20, Ljubljana

Oleg PETRUŞIN, expert, Centre for Reforms and Strategic Studies of Moldova

\$ 778

Democratic Leadership Program: Seminar for Young Political Leaders from the Countries of the South Eastern Europe

October 15-20, Ohrid

Nicolae BOLOTNOV, Centre for Political Hermeneutics

Ana CORETCHI, EEP Co-ordinator

\$ 1,309

South East Europe Policy Institute Network SEE-PIN
November 12, Budapest

Nicolae CHIRTOACĂ, Director, Euro-Atlantic Center of Moldova

\$ 394

South East European Regional Forum for Poverty Eradication

December 9-12, Sofia

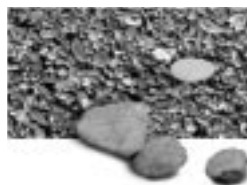
Nina ORLOV, expert, UNDP

\$ 388

Program Administration \$ 5,339

Program Expenditures \$ 101,918

Total Expenditures \$ 107,257



LIBRARY SUPPORT

The Library program has the aim to support library activity and develop customer oriented services in a world of continuous flow of information and growth of advanced informational technologies, thus assuring an efficient user access to the first source information regarding human development.

The main directions of the Library program development in 1999 were determined by the following prerequisites:

- the role of the library as a cultural, informational and knowledge centre in an open society
- the growing importance of the municipal libraries as information centres in supporting the community
- the necessity of interlibrary co-operation
- the integration of libraries and librarians from Moldova into the international information community
- meeting the international information standards

The Program priorities were developed by the Expert Board and represent an interaction of the main elements of librarianship activity:

- Collection development
- Professional development of the librarians
- Library automation
- Preservation, conservation and access to collections

Collection Development

The program has the aim of ensuring a permanent and secure access of library users to the first source information regarding human development. The program fostered library co-operation in co-ordinating the book acquisition activity and subscription to periodicals. It also supported the collaboration between libraries, editors and book distributors.

The program welcomed projects developed by central and university libraries aimed to create and develop specialised collections, and subscribe to foreign periodical press, scientific journals in the fields of sciences, social sciences and the humanities.

Science Journal Donation Program (SJD)

The aim of the program is to provide access to the most recent scientific information. The Academy of Science Library, the National Library and the Scientific Medical Library received free subscriptions to scientific journals in the field of exact and biomedical sciences from internationally renowned scientific societies.

The Academy of Science Library – 27 titles	
National Library – 3 titles	
The Scientific Medical Library – 5 titles	
Total cost of the program –	\$ 26,720
Soros Foundation Moldova's contribution –	\$ 13,360

Public libraries' and school libraries' subscription to national culture and children journals.

The municipal public libraries received 250 subscriptions to each of the Contrafort, Sud-Est, and Basarabia journals.

1000 school libraries from rural areas received subscriptions to children journals: Alunelul, Noi and Florile Dalbe.

\$ 7,038

Subscription of A.Russo State University in Bălți Library to periodicals in German and French languages.

Project director Faina Tlehuci, director of SUB Library

\$ 625

Acquisition of Foreign Language Books for Moldovan Libraries

The aim of the project is to co-ordinate the acquisition and collection development and thus, to obtain discounts for big numbers of books.

Co-ordinated by the National Library, the project brought together other 12 university and scientific libraries.

Through the Springer publishing house (Germany), libraries purchased 600 scientific books from various renowned publishing houses with a discount of 10-70%.

Project director Rodica Avasiloaie, deputy director, National Library

\$ 22,792

Donation to university libraries of books published within the Translation and Publishing Programs of the Soros Foundation Moldova.

This project supported the acquisition of 35 book titles, 50 copies of each title, from Moldovan publishers. The books were distributed to university libraries through the Book Foundation.

\$ 2,225

Development of Police Academy Library collection
Project director Veronica GÎLCĂ, director of Police Academy Library

\$ 1,460

Publishing of the National Standards Collection in the library activity field

Co-ordinator Tatiana ISCHIMJI, deputy director of National Library

\$ 825

Program administration \$ 559

Total program expenditures \$ 48,884

Professional Development

The aim of the program is professional revitalisation, dynamic and creative development of the library personnel, their familiarisation with the most advanced achievements in librarianship and informational technologies through:

– encouragement of creation of a local infrastructure for continuous training of librarians

– implementation of modern management and marketing methods in library activity

– encouragement of relations of collaboration with the libraries from abroad and the local ones in order to initiate an exchange of ideas and experiences in various important fields of the library activity

The program objectives were carried out with the support of the Network Library Program, OSI Budapest, as well as in collaboration with other organisations that were interested in co-financing the projects of professional development of Moldovan librarians.

In 1999 librarians participated at international conferences of major interest in librarianship field, internships and training sessions in librarianship centres from other countries. Some of them participated in the most prestigious international professional meetings: IFLA, LIBER, CRIMEA 99.

IFLA Conference 99, Bangkok, Thailand, August 21-29, 1999

Ludmila CORGHENCI, Deputy Director, FIUM Library, vice-president of Librarians Associations

\$ 1,031

Natalia SENOCOSOVA, deputy dean, Journalism and Communication Sciences Faculty, State University of Moldova

\$ 1,941

LIBER Annual Conference, Prague, Czech Republic, July 5-11, 1999

Zinaïlda SOCHIRCĂ, Director, FIUM Library

\$ 570

Ala SUSARENCO, Head of the Acquisition service department, AESM Library

\$ 570

CRIMEA 99 International Conference, Sudac, Ukraine, June 5-13, 1999

Elena CEBOTARI, Director, Anenii-Noi Public Library

\$ 125

Tatiana CHIPER, Director, Republican Library, Association of the Blinds	\$ 125	Zinaida CULEA, Head of Foreign Language Literature Service, National Library of Moldova	\$ 400
Valeriu LUPU, vice-president, Association of the Blinds of Moldova	\$ 125	Internship at the National Library of France, Paris, October 29 – November 27, 1999 Alexei RĂU, Director, National Library of Moldova	\$ 420
International Conference organised by the Library of Technical Information, Hanover, within the UE INTAS Project, Germany, September 18-25, 1999 Elena COROTENCO, director, Academy of Science Library	\$ 481	Seminar: Law Library, organised by COLPI, OSI Budapest, September 26 – October 2, 1999 Mariana HARJEVSCHI and Sivia BOBEICO, B.P.Haşdeu Municipal Library	\$ 366
Iulia TĂTĂRESCU, deputy director, Republican Technical-Scientific Library	\$ 481	International Seminar: A New Start for the Future of Continuous Education, organised by Network Library Program, OSI Budapest, April 21-26, 1999 Ludmila CORGHENCI, Deputy director, FIUM Library	\$ 332
International Conference: Preservation Management, the Hague, Holland, April 16-23, 1999 Tatiana ISCHIMJI, Deputy director, National Library from Moldova	\$ 840	Iraida DIGODI, secretary, National Librarianship Council	\$ 332
International Conference: Rules of Cataloguing, Moscow, April 19-29, 1999 Ala PANICI, chief, Cataloguing and classification service, National Library	\$ 316	Grants were offered to local trainers for the organisation of continuous education activities for Moldovan librarians: Seminar: Cataloguing and Classification Issues, National Library, October 1999 Project director Ala PANICI, Head of Cataloguing and Classification Service Department, National Library	\$ 550
International Conference: Literature and Languages: Libraries Offering Foreign Language Literature, followed by a study visit in German libraries, July 1999 Natalia CHERADI, Deputy director, AESM Library	\$ 500	Seminar: Public Library – Opportunities of Survival. Functional Statute of County Libraries, October – December 1999 Representatives of public libraries from county administrative centres Project director Vera OSOIANU, head, Specialised Assistance Service, National Library	\$ 940
Taisia VEREBCEANU, librarian, Municipal Public Library, Chişinău,	\$ 500	Excellence Centre Publica Project The project's aim is to support the continuous education of librarians from regional public libraries, thus contributing to the improvement of library's community service activity. The project was administered by the B.P.Haşdeu Municipal Library. Project director Lidia KULIKOVSKI, director, B.P.Haşdeu Municipal Public Library	\$ 15,030
Training visit to the German Library Institute, Berlin, September 27 – October 4, 1999 Silvia GHINCULOV, Director, AESM Library	\$ 390	Organisation of International Seminars and Conferences Seminar: Interlibrary Co-operation: Management of Informational Resources, organised by the B.P.Haşdeu	
Marina SCIUR, Head of the International Exchange Service, AESM Library	\$ 390		
Professional development internships for Moldova librarians were supported in co-operation with the French Embassy in Moldova, the Curants Program of Culture and Communication Ministry of France: Internship at High School of Information and Librarianship Sciences, Villeurbanne, April 26 – May 18, 1999			

Municipal Public Library in co-operation with the German Institute of Librarianship and the German Embassy in Moldova. The seminar was held at the Onisifor Ghibu Public Library, April 25-30, 1999

Thirty-five librarians from central, university and public libraries from county centres participated at the seminar, facilitated by a team of 5 German experts, led by Elisabeth SIMON, international expert, director of International Relations Office of the German Institute of Librarianship.

\$ 1,884

International symposium: Reading as Factor of Children's Intellectual Development, organised by I.Creangă National Children's Library, within the Book Fair for Children, April 24-25, 1999

Project director Claudia BALABAN, president, National Council of Children's Books, director, I.Creangă National Children's Library

\$ 2,233

Training EIFL Direct, Chişinău, Information Technology Centre, December 17, 1999

Vadim SOBOLEV, Expert of EBSCO Subscription Agency, who provided the seminar participants with all the electronic databases of EIFL Direct Project, conducted the training session. Thirty librarians from central, university and public libraries participated at this training.

\$ 350

English Language Courses for Librarians

This pilot project offered librarians the possibility to study English and to learn the specialised terminology in order to pass tests for participating at various fellowship programs, training workshops and major international events. The program was initiated at the beginning of 1998 in collaboration with NLP, OSI Budapest.

Out of 25 librarians that took these courses 20 passed the promotion tests successfully and got documents certifying it.

The general courses of English, as well as the special course on library terminology were developed and organised by the Pro Didactica Educational Centre.

The program will continue with English courses organised for librarians from the A.Russo State University Library in Bălţi, public libraries and educational institutions from Bălţi.

\$ 10,000

Total Program Expenditures \$ 41,222

Library Automation Program

The program aims at library automation by supporting projects on creating local automated networks that will enable library connection into a national automated library system, as well as the connection of all the functioning local networks to Internet. Library automation ensures that Moldovan libraries will meet the requirements of modern information technologies in order to provide a quick and efficient access of the users to the information and to facilitate their integration into international informational space.

The program supported:

- automation of university and scientific libraries
- projects of establishing local information networks of libraries from regional centres in order to develop a new important aspect of the library activity - the creation of Information and Documentation Centres for community service

The financial support is matched on a 50/50 basis with NLP OSI Budapest.

Central Scientific Library of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova

Project director Elena COROTENCO, director of the library

\$ 47,170

Automation of the Nicolae Testemitanu State University of Medicine and Pharmacy Library

Project director Elena BOLGANSCHI, director of SUMP Library

The project is implemented with the financial support of the Medical Internet Program.

\$ 39,233

Information Network of the Technical University of Moldova Library

Project director Maria CIOBANU, Director of TUM Library

\$ 50,778

Educational Sciences Information and Documentation Centre, Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University

Project director Raisa CĂLDARE, Director of SPU Library

The project is implemented with the financial support of the Pro Didactica Educational Center

\$ 36,597

Orhei Information and Documentation Centre, Public County Library

Project director Lidia SITARU, director of A.Donici Public County Library, Orhei

\$ 17,780

Modernisation of the Laboratory of Sound Book Registration of the Specialised Library for the Blinds,

The Association of the Blinds from Moldova
Project director Tatiana CHIPER

\$ 17,950

We continued to finance the library automation projects of the State University in Bălți and the Republican Library of the Technical-Scientific Information

Program administration \$ 1,416

Total program expenditures \$ 135,094

Preservation, Conservation and Access to Collections

The focus of the program is collection preservation and conservation, transfer of information to other informational support, thus ensuring the user's access to valuable collections and unique information.

The program was oriented to support the complex activities related to the creation of a Technical Centre of Conservation and Restoration within the National Library of Moldova.

The financial support is matched on a 50/50 basis with NLP OSI Budapest.

Project director Alexe RĂU

Project budget \$ 65,000

Soros Foundation Moldova's contribution \$ 32,500

The Book Foundation

The activity of the Book Foundation was oriented towards the establishing of relationships with local and Romanian publishing houses in order to organise the book selling activity at accessible prices. The Book Foundation managed to purchase books for 2,000 USD at a maximum discount and then sell them using the obtained income to make new acquisitions.

The Book Foundation continued its traditional activity of distributing books published through the support of Soros Foundation Moldova to university, central and public regional libraries, as well as donations of books offered by publishers. Over the year, more than 40 titles were distributed through the Book Foundation to about 40 library institutions.

In 1999 the Book Foundation started the co-ordination activity of the Puşkin Regional Project for Moldovan libraries. The participating libraries have the possibility to purchase world literature in social sciences and the humanities translated into Russian at 25% of its price value, the rest 75%, as well as the postage being covered by the Puşkin Project. The following libraries are participating in this project: National Library, I. Creangă National Children's Li-

brary, B.P.Haşdeu Public Municipal Library, Academy of Economic Studies Library, Agricultural University Library, FIUM Library, Central University Library of the State University of Moldova.

Beginning with 2000, other libraries will participate in this project: Library of A.Russo State University of Bălți, I.Creangă State Pedagogical University Library, State University of Comrat Library and Slavic University Library.

\$ 3,040

Program administration Expenditures \$ 10,855

Library Program Expenditures \$ 261,507

Total Library Program Expenditures \$ 272,362



INTERNET

The Internet for Moldova project was established at the beginning of 1995. The project was brought forth as a response to the poorly developed telecommunications infrastructure and to projects related to Internet access submitted by universities to the Foundation.

In order to implement the Internet for Moldova project and develop the academia network, Soros Foundation Moldova established a public institution – DNT Association, registered at the Ministry of Justice on May 20, 1998.

(DNT Institutional Support Grant \$ 121,000)

In 1999 the DNT Association continued to facilitate the development of the education system and civil society by providing Internet access under favorable conditions to organizations in this field: NGOs from the capital and the region, high schools and lyceums around the country, universities and mass media organizations, the Center of New Information Technologies, the Quality Assessment and Accreditation Board, the Legal Clinic, the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova.

During the same year the dial-up access server of the MoldNet network users was extended up to 16 telephone access lines. Also, the following universities and schools were connected through leased line circuits and radio: The Cooperative Commercial University, the State Agrarian University, the Republican College for Computer Studies, the I. Creangă, M. Eliade, and Gh. Asachi lyceums and school # 32.

In 1999 the DNT Association became a Cisco System Reseller and was registered as a local Academy by the Iaşi Technical University, as a component part of

the Cisco Network Academy educational program. This event would both increase the level of training of Moldovan specialists in the field, and give the opportunity to access international certification programs.

In 1999 the DNT Association carried out the following projects:

OurNet – the first virtual community in Moldova. It includes the following components:

Moldova Internet Resources – a Yahoo type directory of Moldovan Internet, which gives the opportunity to surf various categories (computers, education, arts, etc.) in order to find the corresponding pages.

OurNet hosting – offers free hosting for personal Web pages. The total number of fixed registries on OurNet hosting was 1500 and respectively, 140 in catalog.

Web Design School – offers virtual web design courses.

OurNet Moldova News. The most interesting news from and about Moldova were selected by the Independent Journalism Center, translated in three languages and placed on OurNet page (<http://news.ournet.md>) daily.

According to the site statistics, the news website is one of the most frequently visited sites both by local and foreign users. On average 2,800 web surfers visit this site on a daily basis. Since the beginning of the project, 450,000 visitors have been registered.

Privatization Link

This project was submitted by John C. HARPER, International Business and Technical Consulting Inc., The World Bank and the Department of Privatization and State Property Administration

Its goal was to restructure and develop the www server of the Privatization Department (www.privatization.md). The server is well structured and contains information about Moldovan enterprises subject to privatization in accordance with international standards. Privatization Link is completed and is updated weekly during the year, depending on the frequency the Privatization Department releases information. This page has about 40 daily visitors.

Computerization of the Parliament's Analytic Information Center.

A website of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova (<http://www.parliament.md>) was created in 1999.

During the project implementation the Parliament's Analytic Information Center collaborated with Robert Schuman Foundation from Paris, which agreed to support the development of the project and to extend the computerized parliamentary network. One of the conditions put forward by the French foundation was to present information on the parliamentary activity in the field of European integration on the Parliament's web

site in French as well. This fact does not interfere with the project itself. On the contrary, it has an additional, complementary character and creates conditions for further project development.

Theatre + WWW

The web site includes www pages for every theater of Moldova with theatre history and background, repertoire, plans for tours and a database of a Who is Who type, about actors, producers, script-writers, etc. It is under construction.

Free E-mail Software

The Bat! e-mail software was acquired for the educational system. Its subsequent target was free distribution to organizations benefiting from Internet connection from the DNT Association including universities, schools and NGOs. Anyone, who wishes to use this software, can access it at <http://www.DNT.md/support/downloads/>. All DNT clients may use it as an e-mail software because its main characteristic is closely related to mail.md.

\$ 2,000

Summer School in Computer Science – 99

Center of New Information Technologies (CNIT)

Between August 9-22, 1999 the CNIT organized a summer school in computer science – 99. This summer school was attended by students from secondary school institutions who got high scores at nation-wide contests in mathematics and computer science. Nine groups of students were offered multilevel theoretical and practical courses.

\$ 9,995

Internet point of presence – E-mail for Bălți, SUB

An Internet point of presence was created within the A.Russo State University in Bălți. The creation of this server in the city of Bălți allowed users from the University, as well as schools in the town to "locally" access E-mail.

School # 32 on the WEB.

Internet connection of the school through a leased telephone line aims to familiarize students with the Internet network, establish and maintain business relations with other national and international academic institutions and implement new technologies in the educational process. The project also included the development of the electronic version of the school newspaper and placing it on the WEB.

Internet Pro Education Pro Didactica Educational Center

Project's objectives:

– designing and creation of the necessary software for the functioning of an interactive server (www.pro-education.md)

– developing teaching materials for implementing a new lyceum curriculum, preparing an electronic version placed on the server

– organizing a contest for best teaching materials, electronic version design and implementation, and on-server placing

– training of teaching personnel in using the Internet and implementation of new programs through Internet

The project budget	\$ 52,596
1999 year budget	\$ 12,041

I. Creangă Lyceum's WWW Server

I. Creangă Lyceum

The project's objective is to create a school network in the Rîșcani neighborhood – StarNet. This network has a star topology with the central server located in I.Creangă Lyceum in Chișinău and Internet access through the Arlan radio card. Three secondary school institutions from this neighborhood were connected to the Internet via this server by using dedicated lines. The first version of www server (www.starnet.mold-net.md) was launched. A computer study group was established. The main goal of the study group is to thoroughly study computers, networks, new programming languages (Delphi, Java, HTML). This study group is preparing a Rîșcani neighborhood team for future olympiads.

Project budget	\$ 3,850
1999 year budget	\$ 2,314

An Information-Training Center for the Ciocana District

Gaudeamus Theoretical Lyceum

An information-training center for the Ciocana district was established and is presently functioning during the year round. A 6 hour short-term course for the beginning level of Internet users is organized periodically. The training program for students additionally includes the following topics: a) E-mail use – 3 hours; b) www – service and information search on the Net – 4 hours; c) Designing a web page with elements of the HTML language – 6 hours.

Students currently continue the development of two educational websites.

\$ 814

Internet for Mircea Eliade Lyceum

Mircea Eliade Lyceum

Project's objective: to familiarize students with the Internet network, to show the opportunities provided

by it, and create favorable conditions for students to navigate the network and to establish an Internet school for teachers.

The Lyceum was connected to the global network via dedicated lines. This gave it the opportunity to obtain access to International Olympiad of Informatics and training materials to prepare for school Olympiads in informatics and other subjects. An experience exchange network was established with such lyceums as: Conestoga High School, Philadelphia, USA, Costache Negruzzi, Iași, Romania, Lyceum of Informatics, Bucarest, Romania, Lyceum of Informatics, Iași, Romania, Lyceum of Informatics, Galați, Romania.

\$ 406

The Atlas of Mortality in the Republic of Moldova (1991-1998)

Advanced Systems and Technologies in the Society

The main objective of the project is to prepare materials and develop the Internet version for the Mortality Atlas of the Republic of Moldova (1991-1998) (Romanian-English-Russian version) and provide an assessment of causes and tendencies of that process.

\$ 9,896

Being on the Web Means that You Exist National Center of Communication Technologies of Moldova

The project's objective is training the members of non-governmental community in the field of new information technologies. Six training sessions were scheduled targeting representatives of non-governmental institutions, independent mass media, other institutions, particularly from rural areas. The process of creating a related site has already started. The site is aimed at promoting the interests of civil society community of Moldova on the Internet.

Three seminars were organized on the topics:

Internet Online, July 23-25, 1999; 18 participants;

Web Design, October 22-24, 1999; 10 participants;

Electronic Editing, December 24-26, 1999; 18 participants.

\$ 6,335

Electronic Publishing of the Non-Governmental Organizations' Directory

Contact Center

The objective of the project is creating a database and a directory of NGOs of Moldova described in details and classified according to international standards and placing it on the WWW server. The first version of the electronic directory was created and placed on the Internet network at the address <http://www.ngo.md>. It includes information on 750 NGOs registered by the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Moldova.

\$ 2,500

Virtual School of Young Mathematicians Youth-Knowledge-Future Public Association

A site for Young Mathematicians (www.math.our-net.md) was created. It includes exercises, sums, comments, counter examples presented in details, complete demonstrations of some math sums that are of great theoretical interest, illustrative graphs that help the understanding of the topics, approximate calculations, topics and sums insufficiently (if at all) covered in class at lyceums, a guide for undergraduate education, pages on history of mathematics, sample tests with keys of bachelor exams, etc.

The first stage of the On-Line Contest was announced, complemented by an archive of links on elementary math and a bibliography page that includes names and concise reviews on methodological resources in math.

\$ 4,379

Teaching Internet

The Alexandra (ORDES) organization for reform and development of the educational system and Princess Natalia Dadiani Lyceum

Before January 1, 2000 a group of experts in information technology, hardware, software and web-design was put together under the auspices of ORDES. This group developed the syllabus of a 100 hour training course for Internet and web design on CD. Its goal is training young web designers. A series of seminars for students in web-design were organized.

\$ 6,447

Computerizing the System of Assessment and Accreditation of Teaching and Researching Personnel of the Republic of Moldova

The Quality Assessment and Accreditation Board of the Republic of Moldova

The objective of the project is to create an up-to-date database that will provide maximum information on the activities of scientists from the Republic of Moldova via the Internet. It will also provide information on the system of preparation, assessment and accreditation of highly qualified scientific and teaching personnel. The authors of the project will develop the electronic version of the Information Bulletin of the the Quality Assessment and Accreditation Board of the Republic of Moldova.

\$ 9,930

E-Bulletin of NGOs of Moldova CONTACT Center

The objectives of the project:

- to inform the public about the NGO community by launching an NGO electronic bulletin (e-bulletin)
- to offer full and various information on the NGOs' activity
- to foster the dialog between/among the non-gov-

ernmental sector, business, state and civil society from Moldova and other countries

- to monitor tendencies and phenomena that take place within the civil society community

The equipment required for collecting, analyzing and distributing of the e-bulletin was purchased and installed. The personnel: informers, journalists, designers were selected, hired and trained. Four e-bulletins were prepared and distributed among a limited circle of people, i.e. those subscribed for testing.

\$ 13,095

Creating an Information Center and Developing the Info-Sport-Net Website InforSportNet NGO

The main objective of the project is creating an information, training, consulting and Internet access Center for the Sport Federation, i.e. teams, clubs, coaches, athletes and developing a web-site that will contain sport news and information from Moldova. The first stage of the project was already implemented.

\$ 16,138

Natural Geological Monuments of the Republic of Moldova

Geologic Association of the Republic of Moldova and the DNT Association

The objective of the project is informing the public of Moldova and from abroad about the natural geological monuments via the Internet.

The project provides for placing on the net of the Register of Natural Geological Monuments of the Republic of Moldova including 89 monuments taken under state protection. It will be published in two languages: English and Romanian.

\$ 4,115

Inter-College Web Page

College of Finance and Banking

The main objective of the project is the creation of an inter-college website that will include valuable information for professors and students from various colleges. The information will be presented according to specializations and profiles. This site will contain the official pages of the College of Finance and Banking, MATEC XXI Lyceum and other colleges from Moldova.

\$ 8,200

Informational Support of the Priority Trends of the Economic Reform in the Republic of Moldova Research Institute of Technical and Economic Information

The objective of the project is creating and placing on the Internet of several electronic databases that will include:

- information on research conducted in Moldova
- technical-economic information on priority

trends in the economy of the Republic of Moldova
 – information on production and services provided by agricultural enterprises and processing industry
 – information on electronic information resources of the Republic of Moldova (together with the European Union Commission; INCO-COPERNICUS)

\$ 9,984

Web Page of Gh. Asachi Lyceum

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The objective of the project is connecting to the Internet and designing and developing a periodical web page of Gh. Asachi Lyceum. The web page will include the information about the writer Gheorghe Asachi.

The objectives of the project are:

– familiarizing teachers, students and other interested persons with the latest developments in the lyceum

– involving students in creative and research activities

– applying in real life the acquired knowledge in the information technology field

– creating a study group that will design and develop web pages

\$ 1,500

EIFL Direct Access and Utilization.

The objective of the project is supplying all libraries involved in EIFL Direct Project with equipment necessary for getting access and utilization of electronic journals and full text databases. EIFL Direct Project was launched by Open Society Institute. The main objective of this project is to subscribe all Moldovan libraries to 3500 electronic journals.

\$ 42,414

Participation at International Conferences, Workshops and Summer Schools

Eurolan-99 Summer School, Romania, July 19-31, 1999.

Dumitru TODOROI \$ 178

Ion COVALENCO \$ 178

Sergiu CREȚU \$ 178

Ion LINGA \$ 178

Network Training Workshop for Countries in Early Stages of Internet Working and Internet Global Summit, USA, June 11-25, 1999

Dumitru CHITOROAGĂ \$ 2,395

The Fifth CEENet Workshop on Network Technology, Hungary, August 16-26, 1999

Veaceslav TENTIU \$ 100

Internet – a Medium for New Technologies in Information Society, Bulgaria, October 13-16, 1999

Nicolae MAGARIU \$ 130

Iurie CARAUȘ \$ 130

Internet Program Administration \$ 8,470

Total Internet Program Expenditures \$ 386,231

Total (including the Expenditures for the VSAT Connection) \$ 394,701



PUBLISHING PROGRAMS

The National Program

Sixteen publishing houses with 53 titles of books participated in the 1999 competition held in two stages. Partial support (around 50% of the publishing expenditures) was granted for the publication of 15 titles, six of which have already been published and printed:

Arcadie SUCEVEANU, Nicolae ROMANENCO **George Meniuc or Return to Ithaca** (George Meniuc sau intoarcerea în Ithaca) (Cartier) \$ 2,580

Anatol PETRENCU **Romania and Basarabia during the Second World War** (România și Basarabia în anii celui de-al doilea război mondial) (Epigraf)

\$ 1,710

Elena GROSU **Dictionary of Pleonasm** (Dicționar de pleonasm) (Epigraf) \$ 1,382

Sergiu PAVLICENCU **The Temptation of Spain** (Tentația Spaniei) (Știința) \$ 1,636

Gheorghe Ghimpu **The National (Romanian) Self-identity of the Moldovans** (Conștiința națională (românească) la moldoveni) (Litera) \$ 3,000

Alexandru Usatiuc **Thinking of a World Between Two Other Worlds**, 2 volumes (Cu gândul la o lume între două lumi) (Lyceum) \$ 1,715

Forthcoming titles are:

Fernando SAVATER **Las Preguntas de la Vida** (Întrebările vieții) (Arc) \$ 5,080

Luciana MARIANGELI **Parlare con Pinocchio**
(Cum să vorbim cu Pinocchio) (Arc) \$ 3,933

Gheorghe GRICURCU **Memories from the Platinum Epoch** (Amintiri din epoca de platină) (Arc)
\$ 1,296

Vladimir BULAT **Art and Ideology** (Artă și ideologie) (Cartier) \$ 1,008

Nicolae LEAHU **The Poetry of the Generation of the 80s** (Poezia generației 80) (Cartier) \$ 1,260

A group of authors under the auspices of the National Museum of History **The Book of Remembrance**, volume II (Cartea memoriei) (Știința) \$ 3,420

Igor CAȘU **The National Policy of USSR** (Politica Națională a URSS) (Cartdidact) \$ 900

Lică SAINCIUC **The Old Town of Chișinău** (Țirgul vechi al Chișinăului) (Museum) \$ 855

Vlad GHIMPU **Churches and Monasteries** (Biserici și mănăstiri) (Universitas) \$ 1,890

Four books, financially supported within the National Publishing Program in 1998, were published and printed in 1999:

Ion USTIAN **The Nobel Prize Laureates in Economics** (EUS) (Laureații premiului Nobel în economie)

Luminița ILVIȚCHI **The Monasteries of Moldova** (Museum) (Mănăstirile Moldovei)

Ion CHITOROAGĂ **The History of Bugeac** (Museum) (Istoria Bugeacului)

A group of authors under the auspices of the National Museum of History **The Book of Remembrance**, volume I (Cartea memoriei) (Știința)

Program administration \$ 1,997
Total National Publishing Program \$ 33,662

Regional Translation Project

(in collaboration with the Center for Publishing Development of OSI Budapest)

In 1999 six publishing houses participated in the competition with 25 titles.

The following publishing houses won the 1999 competition announced by the Program:

Cartier Publishing House

Eric HOBBSAWM **The Age of Capital 1848-1875**
\$ 9,565

Eric HOBBSAWM **The Age of Revolution 1789-**

1848 \$ 9,565

Eric HOBBSAWM **The Age of Empire 1875-1914**
\$ 9,565

J.-M. GAILLARD and A. ROWLEY **Histoire de Continent Europeen de 1850 a la Fin du XX Siecle**
\$ 8,780

Arc Publishing House

Charles EPPING RANDZ **A Beginner's Guide to the Economy** \$ 3,114

Quentin SKINNER **Machiavelli** \$ 1,971

Știința Publishing House

G. A. COLE **Management. Theory and Practice**
\$ 11,033

Peter COLLIN **Dictionary of Marketing** \$ 6,630

Tehnica Publishing House

Mark S. FRANKEL and Jane CAVE **Evaluating Science and Scientists** \$ 2,510

Michael PORTER **Techniques for Analyzing Industries and Competitors** \$ 4,676

Museum Publishing House

Marcel MAZOYER and Laurence ROUDART **Histoire des Agricultures du Monde – du Neolithique a la Crise Contemporaine** \$ 11,170

In 1999 three books were published and printed which had been financed in the previous three years:

Thrainn EGGERTSSON **Economic Behaviour and Institutions** (Cartier)

Eric HOBBSAWM **Age of Extremes. The Short Twentieth Century. 1914-1991** (Cartier)

H.GIERSCH **The Fading Miracle** (Tehnica Info)

Program Administration \$ 710
Total Regional Translation Project \$ 79,290

Publishing Loan Fund Program

The Publishing Loan Fund Program started in 1999 aiming at the gradual transition from a grant system to the bank loan financial mechanism. This goes in alignment with the Foundation's strategy to foster efficiency and market economy relationships. The Foundation supports this process by facilitating publishers' access to bank loans with favorable interest rates.

Five publishing houses participated in the program and were recommended for collaboration with Victoria Joint-stock Commercial Bank. By the end of 1999 three

publishing houses: Cartier, Litera, and Știința received bank loans of \$ 25,000 each. The Foundation has guaranteed 50% of the value of each loan accepting books as collateral. This is a multi-annual program.

Total Publishing Loan Fund Program \$ 100,000

Authors' Support Grants Program

In 1999 the Authors' Support Grants Program aiming at encouraging book writing was continued. Seven researchers recommended by publishing houses participated in the first stage of the contest with 8 titles and one of them, Dumitru MOLDOVAN, was awarded a support grant for the development of the book **The Economy of Foreign Relations of the Republic of Moldova** (Arc) The project was finished in 1999 and the print run was of 500 copies.

\$ 800

Six authors participated in the second stage of the competition with 8 titles. Grants were offered for book writing to the following project authors:

Lidia CODREANCA **The Socio-Linguistic Aspects of Romanian Language Functioning under the Tsarist Rule in Basarabia** (Museum) (Aspecte socio-lingvistice ale funcționării limbii române în Basarabia țaristă) \$ 600

Andrei EȘANU **The Medieval Moldova. Administrative and Ecclesiastic Structures** (Arc) (Moldova medievală. Structuri administrative și ecleziastice) \$ 800

Angela ZUBCO **The Church in XV-XVII Centuries' Moldova (Valmaș – Terra)** (Biserica în Moldova in sec. XV-XVII) \$ 600

Gheorghe NEGRU **The Ethnolinguistic Policy in SSR of Moldova** (Prut Internațional) (Politica etnolingvistică în RSS Moldovenească) \$ 600

Gheorghe COJOCARU **The Origins of Political and Territorial Secessionism in the Republic of Moldova** (Publishing Complex Civitas) (Originile separatismului politic și teritorial în Republica Moldova) \$ 600

Elena GROSU **Abridged Dictionary of Synonymized Antonyms** (Epigraf) (Mic dicționar de antonime – sinonimizat) \$ 600

Program administration \$ 576

Total Grants for Authors Program \$ 5,176

Infrastructure Development and Training

In the framework of this program the Foundation supported the participation of 8 techno-editors from publishing houses of Moldova at the seminar for the development of the Electronic Publishing program held in Prague between April 27– May 2, 1999.

\$ 3,471

The participants of the Prague seminar offered an Electronic Publishing National Session held between November 30 – December 3, 1999 in Chișinău. Graham HORWARD conducted the seminar.

Participants: publishing houses' employees, mass media representatives, librarians, and students.

\$ 3,617

The CARTIER publishing house won a public tender announced by the Foundation on the development of a book distribution market assessment study.

\$ 4,920

The collaboration between publishing houses from Moldova and Romania was a project supported by the Foundation and developed in the framework of the Bucharest Book Fair, June 7-8. The project comprised the organization of several meetings and round-tables with the participation of representatives of Romanian publishing houses interested in collaboration with Moldovan publishing houses, as well as study visits to some printing houses in Sibiu and Brașov.

\$ 4,134

The Foundation financed the participation of 7 Moldovan publishers and two program experts at the fifty-first edition of the Frankfurt Book Fair, Germany, October 9-18 1999.

\$ 12,192

The Foundation supported the creation of the website for the Contrafort Journal by the DNT Association.

\$ 2,420

I. GHEORGHICIUC, G. IERIZANU, Books in Print international seminar for publishers, Kiev, July 16-17, facilitated by Brian GREEN, Book Industry Communication, London.

\$ 751

Alexander CULIUC, a web designer at DNT Association, participated at the Using Macromedia Flash in News Sites workshop in Prague during November 10-15, 1999.

\$ 907

Support was given for the start up activity of the PRO-NOI Book Distribution Association. Project director

Dumitru RUDEANU

\$ 30,000

The Museum of Ethnography and Natural History of Moldova in collaboration with the DNT Association won the competition on the creation of the database containing the patrimony of the museums of Moldova and the web-site on the related topic. Project directors Mihai URSU and Dona ȘCOLA. The project will be implemented during 2000-2001.

\$ 19,371

Publishing Program Administration Expenditures \$ 8,470

Publishing Program Expenditures \$ 300,645

Total Publishing Program Expenditures \$ 309,115



PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM

Medical Internet

(in collaboration with the Open Society Institute of New York)

The Medical Internet program was launched by OSI NY and SFM in August 1997. The program's goal is to create a medical information infrastructure in the Republic of Moldova. In 1999 the MedNet National Center of Medical Information (NCMI) NGO was created. The MedNet Center has been developing self-sustainable activities to ensure its presence on the medical information market of the Republic of Moldova when Soros funding will no longer be available.

The MedNet Center implemented the following activities in 1999:

A network based on ARLAN technologies was created for the following medical institutions: Scientific Practical Center for Public Health and Sanitary Management, Republican Clinical Hospital, Republican Diagnostic Center, National Center of Preventive Medicine.

20 telephone lines were provided for the MedNet Center to ensure individual users' access to the Internet.

The capacity of the computer lecture hall was increased by establishing 3 additional work places, the total number of places being now 13.

The Salzburg Seminars' materials on cardiology,

epidemiology, neurology, tuberculosis, psychiatry, morphology, anatomy, OVID MEDLINE and OVID FULL TEXT CORE BIOMEDICAL 1 were placed on the MedNet Center's server.

A training on UNIX operational system was organized for the MedNet Center staff.

The MedNet Center webpage was visited more than 56,000 times by 62 external and internal domains so far. The MedNet Center information resources are visited daily by 500 persons.

The computer lecture hall of the Center was visited 7,975 times by 1,130 persons during 1999: 173 physicians, 223 student residents, 38 doctoral students and 696 students.

An agreement of collaboration was signed between the MedNet Center and the MASTER Company, an IBM representative in Moldova. According to this agreement, NCMI has acquired the sales right on IBM equipment and supplies.

The PHARMAPLUS project was initiated to create a pharmaceutical database in the Republic of Moldova.

In order to establish relationships with potential clients, NCMI participated in the MOLDMEDZIN 99 exhibition.

An agreement of collaboration was signed between NCMI and Nicolae Testemițanu SMPU according to which NCMI is provided rent free space and exempt from charges for additional services.

Internet connection grants were awarded to the following health care institutions of the Republic of Moldova:

- Municipal Emergency Hospital
- Calamity Medicine Department, SMPU
- Biochemistry Department, SMPU
- Oncology Institute
- Surgery Clinic, RCF SMPU
- Intensive Care Department, Republican Hospital
- Medical Imaging Center, Republican Hospital
- Republican Blood Transfusion Center
- League for Mental Health of RM NGO
- Republican Council of Medical Expertise of Vitality
- Center of Medical and Social-Demographic Research of Family
- Life without Drugs NGO
- Preventive Dentistry NGO
- 2nd Internal Medicine Department, SMPU
- 4th Internal Medicine Department, SMPU
- Department of Surgery Research of the Central Scientific Research Laboratory
- Sfinta Treime Municipal Clinical Hospital
- Railway Clinical Hospital
- 2nd Internal Medicine Clinic
- Public Academy of Dentistry NGO
- Society of Psychoanalytical Psychotherapy NGO
- Republican Dermatovenerology Dispensary
- Institute of Phthyziopneumology

– Republican Hospital, Administrative Management Department	
– 3rd Outpatients Clinic	
– Ophthalmology Clinic, SMPU	
– School of Pharmacy, SMPU	
– Medical Reforms in Penitentiary Institutions NGO	
– MoldDiab Republican Federation	
– Society of Disabled Persons of RM	
– Institute of Scientific Research of Mother and Child Health Care	
Medical Internet Expenses	\$ 150,500

Professional Training Grants

In 1999 the following professional training grants were provided in order to raise medical doctors' professional qualification:

Internship in Pediatric Surgery, Paris, France, May 1– July 15, 1999	
Dumitru MOTELICA	\$ 450
Internship in Endoscopic Surgery in Urology, Paris, France, June 20 – July 8, 1999	
Iurie BÎRSAN	\$ 396
Healthy Planet Forum, London, Great Britain, June 14-20, 1999	
Serghei POLIUDOV	\$ 928
Internship in Aeronautic Medicine, London, Great Britain, June 6 – July 6, 1999	
Elena CATAMAN	\$ 2,500
Internship in Psychoanalysis, Paris, France, March 16 – June 16, 1999	
Luminița TÎGÎRLAȘ	\$ 600
Internship in Infectious Diseases, Bucharest, Romania, June 1-11, 1999	
Irina MALANCO	\$ 240
Internship in Infectious Diseases, Bucharest, Romania, June 1-11, 1999	
Silvia STRATULAT	\$ 380
Internship at the European School of Psychotherapy, Strasbourg, France, August 5-27, 1999	
Jana COȘULEAN	\$ 352
Residential Training in Surgery, Minneapolis, USA, June 24, 1999 – June 24, 2000	
Anatolie USATÎI	\$ 793
Master Course in Cardiology, Italy, November 14, 1998 – November 14, 1999	
Cornel MARUSCEAC	\$ 450

Master Course in Cardiology, Italy, November 14, 1998 – November 14, 1999	
Liliana FUIOR	\$ 450

Internship in Neurology, North Carolina, USA, August 1 – December 15, 1999	
Mariana CIOBANU	\$ 456

Internship in Anesthesiology, Jerusalem, July 15 – August 15, 1999	
Andrei OPREA	\$ 350

Internship in Microbiology, France, over a period of 3 years	
Liviu SICINSCHI	\$ 1,200

IV Congress of Neurologists Chișinău-Iași, September 20, 1999	
Association of Neurologists of the Republic of Moldova	\$ 960

National Conference on Rheumatology, October 20-22, 1999	
Association of Rheumatologists of the Republic of Moldova	\$ 1,000

IX Conference of Phthysiopneumologists, September 1, 1999	
Association of Phthysiopneumologists of the Republic of Moldova	\$ 998

Program Administration	\$ 1,098
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Thomas Jefferson University Training Grants

(in collaboration with Thomas Jefferson University and the Open Society Institute of New York)

Thomas Jefferson University Training on Ultrasound, Philadelphia, USA, May 7-25, 1999	
Petru GURĂU	\$ 888

Salzburg Seminars for Physicians

(in collaboration with the American Austrian Foundation and Open Society Institute of New York)

General Pediatrics in Review, January 10-16, 1999	
Tudor RUSNAC, Tatiana STASIEVA, Natalia ZAICOVA	\$ 435

TB in Eastern Europe, January 16-21, 1999	
Lidia RÎVNEAC, Elena MOGOREANU	\$ 1,414

Cardiology and Pulmonology, February 14-20, 1999	
Mariana PASECINIC, Diana MANEA	\$ 1,745

Bone and Joint Trauma Surgery, March 7-13, 1999	
Anatolie USATÎI, Pavel URSU	\$ 1,475

Oncology and Hematology, March 7-13, 1999 Vasile MUSTEAȚĂ	\$ 811
Neurology, July 24-30, 1999 Eremai ZOTA, Svetlana PLEȘCA	\$ 1,079
Obstetrics and Gynecology, September 12-18, 1999 Oleg RABOVILĂ, Tatiana BANARU	\$ 1,763
Imaging, October 24-30, 1999 Petru GURĂU	\$ 628
Anesthesiology and Intensive Care, October 30 – November 5, 1999 Jan SILI	\$ 692
Family Medicine, October 30 - November 5, 1999 Gabriela BOTNARI, Marcelina CEBANOVSKI, Tati- ana VALICA	\$ 1,963
Pediatric Gastroenterology and Child Nutrition, January 16-22, 2000 Stela OPREA, Ecaterina STASII	\$ 1,472
Internship in Pediatric Surgery, Graz, Austria, March 15-23, 1999 Dumitru LATACEVSCHI	\$ 550
Internship in Urology, Vienna, Austria, April 18 – May 14, 1999 Andrei OPREA	\$ 587
Internship in Pediatric Surgery, Salzburg, Austria, June 1 – August 31, 1999 Igor CIOBANU	\$ 649
Internship in Neurology, Salzburg, Austria, June 28 – July 23, 1999 Vitalie LISNIC	\$ 733
Internship in Cardiology, Vienna, Austria, August 9 – September 3, 1999 Lilia DAVID	\$ 518
Program Administration	\$ 1,246

Schweitzer Seminars

(in collaboration with the Open Society Institute of
New York and Albert Schweitzer Institute for the
Humanities)

Schweitzer International Conference on Tuber-
culosis, March 17-21, 1999, Bucharest, Romania
Valeriu AXENTI, Vladimir TARANU, Valentin
SOFRONI, Gheorghe TÎMBĂLARI, Vitalie TÎMBĂLARI,
Nicolae NALIVAICO, Iurie SIMIONICĂ, Victor BURIN-

SCHI, Constantin IAVORSCHI \$ 623
Schweitzer Conference on Child's Mental Health,
June 7-11, 1999, Budapest, Hungary
Ion NEGURA, Ina MOLDOVANU, Vasilisa BATÎR,
Neli COJOCARU \$ 1,596

Schweitzer Regional Conference on Nursing,
October 10 – 16, 1999, Budapest, Hungary
Veronica ADAMACHI, Evelina CIBOTARU \$ 1,135

Support of Doctoral Students

The following grants for scientific work were
awarded on a merit basis in 1999:

“Dental caries prevention in orphan children”
Aurelia BOTNARI \$ 500

“Pathogenic correlation between rhinosinusal
polyposis and bronchial asthma, anti-recidivating treat-
ment optimization”
Elena TUDOR \$ 500

“Research on the efficiency of the short term anti-
tuberculosis treatment in patients with uro-genital TB ”
Vitalie TÎMBALARI \$ 500

“Therapy management and peculiarities of coagu-
lopathic syndromes in cerebral strokes”
Ludmila BUMACOV \$ 500

“Duodenal malformations as an etiopathogenic fac-
tor of symptomatic gastrointestinal ulcer”
Dorian GOREA \$ 500

“Implementing the method of vegetative reeduca-
tion through respiratory biofeedback in treatment of
patients with vegetative disturbances and anxiety”
Stela ODOBESCU \$ 500

“Clinical and immunological peculiarities of neuro-
boreliosis ”
Elena MANOLE-GALEȚCHI \$ 500

“Secretion function in digestive chronic diseases in
children”
Tatiana DENICENCO \$ 500

“Regional autolimfotropic immunotherapy in
complex treatment of tenant pneumonia in children”
Marcelina CEBANOVSKI \$ 500

“Timo-dependent irregular immune deficiency in
health stage evaluation in children”
Ala COJOCARU \$ 500

Hospital Development

(in collaboration with the Open Society Institute of New York and Carelift International)

In 1999 under the Hospital Development Program 1 container of medical equipment, supplies, medications, was brought to the Republic of Moldova. The supplied goods were donated to health care institutions. \$ 1,132

Health Care Initiatives

(in collaboration with the Open Society Institute of New York)

The following projects were selected for funding on a merit basis to be implemented during 1999-2000:

"Improvement of Neonatal Medical Care in the Republic of Moldova", presented by the Institute of Scientific Research in the field of Mother and Child Health Care, project director Petru STRATULAT. This is a part of the project "Strengthening Perinatal Medical Assistance in the Republic of Moldova" implemented by UNICEF in collaboration with Soros Foundation Moldova. The goal of the project is to implement the national program of improvement of the perinatal medical assistance in the country.

Project financed in 1998

"Creating a Family Medicine Specialty in RM", presented by the N. Testemițanu State Medical and Pharmaceutical University, project director Grigore BIVOL. The project started in 1999 and is to be implemented in the course of 3 years. The project's goal is to facilitate the primary health care reform process in the Republic of Moldova.

Project financed in 1998

"Family Health in Rural Regions", presented by the Republican Association of Mother and Child Health Care. The project started in 1999 with a 1-year time line for implementation, project director Valentina MELNIC. The project's goal is to improve family health in rural regions by providing training for medical personnel and informing them on new methods and technologies in medical assistance for mother and child.

Project financed in 1998

"National Network of Communication in the Health Care System", presented by the Independent Journalism Center, project director Irina ZATUȘEVȘCHI. The project will start in the beginning of 2000 and will be implemented in collaboration with World Health Organization. The goal of the project is to create a national network of communication in the health care system in order to make it a plenipotentiary member of the European Health Network of Communication.

\$ 24,000

"Participating in Health Care Reform by Reinforcing Medical Managerial Staff", presented by N. Testemițanu State Medical and Pharmaceutical University of the Republic of Moldova, project director Liviu Sicinschi. The project will be implemented in 2000-2001 in collaboration with Saint Augustin Hospital Group (France) and Moldova- Yvonne- Aimee Association. The project's goal is to improve the administrative system and management policy in health care by providing training and retraining courses for medical managerial staff.

\$ 24,000

Family Medicine

(in collaboration with the Open Society Institute of New York)

A Conference on Family Medicine was organized in Druskininkai, Lithuania, August 26 – September 2, 1999. The following members of team-group implementing the project "Creating of Family Medicine Specialty in the Republic of Moldova" attended the conference: Genadie CUROICICHIN, Tatiana VALICA, Grigore BIVOL, Victor PUIU.

\$ 3,248

Child Abuse Prevention

(in collaboration with the Open Society Institute of New York)

In the framework of this program the following activities were carried out:

CAP Pediatrician Conference, Budapest, Hungary, March 18-21, 1999

Lucia CALESTRU, Lucia GROZA, Ludmila TORJINSCHI, Iurie GRATII \$ 1,720

CAP Legal Conference, Budapest, Hungary, March 21-24, 1999

Tudor PETROV, Tatiana TROIANOVȘCHI, Sergiu CRUDU, Vitalie POPESCU, Boris DARIEV \$ 2,250

CAP Gynecologists Conference, Debe, Poland, November 6-9, 1999

Ala CEAHLĂU, Svetlana LUPU \$ 890

Family Strengthening Conference, Kranjska Gora, Slovenia, July 6 – 10, 1999

Daniela POPESCU, Vitalie POPESCU, Ecaterina STASII, Neli COJOCARU \$ 3,080

The Child Abuse Prevention project was continued in the framework of the Child Abuse Prevention Program. The project was presented by the National Center of Child Abuse Prevention in 1998, project director Daniela POPESCU. In 1999 a new project on creat-

ing a network of psychological and social assistance for abused children was approved.

Program Administrative Expenditures	\$ 845
1999 Program Expenditures	\$ 20,182

Geriatrics and Gerontology

(in collaboration with the Open Society Institute of New York)

Seminar on Geriatrics and Gerontology, Budapest, Hungary, May 20-25, 1999	
Irina BAICALOV	\$ 430

VI Congress of European Association of Palliative Care, Geneva, Switzerland, September 21-27, 1999	
Irina BAICALOV, Nicu VIDRAȘCU	\$ 870

Caring Communities Seminar, Budapest, Hungary, September 23-26, 1999	
Lilia TIHON, Eugenia STAMATI	\$ 900

Network Meeting of Central and East European Experts in Geriatrics and Gerontology, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, November 18 – 22, 1999	
Irina BAICALOV, Elena VOVC	\$ 200

“Second Breath for the Elderly”, a project in progress in Bălți. The project was presented in 1997 by the Second Breath for the Elderly of North Moldova NGO from Bălți, project director Irina BAICALOV. The main goal was to develop specialized services for health care for the elderly. In 2000 the “Second Breath for the Elderly” project for the city of Chișinău will start. The total budget of the project is 40,390 USD of which 10,000 USD was allocated from 1999 budget.

\$ 10,000

Program Administration Expenditures	\$ 528
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Harm Reduction

(in collaboration with the Open Society Institute of New York)

Soroca Harm Reduction project was continued in 1999. The project was administrated by the Educational Center for Drug and Alcohol Addiction NGO, project director Ion MARCOCI. The project's goal is to reduce the spreading of HIV/AIDS infection among IDU.

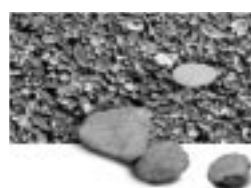
\$ 20,000

The project on “Implementing the Program of HIV/AIDS Prevention in Penitentiary Institutions of the Republic of Moldova” was in progress in 1999. The project is administrated by the Medical Reforms in

Penitentiary Institutions NGO, project director Alexei LEORDA. The project budget is 20,000 USD of which 10,000 USD was allocated from 1999 budget. Several seminars were organized in each penitentiary institution on STD and HIV/AIDS infection status among prisoners was evaluated. In order to reduce the risk of HIV/AIDS infection different activities were organized among prisoners.

\$ 10,000

Public Health Program Administration Expenditures	\$ 9,386
Public Health Program Expenditures	\$ 341,337
Total Public Health Program Expenditures	\$ 350,723



ECONOMIC REFORM

The program aims to support the development of the agribusiness sector in the post-privatization period. In this context the program's activities are designed to develop the private provision of sustainable services for the agribusiness sector and financial and non-financial services for micro/small businesses. Another objective of the program is to facilitate access to specialized information and to improve economic education of students, teachers and faculty.

Development of the Network of Savings and Credit Associations

Moldovan Microfinance Alliance

Consolidation of Savings and Credit Associations (SCA), created with the assistance of MMA, and whose number at the beginning of 1999 reached 116, was one of the major objectives of MMA. Members of these associations were assisted in observing the democratic principles in running the associations. A series of seminars were organized for new members of associations, but also ongoing training of members of the board and accountants was provided. The boards of the associations were assisted in loan screening and in the development of crediting policies for their associations. Meetings of associations' representatives from six regions were organized during September-October, 1999, with the support of MMA. These meetings led to a better understanding of associations and stimulated the experience exchange in matters of monitoring and

administration of the associations, and helped to identify the mission of the National Federation of SCAs in consolidating the network of SCAs.

In 1999 the Savings and Credit Associations were credited by the Rural Finance Corporation with a total loan portfolio of 15,000,000 Lei and by the Moldovan Agroindbank Commercial Bank with a total loan portfolio of 4,200,000 Lei. The number of members that were granted credits by these institutions exceeded 10000, and the individual loan size varied between 200 and 10000 lei.

\$ 191,406

National Federation of Savings and Credit Associations

The goal of the project is to consolidate and develop the network of savings and credit associations in Moldova with the support of the National Federation of SCAs. The Federation is to carry out the following activities: organization of reunions for a systematic flow of information among the Federation and the associations, publication of newsletters, creation of 6 regional accounting centers.

This is a project in progress and is co-financed by CARITAS Moldova.

\$ 17,000

Local Technical Assistance for Farm Stores

The ACAI-Inform NGO is Soros Foundation Moldova and Citizens Network for Foreign Affairs Inc. partner for the Farm Stores Project which is to offer business consulting and assistance in co-operative development for the enterprises that will receive financial support within the program. SFM contributes with the institutional support of the association and CNFA commissions the organization for each store separately, the contract lasting for one year.

This is a project in progress.

\$ 15,077

Development of Law on Agricultural Co-operation
Center for Rural Development
This is an ongoing project

\$ 12,000

Management Training

One day training sessions on income generating activities were organized by AGREX NGO for the members of the Savings and Credit Associations.

This is an ongoing project, co-financed by Eurasia Foundation.

(Financed from 1998 Budget \$ 4,348)

Publishing of the textbook Tree Pruning
Gheorghe CIMPOIEȘ

\$ 2,000

Translation, Editing and Publishing of the Text-

book Principles of Accounting

This project is co-financed by the East-West Management Institute, NY.

This is a project in progress.

Soros Foundation Moldova's contribution \$ 7,480

Business and Economic Information Center

B.P. Hașdeu Municipal Library

The center is to offer the public literature specialized in economics and access to international databases. The center will provide the community with the possibility to explore economic information resources, contributing to the strengthening and development of the economic information network that public and private sectors need.

This is an ongoing project.

\$ 30,000

Study Visit in the Field of Entrepreneurship,
Balleroy, France, June 14 – July 2, 1999

Maria ROTARU

Andrei FOȘNEA

\$ 990

Training Course in Microfinance at Boulder
Economic Institute, Colorado, USA

July 25 – August 16, 1999

Artur MUNTEANU

\$ 7,332

Training of Moldovan Farmers in Holland, August
30 – September 5, 1999

National Farmers Federation of Moldova

16 farmers participated at the training: 9 specializing in livestock and 7 in horticulture.

The project was co-financed by the Billance/Mensen Foundation and National Farmers Federation of Moldova.

\$ 1,600

Participation at the International Conference on the
Transition Trajectories towards East, Grenoble, France,
December 7-12, 1999

Iurie BADÎR

\$ 800

World Congress of Young Farmers, Orlando,
Florida, USA, February 20-24, 2000

Lucia ABAJERU

\$ 2,000

Internship: Marshal Plan for Moldova, USA, 27
January – 27 April, 2000

Mariana BOTEZATU

\$ 1,000

Economic Reform Program Administration
Expenditures

\$ 3,845

Economic Reform Program Expenditures \$ 288,887

Total Economic Reform Program Expenditures

\$ 292,732



ARTS AND CULTURE

In 1999 the Arts and Culture Programs of the Foundation supported projects in theatrical arts, literature, new experimental music, contemporary choreography and dance, and visual arts. Projects regarding the development of cultural and artistic management, arts education, and modernization of teaching materials resources of the State University of Arts were given special consideration.

Cultural Journals and Literature Support

The Soros Foundation granted support to projects of a significant public interest initiated by the cultural journals' staff.

Within the Three Literary Debuts program, the goal of which is to launch new names in literature, 23 young authors participated by presenting 17 poems, 2 works in prose, 4 history and literary reviews. The winners of the competition are:

Ana RAPCEA **God Turns the Clepsydras** (Dumnezeu răstoarnă clepsidrele)

Ruxanda TUDOREANU **The Dilemmatic Character in Augustin Buzura's Works** (Personajul dilematic la Augustin Buzura)

Lucia TURCANU **The Last Epiphany** (Ultima epifanie)

\$ 8,200

Publishing of the bilingual Romanian-English collection of National Drama by Moldovan authors comprising an introductory overview of Basarabia's drama between 1994-1999.

ARC Publishing House

\$ 7,200

Study trip: Moldova versus Estonia – a Decade of Independence. The aim of the project was to present the Estonian culture, social and political life to Moldovan readers.

Contrafort Journal

\$ 2,889

Publishing of a special issue of the Contrafort Journal comprising the materials of the workshop called: Postmodernism – a New (Old) Literary Movement at the End of XX Century.

\$ 350

Publishing of the catalogue of the Dialog' 98 1st International Symposium of Textile Arts organized by the ATEX (Textile Arts and Clothes Design Association).

ARC Publishing House

\$ 2,000

Publishing of a special issue of the SOUTH-EAST Journal: Ten Year Presence in the Cultural Life

\$ 1,536

Publishing of the four volumes of The Bald Woman Singer, winners in the competition organized by the Ministry of Culture:

Val BUTNARU **How the Ecclesiastes Discusses with the Proverbs** (Cum Eclesiastul discută cu Proverbele)

Constantin CHEIANU **The One Who Brings Revenge** (Cel-care-aduce-razbunarea)

Mihai POIATĂ **The Temptation of the Impossible Liaisons** (Tentația contactelor imposibile)

Nicolae NEGRU **Lie to Me, Cheat Me** (Minte-mă, minte-mă)

\$ 2,920

Publishing of the album **The Old Icons of Basarabia**, by Constantin CIOBANU and Tudor STĂVILĂ. The book will be printed in 2000, the year when the whole planet will be celebrating the two millenniums of Christianity.

ARC Publishing House

\$ 8,000

Program Administration Expenditure

\$ 190

Total Cultural Journals and Literature Support

\$ 33, 285

Training in the Performing Arts

The Training in the Performing Arts program involves the development of training courses, masterclasses, studios, etc., with the invitation of experts, artists, and professors from abroad. It is the largest program in the performing arts area. A number of projects have been supported in collaboration with the OSI Budapest Performing Arts Network Program:

Workshop on electroacoustic music conducted by Françoise BARRIERE, International Electroacoustic Music Academy, Bourges, France, Chișinău, October 1-8

\$ 2,204

Contemporary dance workshop dealing with issues of composition conducted by Anka SEDLACKOVA (Bratislava), March 8-15

\$ 2,793

Workshop: Ways of International Cooperation of Theatre Critics, project director Irina NECHIT, theatre critic, held with the participation of Chantal BOIRON, a famous literary critic from France. The grant was administrated by the Coliseum Arts Center.

\$ 2,177

- Participation at the workshop on dance, International Theater Academy Ruhr, Bochum, Germany, July 18-31,
A. SOȘNICOV \$ 1,440
- Participation at the workshop on acting, International Theater Academy Ruhr, Bochum, Germany, July 1– August 1
V. ZORILĂ \$ 1,879
- Workshop conducted by Michael RUEGG, dancer and choreographer from London. It focused on individual work with every participant.
\$ 1,362
- Participation of the young violinist Dumitru GALCOVSCHI, a VII grade student at the S.RAHMANINOV Music School and Valentina RUDEAGHIN, his teacher, at the master-class conducted by Yfran NEAMAN, professor at Music and Drama School in London, held within the Music Festival, Varna, Bulgaria, June 11-17
\$ 272
- Participation of Sergiu POPOVCIUC, Ion COTOȘANĂ, students of the State University of Arts, School of Composition, at the International Summer Academy from the Danube Region, workshop on music, Vienna, August 14-30
\$ 3,037
- Workshop: the Role of Artistic Lights in the Contemporary Theatre, project director Alexander MAXIMOV, manager at the National Opera in Chișinău. The workshop aimed to improve the professional skills of painters and light-men from concert and theatre institutions. It was conducted by Efim UDLER, university professor, dean of the School of Artistic Directing at the MHAT School-Studio, Moscow
\$ 1,369
- Workshops and jam-sessions on jazz for professional composers and students of the State University of Arts, project director Victoria TCACENCO, professor, State University of Arts, president of the Unlimited Music Association
\$ 7,444
- Participation at the First Edition of the International European Festival of workshops in contemporary dance, Alexandra SOȘNICOV, choreographer, Moscow, 4-19 October
\$ 458
- Participation at the Plenary IETM Meeting, Petru VUTCĂRĂU, artistic director of the Eugene Ionesco Theatre, Barcelona, 13-17 October
\$ 323
- Training in management in performing arts organized by the National Theatre of the Russian Federation and Stanislavski and Nemirovich-Danchenko Academic Music Theatre, Alexander MAXIMOV, manager at the National Opera in Chișinău, Moscow, November 1, 1999– April 30, 2000
\$ 2, 505
- Participation at the course in Small Artistic Group Management organized by the Summer Academy for Performing Arts, Veaceslav REABCINSCHI, manager, E. Ionesco Theatre, Sofia, November 13-16
\$ 551
- Workshop on Small Artistic Groups Management, scheduled for spring 2000, Chișinău, to be conducted by Alan TWEEDIE, producer and art manager, who holds a masters degree in Cultural Service Management, director of the MALE Festival (Edinburg, Great Britain). The project was presented by the Coliseum Arts Association and will be the first step towards the establishment of a Culture Management and Marketing Center, a non-governmental organization.
\$ 4, 500
- The NEW MUSIC ASSOCIATION was financially supported to organize the workshop Jazz-Duo for composers and students from the State University of Arts, between February 15-19, 2000.
\$ 4,480
- Seminar on project development and evaluation for artists and persons from artistic management, conducted by Boris STRECANSKY, expert and program manager at ETP Agency in Slovakia, to be held between October 3-6, 2000
\$ 4,029
- Literary workshop on the topic “Postmodernism – a New (Old) Literary Movement at the End of XX Century”, project directors Vasile GÎRNET, manager of Contrafort Journal and Vitalie CIOBANU, editor-in- chief of the same journal, to be held in spring 2000
\$ 1,395
- Workshop on Musical and Rhythmic Education of the Actor, conducted by Elena DRUJNICOV, professor, Moscow Shchiukin Theatre Institute, project director Nikolai KAZMIN, teacher of rhythmic and body movement art, State University of Arts, to be held Chișinău in May 2000
\$ 1,478
- Workshop of Electroacoustic Music: Cybersongusse, project director Victoria TCACENCO, professor, State University of Arts, conducted by Yves BOURGES, France. The workshop is the result of the collaboration

between the Studio of Electroacoustic Music from the State University of Arts in Moldova and the Institute of Electroacoustic Music in Bourges, France.

\$ 5,786

Program Administration Expenditures \$ 24
Total Training in the Performing Arts \$ 49,506

Support for Young Directors

The purpose of the program is to raise the interest of actors and directors for directing as a fundamental component of theatrical art. It aims to support projects related to theatre performances of different genres.

Four projects on theatre performances' directing participated in the contest and three of them were granted financial support:

Luceafărul Theatre, "Ciuleandra" \$ 2,526

V. Alecsandri National Theatre, "Luministul" \$ 2,510

E. Ionesco Theatre "One Summer Night's Dream" \$ 4,901

Total Support for Young Directors program \$ 9,937

Infrastructure Development

This program focuses on supporting projects aimed at maximum diversification of cultural phenomena, development of new cultural institutions (associations, art centers, literary clubs etc.), capable to develop their activity in the framework of open society and market economy. One of the main purposes of the Infrastructure Development program is to facilitate the information exchange and networking of these new structures with international cultural and art centers that could become partners in project development and organization of the artistic and cultural activity.

In the framework of the program support was offered to modernize the equipment resources of the Electro-acoustic Music Studio, as a component of the project related to the organization of a music workshop conducted by Christian CLOISIER between April 12-20, 1999 in Chişinău.

\$ 1,698

Unlimited Music Association was given an institutional support grant to purchase equipment, pay for the Internet services and create a web-site.

\$ 3,200

Program administration \$ 649
Total Infrastructure Development program \$ 5,547

Teaching Material Acquisition

The Foundation supports the creation and expanding of art libraries, video, audio and slides technical base necessary both for cultural and artistic education and as a resource for professionals.

A project developed by Vladimir AXIONOV, Ph.D., vice-rector of the State University of Arts, was supported. The aim of the project was to ensure the efficient activity of the University's Media Studio in order to develop the teaching, learning and creative processes of the four art schools, 27 chairs of the University, as well as other affiliated art studying institutions (music and fine arts high schools, art colleges etc.). The project aims to improve the technical and teaching materials base of the media studio.

\$ 5,206

Total Teaching Material Acquisition Program

\$ 5,206

Contests and Festivals

The Foundation offers assistance to artistic professionals for their participation at national and international competitions. In 1999 a new initiative: Soros Foundation Moldova Scholarships in Arts was launched.

Contest of young interpreters (fifth edition) hosted by the Ciprian Porumbescu Lyceum, project director Virginia GOSCINA, vice-director of the school, June 21-26, Chişinău

\$ 1,548

The purpose of the project Soros Foundation Moldova Scholarships in Arts was to foster artists' creative work of great value. 74 artists participated in the competition and 11 of them won a 1,200 USD scholarship in the following art areas:

Music

Marian STÎRCEA, composer

Ghenadie CIOBANU, composer

Duet of piano players Anatol LAPICUS and Iurie MAHOVICI

Theatre

Petru VUTCĂRĂU, artistic manager of E.Ionescu Theatre

Igor CARAS, actor

Vlad CIOBANU, actor

Literature

Eugen CIOCLEA, writer (poems)

Serafim SAKA, writer (prose)

Nicolae POPA, writer (prose)

Visual Arts

Valentin VÎRTOSU, sculptor
 Andrei SÎRBU, painter
 Program administration \$ 4,971

International Theatre Symposium: The Artistic and Commercial Value within the Performance Act, Chişinău, October 10-17 \$ 1,501

Total Contests and Festivals Program \$ 21,220

Participation at International Festivals, Conferences, Competitions and Workshops

Soros Foundation gave assistance to artists, creative teams, and professional artistic groups for their participation at festivals, training, competitions, conferences and international seminars.

Training in script writing for motion and cartoon film held by FAF studio, Moscow, February 18– March 6, Ghenadie POSTOLACHE \$ 488

Mărţişor International Festival, Chişinău, March 1-10, SCHABAH music band from Cluj-Napoca – a group that performs a particular style of music: ethno-jazz, Romania \$ 103

Contest of Electro-acoustic Music in Bourges, France, 28 May – 6 June, Mihail AFANASIEV, professor at the State University of Arts, manager of Electro-acoustic Music Studio \$ 636

Johannes Brahms Choral International Contest, Wernigerode, Germany, July 21-25, The CREDO Chorus of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Moldova \$ 3,524

Week of Basarabian Poetry at Aix-en-Provence, May 4–11, project director Mihai CIMPOI, Participants: Grigore VIERU, Ion HADÎRCĂ, Ana BANTOŞ, Alexandru BANTOŞ \$ 997

Journées Artisanales et Artistiques International Festival, Fondrelmann, France, June 10-14, The MUSICAL FEAST Chorus \$ 1,254

Second edition of the International Theatre Art Festival THETROPOLIS FROM MONCALIERI, Toronto, July 1-11, EUGENE IONESCO Theatre with the performance called “The King Dying” \$ 2,590

European Choral Festival for Young People, Trossingen, Germany, July 13-27, Denis CEAUSOV, third year student, State University of Arts \$ 330

International Violin Contest in Kloster Schontal, Germany, August 8-16, Ilian GÎRNET, Xth form pupil and Corina GOLOMOZ, VIIIth form pupil, C.Porumbescu Lyceum, accompanied by Margareta CUCIUC, violin teacher, and Galina BUINOVACHI, piano teacher \$ 1,179

A tour in Morcone, Italy, Doina Chorus, Veronica GARŞTEA, art manager and first conductor \$ 2,000

Band music contest in Kazan, Tatarstan, October 11-14, the wind instruments band of the S.RAHMANI-NOV Lyceum \$ 856

Sejour Culture within the Courants 1999 project, Maison des Cultures du Monde, Paris, November 1-27, Petru VUTCĂRĂU, art manager of Eugen Ionesco Theatre \$ 404

A tour of the ballet troupe of the National Opera and Ballet Theatre in Holland, December 6-27 \$ 3,462

National Theatre Festival in Bucharest, November 21-28, a group of 10 persons from Moldova, Valentina TĂZLĂUANU, team supervisor \$ 198

Program Administration \$ 1,166
 Total Festival, Conferences and Travel Program \$ 19,187

Grants for Art Projects

The mission of this Program is to support modern forms of artistic expression and original ways of collaboration in theatre, music, literature, visual arts and choreography.

Staging of the modern dance performance The Dream Alexandra SOŞHNICOV, choreographer, in collaboration with V. ISTER \$ 1,056

Staging the performance All Mice Adore Cheese, based on the performance with the same title written by the Hungarian writer Gyula URBAN, director Vladimir CIOBANU, Luceafărul Theater \$ 2,240

The Foundation awarded a grant to improve the technical capacity of the Electro-acoustic Music Studio of The State University of Arts for the development of student arts projects.

	\$ 800
Program Administration	\$ 96
Total Grants for Art Projects program	\$ 4,192

Museum Support

Soros Foundation Moldova supported museums' activity through grants offered for several projects:

Public opinion poll on museums' activity in Moldova, project director Elena PLOȘNIȚĂ, National Museum of History

\$ 1,156

Participation at the training in cultural management for museographers from the museums of history held by the National Museum of History in Romania, Elena PLOȘNIȚĂ, Aurelia CORNEȚCHI, Lilia CALUGHIN, Livia GÎNCUL, museographers, National Museum of History in Moldova, June 27– July 3, 1999

\$ 381

Organization of an exhibition dedicated to the 150th Mihai Eminescu's birthday anniversary, project director Elena PLOȘNIȚĂ, head of the department, National Museum of History of Moldova

\$ 3,200

Program Administration	\$ 359
Total Museum Support Program	\$ 5,096

English for Artists

The Arts and Culture Program financed an integral study course of the English language for artists and persons involved in artistic management, as well as students of arts high schools. A list of 14 persons was selected on a competitive basis.

Total English for Artists program	\$ 7,922
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Open Society Cultural Link (network program)

The program promotes professional arts and culture events: festivals, exhibitions, performances, workshops and master-classes, which involve the collaboration and participation of individual artists of different artistic groups from two or more countries in Central and Eastern Europe. Priority is given to communication

and networking. The main objective is to strengthen the ties with other Soros foundations in order to identify common regional concerns in the field of arts and culture, and initiate, facilitate, and carry out international cooperation.

The Music of Two Continents International Festival of Piano Duets, Novosibirsk, Russia, April 2-7 1999, Anatolie LAPICUS and Iurie MAHOVICI

\$ 779

Eugene Ionesco International Symposium: The Masks of the End of the Century – Theatrical Formula, Kinds of Performing, Metamorphoses of the Stage, Chișinău, May 25 – June 2, project director V.REABCIN-SCHI, Eugen Ionesco Theatre manager

\$ 10,000

BREAK 21 International Festival of Young Independent Artists, Ljubliana, Slovenia, May 3-9, Lilia IXARI, clothes designer

\$ 839

The VIIIth Edition of the International Media Art Biennial, Wroclaw, Poland, April 28 – May 2, Lilia DRAGNEV and Lucia MACARI, students, State University of Arts

\$ 791

RIBA Mini Form Festival, Klaipeda, Lithuania, June 1-10, Dumitru FUSU's One Man Show Theater

\$ 758

Contemporary Dance Festival, Bratislava, May 7-15, Angela DONII, choreographer, Eugene Ionesco Theatre

\$ 379

Duke Ellington Memorial Trans Sib Inter Jazz Festival, Novosibirsk, Russia, April 26-29, Victoria TCA-CENCO, lecturer, State University of Arts

\$ 386

The Second Contemporary Dance Festival and Workshop, Odessa, May 28 – June 1, a group of 7 artists

\$ 32

New Music Days Ninth International Festival and International Conference of Composers and Interpreters of New Music from Central and Eastern Europe, Chișinău, to be held in 2000, Vladimir BELEAEV, vice-president of the Composers' Union of Moldova

\$ 3,000

Without the Wall: Eastern Europe After the Demolition of the Berlin Wall. Photography and Video Art International Exhibition, Sankt-Petersburg, July 4-

10, Iurie CEBOTARI, painter, professor at the Technical University of Moldova

\$ 297

One Man Show First International Theatre Festival, Chişinău, September 23-29

\$ 2,516

Women in Photography International Festival of Professional Photography, Moscow, September 24-26, Serghei KARTAŞEV

\$ 220

Hands-on-Virtual Reality/ Web 3D Workshop, Liviu IGNAT and Nikita KALAŞNICOV, 5th year students, Graphic Department, State University of Arts

Organized by the Museum of Contemporary Art in Skopje

\$ 511

The Art of Improvisation in the Contemporary World International Festival of Contemporary Dance, November 23-29, Odessa, THE TREE Theater-choreographic School

\$ 88

Seminar for organizers of the New Music Days Festivals, Tallinn, Estonia, November 22-26, Vladimir BELEAEV, director of the New Music Festivals in Chişinău

\$ 863

The PAST and FUTURE: Cultural Interaction in the Music of East-European Countries International Festival Forum and the DANCE DEVELOP Third Festival and Workshop of New Dance Art Performance, Odessa, a group of 15 musicians and dancers from Moldova

\$ 825

Arts and Culture Program Administration Expenditures

\$ 10,000

Arts and Culture Program Expenditures

\$ 183,425

Total Arts and Culture Program Expenditures

\$ 193,425



VIZUAL ARTS

The Program supports Visual Arts through local cultural events and regional and international exhibition exchange, offering new contacts, opportunities and information.

Exhibitions

The Birth of Art in Europe Exhibition of Gigantic Photos, project director Angela SOLTAN, to be held in Chişinău in June 2000

\$ 3,000

Participation at the BREAK 21 International Festival of Young Independent Artists, Ljubliana, Slovenia, Iurie DRAGAN, May 3-9, 1999

\$ 840

Creating a Virtual Art Gallery, CORAL Gallery and the DNT Association

\$ 2,972

Exhibition of T.BUZU and A.COLÎBNEAC dedicated to Octavian and Onisifor Ghibu, organized at the National Museum of Visual Arts between May 20 and June 1

\$ 1,260

Project on how to use computer technologies in creating graphic paper that offers a large spectrum of ways of expression, Alexander ERMURACHE, student at the Graphics Department of the State University of Arts

\$ 610

IQ Painting Exhibition of Leonid NICHITIN, Chişinău, December 1999

The author exhibited about 80 works.

\$ 2,483

Time in Painting Exhibition of Mihai ȚĂRUŞ, National Museum of Visual Arts, Chişinău, October 1999

\$ 2,284

The XX-th Century Sculpture Exhibition of Nicolae ISCHIMJI

\$ 2,476

The Village Exhibition of Ceramic Works of Irina FILIP and Vladimir BOLBOCEANU which is to take place in 2000

\$ 3,000

The Street Exhibition of Photography of Iulian SOCHIRCĂ, graduate of I. Andreescu Visual Arts Academy in Cluj, September 1999

\$ 161

Two Contemporary Exhibitions of Textiles: the first one of A. Drobaha's works, held in Vroclav, Poland and in the Triptikh Gallery in Kiev, Ukraine, October-November 1999, and the second one, hosted in the National Museum of Visual Arts to exhibit some Polish artists working in the field of textiles and artistic tapestry, December 1999, project director Alexandru DROBAHA

\$ 732

Participation at the Northern Fibers III Symposium and Exhibition of Textiles, Denmark, August 27 – September 4, 1999, Iurie BABA, member of ATEX Association, professor, State University of Arts,

\$ 563

Grant to cover the publishing fee for the photo materials of Ludmila ȘEVČENCO and Iurie BABA, visual arts artists, in the catalog of the Wax & Cracks Workshop and the Now & Then Exhibition of the International Batik Gathering, Gent, Belgium, August 21-31, 1999

\$ 170

Participation of Simion ZAMȘA, Eleonora BARBAS, Ecaterina AJDER at the Exhibition of Moldovan Visual Arts Artists, professors and students of I. Creangă State Pedagogical University and members of the Union of Visual Artists, hosted by the German Cultural Association, represented by Konstantin PAWLIUK, Herbert SCHIRMER and Irmgard REMMEL, Germany, November 16 – December 4, 1999

\$ 2,625

The grant given in 1998 to the Union of Artists for purchasing of the necessary equipment to support the publication of the Atelier Journal, project director Oleg COJOCARU, was supplemented with an additional 142 USD.

\$ 142

Program administration \$ 642
Total Exhibitions program \$ 23,960

Training

The Visual Arts Program will organize in 2000 one or two seminars meant to bridge the gaps in artists' training in the area of cultural management and especially in organization of exhibitions. It will offer artists the opportunity to communicate with a professional

curator for three days, who will present the concept of an exhibition, the history and the current state of the most important exhibitions held by him/ her. An interactive practical course is to be held as well.

\$ 2,500

Program administration \$ 70
Total Training program \$ 2,570

Workshops

Workshops Program's aim was to continue support for innovative creative initiatives through projects with maximum positive impact on local artistic community.

The Third Creativity Campus was held in the town of Cimișlia, project director Victor HRISTOV, president of COLORITM International Culture Association. Famous artists of several schools from Moldova, Romania, Ukraine, Russia, Lithuania, Germany, Czech Republic and Turkey participated in it.

\$ 3,513

Participation of N.RURAC, president of Union of Artists, O.COJOCARU graphics artist in the activity of the Cite des Arts International Campus, Paris, July 2 – August 28

\$ 1,439

The Papyrus Association was supported to found a workshop for hand-made paper, project director Simion ZAMȘA, president of Papyrus Association

\$ 4,190

The participation of Roman CUTIUBA and Vladimir TABAC, visual arts artists, at the Fourth International Art Campus in Aiud, Romania, August 14-27 1999

\$ 380

Program administration \$ 37
Total Workshops Program \$ 9,559

Visual Arts Program Administration Expenditures \$ 6,168
Visual Arts Program Expenditures \$ 36,089
Total Visual Arts Program Expenditures \$ 42,257



SOROS CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ARTS

Looking at the range of our main activities in the past years and following their upward progression, we could say that this stage has been completed and it will serve as basis for further development of support to Contemporary Art in the Republic of Moldova. The beginning of a new stage was marked by the CarbonART 1999 Summer Camp, which was attended—unlike in the previous years—mostly by new artists. A number of activities were initiated by some of our beneficiaries with whom the Center had worked together in the past: they opened art galleries, organized symposia, created NGOs. Thus, the establishment of new artistic structures was encouraged, which will operate in future in parallel with the SCCA.

Exhibitions

Money

February 27, 1999
Chişinău, UA Gallery
SCCA, Chişinău

The exhibition took on the form of action/manifesto in order to draw the public's attention to the fact that money is not a value in itself but rather just a means to an end, whose value and significance is established during a social transaction. The exhibition attempted to transform money from the obsessive topic of the present day to a carrier of an artistic message.

\$ 760

Film Masterpieces for Children

March – June, 1999
Umbria Gallery
SCCA, Chişinău

"Showing a program for children" means coexistence of children and masterpieces in the Umbria space. Films by A. Tarkovsky, F. Fellini, A. Kurosawa, V. Venders, Ch. Chaplin were shown to children in the 1st–12th grades. The films were clipped to conform to the age of the children, their mood at that moment and adapted to children's perception (this opportunity is important both for children and the cinema), as in each film there are shots which may influence the children for the rest of their lives.

\$ 4,250

Basarabians Transiting through Cluj

May 19 – 28, 1999
Romania, Cluj National Art Museum, Galeria Veche, Cluj-Zalău-Bistrița Intercounty Branch.

SCCA, Chişinău, TRANZIT Foundation

These were a number of exhibitions of fine arts, whose objective was to give a panoramic view of young arts in the cultural space east of the Prut river. The three ensembles, exhibited in three distinct contexts, spoke about the innovative problematic of art in Chişinău.

Participants:

Mark VERLAN
Igor SCERBINA
Alexandru ŞCHIOPU
Lilia DRAGNEV
Lucia MACARI
Pavel BRĂILĂ
Veaceslav DRUŢĂ

\$ 1,280

The Night of Advertising Devourers

June 18, 1999
Chişinău, National Palace
CSAC, Chişinău, OWH TV Studio

Co-organizers: Alliance Francaise de Moldavie, Ambassade de France en Moldavie

The Night of Advertising Devourers was a show that presented to the audience selections from Jean Marie Boursicot's collection of more than 800,000 advertising spots. This collection made it into the Guinness Book and the show became a success and was repeated yearly in countries such as France, Italy, Switzerland, Germany.

The dynamic and spectacular quality of the show attracts a large audience, which includes renowned producers and beneficiaries of advertising. This show is at the same time a strong attraction for mass media.

\$ 4,619

Video Marathon'99

December 23, 1999
Chişinău, Eugene Ionesco Theater Hall
SCCA, Chişinău

This was the Third Video Art, Experimental Film and Artistic Spots Marathon, a 12 hour show. This year we presented an anthology of experimental film/video from the 20s-60s, from the unique collection of William Moritz in Hollywood, USA: The Absolute Film. Other authors also contributed films to this event. A number of them came from Dara Birnbaum, and Hans Scheirl contributed his Dandy Dust.

SCCA's archive thus acquired 10 hours of valuable video art.

The Marathon was complemented with a review of the art film/video from Moldova. The artists producing films or video had the opportunity to show their work to the public at large.

\$ 1,750

Blocknotes – Cinema

Event planned for November 2000

SCCA, Chişinău

The exhibition will include works by artists from Moldova, who will be asked to make a film by using nontraditional means. The artists to be involved will use the most basic way of creating moving images by using the simplest materials (for instance paper and pencil) and the principle of animation, but at the same time keeping in mind the postmodernist esthetics.

\$ 350

Apartment

December 11, 1999

Chişinău, Traian Boulevard

The project consists of a series of small exhibitions organized and directed by their authors. The concept of the exhibitions is to have artists invite the audience to their studios or homes and show them their work. Thus, this is an attempt to set up an interactive environment between the public, the artist and his/her work. The first exhibition of this kind, organized by SCCA, was Mark Verlan's and it took place in Ştefan Sadovnikov's studio and was entitled: If I Had a Studio.

\$ 80

KINOVARI (Imitatie)

Event planned for May 2000

SCCA, Chişinău

It is a contribution to making up for the shortage of information on the art of the 20th century by means of an art project based on "copying" or "imitating" works of art made by 20th century artists. The copies will be accompanied by text, which will explain the reason for choosing a particular work of art and describe the whole work process. The collection of copies will be then exhibited, and later we will provide continuity to it by "commissioning" new works from arts students and experienced artists.

\$ 7,050

Centrum vs Periphery

Event planned for September 2000

SCCA, Chişinău

The project will represent a series of small/medium size exhibitions in cultural centers of so-called periphery, from South-West through the South into Central, South and East Europe. In each city a small/medium size show of five-six local and international artists will be organized. First of all young and mid-career professionals will participate, but sometimes, if thematically relevant, also some older generation artists. A concise catalogue about each exhibition will be prepared, however, always the same form, same dimension, same design, same structure. After a year's exhibition series, SCCA is responsible for the Moldovan part of the project while Wien Contemporary Art Museum will organize a bigger show in a city which is ready to present a "sum-

mary" of the year's program and will publish a bigger catalogue which will include all the previous exhibitions.

\$ 7,000

Workshops**Reporting on Culture and Art**

March 26-27, 1999

SCCA, Chişinău, The Independent Journalism Center

This workshop targeted young people interested in arts and culture journalism. It was run by Victoria Anghelescu, art critic and journalist from Bucharest. During the first day of the workshop students were presented general notions of cultural journalism, cultural policies, defining factors of cultural journalism. Culture in democratic societies was also examined, as well as ways of covering of cultural events. During the second day students' reports were analyzed and issues of professional ethics, new technologies, and the future of cultural journalism were discussed.

\$ 1,064

Multimedia

May 10, 1999

SCCA, Chişinău

The concept of the workshop was prompted by the CosmoWorld software, which is widely used for animation in the Internet. This software allows the reduction of the information volume of the clip to an optimal size that can be quickly captured by an Internet user. Every participant in this workshop learned about this software and each made a virtual piece assembled in CosmoWorld. The projects were palced on the SCCA-Skopje Internet site. Two of the artists participating in this workshop were invited to take the works they did to the WRML.WORLD exhibition in Skopje, Macedonia.

\$ 5,016

Summer Camps**CarbonART 1999**

July 31 – August 1, 1999

Chişinău, the Rîşcani Forest

SCCA, Chişinău

The creativity camp CarbonArt 1999 came to its fourth edition. This year CarbonART took place in Chişinău, which gave the whole event a different outlook from the previous years, when one had to look for a more isolated place, usually in devastated pioneer summer camps. The center of the event was the Rîşcani forest, and the Dinamo Hotel where the participants were accommodated. A more flexible organizational set-up was chosen. The artists didn't have to present projects like in the previous years. Being encouraged by

Thierry de Duve's motto "Do Anything!" the participants were given absolute freedom to improvise, which turned out to be not that simple at all.

Three workshops were organized during the camp.

Handmade Light Photography Workshop

July 26 – August 5, 1999

Chişinău, Irina Grabovan's Gallery

J. Bradley ADAMS

Photography Workshop

August 3-7, 1999

Chişinău, Acordeon și Sfredel Gallery

Ron SLUIK

Performance Workshop

July 30 – August 7, 1999

Chişinău, Rîşcanu Forest

Dan MCKEREGHAN

Participants:

Alexandr PETRELLI, Russia/Ukraine

Veaceslav DRUȚĂ, Moldova

Nicolas MENET, France

Ștefan RUSU, Moldova

Ron SLUIK, Holland

Doina STICI, Moldova

Marin TUREA, Moldova

J. Bradley ADAMS, USA

Pavel BRĂILĂ, Moldova

Walter BARTELING, Holland

Liviu IGNAT, Moldova

Ion TCACI, Moldova

Alexandru TINEI, Moldova

Irina GRABOVAN, Moldova

Lilia DRAGNEV, Moldova

Lucia MACARI, Moldova

Valentin ȚĂRNĂ, Moldova

Victor DOROȘENKO, Moldova

Dan MCKEREGHAN, USA

Serge POPOVSKI, Moldova

\$ 7,837.90

Grants for Artists

Second Escapade Exhibition

Veaceslav DRUȚĂ

\$ 272

Solo Exhibition

Vladislav STRATECIUC

\$ 80

The Birth of Art in Europe Exhibition

Latin Union

\$ 1,000

Scholarship in Arts

Mark VERLAN

\$ 500

Support for the Production of the Film: You

Angela ENACHE

Support for the Production of the Film: Chişinău

Album

Vladimir ȘIMANSKI

\$ 774.97

Small Grants for Postage

Ștefan RUSU

Pavel BRĂILĂ

Mark VERLAN

Igor ȘCERBINA

Mitos MICLEUȘEANU

Vladislav US

\$ 900

Travel Grants

Business Trip to Bucharest

Octavian EȘANU

\$ 235

A grant was given to 20 artists to visit the Graphics, Object, Installation Exhibition by Joseph Beuys in Kiev.

\$ 632.50

Grants for Catalogs

Alla RUSU

\$ 1,404

Igor ȘCERBINA

\$ 1,182.50

English for Artists

Veaceslav DRUȚĂ

Georgeta FONDOS

Iurie CIBOTARU

\$ 310

Veaceslav HÎNCU (3 levels)

\$ 296

Internet and Arts

Virtual Museum

<http://museum.art.md>

We continued to work towards increasing the Museum's virtual collection. New projects were placed on the Internet permanent collection of recent works. The information base was expanded. The Museum has two roles: to prepare the creation of a Contemporary Art Department within the Museum of Fine Arts, and to present it to an international audience.

Another activity is to create electronic portfolios, which will help artists to broaden their international contacts.

\$ 394.72

Art-Hoc

SCCA Quarterly Periodical

We relaunched the publication in a new format and with a new team. New sections will appear, in which artists will have the possibility to publish their articles,

personal projects, and their new works. It will be possible for foreign artists to publish their written pieces if they want to participate in the life of the local cultural avant-garde. All this will permit the locals to expand their knowledge in this area and to cooperate more closely with their colleagues from abroad.

\$ 1,000

The SCCA Library

The SCCA library was created to include books on the 20th century art. It is open to public. The library has made a considerable contribution to raising the intellectual level of local artists as well as of the general public.

\$ 811

Subscription to Art Periodicals

The Center has already established contacts with relevant organizations from abroad in order to supplement the SCCA's archive with periodicals, catalogues, audio and video materials.

\$ 1,200

SCCA Program Administration Expenditures

\$ 21,509.74

Total SCCA Program Expenditures

\$ 77,136



MASS MEDIA

The program was large in scope out of the necessity to promote independent mass media on multiple levels, approach existing issues with current methods of information, stimulate professionalism and creativity, and facilitate cooperation and exchange of information between journalists and mass media institutions at different levels. Program activities were carried out in collaboration with a diverse group of mass media organizations: the Independent Journalism Center, the Committee for Freedom of the Press, the Journalists Union, and School of Journalism and Communication Sciences at the State University of Moldova.

Local Media Support

During the Moldovan government's implementation of administrative reforms, the mass media program provided support for local press and transformations in this media structure. The mass media program

also contributed to the appearance of new publications in those regions in which the old type of publishing activities ceased to operate.

Assistance was granted for equipment purchasing, support for mass media initiatives and the development of the Independent Press Association (API), which consists of 18 regional publications: Business – info, Cuvîntul, Gazeta de Vest, Accent Provincial, Est-Curier, Cetatea, Unghiul, Duminica, Ora locală, Metronom (Cantemir), Metronom (Calarăși), Anina-info, Cuvîntul Liber, etc. and two news agencies: DECA Press and BASA Press, as well as the Independent Journalism Center.

The API maintains an information exchange network and distribution of publications and assists in the development of projects which provide assistance for each member publication, as well as for the association as a whole as for example the organization of regional round table discussions. The program contributed to the development of the Independent Press Association (API) by offering equipment, support for the annual API conference on independent press, as well as support for the publication of informational brochures about API.

In 1999 the Foundation supported the following publications:

Gazeta de Vest, Nisporeni	\$ 2,000
Accent Provincial, Glodeni	\$ 3,933.46
Ora Locală, Ialoveni	\$ 15,000
Anina-info, Anenii Noi	\$ 2,342
Unghiul, Ungheni	\$ 4,500

Organization of the annual API conference and publication of informational brochures API

\$ 450

Program Administration:	\$ 515.54
Total	\$ 28,741

Mass Media on Business and Economy Program

After the selection of the best materials on related topic published in 1998, the results of the competition were announced. Five mass media organizations were announced as the winners of the contest. In 1999 the winners developed and implemented their projects.

The following mass media organizations were financed from the 1999 annual budget:

TEMMA Association	\$ 6,000
Logos-press Economic Journal	\$ 4,000
Total	\$ 10,000

Collaboration with the School of Journalism and Communication Sciences

This program was initiated with the aim of sup-

porting the School of Journalism and Communication Sciences at the State University of Moldova. In 2000 three workshops will be organized for young journalists. The project is to be carried out in collaboration with the School of Journalism from Lille, France, and the French Alliance.

\$ 8,690

English Language Scholarships

Financing was continued for the English language training for journalists, aiming at facilitating access to information available in English and participation in international events in this field. In 1999 support was offered for those journalists who passed beginning and intermediate courses in 1997 and 1998.

(Financed from 1998 budget)

The Independent Journalism Center

The Independent Journalism Center began as an institution dedicated to the promotion of free and independent media in Moldova. Nowadays we augment that with an emphasis on professionalism among journalists and other professionals involved in media. Training programs that focused on general topics in the beginning of our operation in recent years have become dedicated to more specialized professional issues.

Training in Media Strategies for Women, February 16-19, 1999

(Co-financed by USIS and Soros Foundation Moldova)

The project was aimed at improving the knowledge of women, NGO leaders, about NGO media strategies and practices in the context of gender development. The fact that fifteen of the sixteen accepted applicants attended each session demonstrates both their interest and the quality of the seminar. Although the participants were of different age, they enjoyed the experience of working and learning together.

\$ 862.62

Radio Reportage Workshop for Young Journalists, April 5-8, 1999

The trainer, Jean-Pierre Monzat, from Radio France International, gave some theoretical information on the first day. Practical activities began on the second day. The participants prepared and presented two news programs, discussing the hierarchy of information, choosing the priorities, the approach, the writing techniques, etc. The importance of the sound in radio was discussed, organizing the time of reporter, tools and working techniques.

\$ 2,381.84

Summer School: Basic Journalism for Teachers Involved in School Publications, August 8-14, 1999, Holercani

The summer school was a follow-up of the 1998 IJC project Basic Journalism for High School Students.

The objectives of the school were:

- to train teachers on the role of mass media, freedom of expression and journalistic ethics
- to improve the knowledge of teachers involved in preparing a school publication
- to improve the skills of teachers in editing different types of journalistic texts (news, reporting, interviews)
- to train teachers in page design/layout and the role of images/photos
- to train teachers on issues of children's rights.

\$ 3,528.44

Training Course in Local TV Management, September 20-26, 1999

The course was organized by IJC in cooperation with the Audio-Visual Council of Moldova. Specifically, it aimed at improving the knowledge and abilities of local TV managers and staff coming from different regions of Moldova, and creating a favorable environment for opinion and experience exchanges among them.

\$ 1,117

Special Projects

A Series of Events: Press Freedom Week, May 3-8, 1999

IJC organized this series of events in collaboration with the Journalists' Union of Moldova, API, the Committee for Freedom of the Press and the School of Journalism, SUM, celebrating the World Day of Press Freedom (May 3) and aiming to raise public awareness of the need for a truly independent press in the country and of current problems faced by journalists.

\$ 8,430.95

Publications and Resources for Journalists

An important component of the work at the Independent Journalism Center is to provide information and resources to Moldova's journalists through our publications, events and the resource center.

Analytical Magazine on Media in Moldova

(Co-financed by Eurasia Foundation and Soros Foundation Moldova)

Media in Moldova, the Analytical Magazine published by the IJC since August 1995, is the only journal of this kind to help journalists keep track of the media business in the Republic of Moldova. Media in Moldova was initiated in order to help build a stronger comradery among journalists, who at this time need to stick together to work toward a more independent press.

\$ 15,548.5

Media Curier Informational Bulletin

Media Curier is published bi-monthly and reaches more than 1000 journalists, media managers and other professionals working in mass media in Moldova. It is published in Romanian and distributed throughout the Republic and in Chişinău. The bulletin contains information and news of interest.

\$ 7,219.23

A Guide to the Media in the Republic of Moldova

Co-financed by Soros Foundation Moldova and the Know How Fund)

The IJC in collaboration with the School of Journalism, SUM, published in 1999 the first issue (Romanian and English) of the Moldovan Media Guide. The guide is distributed free of charge to journalists, media bodies, experts, etc. in Moldova and abroad. The guide is planned as a bi-yearly project. The IJC Resource Center offers a continuously updated electronic version of the guide. It will be also placed on the Center's web page.

\$ 1,970.24

IJC Resource Center

The IJC maintains a Resource Center and a database that were established in response to the demands of journalists and media organizations. A computer is available at the Center to access the IJC's database.

The database includes information on all Moldovan media organizations (print, radio, TV and press agencies), journalists, NGOs, political parties, professional organizations, mayor's offices, government ministries, departments and administration offices, and printing facilities. International data includes information on foreign experts working in Moldova, embassies and international media organizations.

\$ 5,498.11

Press Club

The Press Club, in collaboration with the Committee for Freedom of the Press, began to operate in the fall of 1995. The Club holds bimonthly meetings aiming to foster better communication among journalists, spokespersons, and press service representatives.

\$ 9,208.81

Press Club TV Version

On December 30, Moldovan State TV viewers had the possibility to watch the first edition of the TV version of the Press Club, a monthly 25 minute program. The program included several reportages on media development in Moldova.

\$ 1,010.46

Total IJC

\$ 85,000

OWH TV Studio

In January 1999, OWH TV Studio became an independent organization, acting in the area of program production, including TV programs on social and entertainment topics as well as commercials and social advertisements. The studio produced documentaries and continued to work on social programs and advertising market. The staff of the OWH TV Studio consists of professionals with educational backgrounds in the field of film directing, cameraman, management, fine arts. OWH TV Studio is equipped with hi-fi equipment which enables it to make high quality production.

In 1999 OWH TV Studio started the production of the following documentary films:

Dying for Madrid

(documentary, dur: 25 min., directed by Igor COBÎLEANSCHI)

Based on a true story about the Struguras folk dance group the author portrayed the status of the artist in the totalitarian soviet society. The dramatic character of this status is illustrated by the concrete example of the Struguras dance ensemble which preferred a faustian choice of leaving for the prosperous West to a series of concerts in Chernobil which had just been destroyed by the notorious nuclear accident. One of the ensemble's members is no longer alive...

\$ 5,655

Noroc's Peak

(documentary, dur: 33 min., directed by Marin TUREA)

This film is dedicated to the short peak of success in the history of the Noroc band. The authors tried to draw out of oblivion and pay tribute to one of the most valuable cultural phenomena in the culture of Moldova.

\$ 5,455

So Many Different People

(fiction, dur: 25 min., directed by Igor COBÎLEANSCHI)

This is an attempt to make a short – reel film with a social character about human solidarity which can beat despair.

\$ 5,485

The East in Marshlands

(documentary, dur: 30 min., directed by Igor COBÎLEANSCHI)

The focus of the film is the daily life of the Slave community situated in the South-East of Romania. The film approaches the issue from various perspectives: historically and specifically: daily life - traditions, labor, language of the whole community. It is about a group of people who succeed in maintaining their national

identity despite the fact that some features of Romanian culture have become part of their lives.

\$ 5,455

The Legends of Țipova

(documentary, dur: 25 min., directed by Igor COBÎLEANSCHI)

This is a prototype of the documentary with a historic and educational character, which tells the story of the Țipova Monastery from the moment of its appearance as a Dacian fortress to present days, as well as the legends surrounding the history of the monastery.

\$ 8,735

The Village in the Mirror

(documentary, dur: 22 min., directed by Leontina VATAMANU)

The author of the film picked out two villages with similar names in the Republic of Moldova and Romania. The peasants talk about their joys and sorrows, about their fellow villagers, traditions, the problems they are facing in the period of transition, everything that makes up the microuniverse of a village.

\$ 5,395

Productions in Progress:

The Wine Cult

(documentary, dur: 25 min., directed by Marin TUREA)

This is a film which attempts to show the significance of wine for Moldovans. This drink, deeply rooted in the culture of this people, is indispensable at events of various importance.

\$ 5,595

La Dolce Vita

(documentary, dur: 25 min., directed by Leontina VATAMANU)

The film tells the story of a family of Moldovan peasants who having acquired land property could not manage to pay the land tax and had to leave three children at home and go to Italy to earn some money to make both ends meet.

\$ 5,125

In 1999 OWH TV Studio produced 12 programs on social and cultural topics called IMPACT + by Leontina Vatamanu with extra - budgetary money (duration 15 min.). All these programs were broadcast on TVM.

In 2000 OWH TV Studio will produce the following documentaries:

Typology(draft name), director Marin Turea, True Stories, director Igor COBÎLEANSCHI, It's Better Together (draft name), director Igor COBÎLEANSCHI.

\$ 10,300

Total

\$ 65,000

Participation at Seminars, Conferences

Internship at the Cotidianul newspaper, București, Romania, March-May 1999

Aurelian LAVRIC \$ 492 and 192.82 MDL

Conference on Communication Regulations in an Information Society, University of Warwick, June 2-5, 1999

Corina CEPOI \$ 750

Conference on International Rights in the Field of Mass Media, Moscow, Russia, June , 1999

Vitalie CATANĂ \$ 378

Summer School: TV News and Beyond, Summer University, Amsterdam, Maastricht and the European Journalism Center, July 14-16, 1999

Doina MELNIC \$ 590.10

Internship at Television Post France 2, Paris, France, September 20– October 1, 1999

Corina FUSU \$ 500

Training Course in Writing on Economic Issues , Prague, Czech Republic, September 6-17, 1999

Oxana SOLOVEI \$ 453.11

Dian LACHI \$ 453.11

BBC School, Radio Journalism, Bucuresti, Romania, September 20 – November 19, 1999,

Angela SÎRBU \$ 537 and 131 MDL

Lilia COJOCARU \$ 1,400

Seminar: Romanian Language – Means of Radio Communication, September 25-26, 1999

State Teleradio Company of Moldova \$ 500

Meeting of the AMARK-Europe European Network of Training, Great Britain, September 25-27, 1999

Angelina BANARI \$ 827 and 50 MDL

International Reunion of Journalists and French Speaking Press, Canada, August 21-28, 1999

Silvia GROSU \$ 410

The Second Conference of Directors of Cultural Departments, Berlin, October 16-23, 1999

Ilie TELEȘCU \$ 1,040

International Conference of Student Journalists, Hvar, Croașia, October 6-9, 1999

Alexandru CLIUICOV \$ 200

The Fifth International Festival of Local Television Posts, Kosice, Slovakia, October 13-16, 1999

Alina RADU \$ 380

Leontiva VATAMANU \$ 380

Internship at Radio France, Nancy, Lorraine, France, May 8-15, 1999
Nadejda DEMIAN \$ 479

Seminar: Reforming the Health Care System in the Republic of Moldova, May 9-10, 1999
Independent Journalism Center in collaboration with Ministry of Health \$ 500

Conference: Essay International Meeting, Amsterdam, December 9-13, 1999
Niocolae NEGRU \$ 454

Internet Training Course for Journalists, Chişinău, May 15-22, 1999

Participants:
Valentina COJOCARU
Tatiana OBOROC
Gheorghe BOBEICĂ
Victoria PAŞCAN
Angela FIASTRU
Dina TURCHIN
Olesea PAŞA
Iulian FANARU
Boris VARLAN
Sergiu TUDOS
Aliona MIRON
Valentina MOLDOVAN

Internews School, Kiev, Ukraine

Participants:
Mircea VERSTIUC \$ 829
Vitalie DOGARU \$ 829
Snejana DIMITROV \$ 829
Ghenadie MAZUR \$ 829
Valeriu GHIDULIANOV \$ 829

Program Administration Expenditures \$ 7,571
Program Expenditures \$ 211,088
Total Media Program Expenditures \$ 218,659



LOCAL GOVERNANCE PROGRAM

The main goal of the program is to enhance the process of reforms in the field of Local Government and to support local initiatives coming to improve the quality of public services provided by local administrations.

The main objectives are:

- to support the documentation of local govern-

ment representatives in the related fields

- to enhance experience and information exchange between local government representatives of the Republic of Moldova and other CEE and NIS countries

- to support local government representatives selected on a competitive basis to participate in international conferences and seminars

- to provide scholarships for studying English
- to promote the development of public policies in the Republic of Moldova

- to encourage and support the development of interactive training programs targeting local government elected leadership and public officers

- to enhance the adaptation of diverse international training programs for local governments

- to provide grants for training of local elected leadership and public officers from the Republic of Moldova

- to contribute to writing and disseminating up-to-date information necessary for good work of local governments

- to support writing and publishing of fundamental and up-to-date information in the field of Public Administration

- to contribute on a grant-giving basis to the promotion of local initiatives on local economic development, local government transparency, dialogue between local governments and citizens and public participation in the decision-making process

Activities implemented in 1999:

Public Administration Education

Participation at Internships, Conferences, Seminars

The goal of the program is to support participation of local government and NGO representatives at international seminars, conferences and fellowships in Public Administration. Participation in such events enhances the process of knowledge and experience exchange between Moldovan local government representatives and their colleagues from NIS, CEE and developed countries. During 1999 financial support was offered for the following activities:

Regional Annual Meeting within the Working Together Regional Training Program, January 10-13, 1999, Bucharest, Romania

Victoria DERGACIOV \$ 59

Improving Public Sector Service Delivery: A Regional Training Seminar for Heads of Public Sector Agencies in Central and Eastern Europe

April 6-9, 1999, Riga, Latvia
Marian NENIŢĂ \$ 460

Training in the Fundamentals of Public Finances and Debt Management, May 24 – June 18, 1999, Paris, France
Cătălin VERNICESCU \$ 474

Training in European Regions, September 6-30, 1999, Salzburg, Austria Sorina DONȚU	\$ 556	Public Debates on the Draft Law of Administrative Contravention, July 20 – November 2, 1999 Iurie LEAȘCO National Agency for Local and Regional Development of the Republic of Moldova	\$ 1,960
International Conference on De-Centralisation of Local Public Finance: Achievements and Perspectives, September 23-25, 1999, Bucharest, Romania Svetlana ARIONESCU Valentina VĂZDĂUȚAN Tudor DELIU	\$ 167	Documentation Visit to Local Initiatives Fund, April 20-25, 1999, Bacău, Romania (funded from 1998 budget) Nicolae MOSCALU, NGO Moștenitorii	
Training at the Ministry of the Brussels Capital Region, September 30 – October 29, 1999, Brussels, Belgium Petru PÎNTEAC	\$ 496	Total	\$ 10,282
Study Visit at the Romanian Village Foundation October 3, 1999, Iași, Romania Vasile BALAN Liubomir CHIRIAC Nicolae RADU Valeriu RENIȚĂ Igor GROSU	\$ 1,787	Scholarships for Studying English Language (in progress)	
Annual Conference: A Decade of Democracy: Increasing Voter Participation through Education, October 6-8, 1999, Bratislava, Slovak Republic Nicolae TELEVCO	\$ 404	The program aims to provide the opportunity to local governments representatives to take courses in English Language. The entire course comprises 7 levels with a total duration of 1 year and 7 months. Candidates were selected on a competitive basis. The course is conducted by the English Language School at the Pro Didactica Educational Center (13 Armenească St., Chișinău). The following persons were granted scholarships to study English: Natalia SEJIN Mihai FURTUNĂ Tudor DELIU Ion MIHĂILUȚĂ Vasile UNTU Vasile CIOARIC Arcadie CAPCELEA Valentina HARTI Marina LEICIU Lucia JURAVSCHI Nicolae JURAVSCHI Lidia ILAȘCU	\$ 5,000
Seminar on Trade and Industry, November 17-18, 1999, Jerusalem, Israel Ion UMANIUC	\$ 612	Book Development, Translation, Publishing and Donation	
Conference on the Role of Municipal Finance Officers' Associations in Strengthening Local Democratic Governance, November 27-30, 1999, Bratislava, Slovacia Veronica CUHAL Zinaida GRECIANNAIA	\$ 1,057	The program's goal is to support book writing and publishing as well as other publications necessary for local elected leadership and public officers. Writing the Manual and Developing the Syllabus of the Training Program on Financial Management of Local Budgets July 27, 1999 – February 1, 2000 Valentina VĂZDĂUȚAN Kristina CREOȘTEANU Tudor DELIU Zinaida GRECIANNAIA	
International Conference on Local Councils as Subjects and Objects of Change: Current Issues of Self-Governance, November 29-30, 1999, St. Petersburg, Russia Nicolae RADU Ion DIMCEA Constantin PETCO	\$ 1,208		
International Seminar on Retirement Plan Policy and Retirement Plan Reform December 13-17, 1999, Viena, Austria Andrei CANTEMIR	\$ 350		

Svetlana ARIONESCU
(Project in progress)

1999 was a very important year for local governments in the Republic of Moldova. After the local elections, which took place in May 1999, the process of territorial and administrative reform started. Also, in July 1999 the Law on Public Finance was adopted. The lack of information available for elected leadership and public officers regarding the mechanisms of local financial management has created obstacles in the promotion of local autonomy. Thus a group of experts joined their efforts in writing a manual and the syllabus of a training program in local financial management. After publishing the manual these experts will conduct a training of trainers session in 2000.

\$ 3,000

Writing of a Dictionary of Administrative Terms,
May 25 – September 1, 1999
Tudor DELIU

\$ 720

Training of Trainers Workshop on The Role of
Local Governments in the Sustainable Development of
Communities, October 13-24, 1999, Chişinău

\$ 4,000

Administrative costs \$ 666
Total \$ 8,386

Public Policy Program

This is a long-term program started in 1998 aiming to stimulate the development of public policies in the Republic of Moldova. During 1998 and 1999 needs assessment analysis were conducted in order to set up the framework for a Public Policy Program. Thus consulting meetings were held with experts in this area and by the end of 1999 the Foundation decided to support the establishment of a Public Policy Institute. The Institute's activities are to be defined in more details by its Board of Directors in 2000.

Study Visit to the International Centre of Political
Science, October 10-12, 1999, Kiev, Ukraine

Steliana NEDERA
Victor URSU

\$ 2,204

Total PPI \$ 165,000

Local Government Training

The goal of this program is to support training projects designed and delivered to local elected leadership and public officers, as well as NGOs active in the field

of Public Administration. During 1999 a grant competition for Local Government Training was announced and 4 grants were awarded:

Public Relations of Local Governments, July 21–
December 1, 1999

Raza Soarelui NGO, project director Vasile CIOARIC
The seminar on Public Relations of Local Govern-
ments was conducted in the following communities:

Chişinău, October 25-29, 1999

Căuşeni, November 5, 1999

Străşeni, November 14, 1999

Soroca, November 18, 1999

Orhei, November 24, 1999

Bălţi, November 24, 1999

Ungheni, November 25, 1999

Cahul, December 5, 1999

Chişinău, December 5, 1999

Hînceşti, December 10, 1999

269 local elected leadership and public officers
were trained within this project.

\$ 3,512

Local Transparency and Civil Society: Guarantees
of Sustainable Development of the Society, July 22 –
December 10, 1999

The Academy of Public Administration, project
director Tatiana ŞAPTEFRĂŢI

Training Workshop: Art and Science of Leadership
in Local Governments

November 1-5, 1999, Chişinău

49 local leadership and public officers were trained.

\$ 3,898

Supporting Advanced Local Governments,
September 30 – January 31, 2000

Social Innovation Centre, project director Elina
PETROVICI

Orhei, November 21-22, 1999

Hînceşti, December 9-10, 1999

Ungheni, December 16-17, 1999

120 local leadership and public officers were trained.

\$ 4,340

Public Relations of Local Governments, July 21 –
January 14, 2000

Releca NGO, project director Vlad CIUMAC

Training sessions were conducted in Nisporeni dur-
ing: November 11-12, November 19-20, November 26-
27, 1999, December 10-11

(Project in progress)

\$ 4,980

Consolidation of Initiatives for Local Democracy in
the Republic of Moldova, March 11, 1999 – March 1,
2000

Viiitorul Foundation, project director Igor MUN-
TEANU

Training sessions on Consolidation of Initiatives for Local Democracy in Moldova were conducted in Chişinău during:

May 31 – June 5, 1999

June 28 – July 3, 1999

August 16-21, 1999

November 8-13, 1999

December 6-1, 1999,

Regional Seminar on Reform and Innovation – in Support of Local Governments:

Cahul, September 29, 1999

Bălţi, November 16, 1999

Orhei, November 23, 1999

Chişinău, November 24, 1999

(Project in progress)

\$ 21,900

Seminar on Information of Trainers in the Field of Local Public Administration, May 12-14, 1999, Chişinău

During the seminar, participants were distributed packages with legal acts in the field of Local Governments and were acquainted with interactive training methods. Participants were trainers, faculty from academic institutions, and representatives of governmental organizations and NGOs. The seminar was organised by Soros Foundation Moldova and experts from Moldova and Romania contributed to its success:

Ion MIHĂILUŢĂ

Anatol PORTNOI

Oleg CARA

Ion PALADII

Eugenia VERLAN

Petru COJOCARU

Ion MUNTEANU

Gheorghe BURGOCI

Zinaida GRECIANNAIA

Kristina CREOŞTEANU

Doru-Cristian BULARDA

\$ 3,000

International Seminar on Associative Consolidation of Regions in the Republic of Moldova, July 31, 1999, Chişinău

Viitorul Foundation, project director Igor MUNTEANU

The main goal of the seminar was to establish a non-governmental association of regional authorities that would represent the interests of regional bodies in European forums. 5 representatives from CALRE, Central Government and Parliament officials and 42 representatives of regional authorities participated at the seminar. As a result of the seminar an Association for Regional Development through Local Autonomy (ADRAL) has been created.

\$ 1,000

Training of Trainers Workshop: The Role of Local

Governments in Sustainable Development of Communities, October 13-24, 1999, Chişinău

A series of training of trainers (ToT) sessions were organised by Soros Foundation Moldova in association with Partners for Local Development Foundation, Romania (FPRLD). The ToT: The Role of Local Governments in Sustainable Development of Communities, the third one of this series, resulted in training of 11 trainers:

Tudor DELIU

Tatiana ŞAPTEFRĂŢI

Eleonora STARCIUC

Lidia ILAŞCU

Steliana BURLACU

Ecaterina DOICOV

Ala ROTARU

Eugenia VERLAN

Valentina HARTI

Mircea COJOCARU

Tatiana TUGUI

There were two senior FPD experts who trained Moldovan trainers:

Claudia PAMFIL

Daniel ŞERBAN

During the training, 25 elected leadership, public officers and NGO leaders from Zubreşti, Prajila, Costeşti, Chircaieşti and Cimişlia communities were also trained. These participants benefited from a transfer of knowledge in the domain of strategic participatory planning and local sustainable development.

\$ 6,000

Administrative Expenditures \$ 618

Total \$ 49,248

Local Governance Development Projects

In the framework of this program support was offered for projects aiming to provide local government representatives and citizens the necessary information regarding the legal changes introduced after local elections. Also, projects were supported, which aimed to promote local governments' transparency, improve the relationship between local governments and citizens and to create a partnership between local authorities, public and business sector in order to ensure the economic development of local communities and improvement of the quality of life.

Consolidation of Initiatives for Democracy, March 11, 1999 – March 1, 2000

Viitorul Foundation, project director Igor MUNTEANU

Writing and publishing of the following guides:

Victor MOCANU, De-Centralisation of Public Services

Victor POPA, Local Council in Action

Liubomir CHIRIAC, The ABC of the Local Development	NGOs, academic, governmental and public organizations.
\$ 16,140	\$ 1,139
Modernisation and Local Development of Dominteni Village, April 2, 1999 – March 1, 2000 Ghiocel NGO, project director Viorel GORBÎȚII The project activities included:	Local Social and Economic Development, May 31, 1999 – May 31, 2000 Terra Public Association, project director Tudor CÎȘLARU Activities included:
– Publishing of the Dominteni News Bulletin and Gribova News Bulletin	Seminar on Social and Economic Development of the Community, August 19, 1999, Chircăiești
– Seminar on Starting a Business, May 29, 1999, Dominteni	Seminar on the Reforms in Agriculture, August 19, 1999, Chircăiești
– Seminar on Bank Credits, June 26, 1999, Dominteni	Seminar on Public Administration, November 21, 1999, Chircăiești
– Training on Positive Outcomes in Modern Agriculture, July 18, 1999, Dominteni	Seminar on Public and the Law, December 3, 1999, Chircăiești
– Seminar on Formal and Informal Relationship between the Local Council and the Mayoralty, August 16, 1999, Dominteni	(Project in progress)
– Publishing of What, Where and When Guide (with useful addresses)	\$ 4,000
– Publishing of Farmer's Guide (Project in progress)	Public Debates of the Draft Law on Administrative Contravention, July 20– November 2, 1999 National Agency for Local and Regional Development of the Republic of Moldova, project director Iurie LEAȘCO Activities included:
\$ 5,092	Experts' working sessions held on: October 8, November 19, December, 1999, Chișinău
Design and development of GIS Software to be used by local governments	The Law on Administrative Contravention was adopted by the Parliament in February 2000.
May 31 – November 18, 1999	\$ 1,555
Oikumena NGO, Gherman BEJENARU	Information of Citizens on the Management of Local Budgets, November 15, 1999 – March 15, 2000 Prospect Public Association, project director Valeriu CUFILIC
Activities included:	An article was published in the local newspaper on the management of local budgets from 14 communities (Project in progress)
Production of 100 CDs with GIS software for Local Governments	\$ 600
Seminar on Promotion and Training on the Use of CDs, December 4, 1999, Chișinău	National Symposium on the Role of Local Public Authorities in Guaranteeing Constitutional Rights and Liberties, December 17-18, 1999 National Agency for Local and Regional Development of the Republic of Moldova, project director Ion CREANGĂ
\$ 6,057	\$ 2,869
Transparency and Public Relations of Local Governments	Transparency in Local Governments, November 15, 1999 – May 15, 2000 Mayoralty of Talmaza Village, project director Nicolae GROSU (Project in progress)
May 31, 1999 – June 1, 2000	\$ 1,000
Rusticum NGO, project director Lidia IONAȘ	Implementation of Modern Informational Techno-
Activities included:	
Seminar on the Role of Local Authorities and the NGO Rusticum in the Sustainable Development of the Community, October 29, 1999, Costești	
Seminar on the Results and Perspectives of Privatisation in Rural Areas, November 23, 1999, Costești	
Training on Bank Loans for Land Owners, December 22, 1999, Costești	
\$ 4,993	
Publishing of the materials of the scientific symposium: The Government and Public Administration	
October 27 – December 1, 1999	
National Agency for Local and Regional Development of the Republic of Moldova, project director Iurie LEAȘCO	
1000 copies were published and donated to over 20	

logies in the Chişinău County, December 21, 1999 – November 28, 2000

Terra Centre for Regional Development, project director Ivan MORARI

(Project in progress)

This is a pilot-project on building a network between governmental, regional and local authorities in the Chişinău County. The project aims to provide a fertile environment for the development of strong transparency principles between the involved parties and to enhance the management and institutional capacity building of regional and local authorities in the decision-making process.

\$ 22,631

Program Administration Expenditures \$ 722

Total \$ 66,798

Projects implemented in 1999 financed from 1998 budget:

Publishing of Brochures:

Election Agenda `99

Thinking about the Future

Local Elections

Association of Mayors of the Republic of Moldova, project director Mihai PEREBINOS

Local Development in Chircăieşti Village

Terra Public Association, project director Tudor CÎŞ-LARU

Activities included:

Seminar on Community Development, September 4, 1998, Chircăieşti

Seminar on Local Democracy, September 21, 1998, Chircăieşti

Information leaflets on economic and environmental issues

Publishing of The Chircăieşti News Bulletin

Creation of the Consulting Center for local and Regional Authorities from the Republic of Moldova

Federation of Local and Regional Governments of the Republic of Moldova, project director Artur LUNGU

Activities included:

Seminar on the Promotion of the Consulting Center and the Federation of Local and Regional Authorities:

November 29, 1999, Chişinău

December 7, 1999, Orhei

December 7, 1999, Soroca

December 7, 1999, Edineţ

Publishing of 500 copies of the informational bulletin of the Consulting Centre

Development of Economic Development Strategies for the Mayorality of Vadul-lui-Voda, January 27– July

31, 1999

Centre for Strategic Regional Development of the Town of Vadul-lui-Voda, project director, Roman CHIR-CĂ

Activities included:

Seminar on the Concession in Local Governments, April 10, 1999, Vadul-lui-Vodă

Seminar on Financial Mechanisms and Tools in Local Governments, April 24, 1999, Vadul-lui-Vodă

Seminar on Taxes and Taxation in Local Governments, April 17, 1999, Vadul-lui-Vodă

Grant competition on The Implementation of Modern Information Technologies in Local Governments

Association of Mayors of the Republic of Moldova

Grants were given to 11 mayoralties selected on competitive basis:

Zîmbreni, Chişinău County, project director, Valentina BUCIUMAŞ

Lebedenco, Cahul County, project director, Ion SUSANU

Fundurii Vechi, Bălţi County, project director, Emilia VIERU

Chişcăreni, Bălţi County, project director, Silvia TURCAN

Ustia, Chişinău County, project director, Sergiu URÎTU

Geamana, Chişinău County, project director, Galina ACRIŞ

Putineşti, Soroca County, project director, Veaceslav POPOVICI

Corneşti, Ungheni County, project director, Ion OBADĂ

Molovata, Chişinău County, project director, Ilie BULAT

Gribova, Soroca County, project director, Valentina CANTEMIR

Jora de Mijloc, Orhei County, project director, Mihai SAVIN

(Project in progress)

Training on Access to New Information Technologies conducted for the winners of the grant competition "The Implementation of Modern Information Technologies in Local Governments"

November 22-27, December 13-17, 1999, Chişinău
22 representatives of the selected mayoralties participated at the training. The training program was conducted by Grigore VASILACHE and DNT Association.

Grants for Internet connectivity and email service for the winners of the grant competition The Implementation of Modern Information Technologies in Local Governments

DNT Association, Dona ŞCOLA

(Project in progress)

Training session on the use of GIS software for Local Governments for the winners of the grant competition The Implementation of Modern Information Technologies in Local Governments

Oikumena NGO, Gherman BEJENARU
(Project in progress)

Program Administration Expenditures	\$ 12,191
Program Expenditures	\$ 304,574
Total Local Government Program Expenditures	\$ 316,765



LAW PROGRAM

The general mission of the Law Program is to assist the process of building a state based on the rule of law and to support legal reform through assistance provided to specialised institutions and legal NGOs.

Major areas of activity:

- supporting legal education on all levels
- developing and implementing projects related to professional legal work; strengthening of the judiciary and its independence
- police reform and education of police on the protection of Human Rights

Legal Education Support

Legal education is based on an ineffective and undeveloped curriculum because of limited access to multiple amendments in the national legislation and insufficient collaboration of Moldovan law schools with European universities. Lack of modern textbooks and limited access of law students and teachers to recent publications in the field of law represents another cause which hampers the reform of legal education.

The insufficient involvement of the Ministry of Justice in the process of university legal education leads to discrepancies and lack of links between legal education and legal practice.

Support of the University Curriculum

In 1999, grants were offered for projects designed to support the reform of the legal education system. The program offered support for the development and publishing of law textbooks and other publications,

doctoral theses' writing.

Publishing of textbooks:

Victor POPA, **Parliamentary Law**
(Co-funded by FIUM) \$ 867

Svetlana RUSNAC, **Judicial Psychology** \$ 2,424

Grants for textbook development:

Victoria ARHILIUC, **Preventive Diplomacy and Joint Security of the States** \$ 600

Victor BURAC, **Banking Law** \$ 600

Grants for doctoral theses' writing:

Nicolae ROMANDAȘ, **Theoretical and Practical Problems Related to Conclusion, Delaying and Modification of the Individual Labor Contract** \$ 500

Other activities supported within the program:

Implementation of the integrated database of the Ministry of Education in the process of education
Dimitrie Cantemir Police College \$ 10,526

3rd Inter-university law competition: Constitution of the Republic of Moldova – 5th Year Anniversary
FIUM \$ 532.49

Participation at the IXth International Session on Human Rights, Moscow, Russia, November 29 – December 2, 1999
Marcela JALBĂ \$ 370.47

Participation at the International Conference on Justice & Banking and Financial Institutions Fighting Criminal Activities, Geneva, Switzerland, December 9-10, 1999.

Xenofont ULIANOVSKI \$ 1,322.75

Program Administration Expenditures	\$ 415.26
Total:	\$ 18,157.97

Law Library

In the framework of the Law Library program, donation of legal textbooks were made to SUM, FIUM, AESM, SPU, APAM, PA, CCU, SUB as well as to a number of colleges where the study of law is considered an essential area: the Republican College of Information Science and Law, the National College of Trade, the College of Economy and Law, Police College, etc.

The following publications were purchased and donated:

Mihai BÎRGĂU, **Juvenile Crime Prevention**, 200 copies \$ 200

Alexandru ROTARI, Oleg ALEXA, Aurel BĂIEȘU,
International Trade Law, 300 copies \$ 894.14

Lilia GRIBINCEA, **International Trade Law**, 350
copies \$ 1,491.18

Victoria ARHILIUC, **Preventive Diplomacy and
Joint Security of the States**, 150 copies \$ 257.93

Books purchased from The Association of Young
Law Researchers: **Elements of Criminology, Delin-
quency of Recidivists, Professional Delinquency,
Terrorism: International Crime, The Main Schools
of Law and Legal Doctrines** \$ 438.43

Books bought from ȘTIINȚA Publishing House:
Hedley Bull, **The Anarchical Society**, F.H.
Hinsley, **Sovereignty**, Stanley Hoffman, **Essays on
Practice and Theory of International Relations**
\$ 2,038.71

Books bought from ARC Publishing House:
R. Dworkin, **Taking Rights Seriously**, Martin
Wight, **Power Politics** \$ 1,108.77

Books bought from SIGMA IG Publishing House:
A. Lijphart, **Democracies: Patterns of Major-
itarian and Consensus Government in Twenty One
Countries**, H.L.A.Hart, **The Concept of Law**
\$ 1,190.93

Law literature published in Romania and pur-
chased for university law faculties:
40 sets of 57 titles each \$ 14,277.66

Total: \$ 21,840.09

Moot Court Competitions

Moot Courts are International Oral Advocacy
Competitions. They allow students six months to pre-
pare and submit 50 pages of written argument on solv-
ing of the proposed case. The method requires a long
period of research and use of different national and for-
eign legal databases. The briefs are written and re-writ-
ten, each draft being examined both by the team coach
and other legal experts.

In 1999, the program financially supported the par-
ticipation of four student groups in the four most pres-
tigious competitions:

Renne Cassin European Competition on Human
Rights, Strasbourg, France, March 28 – April 4, 1999.

Team members: Emil DEDIU, Oxana AGACHI, Otilia
BOLOGAN

Coach: Mihai BURUIANĂ
\$ 2,804.23

Ph. C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition,
Washington D.C., USA

Team members: Natalia CĂTRINESCU, Svetlana
NOVAC, Aliona BELENICAIA, Oleg ERMURATII

Coach: Irina GUTU
\$ 8,337.16

Telders International Moot Court Competition, the
Hague, The Netherlands

Team members: Otilia BOLOGAN, Angelina ZAPO-
ROJAN, Alexandrina ROMAN, Irina VERHOVEȚCHI

Coach: Veaceslav BALAN
\$ 4,244.22

Willem C. Vis International Moot Court Competi-
tion, Vienna, Austria

Team members: Ala BUJAC, Alexandru ZGARDAN,
Pavel MUSTEAȚĂ, Cristina SCUTELNIC

Coach: Marina FOLTEA
\$ 6,152.57

Total: \$ 21,538.18

Legal Clinic

The Legal Clinic was established on September 14,
1998 as a partnership project between the Law Pro-
gram of SFM, COLPI and the Law School, SUM.

In the framework of the Clinic, students of the law
faculty of SUM are engaged in the following activities:
legal consulting, drawing up the procedural acts, client
representation in front of the courts.

In the first semester of the 1999-2000 academic
year, 107 students of the Law School of the SUM and
of the Law Academy were involved in the activity of the
Clinic. They were advised by 15 tutors, law faculty of
the institutions mentioned above.

During the same period of time, the Legal Clinic
offered legal assistance to 157 persons – representa-
tives of vulnerable social groups, citizens of the Repub-
lic of Moldova as it follows:

- legal consulting – 83 persons
- drawing up the procedural acts – 51 persons
- client representation in court – 23 cases and for 7
of them were pronounced decisions in favour of the
clients represented by the Clinic.

In this period of time the co-ordinating group has
met 16 times.

Between October 15-17, 1999 the first sub-regional
meeting of the law faculty who run the Legal Clinic in
the Republic of Moldova and in Romania took place in
Chișinău. The topic of the meeting was: Supervision of
the Students' Clinical Activity by Their Tutors – Means
for Achievement of Success and Improvement.

Starting with October 1999, the on-line broadcast-
ing program with the participation of the members of

the Legal Clinic was re-launched.

Three round tables were organised where problems related to legal assistance of clients in difficult civil cases were discussed.

Two trials were mocked on this type of cases and the students won both of them. Two students, members of the Legal Clinic were invited to participate in seminars on clinical activity in Sankt-Petersbourg and Moscow.

As far as professional education of students is concerned, it is important to mention that only in those conditions offered by the Legal Clinic, they have the possibility to be involved "live" in legal assistance, the most spectacular, of course, being representation in the court.

Students were offered the possibility to develop their practical skills by providing community service to vulnerable groups of population. In the same time they got familiar with the practice of the legal institutions, with the structure of juridical system and with court procedures.

Students have the possibility to acquire and build on their knowledge related to professional ethics and confidentiality.

It is also necessary to mention that the clinical course has been introduced into the curriculum of the School of Law of the SUM as an optional course.

The students obtain credits for this course at the end of first semester on the basis of the activity reports, tutor's grades and the general evaluation of the student's activity conducted by the co-ordinating group of the Legal Clinic.

\$ 30,000

English for Lawyers

The process of the legal reform and the creation of the state based on the rule of law requires the adjustment of legislation to international standards. To this end, contacts between local and international professionals and, subsequently, foreign language proficiency are absolutely necessary. This is also relevant for law faculty and students. This is an essential condition for the examination, analysis and application of legal documents and international legal practice to the process of the legal reform. Therefore, in 1999 the Law Program of the SFM supported financially the development of an ESP course for lawyers. This course was taught to 16 representatives of the Moldovan legal community. At the same time, the program offered a number of individual grants to a group of law students and graduates.

At present, 15 representatives of the courts and prosecution offices are taking a course of English, beginning level, at the Pro Didactica English Language School.

ESP course for lawyers, 16 persons	\$ 4,121
General English course for law students and graduates, advanced level, 19 persons	\$ 3,170
English Course for judges and prosecutors, 15 persons	\$ 7,672.50
Total:	\$ 14,963.50

Translations and Commentaries Program

The program on translation of foreign legal texts and development of commentaries to national legal texts was launched in 1998 and successfully continued in 1999. The legal community confronts the specific problem of constantly changing and controversial legislation. This is a situation characteristic to the countries in transition where the same legal issues are regulated differently by different laws, creating serious difficulties for enforcement and cause controversial interpretations.

The aim of the program was to motivate professionals in law to comment upon value, competitiveness and applicability of this type of controversial legal regulations. Priority was given to the legislation governing non-governmental and non-commercial sector. The commentaries produced within the program were published and submitted to court officials, prosecutors, legal education institutions, ministries with an aim to facilitate the correct and uniform application of the commented normative acts.

The program offered the following grants:

Commentary to the Law on Joint Stock Companies Sergiu MĂMĂLIĞĂ	\$ 300
Commentary to the Law on Labour Contract Tudor CAPȘA	\$ 500
Commentary to the Law on Administrative-Territorial Division Ion CREANGĂ and Oleg UȚICĂ	\$ 500
Commentary to the Law on International Sale of Goods Lilia GRIBINCEA	\$ 500
Local Public Administration in the Republic of Moldova. Legislative Commentaries. Victor POPA	\$ 1,500
Tatiana MANOLE	\$ 1,000
Ion MIHĂILUȚĂ	\$ 1,000
Publishing of the commentary on Local Public Administration in the Republic of Moldova. Legislative Commentaries	\$ 1,756

Publishing of the Guide to the Treaties Signed between the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine, Lithuania and Russia on Civil Law, Family Law and Criminal Law Cases.

Vitalie NAGACEVSCHI, Galina BOSTAN, Oleg LUPAN \$ 924

Publishing of the commentaries to the Law on Copyright and Other Intellectual Property Rights

Sergiu MĂMĂLIĞĂ \$ 1,560

Translation, adjustment and publishing of the book EC Law by Allan Tathman \$ 15,036

Total: \$ 24,576

Legislative Drafting Program

The goal of the program is to facilitate the adoption of a large number of modifications to the national legislation in accordance with the requirements of the multilateral and bi-lateral treaties signed and ratified by the Republic of Moldova. The adoption of adequate normative acts leads inevitably to the reduction of number of misjudged cases in courts. As a result of the ratification of the European Convention, the Government of Moldova has developed a concrete program that envisages the modification of 22 normative acts, including the Constitution. The legal acts to be adjusted include the Criminal Code, Criminal Procedure Code, Family Code, Labour Code,

In the framework of the program the following grants were offered:

Expertise of the Draft of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Moldova (grants of 600 USD)

Gheorghe ULIANOVSKI

Xenofont ULIANOVSKI

Sergiu BRÎNZĂ

Ion ȚURCANU

Nicolae TIMOFTI

Alexandru TĂNASE

Raisa BOTEZATU

\$ 4,200

Expertise of the Draft of the Labour Code of the Republic of Moldova (grants of 400 USD)

Nicolae SADOVEI

Elena MOCANU

Elena BELEI

Oleg UȚICĂ

\$ 1,600

Expertise of the Code on Administrative Contravention

(grants of 400 USD)

Ion CREANGĂ

Valeriu ZUBCO

Viorel RUSU

Corneliu GURIN

Doina GANEA

\$ 2,000

Development of the legal framework which governs the agricultural co-operative system

Centre for Rural Development \$ 12,000

Publishing of the book Access to Justice

Gheorghe AMIHĂLĂCHIOAE, Ion CASIAN, Constantin TĂNASE, Dragoș BLĂNARU \$ 1,772

Publishing of the Draft of the Criminal Code \$ 900

Publishing of the decisions of the Court of Appeal, 3000 copies \$ 2,589

Other Actives within the Program:

Study visit at the Lithuanian Supreme Court

Valeria ȘTERBET \$ 540

Vasile PASCARI \$ 540

Participation at the World Congress of Experts in Civil Procedure Law

Alexandru COJUHARI \$ 1,429

Congress of the Moldovan Lawyers

Collegium of Advocates of the Republic of Moldova \$ 2,100

Police Reform Program

The goal of the program is to assist the reform of police in the Republic of Moldova and to contribute to the demystification and decentralisation of police.

Professional training of the Ministry of Interior's employees and education of police in human rights issues were also a priority of the program.

Grants offered:

Professional training of the Ministry of Interior's employees

Association of Young Lawyers-Researchers, Ștefan cel Mare Police Academy \$ 38,000

Other activities in the program

Internship at the Gendarmerie, Paris, France

Dumitru BALTAGA \$ 429

Anticorruption Program

The goal of the program is to increase public awareness of the danger which corruption carries for

society and for each citizen separately. It aims to stimulate mass media on keeping permanent attention on corruption issues and to create maximum discomfort for corrupted officials.

In 1999, the program announced an open competition for research grants on legal, historical, social and economic aspects of the phenomenon of corruption.

The program plans to publish and disseminate the results of the research.

Winners of the first stage (grants of 300 USD):

Andrei ȚURCANU, Valentin ARAPU, Lilia CARAȘCIUC, Vitalie PÎRLOG, Marian JALENCU, Sergiu MUS-TEATĂ, Marcela DILION, Lilian NEGURĂ, Vasile GURIN, Valeriu PASCARU, Victor SURUCEANU, Efim CERTAN, Andrei RUSU, Ion CĂPĂȚÎNĂ, Ion GUMENII, Aneta GROSU, Sergiu ILIE.

\$ 5,100

Winners of the second stage:

Andrei RUSU \$ 600
Lilian NEGURĂ \$ 300
Marian JALENCU \$ 600
Ion GUMENÎI \$ 600
Vasile GURIN \$ 600
Valeriu PASCARU \$ 500
Marcela STRECHIE \$ 200
Ilie SERGIU \$ 600
Lilia CARAȘCIUC \$ 600

\$ 4,600

The authors of the collection of the research papers will be the following: Andrei RUSU, Marian JALENCU, Ion GUMENÎI, Vasile GURIN, Valeriu PASCARU, Ilie SERGIU, Lilia CARAȘCIUC, Lilian NEGURĂ

Experts and co-ordinators of the edition: Constantin MARIN, Igor DOLEA, Victor POPA, Corneliu POPOVICI (500 USD per person)

\$ 2,000

Publishing of the work \$ 7,084

Administrative expenses (round tables, multiplication, launching) \$ 1,000

Other activities within the program:

Publishing of the conference materials: Organised Crime and the Black Market Economy \$ 1,980

Participation in the seminar on Organised Crime and Corruption

Washington D.C., USA, February 23-27, 1999
Victor CATAN \$ 880

Participation in the seminar on Organised Crime and Corruption

Washington D.C., USA, February 23-27, 1999

Nicolae ANDRONIC \$ 880

Program Administration Expenditures \$ 1,085

Total \$ 24,609

Basic Concept Series

The program was launched in 1998 with the translation and producing of commentaries to the basic concepts on Criminal Law, author: George P. Fletcher and on Property Law, author: Ugo Matei. In 1999 following COLPI's initiative, the program obtained the copyright for the translation and publication of 1000 copies of the work "International Commercial Arbitration", authors: Mark Hulleatt-James and Nicholas Gould.

The appearance of this work in the Republic of Moldova will bridge the theoretical gap in the field of international commercial arbitration.

Purchasing of the copyright \$ 540

Translation and publishing of the work: **International Commercial Arbitration**, by Mark Hulleatt-James and Nicholas Gould \$ 4,500

Total: \$ 5,040

Judicial Training Centre

1999 was the second year of support granted for the Judicial Training Centre. The main goal of this institution is to provide professional training of the judges of the Republic of Moldova and promote the principles of judicial independence among them. This institution organises training courses for prosecutors and lawyers as well.

From the beginning of the 1999 academic year to present the Judicial Training Centre performed the following courses and seminars:

– Three regional seminars in collaboration with UNHCR designed for judges, prosecutors and lawyers were held in the districts of Soroca, Ungheni in the period between July-August. The topic of the seminar was: The Statute of Refugees. The same seminar was held in Chișinău as well. Lecturers: judge Ian Sicuta, Czech Republic.

– In September, the Centre organised two seminars for lawyers with the topic: International Transactions, expert: Prof. Edde Murfey.

– In October, a cycle of 10 seminars with the following topics started: International Legal Assistance in Civil Issues, International Legal Assistance in Criminal Issues; Personal Freedom.

– In November, the Centre organised two seminars with the topic: Social Chart and Women; International Protection of Refugees.

– In December, seminars with the topic: Methodology and the New Forms of Teaching in Institutions Training Magistrates were organised.

\$ 70,000

Law Program Administration Expenditures \$ 8,837

Law Program Expenditures \$ 322,263

Total Law Program Expenditures \$ 341,100



STREET LAW

In 1999 SIEDO, the NGO implementing the Street Law Program (SL), ran the following activities:

– training of SIEDO team and the other SL authors, 15 teachers educational administrators and lawyers, in workshops and visit studies in Moldova and abroad

– development of the syllabus, textbooks for 10th, 11th and 12th grades and teacher's guide

– publishing of these materials (syllabus – 1500 copies, the 10th grade manual – 250 copies, the 11th grade manual – 300 copies and the 12th grade manual – 200 copies)

– negotiation of the statute of the new subject: the Ministry of Education accepted the field-testing of the syllabus and manuals during this school year and is going to introduce it as a compulsory subject for high schools beginning with September 2000

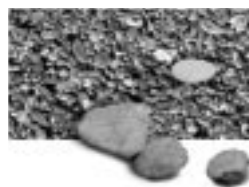
– training of pilot teachers (those who are to teach the new subject, a peer of each of them and the principals of their schools)

– field-testing of the new subject in 4 high schools in Moldova: Ștefan Vodă, Grozești, Criuleni and Chișinău

– training of trainers who will implement the new subject at the national level (14 teachers including those who will field-test the manuals in the second year of the process, i.e. 2000-2001

– training of some students from the Pedagogical Faculty in Chișinău in order to be able to teach the new subject when it becomes mandatory for the high school level

Program expenditures \$ 46,036



WOMEN'S PROGRAM

In the second year of functioning, the activities implemented in the framework of Women's Program aimed to promote women's rights in obtaining a social, economical, political status, equal to men's status. All the activities and the program as a whole were an intrinsic continuation of the initiatives launched in 1998. We also implemented new programs such as: Introduction of Gender Studies in the University Curriculum, (SPU), founding and supporting of a Club for Teenage Girls; the implementation of a new project for socially vulnerable women in Văsieni, Chișinău county – a project developed and implemented by the Union of Handicrafts Artists. Generally, programs which had been initiated earlier and had had a positive impact in society were supported: focused on improving women's health, eliminating violence against women, eliminating traffic of women and children; supporting programs for women-journalists who are writing on female issues; increasing the capability of women's NGOs in solving social and economic problems; development of strategic programs related to gender equality; promoting and developing new interpersonal relationship models; creating possibilities for women from Moldova to participate in international initiatives.

Improving Women's Health

This Program was addressed to NGOs dealing actively with women's problems and having the main purpose improving women's health. The program supported a national project on breast cancer, a disease which in the past few years has affected a large number of women between the age of 40-45. Because of the lack of money, women cannot afford to screen themselves, thus the goal was to initiate projects for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer; to support educational programs for women aiming at the development of a proactive attitude towards their own health.

Projects implemented in 1999:

Active identification of pre-cancerous and malignant tumours in women

Project's aim: to organise and implement clinical-instrumental screening of women in order to identify pre-cancerous tumours in reproductive organs. 1300 women from two villages, Rezeni and Cegîrleni were tested.

Association of Breast Cancer Doctors NGO, project director Nadejda GODOROJA.

\$ 7,340

Open Grants Competition Program

The open grants competition for NGOs active on women's problems has the prime objective to support the elimination of violence against women; the elimination of trafficking of women and children; the improvement of women's health; women and mass-media; support of informational initiatives; gender studies.

Study visit at the Oncological Centre of Scientific Research of the Academy of Medical Science, Moscow, Russia. Natalia DOICOV, May 17-29, 1999

\$ 422

Study visit at the Oncological Institute, Kiev, Ukraine. Veronica TUREȚCAIA, radiologist, March 22 – April 4, 1999

\$ 280

Round table: Dialog between Decision Making and NGOs Active on Women's Problems, Chișinău, National Information and Documentation Centre for Women

\$ 700

Grant for equipment purchasing for the organisation of the International Conference on Trafficking in Women in the Countries from the Black Sea Region, November 2000, project director Lucia OLĂRESCU, National Women's Council

\$ 2,928

Seminar for single mothers: Status of single mothers in a state of law, Zaim, Căușeni county, project director Larisa UNGUREANU, Milena SM NGO

\$ 200

Grants of 85 USD for Internet connection, Femeia Azi NGO, director Liuba URÎTU, Association of Women with University Degree, director Silvia CHETRARU, National Women's Council, director Ala MÎNDÎCANU, National Information and Documentation Centre, director Galina PRECUP

\$ 340

Training seminars on legal issues for women, Pleșeni, Cahul county, project director Eleonora STARCIUC, Women of the Terra NGO

\$ 500

Training activities in handicraftship for socially vulnerable women from the village of Văsieni, Chișinău county, (to be implemented in 1999-2000), project director Ion BĂLTENU, Union of Handicrafts Artists

\$ 5,300

Seminar focused on the issues of the elderly from Drochia and Rîbnița, project director Ana BOLOCANU, Atena NGO

\$ 490

Santa Claus in a white coat, a Christmas visit to the orphanage for disabled children, Grinăuți, Edinet county, December 23, 1999. Women's Program Experts

\$ 1,000

Participation at the symposium-festival: Women composers of religious and secular music, Rome, Italy, September 6-12, 1999, Victoria TKACENKO

\$ 200

Elimination of Trafficking in Human-beings

The aim of the Program is to contribute to the elimination of trafficking in human-beings by supporting informational and educational activities to prevent and protect victims of trafficking; training of parents on how to protect their children; public awareness campaigns on this phenomenon.

Three seminars for teenage girls on elimination of trafficking in women, Vadul lui Voda, Cantemir, Căinari county, Civic Initiative NGO, project director Irina MARTÎNIUC. Project co-financed by USAID.

\$ 500

Gender Studies

The project's aim is to support and promote mechanisms of research of equality between men and women; develop a concept of an integral approach to gender equality.

Gender and Education: pilot project on developing and implementing a gender studies curriculum, State University of Moldova, (to be implemented in 1999-2000). Project director Valentina BODRUG, university teacher

\$ 2,500

Gender and Education: pilot project on developing and implementing a gender studies curriculum, State Pedagogical University (to be implemented in 1999-2000). Project director Maia MORĂRESCU, university teacher

\$ 2,500

Women and Literature: special courses on the theory and history of literature, critical analysis of literary texts, State Pedagogical University, 1999-2000. Project director Alexandru BURLACU, PhD

\$ 2,000

Founding of the Eva Club for Teenage Girls, the organisation of eight seminars on the elimination of trafficking in human-beings, presentation of techniques of prevention and self-protection, Youth Development Centre, project director Margareta DUȘCEAC

\$ 2,495

Training seminar for NGO leaders dealing actively with women's problems: Women in a World Modelled by Men, December 11—13, 1999, facilitator Virginia Kalinauskiene, senior specialist at the Psychological Centre from Vilnius, project director Igor FONARI, Noosfera

\$ 1,500

Participation at the scientific conference: Gender relations in Russia: past, present and future, Ivanovo, May 17-21, 1999, Galina PRECUP and Maia MORĂRESCU

\$ 542

Participation at the Summer School: Gender research and feminist theories: dialogue between East and West, September 12 – October 3 1999, Foros, Crimea, Victoria MELNIC, university teacher, State University of Arts, Iulian CIOCAN, university teacher, State Pedagogical University

\$ 200

Participation at a university course in gender studies, December 16-18, 1999, Odesa, Alina CIOBANU, Angela BRAȘOVEANU, Zinaida BOLEA

\$ 168

Translation into Romanian and publishing of Gender Directory, Arc Publishing House. (Matching fund project with NWP)

\$ 1,439

Elimination of Violence Against Women

Program's aim is to support centres providing assistance and shelter to victims of violence, as well as medical, psychological and legal services to women who suffered from both domestic and social violence; to train police officers on how to deal with cases of violence; to raise public awareness of domestic violence elimination.

Support for the Activity of the Crisis Centre to establish a shelter for battered women and set up a hot line telephone, March 1999 – March 2000, Women Today NGO, project director Liuba URÎTU

\$ 8,919

Support for the activity of the Crisis Centre to establish a shelter for battered women and set up a hot line telephone, Association of Women with University Degree NGO, Bălți, project director Silvia CHETRARI

\$ 8,919

Three training sessions for volunteers working on the hot-line at the Crisis Centre from Bălți, project director Silvia CHETRARI, Association of Women with

University Degree NGO from Bălți. (Matching funds project with NWP and Animus Centre from Bulgaria)

\$ 1,682

Training lawyers and NGO leaders from the Lăpușna county to eliminate domestic violence, project director Melania MIHAILOV, Youth Development Centre. (Matching funds project with NWP)

\$ 6,705

Participation of the national team members in the training within the Women Friendly Response to Violence Against Women Project, Budapest, June 1999, project director Svetlana FILINCOV, judge

\$ 440

Ten training sessions on primary intervention in case of domestic violence for policemen from Chișinău, January 1, 1999 – November 1, 2000, Chișinău, project director Mihai LUPU, Community Partners NGO

\$ 5,994

Informational Initiatives

Program's aim is to promote and protect feminist values, strengthening of family, raise general awareness of women's problems and women's rights, to promote issues on women's health.

National Information and Documentation Centre for Women, project director Galina PRECUP. Matching funds project with American Bar Association, UNICEF and N. Testemițeanu State Medical and Pharmaceutical University

The objectives of the Center are:

- to disseminate information in mass media about the Centre's activities, as well as among the NGOs active on women's problems

- to provide technical assistance to women's NGOs

- to develop and up-date the database containing information on women's organisations from the Republic of Moldova

\$ 13,960

Training on project design and administration for leaders of Women's NGOs, members of the Women's Organisations Forum. Project implemented by CONTACT Center, June, 2000

\$ 450

Women and Mass Media

Ten Plus Women's Journalists Club. The Club has monthly meetings where decision making persons dealing with problems concerning women are invited. Other activities include: publishing of the Ten Plus bulletin (four issues); initiating and supporting the anti-breast

cancer and anti-violence campaign; setting up a prize for the best journalists who are writing about women's problems. At the end of 1999 the Club changed its statute and was registered as a non-governmental organization. The Club will continue its activity by publishing the bulletin and organising monthly meetings. Project director Lidia BOBÎNA, reporter at the National Radio

\$ 8,150

Competition for the mass media representatives writing on female issues

The winners were:

Viorica CUCEREANU-BOGATU – first prize (200 USD), Teleradio-Moldova State Company

Larisa UNGUREANU – second prize (150 USD), editor-in- chief of *Lanterna Magica* (newspaper)

Liuba CATRINICI – third prize (75 USD), editor-in-chief of *Cuvîntul* (newspaper) from Rezina

Alina SLONINOV, third prize (75 USD), journalist at the Radio Moldova International

Book Translation and Publishing

Sexual Policies and the European Union, The New Feminist Challenge, R. Amy Elman, Tehnica-info Publishing House, director A. MARIN

Our Bodies, Ourselves for the New Century: A Book by and for Women, Boston Women's Health Book Collective, Litera Publishing House, director Anatol VIDRAȘCU

Sacrificing Ourselves for Love, Boston Women's Book Collective, Museum Publishing House, director Iurie COLESNIC. (Matching funds project with Network Translation Program, OSI, Budapest).

Women's Program Administration Expenditures

\$ 9,070

Women's Program Expenditures

\$ 75,584

Total

\$ 84,654



CIVIL SOCIETY

The Civil Society Program fosters the essential norms of a civil society: individual rights, free association, the opening of public and private sectors, legality, options, initiative, as well as supporting the creation of mechanisms for social control and influence over the

state and its institutions. The projects performed in 1999 aimed to support Moldovan NGOs' activity, as well as establishing contacts between them and various foreign institutions. Supported projects were to respond to certain community needs, be innovative, provide models, and contribute to the promotion of NGO activity and citizen involvement.

Open Competition for NGO Projects Support

Support for Social and Psychological Training and Assistance Center for Big Families

Future NGO, Bălți, project director Svetlana RÎJICOVA

The resource center situated in Bălți provides consulting to social workers, teachers, and psychologists working with families with many children.

(Co-financed by UNICEF)

\$ 1,442

International Seminar: The Human Right to a Fair Trial

Helsinki Committee for Human Rights, Valentina ODAGIU

The goals of the seminar were: to promote human rights international standards, to support the dialogue between the representatives of state institutions and human rights advocates from the non-governmental sector. Participants: judges, public officers, policemen, NGOs activists.

(Co-financing: International Helsinki Federation – 1,511USD)

\$ 2,267

Publishing of the Economic Courier Weekly Newsletter

The Association of the Economists from Moldova, project director Didina ȚĂRUȘ

The Economic Courier is an economic publication in Romanian, that discusses a variety of issues including structural reforms, capital market, budgetary policy, agricultural privatization, local government reform, etc.

\$ 5,001.63

Monthly Seminar on National Economic Reform

The Representation of the International Union of the Economists in Moldova, project director Mihai PATRAȘ

The seminar has been organized since March in the World Bank office. The goal of the seminar is to discuss the current bank, financial, international trade and other issues regarding the economy of Moldova. Professionals from Moldova representing the public sector and international organizations that work in

Moldova: IBRD, IMF, EBRD, UNDP, representatives of the foreign embassies participate at the seminar. 10 sessions a year are scheduled. The concluding documents will be sent to the decision-making bodies: the president, parliament, ministries, departments.

(Co-financed by IBRD)

\$ 1,499.20

Consulting Center for Farmers from Soroca County

National Farmers Federation from Moldova, project director Vasile MÎRZENCO

The Center's objectives are: collection and dissemination of information, consulting, training and other services. Farmers from these regions will benefit from legal information on establishing and registration procedure and activity of peasant farms, as well as economic and technological information, marketing, management, etc. They plan to collaborate with the AGROinform Centers and ARA.

\$ 9,000

AgraVista Seminars

CONTACT Center, Eugen MASLOV

The goal of the project is to train trainers from Bălți, Comrat, Cahul, Soroca and Chișinău on the Implementation of the AgraVista database. 125 persons were trained in 4 seminars. The information about AgraVista is disseminated in rural regions. The beneficiaries of the project are farmers, NGOs and businesses that work in agriculture, and other AgraVista's users.

\$ 1,000

Support for the Scientific Journal Scripta Scientiarum Mathematicarum

Society of Topology, project director Petre OSMĂTESCU

The journal is a 200 page scientific periodical with a print run of 500 copies.

\$ 3,008.90

Nature – an Unlimited Source of Life

The Ecological Movement, Ungheni, project director Nicolae COZMOLICI

The event included competitions, poetry reading, etc. It was organized at M. Eminescu Lyceum, Ungheni, on April 25, 1999 and the participants were students and other young people from the region.

\$ 425.33

Together

Youth for the Right to Life Association, project director Antonia FONARI

The goal of the project is to raise awareness of the mass media on the issue of social exclusion of teenagers. A series of radio programs in collaboration with Antena C radio station are to be produced and

broadcast. The programs will reflect the real situation and the danger caused by drug, alcohol, and tobacco consumption, as well as sexually transmitted diseases, helping teenagers to be cautious when they choose their partners and advocating for a healthy life style.

\$ 1,018

Pluralism Center

Civic and Political Culture Association from Moldova, project director Radu GORINCIOI

The project Pluralism Center is addressed to all the university students from Chișinău. The goal of the project is to support active participation of the young people in society through organizing debates, simulation games, etc.

(Co-financed by SUM)

\$ 1,139.67

Citizens and the Legal Framework of Elections in Moldova

Mostenitorii NGO, Bălți, project director Nicolae MOSCALU

The goal of the project is to acquaint citizens with the election legislation and to observe the electoral campaigns and the elections. To this end, observers were trained to conduct observation on the election day, information materials regarding the responsibilities of the voters for the decisions they take when voting were published, and local mass media was involved in promoting the relevant legislation.

\$ 1,637

Early Diagnosis and Rehabilitation of Deaf Children

The Association of Deaf Children from Moldova, project director Veronica CĂPĂȚICI

The objective of the project is to provide early diagnosis of child's disability. Rehabilitation activities and some medical and social assistance for children, as well as their social integration are also planned.

(Co-financed by Caritas International, Pharmacies sans Frontiers, Lions International, French Embassy)

\$ 5,000

First International Festival of Romanians, August 27-31, 1999

Egea-Moldova Association of Geography and Ethnology, project director Dorin LOZOVANU

The project includes the following activities: folk events, workshops of painters, handicraft artists; a symposium, a press conference, TV and radio programs.

\$ 500.35

The Second Forum of the Non-governmental Organizations from Moldova

CONTACT Center, project director Aliona NICULIȚĂ

The goal of the project was to create a favorable

environment for discussions with the participation of NGOs, state sector, and representatives of international NGOs. Another goal of the forum was to develop the future strategy for the non-governmental sector.

(Co-financed by World Bank, Dutch Embassy, other donors)

\$ 10,000

Creating of a Database of Students from Higher Education Institutions in the Republic of Moldova

Association of Students from Economy and Management, project director Grigorie PETRENCO

The aim of the project was to facilitate the employment of students and graduates and to provide an operational link between potential employees and students.

\$ 1,000.17

Center for HIV/AIDS Prevention in the North of Moldova

Bălți Branch of the Youth for the Right to Life Association, project director Ina BIRIUCOV

This center received one year financial assistance to implement AIDS prevention activities in the north of Moldova with NGOs joint efforts: a hot line, seminars and training in schools, publishing information materials, a rock concert and a NO AIDS summer marathon.

(Co-financed by UNDP and USIS)

\$ 780.80

Est – West Youth Exchange

National Youth Council of Moldova, project director Sergiu MUSTEAȚĂ

The aim of the project is to train youth leaders in the development and promotion of a youth policy following the EU and Council of Europe principles: democracy, human rights, rule of law, tolerance, pluralism, social cohesion, etc. Thirty-five youth leaders from Moldova were trained.

(Co-financed by Youth and Sport Department)

\$ 1,770.51

Education for Development

Juventus Youth Association, Bălți, project director Alexandru VASILCECO

The project objectives were to teach the youth their rights, develop their communication abilities, encourage a constructive decision-making, prevent risks and effects of abuse, and keep a sound life-style. Workshops for training of trainers and seminars in schools were organized. Beneficiaries of the project were 3750 students and 200 children.

\$ 1,898.30

National Conference on Social Integration of Disabled Persons, Chișinău, October 14, 1999

Management and Insurance in Medicine Associ-

ation, project director Valeriu SAVA

The conference presented materials and reports on human rights, including the right to life and medical assistance, international legislation concerning disabled, international protection models, rehabilitation and social integration of disabled, the role of the state in creating a favorable environment for the protection of disabled and their social integration through education, getting a profession and employment, the role of NGOs and mass media in social integration of the disabled. The current situation in Moldova was examined, searching for solutions to improve the status of disabled persons in Moldova. The conference gathered about 50 participants, representatives of the government, presidency, parliament, non-governmental sector, sociologists, teachers, economists, businessmen, etc.

\$ 800.19

Human Rights in Moldova and the Transnistrian Issue Seminar, September 22-26, 1999

Helsinki Committee for Human Rights, project director Stefan URÎTU

The International Helsinki Federation is currently implementing a big project, which aims to provide Helsinki Committees the opportunities to observe human rights protection in their countries, to involve officials, civil society leaders and mass media in a dialog on ways to improve the situation and to present the concluding reports to important international organizations. The project has two types of activities: seminars which examine important issues of human rights and investigation missions to study the nine-year old Transnistrian conflict, as well as to develop strategies to settle it.

(Co-financed by International Helsinki Federation)

\$ 1,997.51

Human Rights and Sexual Minorities in Moldova

GenderDoc-M Information Center, project director Natalia ESMANCIUC

The project aimed to raise public awareness of sexual minority groups' issues and advocate for changes in the legal framework in order to exclude discrimination of sexual minorities. The project activities include round tables, creating a web page, organizing two seminars.

\$ 3,260

A Step to Dialog

Center for Social and Cultural Development and Cooperation, Comrat, project director Sergiu NEICOVCEN

The project contains a program of intercultural education, based on mutual recognition and respect.

\$ 1,979.80

A Civil Lifestyle for Retired Military Officers

League of Army Veterans from the Republic of Moldova, project director Igor IVANOV

The aim of the project was to train retired military officers in management, accounting and finances, marketing and modern foreign languages, and to provide assistance in creating firms and other private activities, employing 150-200 former military. In order to achieve these goals the League collaborates with NGOs, the local public administration, etc.

\$ 4,130

Training Volunteers to Provide Assistance to Elderly People in Bălți

The Second Breath for the Elderly NGO, Bălți, project director Irina BAICALOV

The aim of the project is to train two teams of volunteers: social employees and nurses, to assist and take care of the elderly.

\$ 1,797

Protection of National Minorities Rights: National and International Legal Framework Seminar, November 9-11, 1999

Russian Community in Moldova, project director Ivan STEPANENCO

The project objectives were: to contribute to the improvement of inter-ethnic relationships and consolidation of civil society, thus ensuring social integrity. The seminar was held in Chişinău, Bălți and Cahul, with about 400 participants. After the seminar an activity plan was developed to implement the Convention on Protecting National Minorities in the Republic of Moldova.

(Co-financed by Council of Europe, Russian Community, Azeri Center, Department for National Relations, Bălți County Council, Comrat Mayoralty)

\$ 760

Projects Financed through a Grant Received by SFM from East - West Management Institute, New York**The Germans in Moldova Conference**

The Republican Community of the Germans from Moldova, project director Inessa LVINA

The project aims to raise public awareness of issues confronted by the German minority in Moldova.

(Co-financed by the National Relations Department)

\$ 500

I Have the Right to Rights

Educational Center for Democracy, project director: Angela TIH

The goal of the project is to foster human rights education of the young generation through a teacher-student-parent partnership. The implementation strat-

egy includes seminars, meetings, informational campaigns, consulting, publishing of an informational bulletin, training of 30 school teachers, publishing of the guide: Children Human Rights Education, etc.

\$ 3,599.04

Education for Democratic Citizenship

European Youth Exchange Association – Moldova, project director Iosif MOLDOVANU

Project objectives were: to support pluralistic and democratic structures which represent children and young people from local to national level which would build a dialog between representatives of the civil society and the decision-makers.

(Co-financed by USIS and UNICEF Moldova)

\$ 4,502.40

“Risc” District Club for Economic Education

“Risc” Club for Economic Education, project director Ludmila NAGRINEAC

This project, implemented in collaboration with the Junior Achievement Moldova, aimed at supporting the initiative and creativity of youth through study and practical application of entrepreneurial and managerial abilities. The implementation of the project includes plan discussions, role playing games, case studies, training and projects.

\$ 3,370

Supporting Disabled Children

The Association Supporting Disabled Children, project director Lucia GAVRILITĂ

The association needed equipment in order to improve its efficiency and organizational work on publishing of the informational bulletin for parents, establishing partnerships, seeking funds, writing projects, developing presentations, new educational techniques for disabled children using special computer programs, training the children in using the computer and the Internet, developing the association's web site <http://www.ascph.ngo.md>

\$ 4,000

The Refugium Bulletin

The Society for Refugees of the Republic of Moldova, project director Mihai POTORAC

The Refugium Bulletin is targeted primarily for refugees and aims to contribute to the improvement of their legal status, as well as to provide legal assistance. The newsletter informs the public opinion and the authorities about the refugees' issues, publishes legal documents and draft laws.

\$ 5,000

Hanti

Association of the Disabled from Străşeni, project director Raisa COLEAGHIN

The aim of the project is to educate disabled persons in issues concerning their rights, as well as providing consulting and assistance in legal cases.

(Co-financed by the Association of Disabled Persons from Strășeni and Strășeni Mayor's office)

\$ 1,340

Equipment Grant for S.V. IERGEN Republican Fund of Charity for Blind People and People with Poor Sight

S.V. IERGEN Republican Fund of Charity for Blind People and People with Poor Sight, project director Ion NEGREI

The project is promoting the mission of the Fund and is searching ways to help the disabled. A database of people who require support was created. The project includes organizing training courses in the use of specialized equipment for the blinds.

\$ 3,153.95

The Independent Life (Viața Independentă)

Association of People with Myopathic Disabilities, project director Vitalie TONU

The project's goal was establishing of an informational and consulting center for disabled persons – The Independent Life.

During the project implementation collaboration relationships were developed with the Information Center of the Council of Europe from the Republic of Moldova, with international organizations which promote the independent life of disabled persons: the European Disability Forum, Mobility International, DPI, EAMDA, WAMDA, the Independent Life Center from Ireland.

The Center provides information to disabled persons through consulting, individual discussions, conferences, seminars, a computer school familiarizing with the Internet and e-mail.

(Co-financed by EWMI – 2,350.29 USD and SFM – 2,650 USD)

Center for Education and Information of the Public on STD

The Info-Aids Center, project director Arcadie COVALIOV

The Center's program of activity includes a better information of the population on:

- the STD prevailing among youth and the consequences of these diseases
- prevention of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases
- the role of drugs and drug addiction in spreading of STDs
- educating the children and youth and establishing a better relationship between school, doctors, and public servants
- promote good models based on strong families.

The target audience was teenagers, young families, single women, teachers, doctors, public servants, businessmen, etc.

(Co-financed by the World Bank)

\$ 1,800

Program Administration \$ 1,667.86

Participation at Seminars and Conferences

Special Olympics, North Carolina, USA, June 21 – July 6, 1999

Project director Nicolae BĂRBIERU

The national team of disabled children from Moldova participated at the 10th Summer Olympic Games of children with mental disability.

\$ 6,000.02

Internship at the European Youth Forum, Council of Europe, September 27– October 10, 1999, Strasbourg
Natalia VASILENCIUC \$ 54

Participation at the International Seminar: Europe and the World, International European Training Center, Berlin, Germany, September 20-25, 1999

Dorin PEREU \$ 263.68

Prevention Diplomacy and Peace Keeping Scholarship Program, Burg Schleining, Austria, June 21 – July 2, 1999

Oazu NANTOI \$ 400.05

Rural Development in Central and Eastern Europe International Conference, Poprad, Slovakia, December 6-9, 1999

Valeriu SPÎNU \$ 217.54

International Summit of the Leonardo da Vinci Program of the European Union, Paris, France, October 13-17, 1999

Ilie NASU \$ 528.78

Human Rights Scholarship Program, Utica College, Syracuse University

Natalia MARDARI, Helsinki Committee for Human Rights \$ 2,180

FAR'99 NGO Forum, Romania, June 11-13, 1999

CONTACT Center, project director Igor GROȘU, 4 persons \$ 566

Vision'99 Conference and the World Summit of Blind Persons, Organized by Lighthouse International and the World Blind Union, July 12-16, 1999, New York, USA

Dumitru SCLIFOS \$ 793.36

Multilateral Seminar for Youth Leaders, Holloko, Hungary, July 28-August 5, 1999 Sorin HANGANU, European Youth Exchange Association	\$ 110.78
ISFIT-99 International Student Festival, Trondheim, Norway, March, 5-14, 1999 Cezara CIORICI	\$ 551.15
European Coordinating Committee Meeting on Documentation of Human Rights Observation, Berlin, Germany, March 17-21, 1999 Valentina ODAGIU, Helsinki Committee for Human Rights	\$ 808.61
Study Trip to China, May 2-10, 1999 Nicolae CHIRTOACĂ	\$ 829.9
Youth Exchange Program Training, Vienna, Austria, February 2-8, 1999 Alexandru VASILCENCO	\$ 74.03
Ciuvas Days Celebration, June 24, 1999, Ciuvas Republic Iurie SOLOVIOV, Ciuvas Community in Moldova	\$ 100.03
European Network Regarding Patients Rights International Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, April 21-24, 1999 Valeriu SAVA	\$ 454.26
Total	\$ 13,932

Internet 2000

The program aims to facilitate the electronic communication for NGOs, encouraging the use of the Internet in the NGO activity. The Internet program started in 1997 and continued throughout 1998 and 1999. Forty organizations won the competition for connectivity. The evaluation of the program revealed the need to continue it in 2000. The Soros Foundation offered unlimited dial-up access to Internet program beneficiaries. NGOs can have an unlimited number of e-mail accounts, can use the licensed version of The BAT! and have the possibility to create a Web page. Soros Foundation Moldova will cover all Internet/e-mail expenses, except phone bills, which have to be covered by the beneficiaries. Connectivity is provided only for singular PCs, and not for networks. The Civil Society Program board selected the beneficiaries.

Beneficiaries in 2000:

Helsinki Committee for Human Rights
SIEDO Independent Society for Human Rights Education

The National Center for Prevention of Child Abuse
For a World without Arms Pacifist Movement
Save the Children Organization
Inqua - Moldova Scientific Association
Counterpart Social Entrepreneurial and Investments Center
The Foundation for Political Culture
The Ecological Movement of Moldova
The Association of Accountants and Professional Auditors
Management Consulting Institute
The CIVIS Center for Sociological Analysis and Investigations
Junior Achievement Moldova
The Scientific Center of the International Academy for Nature and Society Sciences
The Euro-Atlantic Center of Moldova
The National Federation of Farmers from Moldova
Miopathy Disabled Association, Natalia Buga
Invingere-Preodolenie Charity Fund (1998 Budget)

Public Opinion Barometer

In order to promote correct and transparent mechanisms of reflecting social, political and economic life, as mechanisms of access to information for the Civil Society, the Soros Foundation Moldova launched in 1998 the program of public opinion investigation – The Public Opinion Barometer.

The first 2 surveys were conducted in 1998 by the Center for Urban and Rural Sociology (CURS) Bucharest and the Institute of Marketing and Surveys (IMAS), Bucharest in collaboration with SOCIOMOLDOVA Chisinau.

The spectrum of research areas includes: life standards and quality of life, political options, popularity and rating of main political parties and political personalities in the Republic of Moldova, economic and social policy of the Government, other issues of major interest.

In 1999 were organized: the Opinion Poll and the Seminar "Sociological Survey in the Transition Society", organized in collaboration with the Invisible College of Moldova.

The aim of the seminar with invited international experts was to initiate a discussion on the current situation and increase awareness of the responsibility undertaken by specialists conducting public opinion surveys. The main objective is to identify opportunities to overpass deficiencies in the work of sociological services in Moldova, to align them to international standards.

Implementation plan: learning foreign experience, management improvement of sociological surveys

Beneficiaries of the project: researchers, sociological campaigns, interested persons, students – sociologists, etc. \$ 7,000

The Big Friends, Little Friends of Moldova Program

BF/LF is a volunteer program implemented by the CONTACT Center. The program provides assistance to teenagers from single families with communication needs, behavioral problems due to the crisis in their families caused by divorce or other factors. The program is building a human relationships between a Volunteer (Big Friend) and the teenager (Little Friend), based on the one-to-one approach.

BF/LF is a part of the Big Brother, Big Sister (BB/BS) Network Program of the Volunteer Development Initiatives, Open Society Institute, New York.

To expand the program on the regional level the BF/LF Program carried out the following activities:

- Recruited the regional team of coordinators in Bălți, Soroca, Comrat, Cahul.
- Worked out the strategic plan of the BF/LF Program for 2000-2001
- Ensured the logistics of the Program
- Prepared the activity plan for 2000 on the national and regional levels
- The techniques and methods of program implementation were developed and improved
- An information/promotion campaign of the program was developed

\$ 30,847.20

The Volunteer Center

The active citizen, involved in public life is a major component of an open society. NGOs and volunteering are fundamental tools for citizen's participation in the life of the community.

CONTACT Center is implementing two volunteer programs: Volunteer Center and BF/LF Program. Volunteer Programs provide the opportunity to be involved in community service through volunteer work and to solve concrete community problems with community resources. Establishment and development of the Volunteer Center is an answer to the needs in information, consulting, training of NGOs, different institutions and citizens interested in participation and involvement in the volunteer movement from Moldova.

The Volunteer Center encourages citizens to be active, recognizes and appreciates actions and efforts of volunteers, initiates volunteer programs which meet community needs.

In 1999, the Volunteer Center implemented the following activities:

Promoted and encouraged volunteering in the Republic of Moldova by organizing the National Conference Volunteering – an Element of the Social Partnership in the Republic of Moldova, informing society, business, state, NGOs representatives about the

activity and volunteer movement abroad and in Moldova, September 30, 1999.

Provided training, recruitment and volunteer management services to NGOs and other interested institutions. Thus, two two-day seminars on Volunteer Management were conducted for 50 NGOs on August 3-4, September 16-17, 1999.

Organized meetings and trainings with volunteers interested in working with NGOs and other specialized institutions (monthly Volunteer Club).

Created a database on potential volunteers and a database of organizations willing to involve volunteers in their project

Recruiting volunteers for NGOs and interested institutions: VECTOR Center for the Protection of Vulnerable Population, Association of Social Protection of Women, International Federation of Red Cross in Moldova, Independent Journalism Center, etc.

Started and developed pilot volunteer programs to address concrete problems faced by local communities: a volunteer pilot project at the orphanage in Cahul municipality.

The Volunteer Center succeeded in building partnerships with international voluntary organizations through the network of Volunteer Centers in the Eastern and Central Europe, becoming a member of the International Association of Volunteer Effort (IAVE), co-operating with the UN Volunteer Program (Bonn, Germany)

\$ 20,000

Social Welfare

For Children in Moldova Fourth Charity Ball

The International Charity Association from Moldova

The aim of the annual charity ball of 1999 was to raise financial resources for treating TB affected children of Moldova.

\$ 2,500

Support for persons with disabilities

Ion PÎSLARU \$ 2,500

Mihai SERCEL \$ 2,500

The CONTACT Centers Network

In 1999 the network of the CONTACT Centers continued to offer assistance to NGOs from Moldova. The regional centers from Bălți, Soroca, Cahul, Comrat continued their activities by promoting projects that are initiated and implemented by the Chișinău office and all the branches of the CONTACT Center: Rural Development, NGOs Forum, AgraVista Database, Volunteer Center, Electronic Bulletin, and a program for national

minorities. The center promoted the following activities:

Training: CONTACT Centers conducted 37 seminars, most of them being organized in partnership with donor organizations and other NGOs.

Information: In 1999 CONTACT continued the publication of the CONTACT information newsletter. Information materials for the Center's library were also purchased. One of the most popular services is Internet. The CONTACT web page was visited by more than 18000 users. Monthly meetings of the NGOs clubs were organized in all CONTACT Centers, as well as Students'/ Volunteer's club meetings.

Consulting: More than 200 national and local NGOs were assisted by the Chişinău office and more than 100 by the regional offices.

Technical assistance: More than 1100 requests for technical assistance were satisfied: copies, phone, computer use for NGOs and for the initiative groups that intend to create an NGO.

\$ 17,500

Rural Development

CONTACT Center, project director Aliona NICULIȚĂ
(Co-financed by TACIS Program for Democracy)

Partner: the Foundation for Civil Society
Development - Romania

Time line: 3 years

The project started in April 1998, as a response to requests of non-governmental organizations and initiative groups from Moldovan regions and as a result of evaluating the projects developed by the CONTACT Center.

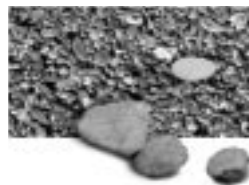
The objectives of the project are:

- to support local community leaders in creating non-governmental organizations
- to facilitate access of rural NGOs to national and international info resources
- to consolidate organizations' capacity through training and assistance

The geography of the project includes three areas in the northern part of Moldova and three in the south. The promotional campaign of the project includes video and audio clips, a booklet, the CONTACT bulletin, posters, and a conclusion briefing.

\$ 10,000

Program Administration Expenditures	\$ 9,149
Program Expenditures	\$ 145,036
Total	\$ 154,185



PARTICIPATION AT SCIENTIFIC CONGRESSES, CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIUMS AND SESSIONS

The purpose of this program is to facilitate the participation of academics from the Republic Moldova, including Ph.D. candidates, in various international meetings which take place outside the country to present a scientific paper in the field of fundamental and medical-biological sciences. In 1999 sixty-eight financial aid requests were submitted. Partial financial support was provided to forty candidates selected on a competitive basis.

International Conference: Modern Developments in Thermodynamics, Italy, April 18-23

Valentin MUSTEAȚĂ \$ 807.43

Scientific Symposium of the International Society of Optical Engineering, USA, April 5-9

Veaceslav PERJU \$ 1,175.23

Annual International Conference: SETAC-Europe, Germany, May 25-29

Oleg BOGDEVICI \$ 378.20

The III Congress of the German Archaeologists, Germany, May 25-30

Aurel ZANOCI \$ 618.95

The Specialised Colloquium: AMPERE EPR, NMR and NQR in Solid State Physics: Recent Trends, Italy, June 12-20

Ion GERU \$ 875.79

The V Congress of the European Association of Clinical Anatomy, Romania, June 3-5

Viorel NACU \$ 320

International Conference: Modelling and Simulation, Spain, May 14- 22

Petru OSMĂȚESCU \$ 700

International Symposium: Magnetism, Russia, June 20-24

Sergiu BARANOV \$ 126.89

World Congress: Solar Energy, Israel, July 4- 9

Eugenia BOBEICO \$ 633

International Conference: Mathematical Statistics, USA, May 19-23

Gheorghe MIȘCOI \$ 677.60

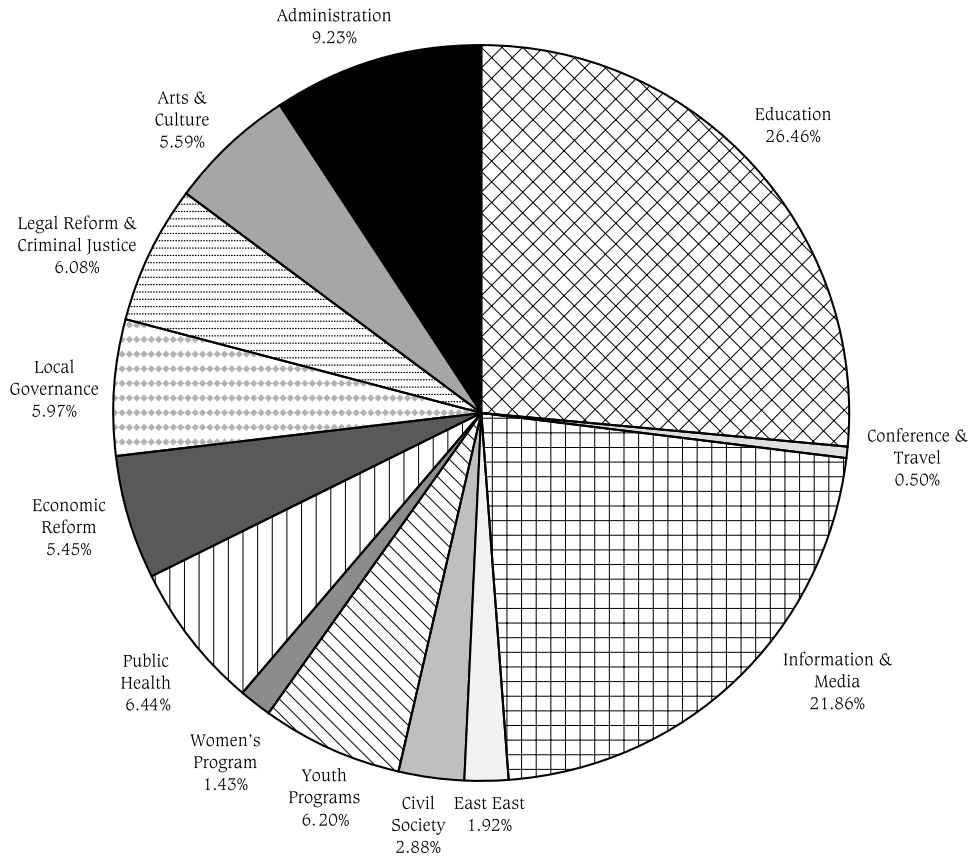
International Conference: LOOPS' 99, Czech Re-

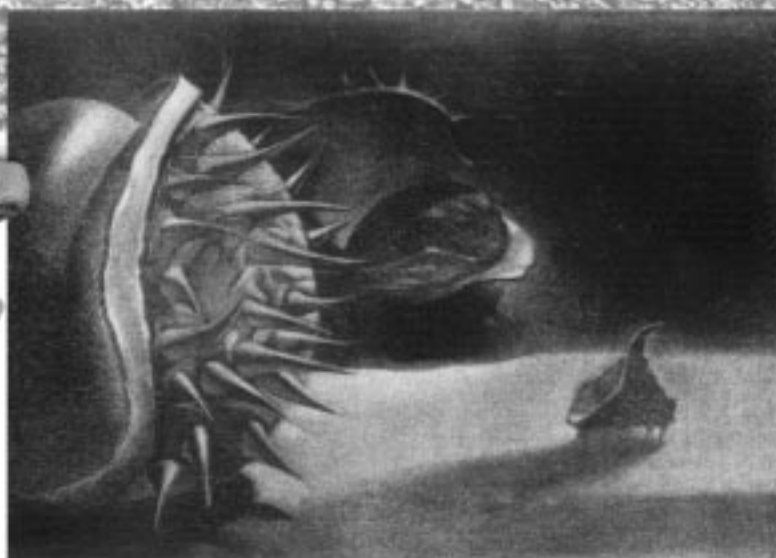
public, July 26 – August 1		Conference: Optical Engineering, USA, September 24-26	
Victor ȘCERBACOV	\$ 525.56	Igor CIAPURIN	\$ 488.56
Vladimir IZBAȘ	\$ 525.56		
Crasarm SCIUCHIN	\$ 525.56	Scientific Conference: ECOSS-18, Austria, September 21-24	
Parascovia SÎRBU	\$ 525.29	Natalia MALCOVA	\$ 604.42
International Symposium: Macrocyclical Chemistry, Spain, July 18-23		Scientific Symposium: FALK' 115 on the Contemporary Aspects of Hepatitis Maladies, Switzerland, October 20– 25	
Mihail REVENCO	\$ 502.43	Iulia LUPAȘCO	\$ 500.40
Nicolae GĂRBĂLĂU	\$ 502.43	Vlada-Tatiana DUMBRAVA	\$ 500.40
Conference: CARBON' 99, USA, July 11-16		Svetlana ȚURCANU	\$ 500.40
Ion DRANĂ	\$ 1,383	VI International Conference: Physiology and Pathology of Hearing, Poland, September 12-16	
International Conference: Ionic Gasses, Poland, July 1-16		Svetlana DIACOVA	\$ 330.75
Victor STANCIU	\$ 496.55	International Conference: Nephrology, USA, November 1-8	
European Congress of Neurologists, Portugal, September 7-11		Igor CODREANU	\$ 860
Vitalie LISNIC	\$ 648.09	General Conference of European Physical Society: EPS-11: Trends in Physics, Great Britain, September 6-10	
Annual SPIE Conference, USA, July 18-23		Alexandru FOCȘA	\$ 566.15
Boris CONSTANTINOV	\$ 1,243.70	International Symposium: Ecology, Romania, October 13– 15	
International Conference: Applied Algology, Italy, September 26 – October 1		Nicolae ȘOLTOIAN	\$ 72.69
Valeriu RUDIC	\$ 933.62	Symposium: Treaties of Karlowitz, Poland, October 19-21	
Natalia DUDNICENCO	\$ 651.62	Eduard BAIDAUS	\$ 144.23
International Symposium: Late Prehistoric Exploitation of the Eurasian Steppe, Great Britain, January 12-16		Conference: Ihtiopathology Laboratory, Russia, December 15-17	
Valentin DERGACIOV	\$ 715	Alexandru MOȘU	\$ 393.27
XXIV Congress of the American-Romanian Academy in the Field of Science and Art, Belgium, July 21-25		Program Administration	\$ 1,539
Veaceslav ZELENȚOV	\$ 630.16	Program Expenditures	\$ 26,426
Congress: EUROMAT' 99, Germany, September 26-30		Total	\$ 27,965
Vladimir ȚURCAN	\$ 759.73		
Conference: Electrical Insulation and Dielectric Phenomena, USA, October 17-21			
Oleg MOTORIN	\$ 1500.32		
Conference: Statistical Physics, Japan, November 8-12			
Nicolae ENACHI	\$ 1,437		
XXV National Session: Chemistry, Romania, October 6-8			
Eduard COROPCEAN	\$ 26.59		
Materials Research Society: MRS' 99, USA, November 29 – December 3			
Ion TIGHINEANU	\$ 1,441		

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\$ 5,302,980

Education	1,402,976
Conference & Travel	26,426
Information & Media	1,159,471
East East	101,918
Civil Society	152,515
Youth Programs	328,920
Women's Program	75,584
Public Health	341,337
Economic Reform	288,887
Local Governance	316,765
Legal Reform & Criminal Justice	322,263
Arts & Culture	296,650
Administration	489,268





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AESM	Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova
APAM	Academy of Public Administration of Moldova
ASM	Academy of Sciences of Moldova
ASU	Agrarian State University of Moldova
CCU	Co-operatist – Commercial University of Moldova
EAC	Educational Advising Center
FIUM	Free International University of Moldova
HUM	Humanities University of Moldova
IPPS	Institute of Pedagogical and Psychological Sciences
IPS	Institute of Physical Sciences
MES	Ministry of Education and Sciences of the Republic of Moldova
NIITT	National Institute for In-Service Teacher Training
NIPTS	National Institute of Physical Training and Sport
PA	Ștefan cel Mare Police Academy
SMPU	Nicolae Testemițanu State Medical and Pharmaceutical University
SPU	Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University in Chișinău
SUAM	State University of Arts of Moldova
SUB	Alecu Russo State University in Bălți
SUC	State University of Comrat
SUM	State University of Moldova
SUT	State University of Tiraspol
TUM	Technical University of Moldova

