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EDITORIAL

This season's newsletter is tinged with sadness, as we pay tribute to the remarkable Bogaletch Gebre, who died on 6 November. Boge, who received the KBF Africa Prize 2012-13, was a tireless defender of women's rights and a passionate force for change. While we deeply mourn her loss, we also celebrate her extraordinary life.

Throughout this issue of our International Newsletter, we celebrate those like Boge, who have the courage to drive change in society. People such as the Belgian couple supporting women in India, Afghanistan and elsewhere, the football stars donating 1% of their salaries to life-changing social projects around the world, or the young Colombian coffee growers working for a brighter, more sustainable future for their community.

At KBF, our vision is to continue spreading this message, supporting others to make a difference within the community. That's why, with our partners in the US and Canada and other colleagues, we are working towards creating a global network of philanthropic enablers. Our Spring of Philanthropy forum in April in Brussels, meanwhile, will be an opportunity to celebrate and inspire citizens and companies, whose generosity and commitment to the common good know no borders.

We hope you enjoy this edition of our International Newsletter and, as always, we welcome your feedback.

The King Baudouin Foundation is an independent, pluralistic foundation working in Belgium and at the European and international level. We are seeking to change society for the better, so we invest in inspiring projects and individuals. The Foundation was set up in 1976, on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of King Baudouin's reign.

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EUROPEAN CITIZENS AND THEIR GENOMES

The King Baudouin Foundation, ORB International and Gallup International organised a large-scale survey to find out the views of EU citizens on the use of genome information. Almost 30,000 EU citizens took part in the survey.

MORE INFO?

Download the "ZOOM : Citizens and their genome" on www.kbs-frb.be > Publications

Your genome

is found in almost every cell of your body and it is the instructions for making you

It contains all your
22,000
genes

It is all
3.2 billion
letters of your DNA

My genome was
passed on to me by
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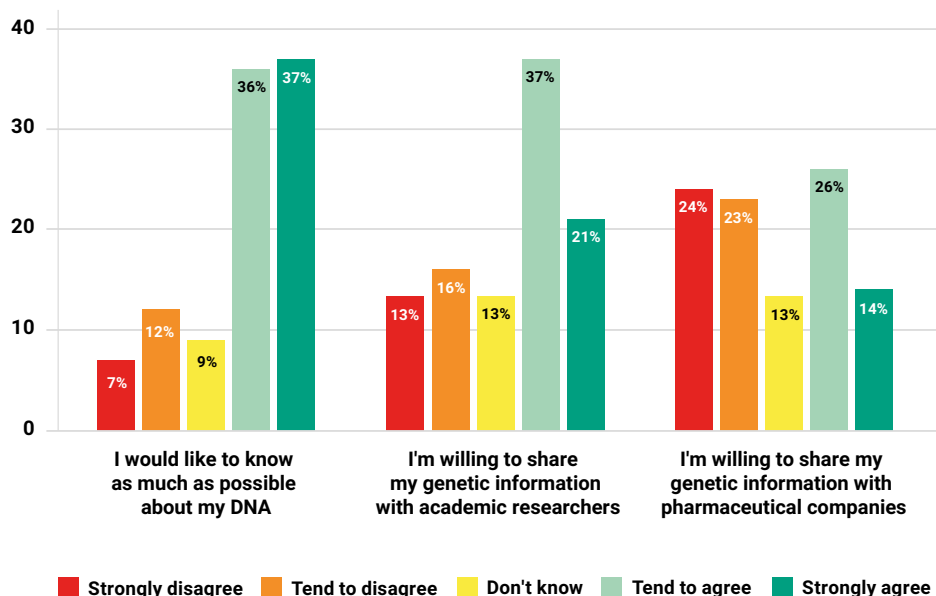
The analysis of an
entire genome can be
done in
1 day

1 genome
=
200 GB
information

enough to fill the memory
of an average laptop

A,C,T,G

are the 4 main letters
in the DNA alphabet



During the elections, we can observe high level of amount spent by political parties on social media, targeting certain categories of the population in order to influence their opinion. We can also observe a large amount of “junk news” circulating, with misinformation and fake-news flourishing. Civitates, a consortium of 16 foundations including the KBF, supports organisations trying to improve digital information.

POLITICAL TRANSPARENCY ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

Who targets me?

“Direct political advertising from political party to the individual on social media tends to be more negative and emotional than traditional political advertising campaigns,” says Sam Jeffers, who co-founded Who Targets Me.

The project aims to encourage individuals to think critically about the online campaigning material they see by, for example, encouraging people to think about who is behind an advertisement, who has paid for the advertisement and how a message might be tailored to their own views.

Understanding how individuals are targeted

“Concretely, once an individual has installed the [Who Targets Me] free extension on his or her browser, they can build up a picture of how they are being targeted on Facebook. The software shows a library of all political ads sent to them and data on who is showing them the most advertisements,” says Jeffers.

The software is available in all EU languages and identifies ads from the Facebook pages of all major political parties in the EU.

Follow the money

Given that the cost of Facebook advertisements is considerably lower than traditional advertising on TV, radio and in the press, political parties can reach far more people for far less money. Facebook now publishes data on how much a political party has spent on particular advertisements. As an example of critical thinking, Jeffers says that, “if an individual knows that a lot of money was spent on a lot of ads, they may start asking important questions such as ‘who is donating the money?’”

Long term challenge

The logic of targeted political advertising via social media is to operate in a closed space, with political parties cutting and dicing people up into hundreds of different groups and sending them specific targeted messages whereas a healthy democracy is based on people having good faith arguments out in the open. The Who Targets Me project is all about helping individuals understand this targeting process and raising key questions that are of benefit for them and for a healthy, democratic and transparent society.



Project on Computational Propaganda

In order to improve the transparency on the digital campaigns, Civitates also supports Philip N. Howard, Director of the Oxford Internet Institute, to conduct an investigation examining the political news that social media users were sharing across Europe.

“Junk news, which means ideologically extreme, misleading, and factually incorrect information, is widely used to manipulate public opinion,” says Howard.



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Some regulators may be tempted to monitor content closely, but this could lead to censorship. “We want to help regulators find a balanced response so we have planned multiple briefings in European capitals to present regulators with data on the latest misinformation trends,” says Howard.

“Howard’s research plays a crucial role in influencing policy makers, thereby fostering electoral processes that are more democratic in Europe.”

“The project’s research into misinformation allows for better access to accurate information about electoral processes, which is sorely needed to shore up the democratic health of European countries,” concludes Howard.

MORE INFO?

- Civitates is a Philanthropic Initiative for Democracy and Solidarity in Europe. The call for projects “Improving the digital information ecosystem” launched in April 2019 has given support to 9 projects for a total amount of €1.24 million. www.civitates-eu.org
- www.whotargets.me
- <http://comprop.oii.ox.ac.uk>

FOOTBALL FOR GOOD



Juan Mata, Megan Rapinoe, Jurgen Klopp: three of the many names in the world of football who are doing their bit to ensure their sport is used as a force for good. Through the Common Goal movement, they are among the football players and managers who have pledged to donate 1% of their salary to non-profits dedicated to social change.

Common Goal is a global pledge-based philanthropic movement for the football industry, which was launched in 2017 by Manchester United and Spanish international footballer Juan Mata, with the support of streetfootballworld.

The movement encourages professional female and male football players, coaches, fans and partners from all over the world to pledge at least 1% of their salaries to a collective Fund, managed by the KBF, which supports non-profit organisations using football as a force for good around the world.

Common Goal

"It's an attempt to bring together two worlds," explains Thomas Preiss, the movement's co-funder and Chief Operating Officer. "On one side is the world of professional football, a global industry with tremendous economic power and cultural influence. The other side is the network of non-profit organisations that are using football to accelerate social impact and growth in communities around the world."

The money donated by the members to the Common Goal Fund is granted by the KBF to high-impact NGOs that use football as a vector for change.

"Team play is central to football but it's also central to tackling the biggest social issues," says Preiss.

A growing collective movement

The movement has already signed up more than 135 professional footballers and managers. Many female players have joined the movement, as well as UEFA President Aleksander Čeferin, plus known and less well-known players, coaches, and organisations. FC Nordsjælland in Denmark is the first club to pledge 1% of the salaries of all its players, coaches, and medical staff, as well as 1% of ticket sales.

THE COMMON GOAL 1% PLEDGE IS HARNESSING THE EARNING POWER OF THE WORLD'S TOP FOOTBALLERS TO DRIVE SOCIAL CHANGE

Sustainable social change

Alex Morgan, co-captain of the US women's national team, is at the forefront of the leadership shown by female players in support of the campaign. "I felt like it was our duty to represent women on this platform and to be able to use football to tackle some of the greatest social challenges facing the world today."

Common Goal has already supported more than 60 initiatives and organisations around the world, tackling a range of social issues and inequalities. The work of the organisations supported by Common Goal supports the achievement of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals for health, education, equality, work, peace and justice.

A new dimension in the game

"Common Goal adds a new dimension to my game: translating the power of football into sustainable social change. And that's a special feeling," says Mata, co-founder of the Common Goal movement.

This growing movement needs enabling solutions from all over the world, and donors from all continents are contributing to it. The KBF has built the philanthropic architecture of this global movement by enabling international donations to flow in effectively into the Fund, and by endorsing the responsibility of the support to projects around the world.

Cross-border philanthropy

The KBF is a central actor enabling cross-border philanthropy through its direct recognitions in Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, France and Denmark; but also with KBFUS in the United States, KBF Canada and the Transnational Giving Europe network, which is active in 21 countries.

Thanks to its long experience in international philanthropy, the KBF also contributes to the responsible growth of this movement, ensuring the durability of the project.

Some initiatives supported by the Common Goal Fund:

- In North America and the Caribbean, Play Proud is a youth-focused gender and sexuality empowerment programme that aims to make the game more inclusive and accessible for adolescents regardless of their background, gender or sexual orientation. It equips coaches and mentors with the skills and knowledge to establish safe spaces and guides LGBTQ+ teenagers to participate in youth-level sports with confidence, helping them to feel safe and accepted.
- In India, meanwhile, the movement has teamed up with WASH United and Slum Soccer to develop a menstrual hygiene management education guide in India, to build the capacity of community organisations in India working on female empowerment and provide education to 2,200 girls. These aims encapsulate the spirit and philosophy of the whole Common Goal movement.

To learn more about Common Goal, visit www.kbs-frb.be and www.common-goal.org





The Charlemagne Prize Foundation has launched the Charlemagne Prize Academy with the support of the KBF. Five young graduates, professionals or employees of scientific or political institutes will receive support for one year to carry out their innovative and creative research projects on the challenges of Europe. The first candidates selected were presented on 14 November 2019 at the Karlspreis Europa Summit. We wish them all the best in their academic contribution!

www.charlemagneprizeacademy.com

EFC TURNS 30

How is the foundations sector adapting in line with changing attitudes today? What is the role of philanthropy in tackling global challenges?

The **European Foundation Centre** is 30 years old in 2019 and has been celebrating its anniversary with debates on philanthropy. The EFC is the platform of institutional philanthropy with a focus on Europe, but also with an eye to the global philanthropic landscape. It is a network of foundations and philanthropic institutions, such as the KBF, committed to the development and promotion of institutional philanthropy in Europe and globally.

www.efc.be

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The **European Programme for Integration and Migration (EPIM)** published a research report entitled 'Migrant-led advocacy across Europe'. The report identifies obstacles to migrant advocates' participation in policy-making and addresses recommendations to policymakers, non-migrant led civil society organisations, funders and migrant advocates. EPIM was co-created by the KBF and now brings together 25 private foundations, with the aim of strengthening the role of civil society in building inclusive communities and in developing humane and sustainable responses to migration.

www.epim.info



A German philanthropist saw in the KBF an ideal partner to defend the cause she holds dear: animal welfare in a societal approach that can have a real impact on communities. This is the story of the **Hugo International Fund for Respect and Dignity in the Relationship with Animals**.

The founder, who wishes to remain anonymous, uses the philanthropic funds managed by the KBF to support projects all over Europe.

Discover the full story on www.kbs-frb.be > Stories

Mentoring is a form of coaching and networking connecting a mentor with a mentee. The mentees gain in confidence, feel accompanied and achieve their goals faster when they feel supported and encouraged by someone who has traveled a similar path before. The mentors become role models, and develop their skills as leaders, trainers and coaches. Mentoring is an instrument with a broad variety of implementations in the society, which is specifically useful when it comes to welcoming people with a migrant background in our European societies.

To positively enhance the quality of mentoring programmes and the exchange of practices, KBF supported the **European Center for Evidence-Based Mentoring** to create a "European learning network of mentoring programmes for migrants".

More info on www.europe-kbf.eu

An exploratory opinion entitled "**European philanthropy: an untapped potential**" was issued on 15 May 2019 at the request of the European Economic and Social Committee's Romanian Presidency. The rapporteur Petru Sorin Dandea was supported by Ludwig Forrest, Philanthropy Advisor at the KBF as expert. The opinion calls for measures at EU and national level to eliminate barriers within the internal market that are hindering the realisation of philanthropy's full potential.

More info on <http://eesc.europa.eu> > Opinions

THE WOMAN WHO SAVED GIRLS

“For social change, you must go to the people, to really listen to them and learn from them. It is all about commitment.”

Bogaletch Gebre

The KBF is deeply saddened to learn of the death of Bogaletch Gebre on 2 November. The Foundation wishes to pay tribute to this exceptional woman, who devoted herself unremittingly throughout her life to defending women's rights.

Bogaletch Gebre – Boge – grew up in the 1960s in a small village in Ethiopia. At the age of 12, she was subjected to brutal female genital mutilation. But she attended school in secret and finally went on to study microbiology and physiology in Israel and then in the United States.

In 1997, Boge returned to Ethiopia to found KMG Ethiopia with her sister. They began a series of groundbreaking ‘Community Conversations’ to engage men and women in confronting culturally entrenched taboo issues through dialogue. She believed that change takes commitment, not a miracle.

Boge succeeded in changing society in a profound way by fighting against rape, female genital mutilation and the abduction of women for marriage. Her commitment for development in Africa earned her the KBF Africa Prize in 2012-2013. She also created the “Bogaletch Gebre Fund for Girls Education in Ethiopia”, managed by the KBF.

www.africa-kbf.org



CLOSELY EXAMINING THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY



According to the 2019 Circularity Gap Report, the global economy is just 9% circular. Recent estimates have highlighted the circular economy's potential in Europe alone for creating a net increase of some 700,000 jobs by 2030. Having initiated the Sustainable Development action domain in 2017, the KBF supports the transition to the circular economy by, among other things, providing relevant data on employment in this sector.

The core principle underlying the circular economy is that raw materials should be kept in use for as long as possible instead of 'using and losing' them. The circular economy thus offers an alternative to the linear economy, in which raw materials are mined, used and thrown away. It concerns activities in domains such as renewable energy, repair and maintenance, refurbishment and remanufacturing, recycling, digital technology, design, new business models and cooperation. The circular labour market involves all kinds of work in a

wide range of sectors, from low-skilled to high-skilled jobs, from shoemakers to wind farm engineers and solar panel installers to data analysts, mapping the consumption of raw materials, or operators of car-sharing platforms.

Quantifying the circular economy

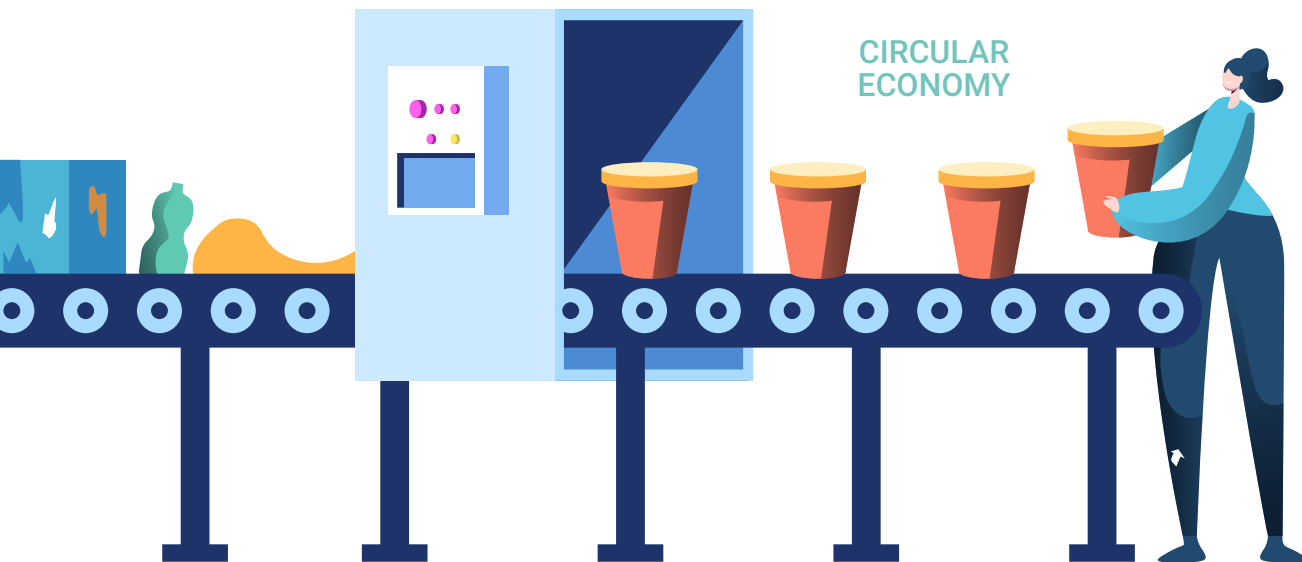
In cooperation with the Erasmus Happiness Economics Research Organization, the Dutch social enterprise Circle Economy has developed a methodology to monitor a country's circular employment. Applying the methodology to

7.5%

of jobs in Belgium are circular (262,000 jobs in all), 8.1% in the Netherlands.

Belgium, in collaboration with the King Baudouin Foundation, shows that there are 262,000 circular jobs (7.5% of all jobs). These figures are largely comparable with the findings for the Netherlands, where it was determined that 8.1% of all jobs are circular (according to research conducted in 2017).

"Clearly, this isn't just about new jobs; jobs that have been around for a long time should also be taken into account. In fact, the transition to a circular economy often capture more added value keeping our economy competitive and thus saving jobs. We need to develop business models that focus on maximising product life while remaining profitable, for example by offering services related to the product in question," says Patrick Van den Bossche, an expert of this issue at Agoria, the Belgian Federation of Technology Companies, which supported the research as a member of the working group.



included in the analysis. An additional analysis was carried out in collaboration with Inoopa, a data-processing company with expertise in using AI to analyse meanings and images. This analysis revealed that 25% of Belgian manufacturing companies communicate online about circular strategies and therefore probably use such strategies at least as ancillary processes.

Evidence-based policy

“Before policymakers can tap into the potential of the circular economy for the labour market, they first need evidence as to what these jobs will look like, as well as the magnitude of this potential” explains Circle Economy’s Joke Dufourmont.

“The monitoring method includes a framework for understanding employment in the circular economy, as well as data on the scale and nature of the jobs. This first report presents a baseline measurement. Since the circular jobs situation is to be monitored again within the next two or three years, subsequent measurements will track any changes over time.

In addition to that, we are looking to expand the application of the method to other territories, first in Europe, then across the globe. The resulting insights will help politicians, civil society and employment organisations design evidence-based policies and ensure an inclusive transition to the circular economy.”

Artificial intelligence (AI)

The advantage of the standardised method is that it can be repeated and produces findings that can be compared over time and across national borders. However, it underestimates the number of circular jobs in the manufacturing industry as this sector is not

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- The KBF’s Sustainable Development programme supports initiatives for protecting the environment and developing the circular economy. Seven Funds support programme initiatives, totalling approximately €1,125,000 per year.
- Read the full report: www.kbs-frb.be
- Circular Jobs monitor: <https://circle-economy.com/jobs-skills/monitor>

DUTCH-BELGIAN COLLABORATION CONSERVES NATURE WITHOUT BORDERS

This is cross-border philanthropy.

Dutchman Raoul Kok was living in Belgium at the end of his life and set up the Kok-Krahé Fund, managed by the KBF, to help finance countryside development in the border region between the Netherlands and Belgium. By supporting land purchases, the Fund is helping to create a large nature reserve north of Hoogstraten, close to the border.



Norma Kok, Raoul Kok's daughter

One moment we are standing on the border, on a little bridge, with the Netherlands in front of us and Belgium behind us. Further along, Koen Verschueren from the local Natuurpunt branch which owns part of the reserve, informs us that one country is on the left and the other is on the right, but once we have gone around the bend, it is the other way around. Stranger still: "there is a land grab going on here!" he says.

After walking just a few hundred metres we have completely lost our bearings.

110 hectares

"The great thing about it is that this is a cross-border nature reserve, where Belgians and Dutch people are working together", says Norma Kok, who monitors the use of money from the Kok-Krahé Fund, named after her late father Raoul Kok and his late wife Margaretha. Raoul Kok asked in his will for the money to be used to purchase land in the border region near Hoogstraten to preserve the countryside there. He was a Dutchman who came to live in this region when

he retired and this is where his love of nature grew. "Of course I completely support the fact that his estate is being spent on this", says Norma Kok with conviction. "You have to make room for nature."

For the KBF this is one of its oldest Funds, now in existence for more than 20 years. In those 20 years, 600,000 euros have been provided in all, allowing Natuurpunt to buy more land. That contribution has covered the cost of about 110 hectares of countryside.

I can say without hesitation that we would have never got this reserve to anywhere near where it is today without the contributions from the Kok-Krahé Fund," explains Verschueren.

Not all woodland

Next we walk through a plot of land that was purchased about 20 years ago. In an area of agricultural land that was not particularly attractive as countryside, we now see an idyllic area of mixed woodland. "If you let nature take its course, you get woodland everywhere", says Verschueren. Don't we want that? "No", he laughs. "What we want is a varied landscape, with woodland, heathland and grassland. It has been decided at the European level that we have to preserve heathland now." "In the past you could not walk right through here", remembers Norma Kok. "It was not a contiguous area then; it was broken up by areas of agricultural land." Through multiple purchases in

recent decades the nature reserve now covers about 2,000 hectares, including 1,200 hectares within an official "stiltegebied" (silent area).

Enthusiastic volunteers

The volunteers at Natuurpunt also do 'their' part of the management work: keeping non-native species out, cutting grassland with a scythe, maintaining wooded borders. In the past five years, the local branch has grown rapidly to 1,100 member families, meaning that in total there are about 4000 supporters, and we have 150 active volunteers. "That growth is a result of the purchases that we have been able to make: people see that there is always something new happening here, that it is growing, and that supports their enthusiasm. In that way it also has a social function."

More land

In future, Natuurpunt definitely wants to buy more land in the Mark and Merkske valley. The Kok-Krahé Fund is ready to help with funding, but there is hardly any availability right now. "Meanwhile we are keeping our eyes peeled in case a plot of land comes up for sale anywhere," says Stan Geysen, a colleague of Verschueren.

Norma Kok is pleased with what has already been achieved. "Isn't it lovely here? Every time I come here I learn something new!" If you have the opportunity to go out for a walk with such enthusiastic nature lovers, you will find out plenty of interesting facts about plants and animal life.



MORE INFO?

If you feel like discovering the area with a guide yourself, you can book a guide or join the guided walks every third Sunday of the month.

www.natuurpuntmarkvallei.be

Read the full story on www.kbs-frb.be > Stories

ANTOINE MORTIER



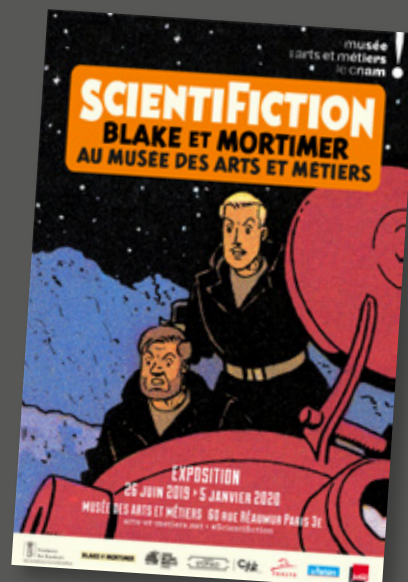
Over fifty Chinese ink artworks from the Belgian artist Antoine Mortier (1908 – 1999) have been selected to represent the artist at the Tsinghua Art Museum of Beijing from November 22nd, 2019, to February 23rd, 2020. During three months, the exhibition, called "Antoine Mortier. Ink made real", will resonate with the ancient Chinese artistic memory and with the traditional and modern usages of ink in China. The exhibition is an initiative of the asbl Antoine Mortier and features works from the Antoine Mortier Fund and the Thomas Neirynck Fund, managed by the KBF.

www.artmuseum.tsinghua.edu.cn

SCIENTIFICTION

Don't miss the opportunity to discover the Scientifiction exhibition at the Musée des arts et métiers in Paris. An exclusive exhibition focused on a selection of nearly 170 original plates, other prints and objects from the collection of Edgar P. Jacobs, the Belgian author of the Blake and Mortimer cartoon series. The pieces belong to the KBF Heritage Fund, which is responsible for their conservation and management. The exhibition runs until January 2020.

www.arts-et-metiers.net



WORLD SKILLS KAZAN 2019 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION



Alice Baré and Robbe Mayvis received a medal of excellence at the Worldskills Kazan 2019 international competition! These two young artisans, supported by the Platform for Education and Talent (set up by Belgian investment group Sofina and the heirs of industrialist Gustave Boel and supported by the KBF) were rewarded for their efforts and work in 'fashion technology' for Baré and woodworking for Mayvis. From 22 to 27 August 2019, more than 1600 young people from 60 different countries had the opportunity to defend their profession in nearly 56 disciplines in Kazan, Russia. The Belgian Team won five medals of excellence in total.

www.worldskillsbelgium.be

CHRISTIAN DOTREMONT

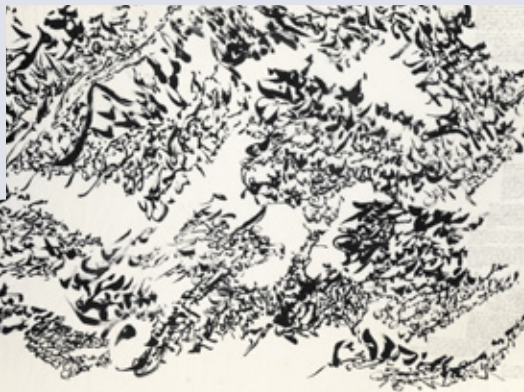


Christian Dotremont, founder of the post-war Cobra art movement and creator of 'logograms', began his career on the eve of the Second World War. At the age of seventeen, he became a member of the Brussels Surrealists, led by René Magritte. The Occupation, into which they were plunged shortly after the start of the war, meant that these surrealists who had not fled into exile struggled to

continue their artistic activities. Dotremont was in the forefront of these efforts and a desire to resist through poetic means was mixed with an ambition to make his mark artistically.

The exhibition "A wartime youth (1940-1948)" about Dotremont and the Surrealists runs until February 2020 at the BELvue museum.

More info on www.belvue.be



ANCIENT ROME

There are only 3 models in the world that faithfully represent ancient Rome. A restoration and interactive presentation using new technologies will bring the Belgian copy back to life at the Art & History Museum in Brussels. The Alexis Liénard Fund supports the preservation of this remarkable element of our heritage, which attracts tens of thousands of visitors every year! The reopening to the public is scheduled for early 2020.

www.kmkg-mrah.be



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CONQUERING CANCER

WITHOUT DAMAGING THE HEART

For many patients, cancer is no longer synonymous with a death sentence: they beat it or they can live with it. But there is a flipside to this success: therapy conquers the cancer, but is often toxic for the heart. A new discipline has been born between oncologists and cardiologists: onco-cardiology. Dr Constantijn Franssen received support from the KBF for his research into how we can detect earlier whether chemotherapy has damaged the heart of cancer patients.



A patient who learns after five years that her breast cancer has definitively gone, but who dies shortly afterwards because her heart gives out is no longer an exceptional case for cardiologists. Dr Constantijn Franssen has already confronted such situations. "It was very sad," he recalls. "When I saw it for the first time, it was already so serious that nobody could do anything more. One asks 'why didn't we see it early?' That's what has aroused my interest."

A weaker cardiac muscle

"Research has been going on for five or six years," explains Dr Franssen. "Because of the greater chances of

survival, we are increasingly confronted with the secondary effects of treatments: a weakened physical condition, shortness of breath, the medicines which they have to continue to take, regular hospitalisation. And at the end of the day, the much greater risk of early death. Not from cancer but from the onslaught to which the heart has been subjected. Chemotherapy affects every part of the body."

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Dr Constantijn Franssen

Pumping and filling

Dr Franssen explains the content of his research: "Today, we look at the pumping capacity (the systolic function, the contraction) of the heart: if it is going down, that's an important signal. But this diminution occurs when the damage is already relatively big. We have to look for dysfunctions which appear earlier.

There are in nearly all cardiac diseases anomalies in the filling of the heart (diastolic function) before the pumping capacity falls."

"In our research, we are examining whether this is also the case for cancer patients. We are analysing this function at rest and then looking at whether we set off an anomaly when

the patient does a light test with a bicycle. And whether this is different compared to someone who has not had any chemo."

Detecting earlier means intervening earlier. It is scientifically established that the sooner treatment starts, the better for the heart. The objective is to avoid a cardiac insufficiency.

Balance between combatting cancer and saving the heart

One might ask why we don't attack the problem at its source by developing chemotherapy that is less toxic or putting in place new and more targeted treatments. "Less toxic treatments exist," acknowledges Dr Franssen, "but they are less effective on the oncological problem. We have to find a balance between combatting cancer – which remains the priority – and trying to save the heart."

"The future is immunotherapy, but nobody knows very well yet what the secondary effects are in the long term. Chemo will remain for a long time at the heart of therapy for many cancers."

His advice for people affected by cancer: "Talk about it with your doctor and examine together whether an early screening is appropriate on the basis, among other things, of the chemical substances which will be administered. We are far from knowing everything, but acting in time allows us in every case to have a head start."



MORE INFO?

- Discover the story in full at www.kbs-frb.be > Stories
- The KBF supports research in oncocardiology through different Funds, among them the Pierre Masure - Walckiers - Van Dessel - De Winter - Vermant Funds and recently the Belgian Heart Fund.
- The Belgian Heart Fund was created in collaboration with the Belgian Society of Cardiology to support research in cardiology in Belgian institutions. The announcement of the first selection is foreseen in the beginning of 2020.

BELGIUM'S COLONIAL PAST

The BELvue is putting together a new workshop and a well-documented tool for teachers to help them and schoolchildren think critically about Belgium's colonial past and its lasting impact today.

Schools want their senior students to be more conscience of what Belgium did in Congo, Rwanda and Burundi but few tools are available to inform teachers adequately, to help youngsters engage in such a complex discussion about Belgium's colonial past and to draw concrete lessons from it. The debate about this past is also very present in society but people sometimes lack the keys required to unlock entrenched positions.

The BELvue, whose activities are designed to teach young people about citizenship and democracy, wanted to provide tools for teachers who wish to work on the subject with their students but feel unsure about their own understanding and how to approach the subject in class. A teacher dossier that gives them a historical and thematic overview of the colonial history of Belgium with lesson plans and an interactive workshop entitled "Views on Belgium's colonial past" were developed and are available from this school year on.

Leen Van Molle, a retired historian from the University of Leuven (KU Leuven) who chairs the BELvue's Scientific Committee, oversaw the compilation of the teacher dossier.

Why are the history of Congo, Rwanda and Burundi and Belgium's role as a coloniser such blind spots?

"The early history of Belgian colonisation was not exactly pleasant: just think of the acts of

violence perpetrated under Leopold II and also the abrupt end of Belgium's colonisation in 1960 that left the country with something of a hangover. People preferred to remain silent about the colonial era or idealised it in retrospect. This created an inaccurate, distorted collective memory of that chapter of our history."

Were there no historians to look into it?

"There were a few authors with interesting publications from the 1990s onwards, but research was hindered by a lack of archives. In addition, it took quite some time to gain access to those that did exist, and even today some archives are still not fully accessible. Interestingly, also African historians started to unravel the colonial dominance and the African diaspora is eager to learn more about our shared past during history lessons at school."

How did the BELvue come to compile the teacher dossier and organise the workshop?

"BELvue is a portal for initiatives about citizenship and democracy, including ruling of Belgium's colonies. That's what prompted us to put together a teacher dossier that offers a broad (political, economic, social and cultural) view on the colonial past of Congo, Rwanda and Burundi, and the decolonisation of the region.

The dossier invites also to (re) consider the meaning of historical sources, such as texts and photos, and can be combined with a workshop that helps young people to gain insight in the colonial past and its consequences, up to now.

What did you try to achieve when compiling the teacher dossier?

"We opted to give teachers both a chronological overview and input on various topics as a base to structure their lessons. Our Scientific Committee oversaw this process and also presented it to external experts and to a mentor in charge of training history teachers. It was no easy task! This chapter in our history is both complicated and sensitive. Historians need to develop the necessary sensibilities, even for something as 'banal' as the terminology used."

Can you cite an example?

"Should we say white or Caucasian? And how about terms like 'native', 'wild', 'civilised' and 'primitive'? It's important to be both critical and self-critical when compiling such material. We need to refine conventional methods of presentation and to question concepts. Take the so-called science that set out to demonstrate that Africans were 'less intelligent'. We mention this, because it makes no sense to pretend it never happened, yet at the same time we distance ourselves from it."



A school-class participates at the workshop under the watchful eye of their teacher

Can this process ever end?

"No, and that's why the teacher dossier will only be available in electronic form. That way, new research findings can be incorporated and its contents can be adjusted if certain feedback renders this necessary."

"It is important to keep in mind that the memories of this chapter in

Belgium's past still live on in public spaces, and sometimes even in people's mindsets." Interestingly, enriching education about that past is also in line with what the African diaspora themselves ask. In a 2017 study conducted by the King Baudouin Foundation, they expressed their disappointment about the limited and/or distorted nature of what was being taught.

MORE INFO?

- The full publication can be downloaded free of charge from www.kbs-frb.be > publication
- The BELvue is a Centre for Democracy and a Museum on Belgium and its history. www.belvue.be



The Foundation has earmarked 250,000 euros for the further dissemination of the **Scandinavian Tubbe Model** in Belgium. The Tubbe approach makes residential and care homes places to live and work that empower residents and motivate staff by strengthening their direct participation. With the support of Ministers of health, more than 50 residential and care homes will receive support to make the transition.

Be sure to watch the video on www.kbs-frb.be

KBF AFRICA PRIZE

Wecyclers, the laureate of the [KBF Africa Prize 2019](http://www.africa-kbf.org), was guest of honor at a grand gala dinner organised by KBFUS to celebrate the Nigerian start-up's recycling model. The Lagos company is helping Nigerians get value from collecting trash.

After receiving the KBF Africa Prize in June 2019 in Belgium, Wecyclers spent three weeks at the invitation of KBFUS to share information about their project with interested parties in the United States.

Bilikiss and Olawale met and exchanged ideas with some key actors in philanthropy and social investment, such as the Belgian Ambassador in Washington, Moore Philanthropy, the socially responsible Amalgamated Bank in New York, Oracle, the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, the Skoll Foundation and the Africa Diaspora Network in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their tour ended with the celebratory dinner.

www.africa-kbf.org



10%

In Belgium, almost 10% of people aged between 16 and 74 have never used the Internet and 39% of the population have little or no basic digital skills. The KBF has therefore developed a partnership with the key French actor WeTechCare, which has a long experience in supporting audiences furthest from digital technology, resulting in the development of the online platform "123 Digit" on basic digital skills launched end 2019. Accessible free of charge to all Belgian structures and citizens, it enables users to share educational tools and resources and to strengthen the dynamics of networking to make digital inclusion a vector for social inclusion.

More info on www.kbs-frb.be > Publications

2019 HUMANITARIAN AWARD



The Mayo Clinic Alumni Association awarded its 2019 Humanitarian Award to Philippe Baele, recognising his tireless efforts in teaching anesthesia and transfusion in Africa and Latin America. He is the first non-American to receive this award, which was presented on 27 September at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Philippe Baele also opened the Baele-Rémion Fund, managed by the KBF, to give support for further professional development of people active in Africa and Latin America in the field of anesthesia and blood transfusion.

More info over the Humanitarian Award on www.alumniassociation.mayo.edu

€30,000

Biologist Zilipa Nyirabyago is fulfilling her dream: to support coffee producers in Rwanda by helping them recover the waste generated by their farming to grow mushrooms. In this way, producers can earn income from their double production all year round and no longer only during the coffee cherry harvest. Her project won the first edition of the competition organized by **the OVO Acceleration Fund**, managed by KBF, which supports projects in Africa with a sustainable economic and social impact, through loans tailored to the needs of young local SMEs. Zilipa received a loan of 30,000 euros to carry out her start-up.

Read the full story on www.kbs-frb.be > Stories

WWII

In 1994, 50 years after the Battle of the Bulge began, Mathilde and Marcel Schmetz officially established the Remember Museum 39-45 which includes artefacts abandoned by the 110 soldiers who bivouacked on Marcel's parents' farm before they left for this counteroffensive, as well as items donated throughout the years since WWII by veterans and their families. But time has flown so fast, and Mathilde and Marcel realized that they need to think about the future of their museum. Their wish is for the museum to stay forever in Belgium and to ensure that all items will never be sold. **They saw in the 'American Friends' of the KBFUS the best way to assure future stability for the 'Remember Museum 39-45'.** The KBFUS will hence preserve the entire collection and the museum for future generations. Mathilde and Marcel say: "every item or uniform displayed in the museum has a personal story, and if the items disappear, the stories will also be gone forever".

www.kbfus.org



WE WANT TO SUPPORT THOSE WHO RESIST OPPRESSION OF WOMEN

"You want to offer support to organisations, but as an individual you quickly encounter obstacles. By working together with the KBF, the doors open up." Eric Janssens and Anne Rasschaert tell how their Eran Fund for Women contributes to promoting respect for women and women's rights.

The recognition of women's rights and opportunities for girls and women are far from evident, something which Anne and Eric got to see in close up when living in Pakistan where Eric was posted for his job. They often travelled throughout the country - "sometimes even accompanied by an armed escort" - and around neighbouring India.

After Eric retired and they returned to Belgium they decided to find out how they could support organisations which were working to strengthen the position of women. "That could be in Pakistan or India but also in Latin America - we lived for a time in Argentina - or in Belgium. Here we support Family Justice Centers which focus on intra-family violence," tells Eric. They help them to build up volunteer networks and to finance medical/forensic facilities, including good cameras to gather proof.



Anne and Eric Janssens

Barely a reaction

"In practice, it is far from obvious how to reach organisations which are further away. You can of course quickly find all sorts of organisations online. To have that extra certainty that our money is going to the right place, we were thinking of working with one of the big American or Swiss organisations which focus on women's rights. If you write to them, however, you barely get a reaction. You may transfer money but that's as far as it goes. Finally, we contacted the KBF, and there we got our answer," says Eric. That's how Eran Fund for Women found itself under the wing of the KBF.

"The support which we now get is exactly what we were looking for. The Foundation has a big network and opens doors but does not take everything in their own hands. Also, the follow-up with the organisations is made by the Foundation."

Raising awareness among boys

Eran Fund for Women supports among others two organisations in India which encourage girls to come forward with their experiences about intimidation and violence and also to make boys aware that women deserve respect and equal opportunities.

"Sometimes you feel that you should first of all put measures in place to protect and educate girls and women

but we share the view that you also have to go to the men and certainly the boys. If you cannot change their mentality, then you are fighting a losing battle," says Eric.

Radio in Afghanistan

Eran Fund for Women is also supporting projects in Afghanistan, notably Radio Meraj, which is owned by the organisation AIL in Herat and led by Dr Yacoobi, a very motivated

"The Foundation has a big network and opens doors but does not take everything in their own hands."

Eric Janssens, Founder of the Eran Fund for Women



woman who has repeatedly been recognised internationally for her efforts. The station addresses women and men with programmes about women's rights but also about democracy in general. "We often ask ourselves whether it's naive to hope that the efforts are worthwhile. But you have to have faith and carry on supporting the people there who carry on offering resistance," says Anne.

Emancipation

"We are of the generation which has experienced the female emancipation movement in our part of the world consciously... That's why we are focusing our efforts on the battle for women in other countries to be given their rightful voice and for their rights to be recognised."


MORE INFO?

The Eran Fund for Women supported nine organisations in the period 2015-2019 in India, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Belgium. In total, Eran Fund for Women has offered about € 137,000 in support.

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YOUNG COLOMBIANS GET READY FOR THEIR FUTURE AS COFFEE GROWERS

Who will grow the coffee beans for your morning cup in future years? In Colombia, young people are being trained and supported to develop profitable farms that produce coffee sustainably. The project is taking place over several years and is receiving financial support from the Efico Fund and the Colibri Foundation, managed by the KBF.



"If I can then share my knowledge with other coffee growers, everyone around here can improve their production process and gain a better income."

Juan Gabriel Mosquera León, 18 years old

"I have always dreamed of having my own plantation. I want to learn to grow coffee in the best possible way. If I can then share my knowledge with other coffee growers, everyone around here can improve their production process and gain a better income." Juan Gabriel Mosquera León is 18 years old and lives in Portachuelo in Santander Department, Colombia. He is one of the participants in the programme entitled 'A new generation of coffee entrepreneurs' in this region in the north-eastern part of the country. Like the rest of Colombia, the Santander coffee growing region has felt the impact of the civil war that has been raging in the country for the past 50 years. For many years, the Belgian Colruyt Group is

talking to Efico, its sustainable coffee supplier, about ways of providing ongoing support for coffee growers. The supermarket group has now become a customer, who provides stability by making steady purchases and running training projects.

Combating rural flight

The third training project ran from 2014 to 2018. The results were so encouraging that the concept has been rolled out; an extension of the programme will be running until 2021. In addition to their regular school subjects, young people are given extensive training on how to grow coffee sustainably. They learn how to run a business and develop their leadership skills. They are also able to put the knowledge they have

gained into practice immediately. Over three successive years, each young person plants 1,500 coffee plants a year. After three years the result is their own coffee plantation of 4,500 plants, with alternating production cycles.

The programme is very useful to update the time-honoured knowledge that is traditionally passed on from one generation to the next but perhaps more importantly it allows young people to learn and experience that a well-run coffee farm offers them a future.

Updating knowledge

Fifteen year old twin sisters Angie Daniela and Maria Fernanda Marin Pena from the municipality



of Oiba tell their story: "We live on a farm and our love for coffee was inherited from our father, who has dedicated his whole life to the plantation. The training programme that we are following together motivates us even more to grow coffee too. The knowledge of growing coffee that we had was the traditional way, like the majority of coffee growers. However, in this project we have learned better agricultural techniques, which will help us to get a better income."

Feeling good about yourself

Others do not have such a traditional connection to the land. Young Julian Andres Duran Lizarazo is now fourteen years old and moved with

his family from the city to the countryside four years ago. There they bought a plot of land where they now grow various crops, including coffee. "In the city I was often ill. Since we moved to the countryside, my asthma has almost completely gone. My brother and I are so happy to have been given the chance to join the new generation of coffee growers. Here we are getting the input we need to achieve our goal: not only training but also direct help on the farm."

The Colibri Foundation and the Efico Fund jointly contribute about half the cost of the programme, including training courses, farm visits, plant materials and equipment, as well as a small grant if this is needed,

for example to cover transportation costs. In this way they are supporting the development of a network of sustainable, profitable model farms. These are run by young coffee growers who have more knowledge and can motivate those around them.

MORE INFO?

The Colibri Foundation, the company Fund of the Colruyt Group, was founded in 2005 and has been managed since 2010 by the King Baudouin Foundation.

Every year the Colibri Foundation provides support totalling more than € 500,000, to about ten projects.

www.colibrifoundation.org

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THEY HAVE SAID



“There clearly is a need to establish more innovative ways of involving citizens and the European Citizens' Consultations were a right move in the right direction. But the process can obviously be improved. Its success will ultimately depend on the willingness of the EU and its members to support and further reform the process. The quality of European democracy will profit from these efforts.”

Janis A. Emmanouilidis, Director of Studies at the European Policy Centre (EPC). The ECC Civil Society Network was created with support from the KBF and the Open Society Foundations to independently monitor and evaluate how the process was organized. European Commission President-elect Ursula von der Leyen has already let it be known that she wants a new push for European democracy, including a two-year 'Conference on the Future of Europe', in which citizens shall play a leading and active part.

www.epc.eu

“On the road to 2020, I advocate a courageous and warm parenting relationship. With the focus on 'real' togetherness and 'time' to listen to each other lovingly so that connections become possible and offer solutions for the insecurity and loneliness of many of our youngsters.”

Youth lawyer and therapist Ingrid De Jonghe received the Grand Prize for Education from the **Filson Steers Mariman Fund**, managed by the KBF, for the expansion of “TEJO houses” in Belgium, where youngsters with psychological problems can quickly and free of charge go to professional therapists.

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“There are still many associations that do not know us. So we certainly still have room for growth. The challenge will be to manage with the same small team of four people.”

Remco Ruiter is the Director of “Goods to Give”, a non-profit organisation that collects non-food products and distributes them to the poorest via a network of social organisations fighting poverty in Belgium. Goods to Give is supported by the **Venture Philanthropy Fund**, managed by the KBF, which allows organisations in the social economy to optimise their internal functioning when they see development potential or face challenges to maintain their social impact in Belgium.

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“Homeless mobile EU citizens often have an unclear status. In some countries, if you are not officially registered, you cannot access publicly-funded services. But if we believe in the concept of European citizenship and free movement, we have to allow for people to fail and to find a solution out of it.”

Mauro Striano, Policy Officer of FEANTSA, the NGO leading the “Protecting the Rights of Destitute EU mobile Citizens” (PRODEC) project. PRODEC is supported by the European Programme for Integration and Migration, a network of 25 private organisations co-founded by the KBF.

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“If you just accept a project, which has not really caught your interest or got you excited, it could turn out to be a wasted year. Get as much out of it as you can! Think carefully about what kind of experience you want and ask about the opportunities presented by a particular project.”

Vitaline Bouckaert, Prince Albert Fund Laureate. The **Prince Albert Fund**, managed by the KBF, helps talented Belgian professionals acquire experience in conducting international projects by offering financial support for a 12-month project abroad through a company established or headquartered in Belgium. The new candidates are invited to apply until January 2020.

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“Many uneducated women are skilled in a craft and have talent. I don’t want to give women money; I want to help them take charge of their own destiny by offering them an honest job.”

Lyn Verelst, Head of the social enterprise Solid International, which is active in Peru, India and Kenya and supported by the Business Partnership Facility (BPF), a programme launched by the Belgian Directorate-General for Development Cooperation and the KBF to support the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

www.kbs-frb.be/en/enterprisesforsdgs

LITTLE DROPS OF WATER MAKE A MIGHTY OCEAN

SUPPORTING SCIENCE EXCELLENCE IN AFRICA

The Africa Research Excellence Fund has recently opened an American Friends Fund with KBFUS to enable US supporters to fund its important work. Focused on research and scientific inquiry, the organisation's purpose is attracting, cultivating and nurturing home-grown talent in Africa, for the benefit of the continent and the world.

Established in 2015, the Africa Research Excellence Fund (AREF)'s aim is to nurture future generations of medical and health researchers to reach their full scientific leadership potential, to improve health and save lives in Africa.

Professor Tumani Corrah



Strengthen capacities

Professor Tumani Corrah CBE, Founder and Director of AREF, says this young, dynamic, African-led charity supports emerging scientists on the continent. "AREF enables them to develop the skills, networks and capabilities they need to plan, manage and implement world-class research," he says. "We also help them learn to attract the levels of competitive international funding and collaboration they will need to ensure their continued professional growth, success and impact."

Corrah worked as a science researcher in Gambia for 30 years with the Medical Research Council, an organisation he also led for 12 years. "Throughout my career I was privileged to work with various grant-making bodies. Serving on these committees, I observed how some of the Africans would have benefited from further training. I could see that they were bright, young scientists but that they lacked certain planning and



management skills to succeed. So these committed young scientists were often not able to compete with candidates from world-class universities to win international funds."

To help address this gap and strengthen health research capacity, Corrah launched AREF in 2015.

"My goal is to make sure we have competent African scientists who are committed to research in Africa and who can partner with global scientists to solve global problems. AREF is trying to make a contribution towards

making this a possibility and ensure that Africans define Africa's health research agenda."

Training, mentorship and funding

AREF's Academy Program provides training such as essential grant-writing skills (workshop) and a newly launched Excell Leadership Development Program. And its Awards Program provides grants to emerging researchers to develop an original research idea into a project for which

they can win competitive funding. Both initiatives have been hugely successful so far.

"One bright example is a young woman from Uganda who approached us after the grant-writing training and said, 'Now I know exactly how to win grants.' So we said to her 'Go ahead. Prove yourself.' Six months later she won a DFID grant of GBP 500,000, followed by another GBP 500,000 from Comic Relief six months later.

"My goal is to make sure we have competent African scientists who are committed to research in Africa."

Tumani Corrah

To date she has received GBP 1.2 million in grants."

In addition, AREF's Research Development Fellowships give researchers financial support to work for three to nine months in a world-class institution in Africa or Europe. "These opportunities give young scientists access to workshops, lectures, tutorials," Corrah says. "They can develop networks, receive fantastic mentoring and learn important communication skills. This is one area that we are extremely proud of."

Little drops of water make a mighty ocean

AREF joined with KBFUS to open the Friends of the Africa Research Excellence Fund to help Africa's most talented health scientists achieve their full potential – in Africa, for Africa.

"KBFUS provides us with a platform to raise awareness about our work and to receive tax-deductible contributions from donors based in the US," Corrah says.

Corrah is optimistic that as the foundation's work becomes better known in the US, more Americans and people living in America will want to support it. "Little drops of water make a mighty ocean."



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MORE INFO?

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- kbfus.org/our-programs/american-fundraising-model/

WHEN THE ART OF QUEBEC SHINES FORTH IN BELGIUM



Isabelle de Mévius

Two remarkable sculptures by Quebec artist Jean-Pierre Larocque have been donated by the collectors Roger Gariépy and Michel Ostiguy to KBF Canada, which will now be responsible for their preservation and promotion. Entrusted to the Centre de la Céramique Keramis, the sculptor will now enjoy greater visibility in Belgium after having his work exhibited at the prestigious 17100 La Poste, a cultural and artistic centre in Montreal.

Called Grande tête (Big Head), the sculptures represent faces in clay, created by layer upon layer of superimposed sediment. Thanks to KBF Canada, these emblematic works can now be discovered in Belgium at the Centre de la Céramique Keramis in La Louvière, where they will be exhibited for a period of three years.

"Entrusting these two works to the Keramis Museum provides Jean-Pierre Larocque with the opportunity to be present and visible in Europe", says Isabelle de Mévius, Curator and Founder of the prestigious 1700 La Poste, where she is Executive and Artistic Director.



"People in Belgium and Europe will be fascinated to discover Jean-Pierre Larocque's way of working and the originality of his creative method."

A Belgian who has lived in Montreal for almost thirty years, Isabelle de Mévius aims to promote all forms of visual arts. It was on her initiative, at the start of 2019, that the Quebec sculptor and ceramic artist was given a one-man show at the 1700 La Poste, formerly Postal Station but now a beautifully renovated space devoted to the visual arts and their discursive challenges.

"Larocque is known for the originality of his approach and his innovative mastery of ceramics. His career has been crowned with success and recognition in the USA but his sculptural work had never been presented in Montreal where he was born. This retrospective exhibition aimed to emphasise the quality and coherence of his work across the years."

Located in the old quarter of Montreal, 1700 La Poste is a centre for art and for exhibitions that promote the work of artists who are important but sometimes not widely known. "Through retrospective exhibitions, the publication of

monographs and the production of documentaries about such artists, 1700 La Poste aims to offer them greater visibility and help establish their work and career" explains Isabelle de Mévius.

Exhibiting these two valuable but very heavy sculptures in Belgium would not have been possible without the help of 1700 La Poste, which graciously financed their exceptional journey to Belgium.

The retrospective show offered to Jean-Pierre Larocque at the 1700 La Poste represented significant recognition for this important Quebec artist who now, through KBF Canada, can be better known outside North America.

Jean-Pierre Larocque

Born in Montreal in 1953, Jean-Pierre Larocque is recognised as one of the leading sculptors and ceramic artists in North America. He has had over 20 solo exhibitions, some fifteen of which were in the USA. His sculptures are held in both private and public collections, including those of the Musée National des Beaux-Arts du Québec, the Musée des Beaux-Arts de Montréal, the Detroit Institute of Arts and the Houston Museum of Fine Arts.



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