



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT DURING OUR FIRST 10 YEARS OF ADVOCACY AND MATCHMAKING ON IMPACT PHILANTHROPY

We believe philanthropy can together with sustainable business empower women & men and solve challenges such as inequalities, illiteracy, climate change and jobs creation thanks to health, agro-ecology, true clean energy, smart housing and transportation infrastructures and local production of services and goods including through recycling, researches, technology transfer and innovation to switch from dependencies to win-win partnerships.

Dear Members, Partners and Friends,

Since the official launch of our exchange platform in impact philanthropy on 1st July 2011 with the masterclass on Women Water and Wisdom at the Legion d'Honneur Museum in Paris presided by Mrs Melissa Berman, CEO of Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, we could thanks to your contribution in time, know-how and means carry out our mission of matchmaking, fundraising facilitator and education-learning with philanthropists and social entrepreneurs.

In our courses at HEC Baillet-Latour Chair in Social Investment and in Philanthropy, Université de Luxembourg and International University of Monaco and speeches at Ernst & Young, KPMG, FLAG, Luxembourg for Family Office, EU Parliament, EUDEV DAYS, Cannes Festival, Africa Innovation Investment Forum, CIO-Mag, Crans Montana Africa Women's Forum, European Women Lawyers' Association and in our articles in [newspapers](#) and in our magazines, we have focused on the importance of the impact, autonomization and duplication in a philanthropic strategy. We had the honour to partner with impact companies and foundations (Aureum -on sustainable luxury in South America, African Biofuel and Renewable Energy Company Togo, International Polar Foundation owner of the 0 emission Princess Elisabeth in Antarctica, Global Philanthropy Forum, Nityaasha Foundation fighting diabetes in Pune, Belgian Federation of philanthropic foundations and the Council for Inclusive Capitalism) and financial institutions (banks and private equity platforms) in Europe, the GCC and Africa and have learned each action should have a social and or environmental dividend to be profitable in the long run for humanity.

In these worrying times of violence, human rights violation and insecurity as well as natural resources scarcity, we stand also with Ukraine. Our convictions and actions in the new decade are to advocate and to support education, innovative and social business and art which can contribute to conflict prevention, allow smart management of vital resources and fight against pollution, waste and deforestation.

Few examples show willingness, leadership and vision are indispensable to support human progress in gender equality, medical care and agri-business. [Foodprints](#) as says Philipp Kauffmann, CEO of [Original Beans](#) (from a recognised family of conservationists and nature explorers since 1795) which is a reference for partnerships with cocoa farmers. The African spirit of [Ubuntu](#) (the human virtues of compassion and humanity) has inspired Refilwe Ledwaba a social entrepreneur and qualified Pilot to start [the Girls Fly programme in Africa foundation](#) – an information and educational Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) programme focusing on aviation and space. Eli Lily supports the work of [Dr Marguerite de Clerck](#) in Kinshasa, initiator since 50 years of [Education Diabète et Santé](#) who equally considers medicine and [education to cure diabetes](#) -with the issue of cartoons, books and training of nurses-. Marine Issumo, founder of [Mephartech](#) which has enabled the [development of medical diagnosis in Katanga](#) has been nominated in 2017 at the Makutano awards for its good governance.

With our warm regards and encouragement,
Édénne, Chairwoman

Our selection of lessons learned

- *« I am not interested in making a little noise, I'm looking to change the paradigm ! »* Neema Namadamu, Founder of [Hero Women Rising](#)
- Runa Alam, co-founder of [DPI](#) is convinced of the role of the private sector and finance to tackle poverty and indignity in investing, creating companies, and helping in the long term.
- *"I think leading by example is more effective than just talking"* Prof. Tebello Nyokong of Medicinal Chemistry and Nanotechnology at Rhodes University in South Africa /[Nsesa Foundation](#)
- *"Because education, innovation and entrepreneurship matter to unlock human potential"* Pauline Koelbl-Mujawamariya, founder of [ShEquity](#) aiming to provide smart and sustainable investments for African female entrepreneurs and innovators with financial resources and operational support.
- **Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie** with notably a degree in Communication and Political Science, a Master's Degree in Creative Writing from Johns Hopkins University and a Master of Arts degree in African History from Yale University, is a story teller, author notably of the book *We should all be feminists* and founder of the [Farafina library](#). About the danger of single story, she mentions Nkali (a Nigerian concept meaning greater than an other) because *power is also the ability not only to tell the story of an other person but to make it the definitive story of that person.*
- **Pulane Tshabalala Kingston** fellow of the African Leadership Institute and founder of Mirai Rail Corporation is a qualified lawyer, entrepreneur, social activist and patron of the arts from female artists in particular. She has also served on Boards of NGOs including Zeitz Museum of Contemporary African Art and LALELA for arts education to at-risk youth. *Because art can encourage creative thinking and entrepreneurial spirit.*

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