Amren lost her parents, when she was still a little girl. She started living with a caretaker, who had to take care of 5 other children, including her own. Amren entered the program of long-distance adoption in 2005 when she was 9 years old and in the second year of elementary school. Thanks to the support of adoptive parent, she was able to finish both elementary and high school, both with very good grades. Nowadays, she is in second year of university, studying Bachelor’s degree in Law at the University of Nairobi.

That is just one of the stories of the project of long distance adoption. Other stories which show the benefits of the project have been collected and recorded as a part of the campaign: It makes sense! 15 years of powerful stories. AdopceAfrika.cz
Seminars Volunteers for Development

- Keep long-term volunteers and deepen mutual cooperation.
- Get new volunteers through organizing seminars „Volunteers for Development“.
- Create rules and a comprehensive manual for volunteers, who are interested in travelling to Kenya as a part of the Island of Hope project on Rusinga Island.

„Based on many years of experience with making the project a part of curriculum and the overall life of school, we can say it’s been very successful and beneficial. Our students get valuable information, they wouldn’t have access to otherwise. They are directly made a part of the organization and project realisation and they usually complete their tasks with great responsibility and enthusiasm. In this way, they share the ideas of respect and solidarity, while strengthening these values in themselves.” Mgr. Jana Táborková, Elementary language school Karlovy Vary, adoptive parent.
Centrum Narovinu was established in 1995. The goal of the project is to increase the level of the education, health care and overall quality of life in Kenya. Main scope of the activities are projects focusing on the development of the international collaboration and volunteering. All projects put strong emphasis on sustainability, self-sufficiency and active role of local people/community in taking responsibility for their own resources. Centrum Narovinu supports the campaign called Czech Republic against poverty.
ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2017

In the 1st trimester 2017 children were studying, in the 2nd trimester 1960 and in the 3rd trimester 1947.

In the 1st trimester, 119 kids attended the nursery, 694 pupils attended the primary, 762 students the high-school and 442 students studied at universities or colleges. The program supported 1081 girls and 936 boys.

The health insurance program provided health care for 905 children. The medical service was provided 709 times during the year. All the children went through a preventive medical examination. The project would not be possible without a support of many volunteers – 24 coordinators in the Czech Republic and 19 teams in Kenya. On top of that a great contribution has been provided by 3 interns.

Six adoptive parents visited children they support in Kenya.

Project in the Czech Republic

Getting the opportunity to go to school still presents a big challenge for children from the poor regions. These kids, and especially the girls, often don’t even finish the primary education. Without education, there is little hope for their better future though. More than 4000 students were supported through this program since 2002 – they became adult people who study or have finished their studies already. They have their jobs, they became responsible parents, they help as volunteers and they continue supporting their local communities.

African Child Adoption – Long Distance Support Project

Adoptive parents have realised 149 extra payments totalling 650 791 CZK covering additional needs of Kenyan families - especially food supplies, education-related costs, portable computers for students of universities and colleges - and financial support for starting small businesses.

Adoptive mother of Ruth Akinyi Kipasi (ID 51634) wanted to support the self-sufficiency of Ruth's big family in Kenya. The father is old and ill and so it is mainly the mother who is taking care of the girl’s 8 siblings. The adoptive mother wanted to provide the family with something of a lasting benefit. The family was given two cows supplying them with daily milk.

One young man who was supported through the program and still stays in touch with his adoptive parent came for a visit to the Czech Republic.

Victor comes from the Kibera slum. Thanks to the support, he finished education up to the college level. Victor has a job and a family in Kenya. As a gesture of his gratitude he decided to name his own son after his adoptive parent.
It’s Worth It! campaign - 15 years of powerful stories of AdopceAfrika.cz

„Každou minutu v Cindyho domově jsem si uvědomovala, jaká výsada je narodit se v Evropě a mít to privilegium „Every minute at Cindy’s home I was aware how lucky are those coming from Europe and how privileged I’m to be able to profoundly change not just a single person’s life, but a life of a whole family, who can start living a better future.” Evelína Milfortová, adoptive mother

„You are helping children to reach for the most important key in life which is education.” Hellen Amukoa Olukusi, a girl supported by the program

„I hope that children supported through the program will themselves become donors of other Kenyan children in the future. And thus the help will be coming from Kenya itself.” Asinah Hamisi Furukha, volunteer and coordinator

„The education in Kenya is primarily for boys, the majority of the girls finish just the 5th grade at best, just a few finish the primary school. I’m glad, because I’m studying a college already. I would like to help some child with education one day, so that he or she can fulfil his or her dreams.” Franciscah Ayako Amwai, a girl supported through the program

„No one would believe anything good can come from the slum areas. Children are studying at colleges and universities and they became an example to be followed for the rest of the community. I thank you for what you are doing for African children.” Alice Kavulani, volunteer and coordinator

„We live in a chaotic world. On a daily basis, populist media purposefully feed us with catastrophic news about approaching world disasters, worries about terrorism and fear of Islam. I made a free, autonomous decision to live in a world without fear and panic. And so I slowly, step by step, started trying to fight chaos, societal fear, and negative atmosphere by doing something good, helpful, and positive. With every letter from my adopted son who grows, prospers, is healthy and therefore can experience a little bit of common life happiness that we take for granted here, I get a good feeling full of clear conviction, that each one of us is capable of little help.” Bára Munzarová, adoptive mother

For all the stories, check our website http://www.centrumnarovinu.cz/adopceafrikacz-15-let-silnych-pribehu

From who used to be a little five-years-old Klarunka is now a gorgeous 20-years-old self-confident lady. She has a partner, enjoys her studies and is living a decent life. Daniela Cachová
Project Africa
by unusual eyes

We contribute to creating a tolerant multicultural society by increasing the awareness of the situation in developing countries, overcoming stereotypes and bringing good practical examples.

Programs of global developing education at schools
Project days about development took place at 6 different schools.

Cooperation with partnership schools
Children from 11 schools from across the Czech Republic and from 11 schools from Kenya exchanged greetings and letters at the opportunity of the 15th anniversary of the adoption project.

Activities for the public
31 raising awareness events have taken place – talks with screenings, information stands and sales booths, meetings with adoptive parents and charity events.

Travelling photo exhibitions
Five photo exhibitions were organised across the Czech Republic.

“Because we are an ethical school, it is very important for us that our students are to be open also to other cultures and are not to be prone to stereotypes and xenophobic fears from the unknown. Out of the offered types of cooperation, nine primary and high-school classes have chosen to create education tools, two classes decided to organise a material collection and six classes to exchange letters with a class of a similar age. Nine classes decided to participate in the adoption project to provide education for local children. The mentioned forms of collaboration serve very well to achieve that goal. We want to thank the Center Narovinu for the opportunity to work together and we wish them well!” Mgr. Ondřej Zaorálek, DINO SCHOOL
The projects are heavily based on volunteer work. The volunteers are taking care of both the small administrative work and particular projects in the community center of Island of Hope in Kenya.

Fifteen interested newcomers attended two trainings for new volunteers organised in Prague.

Two motivational and informative seminars for the coordinators of the Center Narovinu took place, thirty people have participated in a weekend meeting in May and a one day meeting in November.

Courses - Volunteers for developing cooperation
Projects in Kenya

Since 2003 we have been building a self-sustainable community centre, which provides poor people and children from the Kamasengre region on Rusinga Island with access to high-quality education based on respecting, non-violent approach and basic medical care.

News in 2017
Besides the every-day running of the orphanage, kindergarten, elementary school, boarding high school, clinic and a farm, the year 2017 has been dedicated to completing the construction of high school as well as a new kitchen and dining hall for the whole compound. Furthermore, we focused on fund-raising through new partnerships and increasing the profit of farming activities, in order for the farm to become a significant source of income for the project. All the goals for 2017 have been reached and the whole local community and every visitor can tell the difference.

Island of Hope in 2017 in numbers:
- Total number of employees: 46
- Number of children in the orphanage: 80
- Number of children in the Montessori kindergarten: 106
- Number of children at primary school: 256
- Number of students at secondary school: 61
- Number of registered patients at the clinics: 18 100
- Number of new born children: 95
- Number of tilapia farming lakes: 2
- Number of tilapia farming cages directly in Victoria lake: 6
January – 30 new students were admitted for the first year of high school, we hired a new high school principal, a 2-day seminar for the teachers and a seminar for the high school students took place. Two photographers, who are also adoptive parents, visited Island of Hope and took beautiful photos which were later used for fundraising photoexhibitions.

February – Thanks to the Swiss photographer and volunteer Reginé Jäger, we managed to start a long-term cooperation and found an organization “Zukunftschkenken” in Switzerland in support of Kenyan projects. Calendar Island of Hope in support of the health clinic started to come to existence.

March – The school laboratory started to be in full operation.

April – Significant reparation of the water treatment plant took place in order to ensure good-quality drinking water for the whole compound.

May – In charge of the concept of seminars of sexual education and personal growth for Island of Hope students started to work.

June – In the Island of Hope workshop, 5,000 pieces of soapstone products for our fair-trade shop were finished.

July – Computer education in the computer lab was extended to children from elementary school and preschool.

August – Due to political elections and strikes of medical workers in public hospitals, the number of patients and births at our clinic increased.

September – After repeated problems with flooding, the drainage channel in the middle of the compound had to be expanded.

October – Building of a new kitchen with dining hall for 500 children was finished. Fundraiser for the construction took place between February 2016 and October 2017. The open terrace of the dining hall became the centre of the whole Island of Hope and a multifunctional space for all free-time and evening activities.
After having monitored and evaluated the project, the cooperation was finished. The project continues to be run by the local community in Kauti, that keeps benefiting from it.

November – High school students took part in comparative exams with students from other high schools in the region and after achieving great results, the trust of local teachers and students in the used innovative methods and approach grew significantly. The perception of the wider community also slowly changes.

December – We worked hard on preparing the expansion of the fish farm– we gained the necessary permit from local authorities, we started building new water towers with large-capacity water tanks in order to ensure sufficient water supply for the whole compound.

The project has for a long a time been significantly supported by the official development cooperation of Slovakia as a part of the Slovak Aid project:

- In September 2017, the two-year long project „SAMRS/2015/KEN/01/02 – High school part 2 and running of the clinic on Rusinga Island“ ended. As a part of the project, the construction of the boarding high school was finished: 2 dorm rooms for girls with 8 rooms and a bathroom, 2 dorm rooms for boys with 8 rooms and a bathroom, 1 school building with 2 classes and a laboratory for physics, chemistry and biology, an administrative block with a teacher’s room and offices, another building with two classrooms and a teacher’s room. The project also funded the running of the health clinic which provides medical and preventive care in the existing medical centre for approximately 18,000 people (about half the island’s population) with special emphasis on treating children, mothers and HIV and TBC patients.

- In September 2017, a new 2-year long project started: „SAMRS/2017/KE/1/1 – Fish breeding farm in Victoria lake“. The project supports the sustainability of the existing community centre on the island by the expansion of tilapia breeding for profit (which will be used to cover social services). A part of the project is also a realisation of a one-year-long seminar on sexual education, planned parenthood, interpersonal relations and other topics which are a part of the school subject „Life Skills“.
Among fundraising activities in which we are systematically involved are:

- individual donation
- partnership with companies for development and social responsibility
- organisation of beneficial events
- shop in the spirit of fair trade – products from Kenya, gift certificates „Pass it on“ and further small items
- web portal for community financing of non-profit organisations Givt.cz

Two new spots were made for a purpose of promotion – a clip „Island of Hope“, support us on the way to self-sufficiency and a clip for a remote adoption „Does the remote adoption change truly their lives? Ask Charles!“.

Many thanks to all volunteer coordinators, co-workers, trainees, volunteers, adoptive parents, corporate and private donors for their great support and help which they dedicate to development projects.

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Fundraising & promotion

Organizational structure

The management of the company is through the governing and supervisory board. The office is lead by the director which is the core of the organization.

Functions of Center Narovinu

Governing board
- Simona Heřtusová – předsedkyně správní rady
- Daniela Cachová – členka správní rady
- Vlasta Pauke Dobešová – členka správní rady

Supervisory board
- Hana Jodasová – předsedkyně dozorčí rady
- Martin Mevald – člen dozorčí rady
- Simona Strakošová – členka dozorčí rady

Founders
- Dana Feminová
- Simona Heřtusová

Office „Centrum Narovinu“
- Dana Feminová – Executive Director and Chief Coordinator for developmental projects
- Simona Heřtusová – Chief Coordinator for projects in Czech Republic, promotion, fundraising

Lenka Čumpelíková (Čapková) – Administrative support for project adoption
Hana Jodasová – Administrative support for project adoption
Jitka Motyčková – Administrative support for project adoption

Center Narovinu has a partner office in Nairobi, Kenya which is managed by four local employees.

Acknowledgement
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## Overview of sent funds to Kenya for projects

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Report of supervisory board of civic association Centre Narovinu, o.p.s. (IČ 63109948)

After a review of a closing of book of Centre Narovinu, o.p.s. from 17.11.2017 to 31.12.2017 and based on external financial guard commissary, the supervisory board states that bookkeeping was conducted in a demonstrative way and in agreement with generally effective regulations adjusting guiding of bookkeeping of civic associations.

In Prague 18. 4. 2018
Chairwoman of supervisory board
Hana Jodasová