

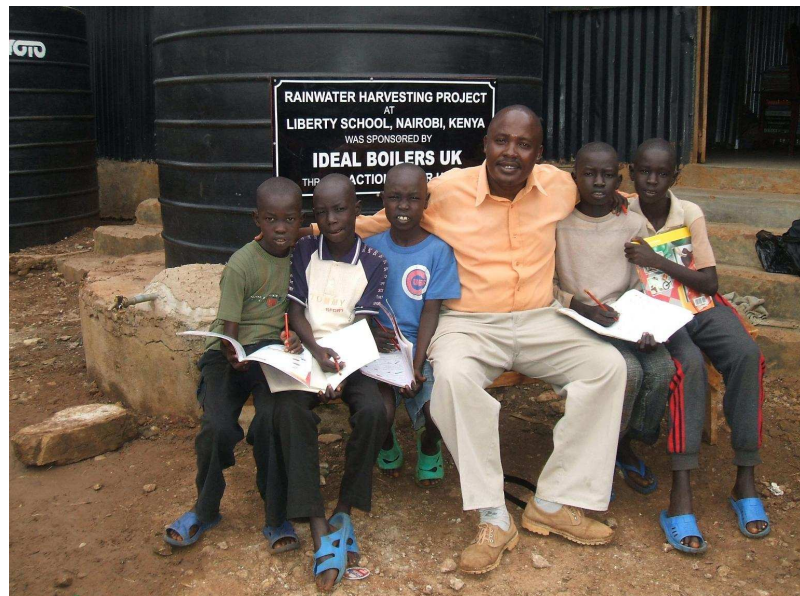


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Inizjamed Fund Raising for Kenyan Schools in Need

Inizjamed, a Maltese non-governmental organisation, with the support of SKOP - The National Platform of Maltese NGDOs - urges the Maltese general public to help its partner schools in the slums of Nairobi, Kenya.

Liberty Community School has reported ten children missing, possibly displaced through the ethnic strife devastating the country following the heavy post-electoral riots. Due to tribal differences between the land owner and the head of school, Liberty School is forced to leave its current premises by the end of February. Having already found new grounds where to relocate, the school faces great problems as



the new building lacks basic sanitation facilities, electricity and eight classrooms to accommodate all its 280 pupils. The school is in need of € 10,000 to cover all costs of setting up the new school, including a security fence to shelter the children.

Maendeleo Learning Centre, a slum school run by *The Reuben Community Centre*, with a population of 600 students - 100 of which are orphans to HIV/Aids victims - is in need of sanitation facilities, classrooms, living quarters for many of its orphans, the fixing of the existing premises and a steel gate, amounting to a total cost of €12,000. In order to feed the children and to uphold its teaching and administration staff, Maendeleo requires €34,500 per year.



To help Liberty Community School and Maendeleo Learning Centre, Inizjamed kindly requests your support. Donations can be submitted to **Inizjamed's BOV "Account Kenya"**, number **40016902262**.

All donated funds will be monitored through the Humanist Centre (Nairobi), the recipient schools and Inizjamed itself.

Inizjamed will be publishing a detailed report of the funds raised and the results

achieved on its website www.inizjamed.org and through further press releases. You can also contact us for further information via email on kenyafunding.inizjamed@gmail.com.

Your help is urgently needed so that the children's education at Liberty Community School and Maendeleo Learning Centre can be secured!

Background Information:

Inizjamed

Inizjamed is a non-governmental organisation founded in 1998 in Malta that is committed towards the regeneration of culture, education and artistic expression in the Maltese Islands and actively promotes a greater awareness of European and Mediterranean social issues. Inizjamed is a secular, non-partisan organisation that acknowledges that every generation must seek to create its own language and both respond to realities of its day and look beyond them.

The internal structure of Inizjamed is not a hierarchy with an executive committee and a pool of dormant members but rather a central coordinating team of five Project Coordinators who may or may not be members of the organisation. The project coordinators bring with them competences, experiences and contacts that enrich both the participants and the organisation itself.

Inizjamed also has a team of Maltese and foreign advisors who are experts in fields as diverse as sociology, political science, the visual arts, cultural studies, the environment, development co-operation, fair trade, and design, and a Supervisory Board whose task it is to see that the organisation's structure and projects reflect its cultural manifesto and guiding principles.

Inizjamed actively promotes the participation of women in Maltese cultural initiatives. Many of the project coordinators are women, and a number of young women have emerged as cultural operators and writers.

Ever since it was set up by a group of young men and women involved in different fields, Inizjamed has established strong partnerships with organisations and individuals both in Malta and in other countries. Inizjamed is a founding member of the association that runs the *Biennial for Young Artists from Europe and the Mediterranean* and an affiliate member of the

Forum of Justice and Cooperation, also based in Malta.

Through its Global Citizenship Education programme *Conectando Mundos*, Inizjamed has widened its field of work towards issues of international development and cooperation. Since May 2007, Inizjamed is a member of SKOP (Solidarjetà u Koperazzjoni) – The National Platform of Maltese NGDOs. For further information visit www.inizjamed.org

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