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Introduction

This annual report is a look back at the work and successes of ATD Fourth World Tanzania in 2013.

Through our various commitments we witnessed parents accessing their rights to obtain birth certificates for their children and send them to school. We spread the message of our movement, our vision, and deepened our understanding about extreme poverty in Tanzania and other countries. Together adults learnt how to read and write and we brought books and creative activities to children. Young people encouraged each other to succeed in their studies and commit themselves in their communities.

We cannot deny that the poorest people in our society still face the greatest hardships day after day, to find a safe place to raise their children, to know they will have food today, to feel pride in their achievements. As the grip of extreme poverty almost suffocates all hope from the lives of the poorest people, now more than ever we cannot fail in the greatest challenges facing us all today, to ensure all people live in peace and with dignity.



Part 1 – ATD Fourth World in Tanzania

ATD Fourth World is an international movement, with no religious or political affiliation, which was created in France in 1957. It is now present with a permanent team in 32 countries on five continents. People living in extreme poverty are at the centre of our movement, actively participating in the solutions to overcome extreme poverty, together we stand for the rights of all, creating public awareness and influencing public policies.

1. All Together in Dignity

ATD stands for "All Together in Dignity". These few words can summarize who we are, what we want and how we work. "All Together" is easily understandable, as it refers to the unity of the movement, as well as the necessity to join everyone's efforts to reach common objectives.

The concept of "Dignity" is more complicated, but fundamental to understand, as it represents the core of the ATD movement. Activists and friends explain that dignity refers to the value of every human being, as well as the respect everyone deserves. Dignity represents the essence of humanity; everyone has dignity. However, in many cases, human beings are not respected as such.



2. Structure of ATD in Tanzania

ATD started to work in Tanzania in 1999 and was registered as an association in 2009, under the Non Governmental Organisations Act of 2002 with the registration number NGO/00003447. It is part of the International Movement ATD Fourth World. ATD Tanzania is not a hierarchical organisation. It has different kinds of members and groups, which have different responsibilities but are interconnected.

2.1. The Activists

The activists are people living in extreme poverty. They have direct experience in fighting poverty in their daily life, but also helping others to overcome poverty. They are involved in activities with ATD. Most of them are living in Dar es Salaam, but some in other regions of Tanzania.



2.2. The Friends

The friends are people who may or may not experienced situations of extreme poverty, but are building links between their communities or professions and people living in extreme poverty. Some are already committed in other associations. They are all eager to support the movement and to commit themselves in a joint action with extremely poor people.

2.3. The Team

The team supports the activists and friends in the different actions and projects. It is also in charge of the administration of the association, and keeps close communication with the ATD international movement.

In 2013, the Team of ATD was composed of six permanent members: three Tanzanian and three Europeans who belong to the ATD permanent volunteer corps. In June, two ATD Volunteers returned to France after six years of living and working in Tanzania. The team now includes four members, three Tanzanian and one European.

2.4. The Advisory Group

A small group of ATD friends and activists meet regularly since September 2008. These very close members are the main witnesses and advisers of the development of the movement in the country.

In each of the 9 meetings held in 2013, the Advisory Group received and discussed updated information about ATD national and international activities. The group contributed in the Evaluation and Planning process.



2.5. The Young Friends Group

Since January 2010, a group of young friends of ATD meets to think together about the role of youth in building a fairer world. They come from different social backgrounds and neighbourhoods of Dar es Salaam.

In 2013, the Young Friends Group met every month. They discussed and supported each other in different ways and participated in the events organised in various locations. In December, they began to run a Street Library on the first Saturday of every month in Tandale.



3. Our vision, the eradication of extreme poverty

ATD's vision is the eradication of extreme poverty in order to build an inclusive society respectful of human dignity and human rights. ATD focuses on supporting extremely poor individuals and families through its grass-roots presence and involvement in poor communities, creating public awareness on extreme poverty and influencing policies to address it.

Extreme poverty is generally understood as a lack of economic income. This is obviously correct as money helps people to access basic needs and services such as food, water, housing, health care, education, etc. However, extreme poverty is a wider reality. It cannot be reduced to its economic aspect. ATD activists and friends explain that extreme poverty is also a situation where you depend on others to survive, where you are excluded from the community, where human rights are not respected, where you cannot speak out in front of people or where there is simply no hope for a better future.

4. Our way of working

The ATD movement supports people living in extreme poverty to access their rights and build partnership with different people and institutions. People living in extreme poverty are at the centre of the movement. Therefore, they actively participate in the solutions to overcome poverty.

4.1. Truthful listening and understanding

ATD members take the time to sit and listen to people living in extreme poverty. This is particularly important as most of the time their voices are unheard, even if they are the ones who know about their difficult situation. This is also part of dignity; all people have something to say and deserve to be listened to.

4.2. Coming together and thinking collectively

ATD brings together the poor and non poor in order to meet and know each other, to think about their situations, to share testimonies, to understand what are the causes and consequences of poverty. This is essential as people realize that they are not the only ones facing similar problems, that poverty is not natural, that they have rights, that other people are concerned about their situation. Coming together gives them confidence and hope.

4.3. Finding solutions

There is not a unique and easy solution to overcome extreme poverty, as it comes from persistent and structural political, social, economical and cultural injustices. Moreover, every individual situation is different and sometimes complex. However, solutions exist. Being together makes the people stronger. They realize that they have rights and that they can fight for them. All together, along with the experience and advices of the ATD team, they focus on achievable and sustainable solutions to their individual and common issues.



5. Where we work

In Tanzania, ATD concentrates its actions in three areas of Dar es Salaam: Tandale, Tegeta (Kunduchi and Boko) and the Magogoni Fishmarket. For over ten years, ATD has established relations with hundreds of persons and families living in these areas.

5.1. Tandale

Tandale is a neighbourhood of Dar es Salaam located between Sinza and Manzese. The people living there come from different social backgrounds. Some areas are especially poor and decried. For more than ten years, ATD has facilitated different kinds of activities and created links with about one hundred families.



5.2. Tegeta (Kunduchi and Boko)

Tegeta is a small town situated about 20 km north of Dar es Salaam. It is close to several stone quarries, such as Kunduchi and Boko, where thousands of people work as stone breakers or truck fillers. The people breaking stones are men and women, young and old, and even sometimes children. Most of them are very poor. Although they hope to leave this place because of the tough and precarious working conditions, they usually stay for many years.



5.3. Magogoni Fishmarket

The Magogoni Fishmarket is the biggest of Dar es Salaam. More than 3000 people work there, doing different jobs. Fifteen associations represent them: fish sellers, vegetables sellers, scalers, fish fryers, ice makers and sellers, firewood and charcoal sellers, among others. Some of them are very poor. Every day, they have to look for a small activity in order to be able to eat.



Part 2 – Our work in 2013

1. ATD priorities for 2013

Since 2010, the ATD team established the following four priorities. These priorities help the movement to focus its actions and projects. It is also useful to understand better what ATD wants to achieve in Tanzania.

- **Support the ATD members in the development of the ATD movement in Tanzania**

The development of the ATD movement and the empowerment of its members (activists and friends) are very important as they have to be the main leaders of the actions in Tanzania.

- **Support, through our activities and projects, the most disadvantaged people in the challenges they face**

ATD members take concrete action to support the poorest people. In 2013, as in previous years, ATD implemented projects related to the access of basic rights: children education, child birth registration and adult literacy.

- **Create closer links with the region and the world**

Because it is an international movement, ATD is in close contact with other ATD teams from different countries. It helps activists and friends to be aware of other situations of extreme poverty in different countries. It makes them realize that their commitment is part of a wider struggle against extreme poverty.

- **Consolidate our financial and administrative situation**

ATD is very committed to the good management of its administrative and financial aspects. It has also a strong financial ethic, ensuring that money is used properly and not misused in irrelevant activities. This is very important for ATD's own organisation and also when it comes to implementing projects. The financial report is presented in the annexes.

2. Summary of ATD projects and activities in 2013

The members of ATD continued the activities initiated in the previous years. Working together, extremely poor families gained the strength and capacity to access their rights to education, literacy and birth registration. We continued to build the ATD movement in Tanzania with the Advisory Group and the Young Friend Group. We also kept informed the ATD members by sending them regular newsletters. Finally, we finalized the evaluation and planning process and set the ATD ambitions for the following years.

2.1. Evaluation, Planning and Ambitions for the future

The members of ATD were involved in different ways in those processes. Some participated in individual interviews where they could share their points of view and feelings about ATD projects. Some participated in group meetings where they had the opportunity to react to the evaluation work and think about the future direction of ATD in Tanzania. Some were part of a small committee that worked specifically in the formulation of the ambitions of the movement.



At the end of the process, ATD members agreed on the following ambitions for the next four years:

- **Valuing all Humans as Equal – Priority to the Poorest**

ATD Fourth World's priority is to go step by step, word by word, with the poorest people in all we do. In order to create meaningful and trusting relationships we will open our hearts, minds and souls to know one another sincerely and continue our search for those who are missing. We must be respectful in our search for understanding the suffering they endure each day, and encourage society to learn of the efforts and gestures they make to build stronger communities.

- **Learning for Life**

The thirst for knowledge of people living in poverty of all ages is never diminished regardless of the hardships they face. We will deepen our understanding of all aspects of education and learning for life, starting at home, in the wider community, in schools and centres of further education. A priority will be to identify the efforts people living in poverty make and the barriers they face to succeed in their quest for knowledge. We must emphasize the joy of learning and encourage mutual participation and reject competition.

- **Young People – Carrying our Hopes**

At the very moment in life when young people crave the freedom to express themselves, individually and collectively, they face the challenge of responsibilities being thrust upon their young shoulders. We will encourage young people from all backgrounds to express themselves and follow their dreams. It is essential their actions are recognised within their communities as building peace and carry forward the hopes of their nation.

- **Creating an Inclusive World**

Our movement, our vision, is for the world, for poor and rich, for all humans to live in unity and peace, with dignity and in a sustainable way, we will enable people to understand and access their fundamental rights. To spread our message we will share our vision, starting with our neighbours, our communities and beyond. We will develop new partnerships and create new friendships with individuals and groups and through cooperation share the knowledge, ideas and skills we have for the benefit of all.

2.2. Access to School

Access to education is a fundamental human right. We believe it is one of the best ways to overcome poverty. It is key in giving the knowledge, skills and competence to understand different aspects of life, to socialise with different kinds of people, to get self confidence, to open the possibility of finding work and for children to understand and feel part of their community.



As in the previous years, ATD supported extremely poor children to access primary and secondary education. In 2013, we managed to support more than 50 children to start or attend school regularly. For many of these children this support included obtaining a birth certificate to assist in the procedure of school registration for the following year.

2.3. Birth Registration

Birth registration is very important because it means that a person "legally exists" and is recognised as a citizen by the State. Moreover it gives access and entitles people to rights such as education or formal employment. Parents have told us of the importance for their children to have this document and they see it as a step to overcoming extreme poverty.



In 2013, we continued the Birth Registration project. In Tegeta, ATD activists Venace, Shabani and Baba Meresiana were very active to support extremely poor families to obtain birth certificates. In Tandale, parents are encouraging each other to overcome challenges and find the necessary paperwork as the team visits different houses. In 2013, together we managed to register 176 children.

2.4. Adult Literacy Classes

Not being able to read and write is a huge disadvantage for people in all aspects of life. It creates a feeling of inferiority and makes the people vulnerable to all kinds of violations of their rights. Literacy helps people in many different aspects of life, such as being able to sign papers, read the direction of buses or read newspapers.



During the year, we organised two Adult Literacy classes. At the Fishmarket, the ATD activists Selemani and Hassan were the leaders of the class in which 15 adults participated in learning to read and write. In Kunduchi, 17 adults participated in the class, supported by activists Bi Agnes and Mr. Kasian.

2.5. Street Libraries

As most of the children don't have books at home, the Street Library becomes a special moment for them to listen to stories and participate by encouraging them to think and talk about the issues raised in the story. The children also enjoy singing and dancing, drawing activities and games.



The Street Library is also an important way for ATD to be known and trusted in the community of Tandale. It allows us to meet the parents of the children, to understand more about their lives, the efforts they are making and the challenges they are facing.

In 2013, we organised Street Libraries every Wednesday afternoon in Tandale. An average of 50 children, aged from 3 to 10, participated in these activities.

2.6. World Day to Overcome Extreme Poverty

Each year people all around the world commemorate the World Day to Overcome Extreme Poverty. In Tanzania, following the theme of 'Working together towards a world without discrimination', members of ATD were interviewed and gave their ideas on how to overcome discrimination, which were published in the October newsletter.



Delegates from Tandale and the team met with a hospital administrator to raise concerns of a mother who had faced discrimination. The outcome of this meeting was presented to the members of ATD, along with readings of testimonies, at a commemoration of the day at the ATD office.

2.7. Newsletters

In 2013, ATD sent 4 newsletters to 480 people in Tanzania. The target audience are people living in extreme poverty, civil servants, teachers, doctors, street government, religious leaders and NGOs, among others. Most of the people living in extreme poverty receive it by hand.

The objectives of the newsletter are to connect individuals and organisation who are committed in fighting against extreme poverty, to exchange testimonies and life experiences to make people living in extreme poverty feel less isolated, and to allow the voice of the poorest people to be heard, showing that they are the first actors in the fight to overcome extreme poverty.

Part 3 – Perspectives for 2014

In 2014 we will continue to work on our four priorities, paying special attention to the following:

1. Support the ATD members in the development of ATD Fourth World in Tanzania

- Encourage and assist the different concrete responsibilities taken by members of ATD in building the movement in Tanzania.
- Support the Young Friends group to review its mission and welcome new members.
- Continue to develop and strengthen the participation of the members in the Advisory Group,
- Maintain the links with the friends of ATD living far from Dar es Salaam.

2. Support, through our activities and projects, the most disadvantaged people in the challenges they face

- Maintain our contacts with people working at authority level, especially with those working close to the poorest people providing services linked to our activities.
- Support the poorest people to overcome the challenges they face to access their rights.
- Continue supporting very poor people to run concrete activities such as Adult Literacy Classes, Birth Registration, Access to School and Street Libraries.

3. Create closer links with the region and the world

- Maintain our presence in Swahili on the different websites of the movement
- Organise a delegation from ATD Tanzania to visit the friends of ATD in Congo and Rwanda
- Continue the training to allow members of ATD Tanzania to represent and build the movement within, and outside, their own country.

4. Consolidate financial and administrative situation

- Continue to raise the funds necessary to run our projects within Tanzania.
- Maintain the good relationships the team has built with donors over the previous years and try to establish new strands of funding for our activities.
- Continue the procedure to secure the documentation needed for the plot in Mwananyamala.
- Work on reinforcing the team with some young Tanzanians, as trainees, who besides supporting the team in its work, will also have the opportunity to make a concrete commitment to their country and benefit from training.

Annexe – Financial report

ATD projects of birth registration and adult literacy class were sponsored by Better Lives, Hilfe für Afrika, the Diplomatic Spouses Group, Twiga Cement and Molly's Network. We would like to thank these organizations for their support. We hope to continue these collaborations in the future.

In 2013, ATD was assessed and accredited by Molly's Network. Molly's Network is the first rigorous, independent assessment and accreditation scheme of small, local non-profit organisations in Tanzania. Through their assessments they identify highly effective and efficient organisations and award them Accreditation status. Accredited members are invited to display their accreditation stamp, which is supported by an assessment report (available upon request). The purpose is to use this external credibility to enhance relationships with existing partners and donors, and to attract new partners and donors.



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Tanzania

Expenditure		2012		2013	
		Euros	Tz Shilings	Euros	Tz Shilings
1, Office expenses		8,565.44	17,788,134	7,665.36	16,587,547
606110	Water	48.80	102,027	-16.86	-37,946
606120	Electricity and gas	138.38	283,881	260.36	555,327
606300	Maintenance and small equipment	41.05	85,976	481.51	1,029,869
613200	Rents	4,601.04	9,533,757	2,889.05	6,227,578
	Rents / Res- for depreciation	2,952.93	6,174,634	2,952.93	6,452,887
641110	Watchman salary	783.24	1,607,859	1,098.37	2,359,832
2, Secretariat		3,051.30	6,251,492	1,893.09	4,068,720
606320	Small equipment / computers	79.83	154,986	-	-
606400	Stationery / computers supplies	740.91	1,520,128	523.06	1,127,265
615700	Other maintenance	-	-	95.12	204,395
606800	Food and drinks for welcome	675.36	1,387,705	-	-
618200	Newspapers, information	71.88	148,696	38.72	82,513
623700	Printing / photocopies	419.79	867,214	756.31	1,624,922
626300	Stamps	362.80	748,597	292.68	627,489
626500	Telephone Fax Internet	269.68	551,245	187.59	403,272
616800	Health insurance (repatriation)	120.95	252,986	-	-
637400	Taxes payable abroad	106.83	218,543	-19.34	-42,546
618500	Books	203.27	401,392	18.95	41,410
3, Transport		6,001.30	12,144,984	3,110.13	6,745,698
606150	Petrol	385.61	794,609	240.16	514,907
615500	Motorbikes maintenance	246.36	510,295	114.68	246,331
616700	Motorbikes insurance	12.33	24,979	23.03	49,994
625110	Transport out the country	5,061.57	10,209,808	2,325.00	5,062,480
637200	Taxes (visas) + travel insurance	295.43	605,293	407.26	871,986
4, Activities		15,440.54	31,043,112	4,328.52	9,333,004
613500	Rents	85.95	179,986	-	-
650100	Transport for activities	905.93	1,888,513	555.03	1,196,816
650200	Financial support for the families	72.53	149,445	166.84	363,481
650250	Training for young people	2,609.69	5,375,117	477.71	1,039,181
650300	Food and drinks for activities	737.27	1,537,870	761.98	1,643,195
650400	Spending for activities	11,029.17	21,912,181	2,366.96	5,090,331
5, Team, trainees		26,246.35	53,803,925	14,059.30	30,369,508
Salaries (Volunteers in Tanzania)					
641100	Salaries Volunteers in country	2,361.02	4,835,875	-	-
645320	Retirement contrib. Volunteers in country	643.34	1,314,641	403.58	863,072
647810	Languages courses	676.50	1,387,602	-	-
Salaries (trainees in Tanzania)					
641420	Salaries trainees in country	2,569.00	5,267,632	2,330.09	5,023,115
Allowances (foreign Volunteers)					
641400	Allowances Volunteers out of country	12,387.00	25,086,500	5,323.01	11,366,104
645300	Social contrib. Volunteers out of country	7,602.36	15,896,681	6,002.62	13,117,217
648100	Diverse expenses for staff	7.13	14,994	-	-
6, Bank fees		149.13	304,638	106.25	228,663
627100	Bank services	149.13	304,638	106.25	228,663
Total expenditure		59,454.06	121,336,285	31,162.65	67,333,140
Loss on change		3,411.65	7,017,911	1,882.96	4,096,210
Writing off for office works		509.52	1,065,416	1,101.10	2,406,178
Writing off for motorbike		349.63	731,083	155.70	340,242
End of writing off (stolen motorbike)		286.89	599,892	-	-
Not spent on DSG grant		1,480.36	3,095,461	-	-
Total with investment		65,492.11	133,846,048	34,302.41	74,175,770

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		2012		2013	
Products		Euros	Tz Shillings	Euros	Tz Shillings
708800	Other selling / subscription	26.47	54,998	468.27	989,981
	Donation received at headquarters for Tz	-	-	160.00	349,639
754300	Donation received in country	1,406.53	2,889,952	135.77	287,925
744100	Grant received in country (DSG/BTC)	13,477.63	27,230,400	5,829.10	12,499,967
	Grant received in country (SFD)	15,000.00	31,365,292	-	-
755650	Expenses contribution	2,353.93	4,853,855	1,478.11	3,171,063
754200	Grant received in Europe (Hilfe fur Afrika)	1,000.00	1,941,456	1,000.00	2,156,255
	Grant committed for expenditure (DSG)	-	-	1,480.36	3,234,954
	Profit on change	3,157.91	6,271,999	1,205.04	2,544,703
Support from ATD Fourth World - Terre et Homme de Demain		29069.64	59,238,096	22545.76	48,941,283
Total products		65,492.11	133,846,048.00	34,302.41	74,175,770

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