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International Bazaar and ISL Parents Support Student Charity Projects at ISL

Representatives from the International Bazaar of Luxembourg and the International School of Luxembourg's Parent Teacher Organization presented generous donations to the International School of Luxembourg's charity projects in Tanzania and Burundi at Friday's Upper School Assembly.

The education of girls in Tanzania is critical to the country's development and sustainability. ISL's *Project Moshi Tanzania*, now in its ninth year, has so far seen the construction of four dormitories for female secondary school students. These dormitories have allowed the girls to pursue their education in a safe, secure environment. Each summer a group of ISL high school students travels to Moshi not only to take part in the construction work, but also to interact with the Tanzanian students in their schools. Students who have taken part in this mutually beneficial cultural exchange describe the experience as "life altering."

Mrs Ebba Lamoureux, Vice President and Treasurer of the International Bazaar, presented a cheque for €5000 to the ISL students who will travel to Moshi this summer. In her remarks, Mrs Lamoureux noted that the Bazaar raised about €500,000 which was distributed to 117 different charity projects. On the subject of volunteerism, she told the students: "Don't forget the fun of it! I wish you fun in Tanzania and please take that joy to the African children." *Project Moshi Tanzania* was nominated as a recipient for the donation through ISL parent Nancy Reinertz of the Canadian stand, who told us, "It is a wonderful opportunity for students to contribute and to benefit in return from giving of themselves."

Mrs Charlotte Egger, President of the ISL Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and Mrs Laura Addezio, International Dinner Coordinator, presented two donations of €5,250 each to *Project Moshi* as well as to the *Arche de Noé* orphanage in Burundi. The funds were raised by the PTO's annual International Dinner, one of the main charity fundraisers of the school year. ISL Honour Society students have been raising funds for the orphanage since 2004 by selling handicrafts created by children living at the orphanage. ISL teacher and *Arche de Noé* liaison Suavis Vandeweerd explains how the money will be used." The funds were initially designated to complete the construction of a community centre for young people. However, due to the current economic crisis in Burundi and the dramatic rise in the cost of living, part of the money will be used to cover daily living expenses to purchase such items as rice, beans, oil and sugar."

This summer's goal for *Project Moshi Tanzania* is the construction of a new dormitory by ISL students and local builders; the estimated cost for the materials is about €15,000. To obtain more information about ISL charity projects, please contact IB CAS Coordinator Valérie Isbecque on 26 04 42 06 or via email at: valerie_isbecque@islux.lu. To make a donation: Fortis Banque Luxembourg, IBAN LU 87 0030 0613 5407 4000 Mention: ISL Common Fund Tanzania.

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