

## Transparent Civil Society Initiative

The Siemens Stiftung intends to communicate to the public clearly and transparently about its structure, its commitment, and the source and application of its funds. For this reason, we have joined the Transparent Civil Society Initiative effective September 30, 2010.

In doing so, we want to contribute to the formation of as broad a coalition for action within civil society as possible that focuses on the essential parameters for effective transparency. This voluntary commitment was developed under the guidance of Transparency International Germany. It requires that organizations provide ten precisely defined, relevant pieces of information about themselves to the public in an easily accessible form.

Please contact us if you have further questions about the Siemens Stiftung or individual projects ([info@siemens-stiftung.org](mailto:info@siemens-stiftung.org)).

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## Below you will find the information for the Siemens Stiftung

*(Status: May 2011)*

### 1. Name, headquarters, address and year established

Siemens Stiftung  
Kaiserstr. 16  
80801 Munich, Germany

Year established: 2008

### 2. Goals and articles of association

The Siemens Stiftung, a nonprofit foundation under German civil law, was founded in 2008 by Siemens AG. The foundation works with projects to strengthen civil society particularly in Africa, Latin America and Germany/Europe. Its aim is to make a long-term contribution to reducing poverty and improving education.

The foundation operates in three areas: It supports enlarging basic services and improving social structures; initiates educational projects; and helps reflect cultural identities and arts. The over-arching principle for the foundation's work is to help people help themselves.

The Siemens Stiftung works in close cooperation with local and international partners as well as in alliance with the other Siemens foundations established by Siemens in Argentina, Brazil, France, Colombia and the United States. The six independent foundations agreed on closer cooperation in terms of strategy and content.

Our Articles of Association are an expression of this desire.

Learn more about the mission of the Siemens Stiftung and our grants at our size ("About us").

### **3. Information on tax privileges**

The Siemens Stiftung is exempt from corporate income tax per notice of exemption from the Munich Tax Office, Corporations department (tax number 143/235/73256) of May 25, 2011 pursuant to Para. 5, Sub-para. 1, No. 9 of the Corporate Income Tax Act (KStG), because the Stiftung directly and exclusively serves tax-privileged and charitable purposes in the sense of Paras. 51 ff. of the German Fiscal Code (AO).

### **4. Name and position of decision-makers**

The management of the Siemens Stiftung is composed of the members of the board of directors and board of trustees.

### **5. Report on our activities**

The Siemens Stiftung started operations on January 1, 2009. See our [Annual Report 2010](#) (p. 9 ff.) for information on our areas of activity and how we exercise our commitment.

### **6. Personnel structure**

The Siemens Stiftung has 31 employees. Two of the three members of the board of directors serve in their positions on a pro bono basis. The team is supported by 6 working students and one “marginal” part-time worker (Status: May 2011).

### **7. Source of funds**

Our Annual Report 2010 (p. 64 ff.) provides detailed information about the source of funds used by the Stiftung.

### **8. Application of funds**

Detailed information on the application of funds is also available in our Annual Report 2010 (p. 64 ff.).

### **9. Association with third parties under corporate law**

There is no association with third parties under corporate law.

### **10. Names of legal persons whose annual payments constitute more than 10% of the total annual budget**

In the 2010 fiscal year, the Siemens Stiftung did not receive any donations from legal persons that constituted more than 10% of the total annual income.