

# Environmental Partnership for Sustainable Development



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## Annual Report 2005

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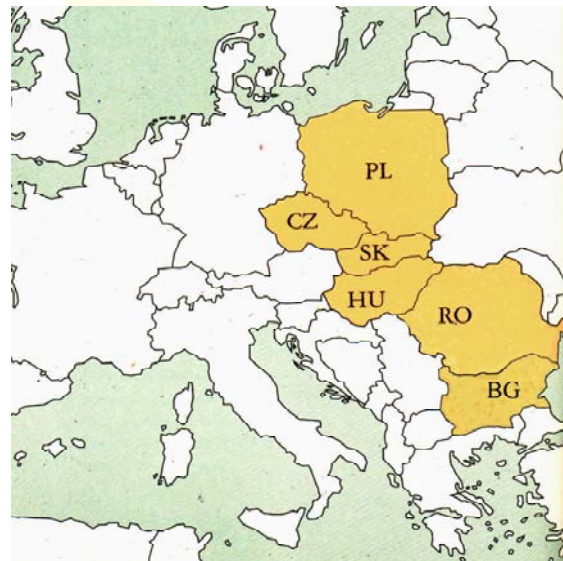
This annual report provides an overview of the activities of the Environmental Partnership for Sustainable Development (EPSD) in the year 2005. The EPSD is an association of six independent member foundations located in six countries in Central Europe united by a common methodology and mission. Each member foundation manages its own budget and programmes. The EPSD as a legal entity also manages its own budget and in 2005 the EPSD managed the programme Central European Greenways, which was funded by the European Union DG Environment programme. In 2005 EPSD managed and accounted the DG Environment grant but other grants and investment were made in the EPSD member foundations and these grants were managed and accounted by individual member foundations. This report focuses on our common, regional and cross border programmes. As the Environmental Partnership Foundations are active in many areas and engaged in many activities some activities and initiatives of individual foundations are not contained in this report. The financial part of the report contains both detailed information about funds managed and accounted by EPSD and an overview of the financial records of individual member foundations. For a more detailed description of the activities of individual member foundations and their individual financial disclosures please see their individual annual reports.

## What we are:

The Environmental Partnership for Sustainable Development (EPSD) is an officially registered (under the Czech law, Rg 19/2004) Association having six not-for-profit, independent member foundations. The EPSD is a mechanism for organizing resources and applying them to deal with regional level challenges through directed programmes and support of community-based initiatives for effective local action and results.

### **Our Mission**

To promote environmentally, socially and economically sustainable communities by empowering civic initiatives in the region



### **Members of EPSD:**

- Nadace Partnerství operating in the Czech Republic
- Nadacia Ekopolis operating in Slovakia
- Fundacja Partnerstwo dla Środowiska operating in Poland
- Fundatia Pentru Parteneriat operating in Romania
- Okotars Alapitvány operating in Hungary
- Fondaciya EkoObstnost operating in Bulgaria

There are some 130 people working in the offices of Krakow, Prague, Brno, Banská Bystrica, Bratislava, Budapest, Miercurea Ciuc, and Sofia and over 60 advisors and board members serving the national foundation and Regional association.

Today's members of EPSD were initiated as national programme offices back in 1991 developed and managed by The German Marshall Fund of the US and with support from several private foundations, including the C. S. Mott Foundation, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Deutsche Bundesstiftung Umwelt, the Stichting Doen, the Sasakawa Peace Foundation and Frankfurt Zoological Society.

The EPSD Association is a continuation and expansion of the work and formula for cooperation and sustainable development through partnerships. During the years member foundations has developed a broad palette of instruments to support grassroots environmental action, including small grants, training and technical assistance delivery, study tours and fellowships, as well as special programmes. Programmes are closely co-ordinated to ensure cross-border synergies, quality control and building of linkages between grassroots initiatives in the six countries.

Our regional brochure can give more detailed information on our mission, history, programmes and future goals. (You can download it from [www.environmentalpartnership.org/publications](http://www.environmentalpartnership.org/publications) or can receive it by mail upon request.)

The Environmental Partnership foundations have supported over 5,000 initiatives to:

- **protect** over 160 endangered species of flora and fauna
- **plant** more than 172,000 trees
- **insulate** 800 homes, schools, and other public buildings
- **create** over 4000 km of cycling paths and nature trails
- **employ** 2,350 people (full-time, part-time, definite period of time)
- **mobilize** and involve over 21,500 volunteers

## Board of Directors

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## Advisory Board

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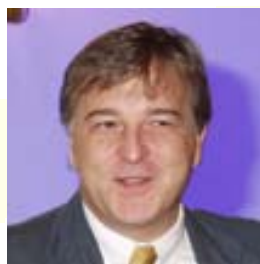
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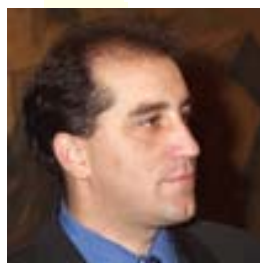
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## Our Activities:

### CENTRAL and EASTERN EUROPEAN GREENWAYS (CEG):



The Greenways programme was the flagship programme of EPSD regional activities in 2005. The programme was implemented in all six member countries. CEG provided an important framework for cooperation between the EPSD countries (and their respective Greenways initiatives) and EU countries (through the European Greenways Association). The CEG was not only strengthened through several meetings, seminars (Krakow, Brno) and workshops but also strengthened its position within the steering committee of the European Greenway Association by joining this year's steering committee and group meetings (Krakow and Dublin). In 2005, special emphasis was placed

on protection of biodiversity, specifically in relation to Natura 2000 sites.

**Bulgaria:** The Greenways programme began in Bulgaria in 2005. It was developed in cooperation with all the EPF members to bring the experience of Central European and Balkan states on development of easily accessible, environment-friendly routes advancing local sustainable development and healthy lifestyles to the region.

**Czech Republic:** In 2005, 225 km of trails were newly marked. The Foundation is the main leader in the development of Greenways in Central Europe and recently in the Balkans. The CEPF has been cooperating with the majority of EU countries under the framework of the European Greenways Association (EGWA) as well as developing experience with US and Australian Greenways. During 2005, the Foundation's Greenways team was able to initiate a unique system of certification for tourism-related businesses and services called Welcome Cyclists, supported by EU funds. This project will support Czech and Moravian entrepreneurs in their efforts to offer the best possible service to Greenways users, including cyclists, pedestrian tourists, horse riders and in-line skaters.

**Hungary:** In 2005 the HEPF supported two new Greenway initiatives in Sopron on the border of Austria and the Zselic micro region in the south western part of Hungary. This path will link an existing network of farms engaged in sustainable projects focusing on nature protection, unemployment and cultural heritage. Efforts were also made to make the Duna-Ipoly Greenway a reality. This Greenway is part of the Amber Trail and it connects pristine natural sites in Ipoly region in North-Western Hungary. It now features signed bicycle paths and an environmental education centre. In April 2005 two study trips took place for exchange of experience among these initiatives and to promote mutual learning. Representatives of the Duna-Ipoly Greenway visited the Zselic micro region's network of Experience Farm, and people from Zselic travelled along the Greenway.

**Poland:** In 2005, Greenways development in Poland focused on the Amber Trail Greenway and the Green Bicycle Greenway. Over 200km of trails have been marked out and over 50 local NGO and government partners were engaged in working out ways of using Greenways as a way of reconciling conflicts between tourism and biodiversity conservation. A national conference on Greenways was held in Warsaw on June 7th to engage national government agencies, especially the Ministry of Economy and the Polish Tourism Agency. Cooperation agreements were concluded with both.



**Romania:** In 2005, the Mineral Water Trail was further developed. Two new greenway initiatives; the Gold Way in Rosia Montana area, and the Herbs Trail were initiated in Harghita County. The Gold Way is envisaged as a sustainable alternative in the Rosia Montana area, where the controversial and infamous gold mining project will be implemented by a Canadian mining corporation. The “Herbs Way” was the second greenway initiated through REPF support by the Naturland Association and the Dancuras Salvamont Association. This new Greenway is an enlargement or a second loop to the Spruce Pine Way that was inaugurated two years ago.

**Slovakia:** The SEPF supported the initiation of a new Greenway connecting Devin and Devinska Nova Ves, which connects naturally preserved sites. Furthermore, 60 km of trails were managed and repaired.

### **OPEN GRANT-MAKING:**

In 2005, the EPSD members continued to support community-based NGOs through their respective small grants programmes supporting environmental projects of NGOs and communities encouraging the creation and implementation of projects linking health and environment. Grants can be up to € 8000 but average at € 2400. In 2005, **547 grants** were awarded in total value of **€ 2 802 806 or \$3 899 056**.

#### **Bulgaria:**

Number of grants: **76**

Total amount: **€ 219 476 or \$263,372**

In the second year of operation, the BEPF was successful in developing a broad range of grant opportunities for Bulgarian environmental and community NGOs and groups to strive to



resolve their local and regional level pressing environmental issues. Supported projects have ranged from conservation actions, promotion and education of young people and communities on flagship protected species, such as vultures,

bats, dragonflies, storks, Alpine triton, turtles, singing birds and marshland snowdrop, to support for the revival of traditional agricultural practices and development of greenways as an element of local development. Some projects have worked on the resolution of specific problems, related to spring water pollution, for the enhancement of the capacity of environmental organisations and initiative groups in their work for optimal solution of the waste problem through the Zero Waste Strategy. Another set of projects promoted the importance of the introduction of energy efficient resources and the joint implementation mechanism of the Kyoto Protocol.

**Czech Republic:**

Number of grants: **155**

Total amount: **€ 1 043 681 or \$1 252 417**

In 2005, grant programmes provided funding in the areas of Greenways, Biodiversity conservation, Planting trees, Energy alternatives, Sustainable development, Traffic calming, Waste management, Environmental Advocacy, and others. The Open Grant Programme distributes grants of up to CZK 210 000 to projects promising innovative and systemic solutions to problems in all areas of environmental protection. These include concrete activities promoting nature and landscape protection, active participation of citizens and civic groups in solving local problems, increasing awareness about current environmental problems, campaigns for changes in the legal system, and activities aiding in applying current legislation.

**Hungary:**

Number of grants: **103**

Total amount: **€ 460 047 or \$552 056**

70% of grants were awarded to organizations outside of Budapest with grant amounts ranging from 50 to 14,000 USD with the average grant around 2300 USD. The majority (41%) of grants were awarded for general operating costs with the rest being awarded for specific activities in the areas of energy, waste, traffic and air, education, environment and water. Grants were also coupled by other types of assistance such as presentations at conferences and workshops, co-authoring of publications, arranging media coverage etc.

**Poland:**

Number of grants: **91**

Total amount: **€ 202 463 or \$242 956**

In 2005, the grant programme supported water protection in Tylicz Region, nature and heritage conservation, strengthening of Partnership for Sustainable Development Groups, School for Sustainable Development projects with the average grant of € 2,200.

**Romania:**

Number of grants: **39**

Total amount: **€ 156 118 or \$187 341**

A total of 36 grants were distributed through the funding programmes of REPF plus 3 transfer grants to EPSD partners. The average grant size was **USD 4,803**. Grants were distributed through the Environmental Partnership Programme and the Living Heritage Programme, which is no longer active.

**Slovakia:**

Number of grants: **109**

Total amount: **€ 721 021 or \$865 225**

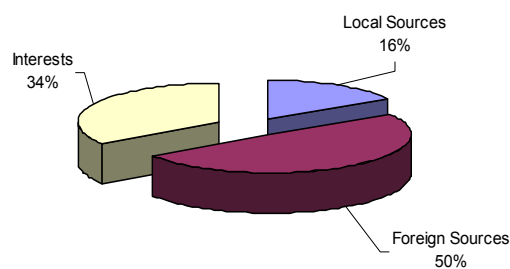
Standard grants we awarded through **eight programmes** and **two funds**. Two new grant programmes were launched in 2005; Public Spaces Programme in cooperation with CSOB and People for Trees in cooperation with Skanska SK. Grant programmes in 2005 included Environmental Programme, Public Spaces Programme, Greenways, Alternatives to Nuclear Energy, Advocacy Programme, Philanthropy Programme, Roma Integration Programme, Lets Renew the Tatras and People for Trees. The two active funds were the Tatra Fund and Active Citizens' Fund.

### **ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN:**

Five EPSD member organizations, CEPF, HEPF, PEPF, REPF and SEPF, are involved in a "Challenge Grant" from the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation to raise \$1 000 000 towards an endowment that would help secure the future operations of the EPSD. If successful, the Mott foundation will match the \$1 000 000 raised with another \$1 000 000. The Challenge Grant will end in June 2007. The cumulative amount

raised by EPSD Foundations since the beginning of the campaign through the end of 2005 is \$479 263 in line with the approved challenge grant criteria. An additional \$ 518 474 has been allocated to endowments and financial reserves which has not been claimed as part of the challenge grant. The total size of the Endowment / Reserve Fund of all six EP foundations by the end of 2005 was € 5 548 293 or \$6 657 951.

**Structure of raised Funds by EP as matching in period January 2004 - December 2005**



### **ENERGY ALTERNATIVES:**

The programme supports projects focused on innovative forms of energy savings and the use of renewable energy sources that result in lower CO2 emissions. In 2005, the programme tried to contribute to promoting energy projects in each of the Environmental Partnership countries, in which governments have declared a commitment to supporting renewable energy. Furthermore, the Alternatives to Nuclear Power program, traditionally supported by the Austrian Ministry of Environment, was extended to include Romania and Bulgaria (previously Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary). NGOs from these two countries could link to the regional joint project dealing with radioactive waste management policy and transparency of the related decision-making processes of the region and the EU. National NGOs were supported to pursue their own agendas to build capacity and campaign for the transformation of the energy supply systems in their countries.

#### **Bulgaria:**

##### **Energy: Dialogue and Capacity Project**

BEPPF organised a set of public forums to discuss the Municipal Energy Efficiency Programme and enabled the introduction of energy-efficient measures in 2 public buildings in Parvomay Municipality. The project included direct work with local students to raise student interest, knowledge and practical skills in the implementation of such measures. A strong

partnership with the Municipal Authorities and schools was developed resulting in enhanced public awareness on energy efficiency importance and a more open attitude of the Municipal Authorities in their work with citizens on these issues. Parvomay Municipality donated funds to the project to change lighting in a village kindergarten to energy efficient bulbs. In 2005 a national conference on Renewable Energy Sources was organised by BEPF to present the achievements of the organisations and create a forum for exchange and learning. It brought together more than 85 representatives of NGOs, academic and research institutions interested in the topic.



**Czech Republic:** The CEPF has been actively involved in preparing construction of a Training Centre for Sustainable Rural Development in Hostetin (White Carpathians, project run by the Veronica Ecological Institute) in parameters of a **passive house**. The construction plans were

completed and financing secured. The house with seminar capacity of 60 people, research capacity for 5 students and accommodation for 25 people will be completed by end of 2006. Training programmes in energy efficiency and use of renewable energies will be an important part of the future curriculum. Expertise from other EU countries, esp. Austria on solar architecture and the Netherlands on biomass has been utilized during the preparation.

**Poland:** The PEPF developed and launched an information service/web-site focused on biomass energy ([www.biomasa.org](http://www.biomasa.org)), which is intended to stimulate and provide information sharing opportunities among those involved in designing and implementing biomass-as-fuel projects at the local level. Working with the Polish Ministry of Environment and local governments, the foundation developed a portfolio of 5 biomass demonstration projects in South Poland (Lanckorona, Jordanów (2), Łyszkowice and Niepołomice). In each case, the EPF organised and financed technical feasibility studies as a basis for investment activities, which are to be completed in 2005/6. The biomass promotion activities led the EPF to be actively involved in the development of a Polish Chamber for Biomass, which brings together users, suppliers, finance institutions, as well as researchers in a single network or forum. To make the decision-making and planning process for biomass projects more transparent and cost-effective, the EPF teamed up with the Foundation for Effective Energy Use in Katowice and the Voivodeship Environmental Funds in Katowice and Krakow to develop and apply a Polish-language version of RETSCREEN – a planning tool for biomass projects developed in Canada. Polish experiences with promoting biomass are made available to the other EPSD foundations on an ongoing basis.

**Slovakia:** The SEPF entered into a joint project with Energie-Cites, Slovak Energy Agency and the Union of Slovak Cities called BISE (Better Integration for Sustainable Energy). The project aimed to increase the energy independence of municipalities, increase the quality of energy services for municipalities and foster cooperation of local partners related to energy savings and use of renewable energy. The SEPF organized the conference “Forum of Intelligent Energy” in June in Banská Bystrica attended by around 100 participants and took part in training on networking in France, Besancom in September. The SEPF also prepared an analysis “Barriers to wider utilization of renewable energy sources in Slovakia (with stress on solar energy)” for representatives of Slovak Energy Agency and representatives of regional municipalities (Self-governing regions). The analyses was presented at the vocational education event “Solar Heat”, May 24.-25., 2005, Žiar nad Hronom, Slovakia.

## **PARTNERSHIPS FOR BIODIVERSITY:**

**Bulgaria:** A major component of BEPF activities was the protection of biodiversity (vultures) in the country through support of nature-conservation organisations working in a number of vulture habitats (the Eastern Rhodope Mountains, Stara Planina region, south eastern and south western Bulgaria and Vrachanska Planina). As a result substantial support has been drawn to further assist field work of Bulgarian organisations (i.e. monitoring, feeding, viability



studies, anti-poison campaigns and measures). In June a BEPF representative participated in the prestigious meeting of the *Action Plan for the Conservation of Vultures on the Balkan Peninsula and Adjacent Areas* in Prilep, Macedonia. The progress of the Action Plan and priorities for the next four-year period were discussed and prioritised.

**Czech Republic:** The CEPF took part in preparation of the GEF project for enhancing biodiversity on Carpathian meadows (Landscape protected areas White Carpathians and Beskydy Mountains). The project focused on recovering traditional management of flowering pastures, including support of marketing local products related to sheep and cattle, monitoring of biodiversity and encouraging local farmers to join the programme. CEPF also continued coordination of a regional “land stewardship” programme, heritage interpretation specifically in the NATURA 2000 sites and support of nature conservation of small size NGO projects through the open grant programme. CEPF serves on the board of CZ National Land Trust, and assists in national campaign to raise funds for purchasing valuable natural sites (to date over 100,000 EUR has been raised). The CEPF organised a training on heritage interpretation for managers from 20 Protected Landscapes Areas and National Parks focused at awareness raising of visitors of protected areas.



**Romania:** In 2005 the “Natura 2000 Coalition” initiated by REPF back in 2003 in partnership with WWF became a fully functional and consolidated network of more than 40 NGOs, universities and scientists that are working closely for the preparation and the implementation of this extremely important part of the EU environmental legislation regarding protected areas. A Coordinating Committee was established consisting of seven

NGO representatives. The coalition was enlarged and now includes a large number of specialists from all fields. Cooperative work was initiated in the following areas: the development of the action strategy, advocacy and proposing amendments to current legislation, selection of priority habitats and species for Romania, identification of possible Natura 2000 sites and development of documentation for each site. The different working groups (wetlands, birds, herpetology, large mammals, bats and flora) have proposed the first N2000 sites and they were included in a GIS database system. The Romanian EPF also financially supported Natura 2000 initiatives and biodiversity conservation through its grant programmes. Selected programmes include a national campaign on bat protection, a pilot project on wolf protection and activities related to the International Day of Biodiversity.

**Slovakia:** The SEPF was a major contributor to the restoration of biodiversity in Slovakia through the Tatra Fund. The Fund supports sensitive renewal of the High and Low Tatras. It was established in cooperation with five other organizations after the windstorm in November 2004. Its priority is sustainable revitalization of specific forests. The largest supported compact area is located around Rakytovské tarns. The Fund also financed building reconstructions, renewal of sites within the Tatra settlements, as well as tourist trails, and it supported public discussions on renewal methods. The Czech Environmental Partnership Foundation and Tatra banka bank are its general partners. (296 th. EUR, 19 grants).

## **CLEAN BUSINESS:**

The programme goal is to improve the environmental performance of small and medium-sized companies (SMEs) by demonstrating that dealing with environmental considerations in day-to-day operations is key to good business operations, enhances competitiveness and helps build partnerships with the local community. As of July 2005, 400 companies were participating in the programme in Poland.

**Czech Republic:** The CEPF is focusing on certification of hotels, bed and breakfasts and restaurants on Greenways from the point of view of quality of services for cyclists. The project Cyclists Welcome was awarded in the competition for structural funds. It will be implemented over 2005 to mid 2007.

**Poland:** The programme successfully expanded and deepened the quality of local partnerships. Clean Business Clubs deliver the programme which brings together companies

from a defined geographical area. There are now 15 Clubs in operation, engaging 400 companies located in the regions of Malopolska, Silesia, Podkarpace, Swietokrzyskie and Pomerania. The PEPF is committed to establishing further Clean Business Clubs, where local companies and governments make a commitment to improving environmental performance. Each Clean Business Club is run by a coordinator, who is responsible for maintaining contact with member companies on an ongoing basis and helping them get the best out of the Programme's offer. Members of the CB Clubs receive assistance in the form of advisory and information services, as well as trainings. Each of the participating companies reduced emissions and was encouraged to take a more active role in combating climate change. Means and ways of achieving reductions in greenhouse gas emissions are provided to companies through a helpline, on-site audits and also internet-based calculator tools.

**Romania:** 2005 was a very challenging but successful period for the development of the programme. The number of Eco-Business Club members grew to almost 80, as well the volume of activities implemented under the programme. Five thematic seminars and trainings were delivered to small and medium size companies about environmental management related topics and about other environmental issues that aimed to increase environmental knowledge and eco-conscious behaviour among participating companies. More than 150 participants attended the seminars, as a result of which the number of companies implementing ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 management systems increased. At the same time 6 Green Start Reviews were done at the new member companies. The Association of Private Entrepreneurs from Ciuc County requested partnership and assistance of the REPF in the organization of a large conference, "Entrepreneurs before EU Accession". More than 100 representatives of small and medium size companies participated in the conference, which focused on the most burning issues concerning SMEs in the light of the envisaged EU accession.

### **SCHOOLS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:**

The Schools for Sustainable Development (SSD) is a programme developed and coordinated by the Environmental Partnership since 2001 in collaboration with Groundwork UK and Toyota Motor Europe. The programme aims to promote Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) and local community environmental action. The programme helps local people change their environment for the better by providing funding and support. Grants are available to fund projects that improve community spaces and promote environmental improvements as well as create hands-on opportunities for continuing environmental educational activities and experience-based learning. The SSD currently constitutes a network of approximately **400 schools** operating in the **Czech Republic, Poland** and the **United Kingdom**. In 2005, EPSP implemented the programme with **60 schools** in Poland and Czech Republic, securing cooperation/financial support from Toyota and local governments in Lower Silesia (Poland) and Northern Bohemia (Czech Republic). Links were established also with schools participating in a similar scheme in the UK thanks to cooperation with Groundwork UK – a UK-based environmental organisation.



## **Events**

### **Green Week, Brussels, Belgium, 31 May – 3 June, 2005**

In 2005 Green Week promoted a „thinking aloud“ of issues surrounding our environment, bringing together local, regional and national decision-makers, businesses, non-governmental organisations. EPSD, had a stand with the title “Combating climate change from the grassroots!” Informational leaflets were prepared and distributed during the event with listings of related energy programmes, organizations engaged in such programmes to give an idea and tips for those who are interested in finding out more details on national initiatives, policies, and partners. Schools projects from Poland and Czech Republic organised by the EPSD were showcased, along with similar projects from the UK organised by Groundwork UK.

### **Annual Meeting, Brno, Czech Republic, 13 – 16, September, 2005**

The topic of the Annual Meeting in 2005 was “Partnerships for Sustainable Development”. Four topics in four workshops were discussed: financial sustainability of non-profit organizations, cooperation between profit and non-profit sector, exchanging experience from local partnership establishment and Central European greenways contribution to permanent sustainability. Over 100 Czech and foreign guests took part in the meeting and the workshops.

### **European Mobility Week, 16 – 22, September, 2005**

The aim of EMW is to promote sustainable trips to workplaces and schools by encouraging alternative modes of transport such as cycling, walking, public transport and car-pooling. EMW wants to contribute to reducing traffic congestion, transport-related greenhouse gases and improving the health and quality of life of European citizens. 964 cities and towns were involved in 2005. All six EPSD members organized activities during Mobility Week promoting non-motorized transport including the international Car-Free Day on September 22, as well as round tables and panel discussions, exhibitions, films, happenings and competitions. Events were organized in Sofia, Prague, Brno, Budapest, Sopron, Krakow, Miercurea - Ciuc, and Bratislava.

## **Publications**



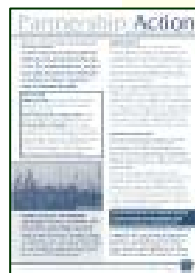
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## Financial Report

### Financial Report of EPSD for 2005

Income	2005	
European Commission	€ 177 709	\$213 251
Rockefeller Brothers Fund	€ 39 411	\$47 293
Membership fees	€ 53 431	\$64 117
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>€ 270 551</b>	<b>\$324 661</b>

Expenditures	2005	
<b>I. EPSD activities</b>	<b>€ 93 875</b>	<b>\$112 650</b>
I.1 Activities related to the Regional Greenways	€ 55 054	\$66 065
I.2 Annual meeting and Heritage Award	€ 8 000	\$9 600
I.3 Institutional Development	€ 30 821	\$36 985
Personnel Costs	€ 13 170	\$15 804
Travel and Subsistence Costs	€ 3 049	\$3 659
Technical equipment	€ 2 000	\$2 400
Office Costs	€ 1 755	\$2 105
Financial Costs	€ 2 050	\$2 460
Difference in Exchange Rate	€ 5 835	\$7 002
News Letters	€ 1 462	\$1 754
Audit	€ 1 500	\$1 800
<b>II. Implementation of Greenways programme through EPSD Members</b>	<b>€ 171 632</b>	<b>\$205 958</b>
<b>Total Expenses (I. +II.)</b>	<b>€ 265 507</b>	<b>\$318 609</b>

## Basic financial overview of EP Foundations 2005 in Euro

### Income

EP Foundations	Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Hungary	Poland	Romania	Slovakia	TOTAL
<b>State Funds</b>	<b>12 348</b>	<b>522 120</b>	<b>121 846</b>	<b>661 093</b>	<b>11 070</b>	<b>78 176</b>	<b>1 406 653</b>
US	12 150	0	0	0	0	41 333	
European	198	522 120	121 846	661 093	11 070	36 843	
<b>Private Funds</b>	<b>336 314</b>	<b>1 136 340</b>	<b>565 968</b>	<b>603 360</b>	<b>524 852</b>	<b>1 066 566</b>	<b>4 233 400</b>
US Foundations	180 158	246 988	336 646	49 099	349 863	353 412	
European Foundations	156 070	162 894	187 062	216 428	104 633	164 094	
Corporate		388 261	42 260	311 512	7 892	101 116	
Individuals	87	338 197		1 750	0	22 367	
Foundation's Funds		0		24 572	62 464	425 578	
<b>Interest</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>297 615</b>	<b>70 578</b>	<b>9 634</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>86 305</b>	<b>464 307</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>348 838</b>	<b>1 956 075</b>	<b>758 392</b>	<b>1 274 088</b>	<b>535 922</b>	<b>1 231 047</b>	<b>6 104 360</b>

### Expenses 2005

EP Foundations	Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Hungary	Poland	Romania	Slovakia	TOTAL
<b>Grant Programmes</b>	<b>260 238</b>	<b>1 159 957</b>	<b>559 599</b>	<b>229 909</b>	<b>216 523</b>	<b>822 987</b>	<b>3 249 213</b>
Grants	219 476	1 043 681	460 047	202 463	156 118	721 021	2 802 806
(Number of grants)	76	155	103	91	39	109	547
Assistance to the Grants includes Administrative Costs	40 762	116 276	99 553	27 446	60 405	101 966	446 407
<b>Operational Programmes</b>	<b>40 910</b>	<b>309 803</b>	<b>193 167</b>	<b>897 323</b>	<b>53 787</b>	<b>57 914</b>	<b>1 552 902</b>
<b>Institutional Development</b>	<b>3 714</b>	<b>81 063</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9 552</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>63 692</b>	<b>158 021</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>304 862</b>	<b>1 550 823</b>	<b>752 766</b>	<b>1 136 783</b>	<b>270 309</b>	<b>944 592</b>	<b>4 960 136</b>

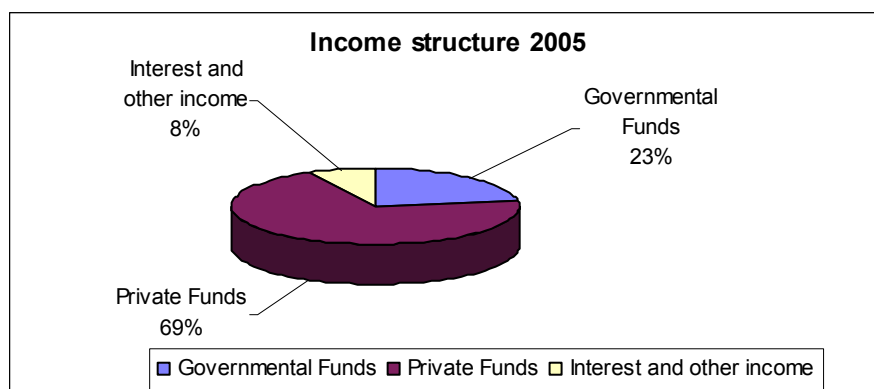
## Operational Programmes of EP Foundations

	Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Hungary	Poland	Romania	Slovakia	TOTAL
<b>Non-Grant Programmes</b>							
Biomass Project				181 965			181 965
Clean Business				341 638	28 979		370 618
Schools for sustainable development		3 642		68 027			71 669
Local partnerships for Sustainable Development	13 814	53 534	168 363	118 860		6 552	361 121
Greenways	17 035	248 665	24 804	186 833	24 808	20 753	522 897
Unfinished Business Programme						30 610	30 610
Energy Alternatives	10 061	3962					14023

## ENDOWMENT BUILDING

	Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Hungary	Poland	Romania	Slovakia	Total
<b>ENDOWMENT</b>							
<b>Size of the Endowment by the end of 2005 in ths. of USD</b>	2 917	3 067 510	1 105 593	147 689	307 917	916 667	<b>5 548 293</b>

Income	Amount		in %
Governmental Funds	€ 1 406 653	\$1 687 984	23%
Private Funds	€ 4 233 400	\$5 080 079	69%
Interest and other income	€ 464 307	\$557 169	8%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>€ 6 104 360</b>	<b>\$7 325 232</b>	<b>100%</b>



<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Amount</b>		<b>in %</b>
<b>Grant programs *</b>	€ 3 249 213	\$3 899 056	66%
Awarded Grants	€ 2 802 806	\$3 363 367	
(Number of grants)	547	547	
Grant technical assistance including administrative cost	€ 446 407	\$535 688	
<b>Operational Programs</b> (Greenways, Schools for Sustainable Development, Clean Business, Energy, etc.)	€ 1 552 902	\$1 863 483	31%
<b>Institutional Development</b>	€ 158 021	\$189 625	3%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>€ 4 960 136</b>	<b>\$5 952 163</b>	<b>100%</b>

