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Dear partners and friends,

Thank you for staying with us in 2011. It was a critical year

for PAUCI Foundation. The various factors as global crisis, turmoil in euro zone, reversal of democracy in Ukraine and then failure of finalizing Association Agreement between Kyiv and EU generated in result the new, challenging environment for our work. We had to re-profile our priorities and react flexibly to the new situation. Ukrainian-Polish relations are also undergoing changes and become less intensive, but more pragmatic. Warsaw learnt that Ukrainian authorities have rather preferred to follow its narrow, internal political objectives than stick to the verbally declared path of Euro-integration.

PAUCI continued its cooperation with German and American partners co-organizing conferences and seminars in Kyiv, Washington, Berlin and Warsaw. Our expertise on system transformation in Eastern Europe (Ukraine and Moldova) was presented at seminars organized for civic society's leaders in Lebanon, Tunisia and Egypt. Through the PASOS network we managed to expand our list of contacts and exchange the experience with the partners from other parts of the world. We have produced new policy papers and got involved in organizing Warsaw based NGO group monitoring the Polish presidency of EU. PAUCI director was invited to join currently launched by Polish and Ukrainian MFA Partnership Forum. Foundation initiated review of the EU ENP progress report on Ukraine, what became the first non-governmental independent assessment of the EU Neighborhood policy. PAUCI together with other UA NGO-s was also involved in providing civil society's support for the Association Agreement negotiations.

Foreword by PAUCI Director:



Foundation continued to promote the energy efficiency in Ukraine. Two public awareness projects, two programs on energy waste with national TV channels, and number with regional media, contributed to better understanding of this problems among journalists, authorities and local population. PAUCI was one of few partners of EU Delegation in organizing EU Energy Efficiency Week in May 2011.

Although the environment we operate in became more difficult, thanks to the efforts of our donors, dedication of PAUCI personnel and support of the partners and Council Members we managed to complete the projects and prepared submission of the new grant applications for 2012. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all involved in our work. Thank you so much.

Jan Pieklo

PAUCI Mission:

The mission of the PAUCI Foundation is to build the capacity of Ukraine to integrate more closely with the European Union and NATO through the application of Polish and European experience and to facilitate extensive cross-border dissemination of knowledge and experience in key areas that impact human capital and civil society.

PAUCI Key Focus Areas:

- Advocacy for closer integration with Euro-Atlantic structures
- Civil Service/ Administrative and local government reform
- Youth empowerment
- Involving business to local communities development
- Energy security/ efficiency

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<u>Focus Area:</u> <u>Advocacy for Closer Integration with</u> <u>European and Euro-Atlantic Structures</u>

Together with Polish and German partners, PAUCI Foundation organizes regular events with participation of Ukrainian and foreign leading politicians, civic activists and experts on international relations, European Union and Euro-Atlantic structures.

Within the Eastern Partnership Initiative of the European Union we organize international meetings and experience exchanges.

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Seventh Kyiv Dialogue "Elections—Political Parties—Political Movements"

The development of relations between Ukraine and Germany is an important component of capacity building for European integration of Ukraine. Lack of understanding of the situation in Ukraine among German politicians and experts, a small number of contacts between communities leaders of both countries are the barriers that should be overcome. The idea for increasing the number of contacts at both, the narrow professional level and the general discussion level of bilateral cooperation, became the basis of series of public diplomacy forums titled: "Kyiv Dialogue".

"Kyiv Dialogues" were established and implemented pro bono for partner cooperation by an initiative group consisting of scientists, NGO representatives, journalists, Ukrainian and German Foundations representatives. Kyiv Dialogue series was founded by European Exchange from Berlin, Robert Bosch Foundation, Friedrich Naumann Foundation, German Ministry of Foreign Affairs, German Union of Eastern Europe Citizens, Heinrich Boell Foundation and PAUCI Foundation.

The topic of this year forum was "Elections – Political Parties – Political Movements". New electoral legislation of significant importance for the further development of the country was designed in 2011 in Ukraine. How the electoral process will look like, what the role of the civil society will be – these issues were discussed by Ukrainian and foreign experts at

the international forum "Seventh Kyiv Dialogue" on 2-3 of June in Kyiv.

During the Fifth Kiev Dialogue about 100 experts from several countries, public activists and

Ukrainian officials discussed a set of issues related to the electoral legislation and mechanisms of political parties financing. Participants discussed the situation related to introducing changes to the electoral legislation of Ukraine, functions and objectives of political parties and sources of their financing in different countries, role of mass media during pre-election campaigns, experience of observation during elections and role of watchdog organizations.

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Conference "Ukraine - 20 Years of Independence. Politics, Economy, Society"

The aim of the conference was to present and exchange views of opinion-forming circles from Poland, Germany and US on the policy towards Ukraine, promote dialogue and discuss Ukrainian issues in broader European/global context. The conference brought together a panel of reputable speakers form Poland, Ukraine, Germany and USA. They discussed the issues falling into three categories:

- 1. Political and economic situation of Ukraine and Association Agreement with EU
- 2. Ukraine in the world
- 3. Democracy, freedom of speech and human rights
- 4. The conference coincided in time with the unsuccessful EU-Ukraine summit in Kyiv. This gave the perfect timing for analyzing the very reasons of this political failure.

The conference was organized by the Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation PAUCI in co-operation with the several partners: Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (Germany), Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung (Germany), European Exchange gGmbH (Germany), Industrial Development Agency and funded by the Polish-German Co-operation Foundation.



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Euro-bus 4: "European Youth to Ukrainian Community"

Euro-bus has become an annual project following the celebration of Europe's days in Ukraine. Since 2007 PAUCI Foundation became a partner of the project and supported the project implementation in Poland and Ukraine. In May 2011 was the 4th time, when the Euro-bus tour traveled across Ukraine. A team of 12 young EU representatives and 3 Ukrainians made a trip across Ukraine for over two weeks. Each of 8 towns or villages, located on the Europe's days. Young participants conducted training sessions on Euro integration for high school pupils, disseminated information about the EU and European youth programs and, finally, helped to launch, with support of the local community, an initiative



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suggested by the youngsters at the preparatory trainings.

Promoting Cross-border Cooperation in the Russian-Ukrainian Neighborhood

This re-granting program that PAUCI Foundation has been implementing from February 2010 through February 2011 is based on the pilot program of 2008. It allows NGOs from 4 Ukrainian and 4 Russian border oblasts to implement joint projects in following fields: youth empowerment in small cities of the borderland, experience exchange in overcoming social problems, cultural cooperation in the borderland and co-

operation of local/regional mass media. The project was financed by national Endowment for Democracy.

Final conference "Cross-border cooperation of NGOs from Ukraine and Russia. Achievements and Prospects" was organized in Kharkiv on February 25-26, 2011. The general number of participants of the conference was 43 including grantees, their partners, other NGOs from 8 border oblasts of both countries and representatives of local authorities from Kharkiv. Grantees presented their achievements in establishing partner relations at the Russia-Ukraine borderland. They elaborated on new youth partner initiatives, journalists' investigations and mass media monitoring organized in the region and about experience of working with local authorities.

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Research and Analytical Activities

In 2010 PAUCI has become a member of the PASOS think-tank network (Policy Association for an Open Society). Since that time we produced couple of policy papers and participated in sharing our expertise on system transformation with NGO leaders from Eastern Europe, Arab countries and with democratic activists from Cuba.

Now, Foundation's staff pays more attention to an expert element of implemented project, building a base, that can be further presented as organization's original research product. We also underpin PAUCI Club Meetings with our research activities. The Foundation's field of expertise covers problems of EU – Ukraine and Poland – Ukraine relations. We also concentrate on Moldova's European integration's efforts as well as Russia's policies towards the EU and the so-called "shared neighborhood". On the other hand, PAUCI plans to develop more technical expertise connected with implemented projects, such as projects on public administration and energy efficiency.

PAUCI staff members are often invited to give comments on developments in Eastern Europe for Polish, Ukrainian and foreign media.

In 2011 PAUCI experts have prepared several analytical publications:

Jan Pieklo – "Perspectives of Polish – Romanian Bilateral Cooperation prior to the Polish EU Presidency" in cooperation with Agnes Nicolescu and Gabriel Szekely - July 2011, published by the European Institute of Romania:

http://www.ier.ro/documente/working_papers/ WP_30_WEBSITE.pdf

PAUCI in cooperation with Institute of Public Affairs in Warsaw participated in preparing the expertise on PL-UA relations.

Jan Pieklo wrote a chapter on Ukraine for Democracy Reporting International paper titled: "Democracy delayed: Obstacles in Political Transition"; publication was specially profiled for Egyptian civic movement activists:

http://www.democracy-reporting.org/files/

dri democracy delayed obstacles in political transition. pdf Furthermore, PAUCI participated in elaboration by a group of Polish think-tanks of the recommendation for Polish government for the period of its presidency in the Council of the EU. The articles were published in Polish daily "Gazeta Wyborcza", "The Economist" and they were guoted in Ukrainian media.

PAUCI director was invited to Beirut, Lebanon, for sharing our expertise on system transformation with the civic activists from Middle East and North African countries, then PAUCI participated in a series of meetings with Egyptian NGO leaders visiting Warsaw.



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PAUCI Club Meetings

Since 2005 PAUCI organizes expert seminars in Warsaw under "PAUCI Club Meetings" branding. Our partner for this project is "Poland & EU Foundation" led by Chris Bobinski, former "Financial Times" correspondent to Warsaw, now Member of the PAUCI Council.

- "Security of Poland in the light of WikiLeaks dispatches", (January 15). Keynote speakers were: Witold Waszczykowski (former deputy minister of foreign affairs and a head of the National Security Office), Igor Janke (journalist from "Rzeczpospolita") and Chris Bobinski.
- "Will we overcome the racism on football stadiums prior the European Football Championship Euro2012 in Poland and Ukraine?", (Feb 22). Keynote speaker: Rafał Pankowski the head of the "Never More" Association which belongs to the anti-racist European network. The organization cooperates with UEFA in prevention of racist behavior on European football stadiums.
- "Scenarios for Transnistria", (June 13). Guest speakers: Alyona Getmanchuk, Kataryna Zarembo - co-authors of the Institute of World Policy's (Ukraine) policy paper on Transnistria. "Scenarios for the Development of the Transnistria Conflict" is a policy paper which reviews possible scenarios, starting with the retention of the "status quo" and ending with Transnistrian independence. The paper concludes with compromise recommendations for all the parties involved. The project was prepared by the Institute of World Policy (Kyiv, Ukraine) in cooperation with four think-tanks from the Visegrad Group: PAUCI Foundation, the Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation (Poland), the Institute for Public Affairs (Slovakia), the Institute of Sociology of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (Hungary), and the Association for International Affairs (Czech Republic). The project was supported by the International Visegrad Fund and the Black Sea Trust, a project of the German Marshall Fund of the United States.

PAUCI Club Meetings

- "What kind of Eastern Policy in the context of the Arab Spring" (September 30th). Keynote speaker, Mr. Grzegorz Gromadzki, is the independent expert on EU internal policy and EU relations with neighboring countries. He worked for the Gazeta Wyborcza daily, the Center for Eastern Studies (governmental think-tank) and the Stefan Batory Foundation.
- "Turkey-Iran. The Great Gamble", (September 20th). The meeting was a reflection on a situation in the Middle East, especially in Syria where Turkey and Iran are competing for a geopolitical domination. The participants also discussed the influence of this policy on EU-Turkey relations. The keynote was Adam Balcer, expert from DemosEurope, think tank based in Warsaw.
- "Can intervention work?" (September 23rd) keynote speaker –was Mr. Gerald Knaus, the co-author (with British MP Rory Stewart) of "Can intervention work?" - a newly published book on the lessons to

be drawn from the foreign interventions in Bosnia and Afghanistan.

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"Security and Identity "Freedom and Peace" Movement (1985-1990) and its international activity." (7-8 October). Seminar organized by the Freedom and Peace Foundation in cooperation with PAUCI and other partners focused on human rights and democracy movement development.



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PAUCI in cooperation with the Polish Robert Schumann Foundation prepares regular (bi-weekly) newsletters focused on Polish, German and Ukrainian cooperation and promoting trilateral or bilateral events organized by NGOs, local governments and other institutions. The newsletter is prepared by volunteers in German, Ukrainian and Polish languages and is distributed by e-mail lists and via web-page. In 2011 the newsletter has been supported by the Konrad Adenauer Foundation.

Consultations for German partners

PAUCI had consulted the staff of the Middle German Network for Innovative Environmental Technologies (Mitteldeutsches Netzwerk für Innovative Umwelttechnik Inter.Research e.V.) from Bitterfeld-Wolfen in the land of Sachsen Anhalt on possible areas and partners for cooperation in Ukraine. In addition to the animated on line communication two personal meetings took place in Warsaw. PAUCI had planned and facilitated a joint study visit to the Poland/Ukraine borderland during which the local administration, academic institutions and NGOs were visited. In addition the German partners got familiar with the PAUCI involvement in the UPS CSR borderland program. The contacts between the partners are continued and ultimately should lead towards the joint activities conducted in Ukraine.

Evaluation of Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation (20 years of bilateral relations)

PAUCI Foundation initiated and facilitated the debate about Poland – Ukraine relations on the request of two important civil society support organization originated from the Open Society Institute: International Renaissance Foundation (Ukraine) and S. Batory Foundation (Poland). In the late October 2011, in Lviv (Ukraine) a meeting of the Boards of the two foundations took place in the presence of PAUCI Foundation representatives, as the experts.



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The participants conducted the review of the recent developments in the relations between Ukraine and EU and Poland and defined the particular risk factors. Taking them into consideration the parties reflected on particular activities which will have been undertaken to address the exist-

ing challenges. The meeting resulted in continuing contacts among participants which will, hopefully, led to future involvement into the common projects. PAUCI produced also a policy paper on Polish-Ukrainian relations + recommendations.

UA Quest Roundtable XII: Compelling Bilateral Ties/ Poland-Ukraine & Turkey-Ukraine

UA Quest Roundtable XII took place on October 19-20, 2011 in Washington, D.C. [on Capitol Hill]. The conference was the final installment of a trilogy of forums—a set of discussions dedicated to exploring Ukraine's historically most compelling bilateral relationships; work focused on Polish-Ukrainian and Turkish-Ukrainian ties—past, present and future. PAUCI was a partner for the CUSUR, the main US based organizer. Zbigniew Brzeziński delivered the key-note speech.

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<u>Focus Area:</u> <u>Implementation of Administrative and</u> <u>Local Government Reform Process</u>

Introducing of European standards to the civil service of Ukraine is an important part of the reforming process. PAUCI Foundation attracts Polish and Ukrainian experts for training of civil servants of the national level as well as representatives of local self-government. We prepares and publishes manuals for raising qualification level of civil servants in Ukraine.

PAUCI Foundation also implements projects that involve local self-government representatives from Poland, Germany and Moldova.

Building Public-Private Partnership to Ensure Sustainable Community Development

The project aimed at facilitating exchange of experience between policy makers and representatives of local governments from Moldova, Czech Republic and Poland in the field of publicprivate partnership (PPP) as well as developing policy recommendations and an action plan to create appropriate conditions for implementation of PPP in the Republic of Moldova.

The project implemented in 2010-2011 proposed a comprehensive approach to public-private partnership as a modern and effective tool for local communities' development. Through PPP it's possible



to transfer both, European Union's and specifically Polish and Czech experience to Moldova.

The study visits to Poland and Czech Republic gave Moldovans an opportunity to observe how PPP framework operates. They learnt about the practical aspects of public private partnership being exposed to all levels of action from NGO, business to public administration perspective. Taking into account Moldovan specifics, project partners focused on small/medium scale projects and symmetrical participation of small and medium enterprises in such projects. Both, regional and nation-wide perspective of the PPP. has been presented to the participants and discussed during international conference in Chisinau (participants from Moldova, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Romania).

The project increased awareness of opportunities and risks of PPP among

study participants. Polish and Czech experience in the field of PPP has been also discussed among participants in their own professional environment. New links and networks of bilateral and multilateral cooperation between public and private entities have been created.

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Project recommendations were discussed by the Moldovan Ministry of Economy and included into ministerial strategies.

The project was co-financed by East-East Partnership Beyond Borders Program of the S.Batory Foundation.





Good Governance in Chisinau and Local Government Reform Process

The project implemented in 2010-11 promoted good governance in the city of Chisinau. It especially focused on improving the quality of city financial management by introducing the performance budgeting model based on the experience of selected Polish cities.

The project activities covered the preparatory stage of the introduction of performance budget in Chisinau city (2010-2011). Activities of 2010 consisted of the series of trainings for Chisinau all-sector partners engaged in the budget formation process (decision makers, municipal budget specialists, management of the city budget's units, NGOs, enterprises). Trainings has been conducted by joint team of Polish and Moldovan experts and were supported by 2 study visits to Poland (Krakow, Warsaw, Tarnów, Krosno) and the internships of 2 key Chisinau budget specialists in Krakow, the first Polish city which introduced the performance



budget (1994). The 2010 activities has been summed-up during the seminar in Chisinau (December 2010).

In 2011 employees of budgetary units of Chisinau Municipal Administration prepared the first draft of the Chisinau performance budgets under the supervision of Polish and Moldovan experts (case study continuing training). These budgets has been presented on the preparatory meeting (October 2011, Chisinau).

As result of the project the main social partners in Chisinau have been prepared to introduce the performance budget - key Chisinau decision-makers supported reform of municipal budgeting (mayor, councilmen, city treasurer etc.). All the participants of the project become familiar with performance budgets, studied important principles of good governance, especially transparency of public finances, efficiency and rationality of expenditures, social participation in planning, monitoring and evaluation of budgets, striving to reach consensus.

The project was co-financed by the Polish Aid program of Polish MFA and by the Central European Initiative's Know-How Exchange Program.

Decentralization and Local Autonomy Development: Successful European Models for the Republic of Moldova

There are currently several models of decentralization that are largely discussed within Moldovan expert community and decision makers in order to prepare a reform that follows the "Rethink Moldova" governmental strategy. It was important to educate the Moldovan expert community and policy-makers on models implemented in Poland, Latvia and other post-communist countries (Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania). The Polish and Latvian models are considered to be guite successful and efficient, recording considerable results at local decision-making level and in communities' development, strengthening local government autonomy and contrib-



uting to the quality of public services' improvement.

Relving on the fact-based experience gained during two study visits to Poland and Latvia, the Moldovan experts are able to come up at the beginning of 2012 with recommendations, developing an appropriate model for implementing the decentralization reform in the Republic of Moldova. For that purpose, a larger discussion with participation of national and international experts from Poland, Latvia and other post-communist EU member countries (Hungary, Czech Republic and Slovakia) was secured during the roundtable conference and several workshops on specific issues that refer to the decentralization reform's implementation (decentralization of education, social protection and health systems, fiscal decentralization, decentralization of public property etc.).

The project was implemented by PAUCI in cooperation with partners from

Moldova (BCI) and Latvia (Corporate and Public Management Consulting Group); has been co-financed by East-East Partnership Beyond Borders Program of the Stefan Batory Foundation, Soros Foundations and by the UNDP-Moldova.

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The project increased awareness of advantages and opportunities of decentralization among its participants; and due to their positions – the experience has been also discussed in participants' professional environment. The important Moldovan decision and opinion makers became familiar with institutional framework, procedures and mechanisms of implementing administrative decentralization reforms in Poland, Latvia, Czech Republic and Slovakia. Areas of special interest were decentralization of education, social protection and health systems, fiscal decentralization, decentralization of public property. The work on the reform in Moldova is the most advanced in this areas.

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<u>Focus Area:</u> Youth Empowerment

PAUCI Foundation is one of the few Ukrainian NGOs that have accreditation to participate in the Youth in Action program of the EWuropean Union.

PAUCI Foundation involves young generation to its activities to make it use natural resources in a safe way. Schools are participants of different PAUCI projects on energy saving and environmental education. Youth projects were supported within grant initiatives of PAUCI Foundation at the Russian-Ukrainian borderland to improve communication between young people of the region.



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Establishing School Centers for Environmental Education

The aim of the project is to increase the community awareness about attitude to the natural resources of the planet through establishing school centers for environmental education in Ukraine. The objectives were: implementation of inno-



vative educational methods, equipping the schools with special information materials and demonstration sets for making analyses of the environment.

The project selected 10 regional schools and 3 more schools were selected by RUSAL Company. 13 School Centers were organized for Environmental Education to work for the needs of the local community. Four best centers additionally received either watching stations or extensive methodological support. Thermo visual analysis and in-depth seminars were conducted in the participat-

Within the project, Centers for Environmental Education implemented their pilot two-week public activity programs. The activity program comprised of training for community and authorities representatives, public events by pupils and their parents (quests, concerts, round tables, outdoor and charity events), press-conferences, work in groups to find alternative ways of energy saving and environmental protection.

Within the project's framework we produced **500** manuals for pupils "My School Saves the Climate on the Earth", **500** manual for teachers "Climate lectures", **13** methodological sets "Green-Pack". **500**

educational video-discs, 2500 posters in

different categories ("Save energy!", "Save water!", "Protect Earth from rubbish", "Environmental Year-poster", "Green Calendar"), **150** T-shirts; were provided **130** pieces of special research equipment.

СПОЖИВАЙ ЕНЕРГІЮ

The project was implemented with financial support of the US Embassy in Ukraine for 10 schools in different parts of Ukraine and with co-financing from the RUSAL Company for 3 schools of Mykolaiv and Mykolaiv Oblast.



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MOE Initiative is a network of 25 NGOs from Central and Eastern Europe (Germany, Poland, Belarus and Ukraine) aiming to support NGO partnership and development of joint international projects. The Initiative strengthens capacity of small organizations through sharing experience, implementation of joint projects, seminars in the sphere of culture, science and education inside the network and outside of it.

The main aim of the "In-MOE's Visit to Ukraine" was to find more active Ukrainian partners for expanding partner network, planning the new joint projects and identifying ways to support small NGOs in network.

Twelve representatives of the European Initiative MOE (<u>www.initiative-moe.de</u>) met with more than 20 representatives of youth NGOs from Kyiv and Kyiv Oblast to establish new contacts and inviting them to the international network. In general, MOE representatives had a tour covering 4 Ukrainian cities – Kyiv, Kharkiv, Donetsk and Simferopol that lasted from April 25 till May 2, 2011. Thanks to this project, small Ukrainian organizations got an opportunity to become members of MOE and receive informational and technical support from the network resources. Membership or partnership in this network strengthens capacity of Ukrainian NGOs and helps them to establish international contacts. One of the most important things for the youth organizations was sharing information on the European donor programs to support youth initiatives in the EU and Ukraine. The project provided methodical support to Ukrainian NGOs for building the capacity in international cooperation.



Support for Rural Schools in Western Ukraine

Since 2006, PAUCI Foundation implements this CSR/PPP projects initiated and financed by UPS (United Parcel Service). Project aims to upgrade the educational potential of rural schools located in the neighboring distance across the border in Po-

land and in Ukraine. The program supports the schools and communities from the areas located far away from the administrative and cultural centers.

Through the PPP mechanism and donorlocal community cooperation project enhances the participating schools material base and supports them also in their programmatic activities. As the first priority, the construction and furnishing of the school gyms was being provided, also the computer classrooms were completed. The second priority was to offer additional computer lessons, English and arts classes and purchase the educa-



Poland abandoned the project by the decision of the running community council. The students from Sierakosce who continue their education in the junior high school will be covered by the project services till their graduation. Promoting this project we cooperate with businesses, which provide donations in cash, furniture or computers. Each of the schools is on the different stage of project's development. All schools are located in Staryj Sambir

The school of Nyzhankovychi received a new gym, computer class and additional classes of art, IT, dance and music. With the support of our business partners, we also provide assistance for cross-border

Region, Carpathian mountains area.

visits of the youth from participating tional equipment. So far, PAUCI Foundation has Ukrainian and Polish schools as well as been developing the excursions to the exhibitions, concerts project in 4 rural schools and other cultural events. The school of in Ukraine and 2 Torganovychi was equipped with a computer lab with connection to the Internet. schools in Poland. Since The school of Holovetsko also received December 2011 the school of Sierakosce in the computer equipment, a new gym and in 2010 the brand new school bus. The School of Smerichka received so far the

new set of furniture. The School of Chyzhky village received a new computer lab at the beginning of 2011 and the school in Terlo a set of sport/tourism equipment. In December a set of computer equipment was delivered to St. Martin Shelter in Fastiv City (Kyiv Oblast).

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Within this program the best students are entitled to get stipends to continue education in the junior high school in the county town. Since the 2011 fall the university stipend ships for the best students are funded. Currently one student of the Jagiellonian University in Krakow is receiving such a stipend.

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<u>Focus Area:</u> <u>Energy Efficiency/ Energy Saving</u>

This area is of particular importance in Ukraine. For a number of years PAUCI Foundation has been carrying out specialized training for Ukrainian energy managers, teachers and journalists, organizing conferences and focused meetings with international experts.

Foundation cooperated with local authorities in Ukrainian cities to improve energy efficiency at the objects of communal property - to make thermomodernization, install heat meters and water saving equipment. PAUCI experts provide recommendations on improving thermal conditions of buildings based on thermovisual analysis.

EU Sustainable Energy Week

The EU Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) is organized by the Executive Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation (EACI) on behalf of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Energy. In April 2011 for the first time Ukraine joined the EU Sustainable Energy Week, Europe's key event for a more sustainable energy future. Between 11 and 15 April Kyiv, Lviv, Poltava and Kovel hosted events to show, promote and discuss energy efficiency and renewable energy.

The EU Sustainable Energy Week was aimed to demonstrate to businesses, decision-makers and the wider public that sustainable energy technologies are viable, cost-effective and good for the environment. The aim of PAUCI participation in this event was to share its multiyear experience of work in the sphere of energy efficiency and energy-saving with other participants.



On 13th of April, Kyiv City State Administration organized training for Heads of Offices and Rayon Administrations of the capital city. Energy saving projects coordinator of PAUCI Foundation lectured at the event and explained general issues and tendencies of energy supplies in Ukraine and in the world, demonstrated Polish experience in the sphere of safely resources consumption and energy management aspects. Participants became aware about major mistakes that Poland made in the process of thermo-modernization



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of buildings and municipal heating systems organization.

During the conference "Energy Efficiency – Ukrainian and European Cities Experience" that took place on the 14th of April in Radisson Blue Hotel, participants could hear the PAUCI Foundation's presentation of the Polish experience of energy saving for Ukraine.

During 14th -15th of April, PAUCI Foundation participated in NGO and EU Projects exhibition on energy saving solutions and technologies. PAUCI representatives told about our experience in educational projects implementation and cooperation with schools. At the PAUCI kiosk participants could receive handouts, posters, see snapshots made with a thermo vision camera and get answers to their questions concerning improvement of energy efficiency in the houses.

Improving Conditions for Pupils; Implementation of Demo Project on Raising Awareness on Energy Consumption in Schools

Most Ukrainian schools have installed heat meters that allow to measure use of energy accordingly to the level of consumption like it is done in Europe. However, almost 90% of schools don't have any weather-based regulation linked with heat metering, and schools are heated day and night, on week-days and week-ends, wasting up to 50% of heat.

The objective the project that PAUCI Foundation implemented in 2011 was to install heat regulation systems in schools, ensuring comfortable temperature conditions for studying and demonstrating how to save energy in schools. Two schools of Cherkasy and Korosten were selected for participating in the project. The project was implemented in cooperation with the Department of Education of the Cities Governments and installment of heat meters was co-financed by the City Councils (50:50). In general, co-financing from the city budgets of Cherkasy and Korosten was about 50 thousand UAH.

Municipalities of Cherkasy and Korosten received results of



thermo visual analysis made by PAUCI experts in the participating schools. Recommendations pack they received will assist them in improving energy management in schools.

Aside of the technical aspect, educa-

tion made a significant component of this school project. Following the given instructions high school pupils monitored water, electricity and heat consumptions in their schools using the installed meters.



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The early-bird results showed, that 2 months is enough to receive payback of all funds, thanks for reducing of energy consumption. Main outputs of the project, namely figures of heat energy savings in financial and physical rates, will be known at the end of winter 2012, when the heating season will come to its end.

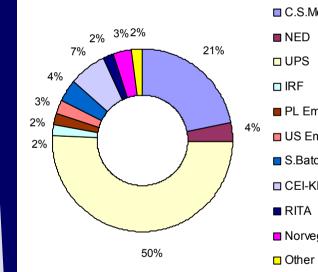
High school pupils monitored water, electricity and heat consumptions in their schools using the installed meters and then filled in the special charts that allowed observing dynamics of energy consumption. Besides that, pupils prepared various advices on how to save energy in everyday life and shared them with others. Based on the active pupils participation, schools received awards – new sensor taps and digital microscope kits.

The project was implemented with financial support of Polish Embassy in Ukraine and co-financed by City Council of Korosten and Cherkasy.

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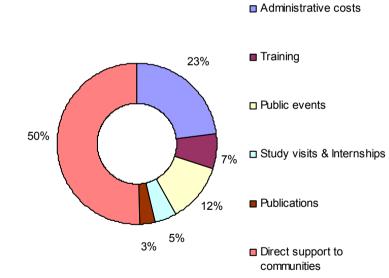
Income and Sources



Total income in 2011 is \$686.875



Expenditures



Total expenditures in 2011 is \$524.938

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Ukraine

- International Renaissance Foundation
- EU Delegation to Ukraine
- OSCE Project Coordinator in Ukraine
- Razumkov Centre
- Foundation of Regional Initiatives, Kharkiv branch
- RUSAL Company
- Youth Environmental Centre
- TORO Creative Union
- Foundations for Freedom
- Centre for Polish and European Studies of Kyiv-Mohila Academy
- T.Shevchenko National University
- ENGARDE Attorneys at Law Ltd.
- Municipalities of Cherkasy and Korosten

Poland

- Poland-EU Foundation
- Polish Robert Schuman Foundation
- Stefan Batory Foundation
- Polish Agency for Industrial Development
- SPL Company
- Nowa Europa Wschodnia
- The City of Warsaw
- the City of Krakow
- The Polish Foundation for Energy Efficiency
- Villa Decius Association
- Institute for Public Affairs
- The Centre for East European Studies at University of Warsaw

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- Robert Bosch Foundation
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- Friedrich Ebert Foundation
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- European Exchange
- DGO
- Deutsche Welle

Latvia

Corporate and Public Management Consulting Group

USA

- Centre for US-Ukraine Relations
- US-Ukraine Foundation
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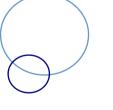
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