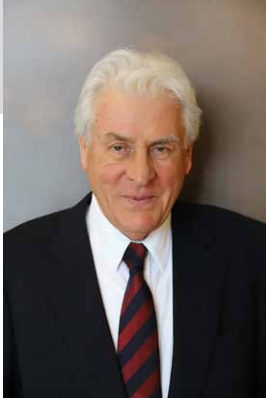


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Introduction from the Founder

Ladies and Gentlemen,
Dear Friends, Patrons and Partners,

If we can draw anything positive from the coronavirus pandemic, then it is this: in difficult times concern for others grows, and along with it, willingness to help. According to the GfK (German Consumer Research Institute), this is reflected in peoples' readiness to make donations, and the volume of donations was considerably higher in 2020. However, the issue is clouded: the number of people making donations is declining. Fewer and fewer people are giving more and more.

The AUMUND Group was not able to escape the effects of the pandemic, which were felt all over the world in 2020, the difficult COVID year. We were in the fortunate position of not having to suffer any major cutbacks in our foundation work, which enabled us to continue to support and promote important projects. We increased our commitment to philanthropic activities and have more international funding projects than ever before (see pages 12-13).

International funding activities require a high degree of care when selecting and accompanying funding partners and projects (see page 4). We do everything possible to ensure that our funds are used solely for the aim and purpose for which they are intended.

Long term projects bear witness to our continuous efforts on various continents. India continues to be one of the focus areas of our activities, not least due to the dedication of our long-standing associate and advisor, Prasad Rao. My thanks also go to the Managing Directors of the AUMUND Group companies who are committed to accompanying our projects all over the world.

I would like to bring to your attention in particular the section on Orbis in this annual report (pages 6-7). Orbis is an international NGO dedicated to the treatment and prevention of blindness, visual impairment and eye disease in developing countries. The Aumund Foundation supports the work of the Orbis eye specialists in Nepal. The doctors carry out eye examinations on school children there in order to prevent possible disorders or to treat and heal them.

Franz-W. Aumund

P.S. The photo on the title page of this annual report is a happy memory of a pre-COVID trip: a snapshot from my visit to the Sagar School in India, directly after we had started to work with this Round Square School.

“The great aim of education is
not knowledge, but action.”

(Herbert Spencer, English philosopher)

The Board of Trustees – Important companion of the foundation work



	Hartmut Deussen (Guest of Honour)	Katja Jüngst (Managing Director)	Dr Silke Landwehrmann (Member of the Board)	
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At an inaugural meeting on 20th November 2020 the Founder Franz-W. Aumund appointed a Board of Trustees which will accompany the work of the Franz-W. Aumund-Stiftung and Aumund Foundation. It is responsible for approval of the annual financial statements and budget, and advises the Foundation Board on the implementation of the objectives formulated in its statutes. The Board of Trustees shall ensure the long-term implementation of the Founder's intentions.

It comprises persons of trust who have accompanied the Founder for many years and are familiar with his way of thinking.

The first meeting gave the Board of Trustees an overview of the financial situation of both foundations, as well as a presentation of current projects and explanation of the criteria for selection of funding partners and projects.

Aumund Foundation: Identification of funding partners and projects

Franz-W. Aumund's entrepreneurial character and decades of international business success are reflected in the strategic planning of his steadily growing philanthropic commitment. The objective that Franz-W. Aumund has set for himself is to bring sustainable change to the lives of young people by supporting their education and good health.

In 2020 the main focus was placed on setting the course for the future. It is worth doing elaborate preparatory work to get through detailed implementation regulations in relation to the purpose to be realised, and to have clear processes in place to identify project partners. These measures allow us to carry out effective foundation work and not to lose sight of the Founder's intentions.

Funding principles and requirements of funding partners

As a charitable foundation the Aumund Foundation is reliant upon identifying reputable and experienced project partners with whom it is possible to communicate in confidence and with full transparency. The Founder has decided to support only a manageable number of carefully selected organisations, and to accompany them closely throughout the duration of the funding period. In any case, a "something for everyone" type of funding is to be avoided. Instead, Franz-W. Aumund aims to achieve long term cooperation for sustainable funding to selected partner organisations.

To avoid being arbitrary in the selection of project partners and their initiatives, the Aumund Foundation does not offer public access to applications. Instead, it examines targeted recommendations from the Founder's international network of contacts and from the German Foundation Centre. Before the selected organisations are invited to submit a tailor-made funding application, the Aumund Foundation undertakes a diligent research process (see inset below left).

Once the background checking has been completed, direct contact is made with the organisation in order to complete the picture. In a face-to-face meeting it soon becomes clear whether the "spark" is there. Aside from all hard facts, this is a decisive factor for the success of a long term close working relationship.

From theory to practice: initial success

In both focus areas, education and health, where the Aumund Foundation supports children and young people, we have successfully started to work with new funding partners. Two of these will be presented in this report, the Round Square Schools and the Orbis Organisation.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Does the organisation have long term reference projects which correspond to the Founder's aims and way of thinking?
- Does the organisation work in a fully transparent way and provide coherent factual reports and audited financial documentation?
- Are administration and fundraising costs kept within reasonable limits?
- Does the organisation have a good network of relationships with local authorities and decision makers in the country where the project is run?
- What is the international structure of the organisation?
- Is it dependent on its founder or on an individual person?

AUMUND FOUNDATION

The logo of the Foundation is a combination of the initials of the Founder, F and A. This creates a Chinese character which means "to open" and "to start".

This logo is an excellent representation of the guiding principles of Franz-W. Aumund.

The Professor Heinrich Aumund Endowed Chair at Berlin University of Applied Sciences

The Prof. Heinrich Aumund Endowed Chair at Berlin University of Applied Sciences for Technology and Economics will be dedicated to Heinrich Aumund (1873-1959), engineering academic and entrepreneur. The professorship “Industrial Sensor Technology and Predictive Maintenance 4.0” represents practical and multi-disciplinary research, and projects the mindset of Professor Heinrich Aumund into today’s world. Representatives of the university and the Franz-W. Aumund Foundation met to consider the prospect of establishing the endowed professorship. President of Berlin University of Applied Sciences (HTW), Prof. Carsten Busch expressed his delight at the Franz-W. Aumund-Stiftung’s choice of HTW Berlin as its partner for this form of commemoration of a visionary and enthusiastic business founder. An endowed chair offers an opportunity to continue the legacy of Prof. Heinrich Aumund’s ideas, which are still ground-breaking today, and to enable young students to experience them. The proposed specialist field “Industrial Sensor Technology and Predictive Maintenance 4.0” promises innovative teaching and research, as required by a university of applied sciences.

Heinrich Aumund lectured at the University of Gdansk from 1909 until 1922, and at the University of Applied Sciences in Berlin from 1925 until 1935. Whilst lecturing, Heinrich Aumund always placed significant emphasis on proximity to industrial practice.



Franz-W. Aumund-Stiftung represented by (from left) Dr Silke Landwehrmann, Member of the Board, Katja Jüngst, Managing Director, Franz-W. Aumund Chairman of the Board (3rd from right), Susanne Weiss, Project Coordinator (right) and from Berlin University for Applied Sciences, Prof. Carsten Busch (3rd from left), President, and Prof. Tilo Wendler, Vice President for Teaching (2nd from right).

When he established his engineering office in Berlin in 1922 he laid the foundations for what would later become the AUMUND Group of companies. From 1920 to 1926 Heinrich Aumund was attached to the Prussian Ministry of Science, responsible for the reform of the technical universities in Prussia, and advocated the unification of technology and business. His professional and scientific experience formed the basis for the envisaged merger of the technical university and the commercial college. In 1921 he entitled his central exposé on the subject, “The University of Applied Sciences for Technology and Economics”. As a result, the degree course “Industrial Engineering with Business Studies” was created.

The origin

Franz-W. Aumund had the idea of setting up an endowed chair in commemoration of his grandfather around the time of the creation of his foundation. Based on the biography published in 2018, “Heinrich Aumund (1873-1959) - Erfinder, Fördertechniker. Hochschulreformer.” [Inventor, Conveying Technologist, University Reformer], Managing Director Katja Jüngst developed a concept of how and where a possible endowed chair could be put in place.

Through the Donors’ Association for the Promotion of Humanities and Sciences in Germany, a young university in Berlin with the name already mentioned in the 100 year-old exposé of Heinrich Aumund, University of Applied Sciences, came into play.



Aumund Foundation supports Orbis eye screening in Nepal

In 2020 the Aumund Foundation provided GBP 55,000 worth of funding to Orbis UK for a project in Nepal. The organisation is dedicated to the treatment and prevention of blindness, visual impairment and eye disease in developing countries.

Most people in Nepal do not have access to advanced, affordable eye care, although most cases of blindness or impaired vision in this developing country are actually avoidable or curable.

Last year's COVID-19 pandemic had a significant effect on the project activities of Orbis in this Himalayan country. Most of the schools in Nepal were closed for nine months, so no eye screenings could be carried out on children in schools. "During

this period the project team provided support to our partner hospitals in their fight against COVID-19," explains Kate Gannon, a member of the Orbis team in London who coordinates the project in Nepal.

As a result of the school closures it was clear that it would take a long time for the screening programme to resume on its previous scale. Therefore in September 2020 Orbis decided to adapt its important screening work to the current situation and

to adopt a new temporary screening strategy.

What that meant was a shift to a household based door-to-door screening programme with support from volunteer helpers, in order to reach as many school children as possible.

Trained teams, each accompanied by a volunteer helper, visit households and carry out a preliminary eye examination. Children with



ORBIS

Orbis International operates its own Flying Eye Hospital, an aeroplane travelling to developing countries, containing a laser room, an operating theatre and a technical centre. It also has a teaching facility where invited guests, mainly medical personnel from the host country, can watch the operations as they happen or view recordings of previous interventions.

“We want to have examined 300,000 children by the end of the project“

Kate Gannon, Orbis International

suspected eye or vision problems are referred for secondary screening to the nearest health facility, where prescriptions for glasses or referrals to hospitals can be issued.

At the same time the team raises awareness about the importance of eye health. The parents of affected children are supported further to increase understanding of how important it is to have eye examinations, take advantage of therapeutic measures and wear glasses.

The house-to-house screening has been successful, with the teams checking the eyes of 16,259 children in the last quarter of 2020. In comparison, this is 78 percent of

the number targeted by the school screening programme. By December 2020, in a combination of the door-to-door eye checks and the normal school examinations, a total of 18,069 children had been screened.

Orbis International believes that with this combination of school and household screening it is well equipped to tackle blindness and vision impairment in Nepal.

SAMSON supports Ocean Youth Trust



Self-confidence, teamwork, communication, a sense of responsibility, and resilience – these are indispensable capabilities and characteristics when it comes to achieving objectives at school, at work and also in personal life. However, many young people have not been given the opportunity to develop these skills, and do not know what potential lies within them.

This is the reason why SAMSON Materials Handling in Ely, England, has been supporting Ocean Youth Trust South (OYT) since 2016. This charity was founded in 1960 to aid the positive personal development of young people from underprivileged family backgrounds.

For two weeks the young team members swap their everyday life for a sailing trip on the “Prolific”, to awaken their unrecognised potential and strengthen them for the future. Instead of mobile phone, TV and computer, all activities that a regular crew must deal with on board are to be shared, not only hoisting and taking down sails, steering and navigating but also cooking, cleaning and washing. At the end of the trip the young people are presented with a certificate from the Royal Yachting Association. “For many who have difficulty at school, the RYA certificate could be their first real qualification and the first experience of successful learning,” explains Caroline White, Business Manager, OYT South.

For many young people the community experience on the sailing ship is often the first success story of their lives.

The team is hoping to be able to recommence sailing trips mid-2021. The pandemic has been a big financial challenge for many charities, not least OYT South, which normally receives approximately half of its funding from travel packages for sailing tourism. The effects of ongoing lockdowns are also making it even more important than before to look after and support children and young people in challenging situations.

Master's thesis online instead of at AUMUND Asia in Hong Kong

In the end Lukas Klöckner had to come up with a plan B. As a scholarship student at AUMUND Fördertechnik he had intended to spend a semester overseas in order to gain international experience whilst writing his master's thesis. The 2018 scholarship students' meeting had given him the idea, and at first the signs were good. In 2019 Lukas got a 1.3, the best result in his year, for his Bachelor of Industrial Engineering at Koblenz University of Applied Sciences. His suitcase was almost packed to set off to write his master's thesis at AUMUND Asia in Hong Kong from March to June 2020.

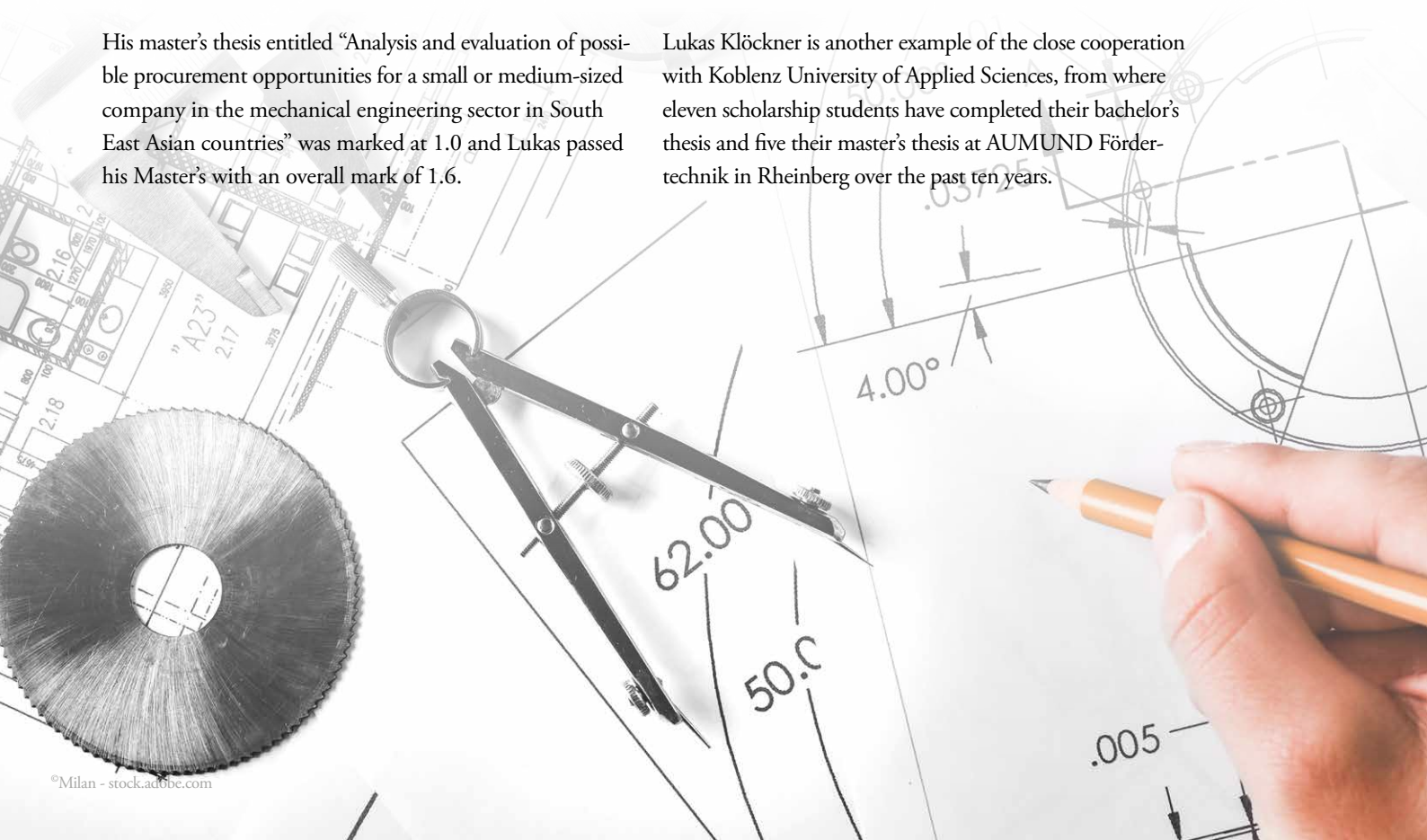
But then came the coronavirus pandemic which put paid to his plans, and Lukas had to adapt. Instead of travelling to Hong Kong he got hold of the necessary research documents, took part in online seminars of the Kellogg School of Management in Illinois, USA, and finished his academic degree thesis in Germany. He was supervised and supported via many online conferences by Alexander Smeets, Managing Director of AUMUND Asia (Hong Kong), and Prof. Detlev Borstell, Koblenz University of Applied Sciences.



Lukas Klöckner

His master's thesis entitled "Analysis and evaluation of possible procurement opportunities for a small or medium-sized company in the mechanical engineering sector in South East Asian countries" was marked at 1.0 and Lukas passed his Master's with an overall mark of 1.6.

Lukas Klöckner is another example of the close cooperation with Koblenz University of Applied Sciences, from where eleven scholarship students have completed their bachelor's thesis and five their master's thesis at AUMUND Fördertechnik in Rheinberg over the past ten years.





Omolemo and Roxanne, the two scholarship students at Tiger Kloof Educational Institution in South Africa.

Aumund Foundation provides scholarships for children all over the world at Round Square Schools

“We are capable of more than we think. When we experience this, we will no longer settle for less.”

Kurt Hahn, 1886-1974
Founder of the Round Square Schools

The Board of the Aumund Foundation has decided to place an emphasis on awarding scholarships to Round Square Schools as part of its strategic programme planning in international educational funding. The aim is to give motivated and gifted children from underprivileged backgrounds the opportunity to attend a first-class school and to enable the development of their potential.

The international Round Square network is based on the experiential concept of the

German educator Kurt Hahn. Still today the philosophy of these international schools is that alongside a traditional school education the personality development must play a significant role in the daily school life of young people. In order to become a member of the Round Square community, candidate schools have to complete a complex candidacy process of up to two years, organised by the head office in Windsor, England. Once a school has become a member it is checked annually on how it implements



The Campus of Tiger Kloof Educational Institution in South Africa.

the Round Square principles in practice. The concept also includes communication between schools and international Round Square conferences.

From more than 200 schools in 50 countries on six continents, project coordinator Susanne Weiss filters out the schools which meet the eligibility criteria of the Aumund Foundation. For the Indian schools she is supported by Prasad Rao, the former Managing Director of AUMUND Engineering Pvt. Ltd.

A shortlist of 75 boarding schools in around 20 countries was established, and these have been contacted since May 2020 in various selection rounds. Delight and surprise at being contacted out of the blue by a German foundation regarding the possible establishment of a joint scholarship programme for underprivileged children was palpable in the reactions of many school heads, “I am overwhelmed at being contacted by you for possible sponsorship by the Aumund Foundation,” answered Gail du Toit, Director of the Tiger Kloof Educational Institution in Vrybourg, South Africa. “It is a great blessing to be invited to tell you about our school. It is remarkable that Mr Franz-W. Aumund wants to engage in other countries in this way. I am in awe of such philanthropic people and it humbles me the world is still a good place, even though it is ravaged by a

pandemic.” Eight Round Square Schools, in India, Pakistan, South Africa, Ghana and Kenya have already received a commitment from the Aumund Foundation, and cooperation with other schools is currently being evaluated. If the teamwork with a school develops promisingly in the first funding year, other children will thereafter benefit from a sponsorship until they leave school.

Background

On a trip to India in 2018 Franz-W. Aumund came across a brochure of the Sagar School, the founder of which, who passed away in 2011, had been a member of the advisory board of AUMUND Engineering Pvt. Ltd. and long-standing trusted friend of Aumund. Both men were committed to supporting education for underprivileged children and young people. Consequently Franz-W. Aumund asked his international consultant, Prasad Rao, to make contact with the boarding school, as one of its fundamental values is to give scholarships to children from underprivileged backgrounds. The Franz-W. Aumund-Stiftung subsequently made it possible for two orphaned girls to attend the Sagar School.

The Indian boarding school belongs to the international community of Round Square Schools, which offer excellence in education and prepare their students to



ROUND SQUARE SCHOOLS

German educator Kurt Hahn founded not only the renowned boarding school Schloss Salem in Germany, but also Gordonstoun School in Scotland. The old, fortified village on the school grounds formed a circle with its small square houses, which is where the name Round Square Schools originated. Today they are to be found on all continents.

The common thread is the commitment to an altruistic responsibility, as defined in the six IDEALS.

I	-	Internationalism
D	-	Democracy
E	-	Environmentalism
A	-	Adventure
L	-	Leadership
S	-	Service

take on social responsibility. Convinced by these values, Franz-W. Aumund would like to enable children from disadvantaged backgrounds to attend Round Square Schools in order to get the best possible start in life.

Funding projects

2020

■ FRANZ-W. AUMUND-STIFTUNG

ziuma e.V.

- Diesterweg Scholarships (since 2015) (Financing the location in Duisburg)
- Promotion of young talents at the Henriettenschule Duisburg-Marxloh (2018)

Gemeinsam gegen Kälte Duisburg e.V.

Caring for the homeless in Duisburg (2015)

Rock your Life Duisburg-Essen e.V.

Mentoring project for young people starting work (2015)

Schulmaterialkammer Homberg

Providing school materials for children in need (2012)

Kubik e.V.

"LIGA – Learning in the Garden" (Occupational guidance in problem schools in Cologne) (2014)

Berlin University of Applied Science

Endowed Chair "Industrial Sensor Technology and Predictive Maintenance 4.0" (2021/2022)

Industrial Archives of Saxony, Leipzig

Research project on the industrialisation of Saxony (2021)

■ AUMUND GROUP (including AFT)

1. INDIA

- *Cleft-Kinder-Hilfe Switzerland* (2015) Cleft-Centre Malakkara: Educational support for children who have had cleft palate operations
- *Little Flower Public Charitable Trust for Montessori School* (2011) Promoting pre-school education for children in need from Perumalmalai
- *Darshini* (2011) Rehabilitation and education for blind students in Tamil Nadu
- *Chaitanya School* (2012) Rehabilitation and education for children with intellectual disabilities
- *The Thursday Ladies Charitable Trust* Supporting local organisations for the sick and needy (2012)

2. KOREA

Sessak (2016)
Supporting orphaned young people starting work

3. INDONESIA

Putra Bansa Berbudi School (2016)
School scholarships for children from families in need in Medan

4. CHINA

CEDAR Foundation (2019)
Support/mentoring for students from rural areas

5. GREAT BRITAIN

- *The Caring Foundation* (2020) Special donation: emergency aid for COVID-19
- *Ocean Youth Trust South* (2016) Integration of underprivileged children and young people: sailing trips to strengthen skills

6. ROMANIA

- *Romanian Childrens Relief for Fundatia Inocenti* (2014) Supporting underprivileged children: programme for educational support and social integration
- *Concordia Social Projects* (2013) "EduCampus" in Ploiesti: Training support through vocational school and apprentice residence

7. CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Franciscan Mission (2007)
Educational support for school children and students

8. GERMANY

University scholarships Koblenz (2009) and Freiburg (2014)



AUMUND FOUNDATION

1. MOLDOVA

Concordia Social Projects (2020)
Concordia Youth Club/Career Centre Moldova

2. RUSSIA

German-Russian Meeting Centre (2018)
Support for orphaned young people starting work

3. SENEGAL

Mercy Ships (2020)
• Further education of medical technology specialists
• General surgical treatment and operations for children

4. KENYA

Dentists for Africa (2020)
• Access to school education for children in need
• Scholarship dental care for orphaned children
• Training of orphaned young people as medical assistants

*Starehe Boys' Centre and School**
Scholarships for boys from underprivileged backgrounds

5. BURKINA FASO

Light for the World (2020)
Medical equipment for the ophthalmological centre in Burkina Faso

6. SOUTH AFRICA

 (2020)

- *Tiger Kloof Educational Institution**
- *Bridge House School**
Scholarships for girls from underprivileged backgrounds

7. INDIA

- *Sagar School* (2018)*
- *Doon School* (ab 2021)*
- *Lawrence School* (2021)*
Scholarships for children from underprivileged backgrounds

8. PAKISTAN

Cadet College Hassan Abdal (2020)*
Scholarships for boys from underprivileged backgrounds

9. NEPAL

Orbis UK (2020)
Vision impairments in children in Nepal in the districts of Parsa and Siraha

10. VIETNAM

Deviemed (2019)
Humanitarian medical assignments

11. ERITREA

Interplast Germany (2019)
Humanitarian medical assignments

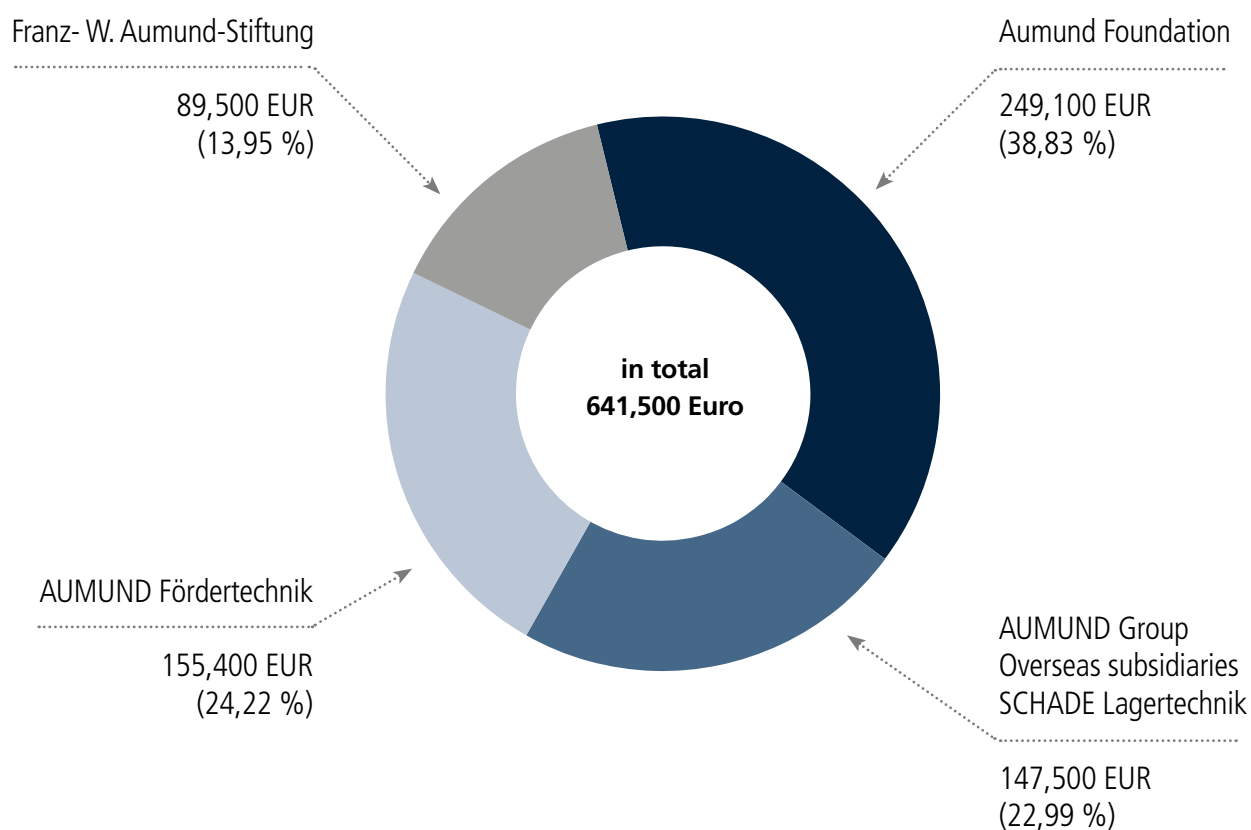
12. GHANA

*International Community School** (from 2021)
Scholarships for children from underprivileged backgrounds

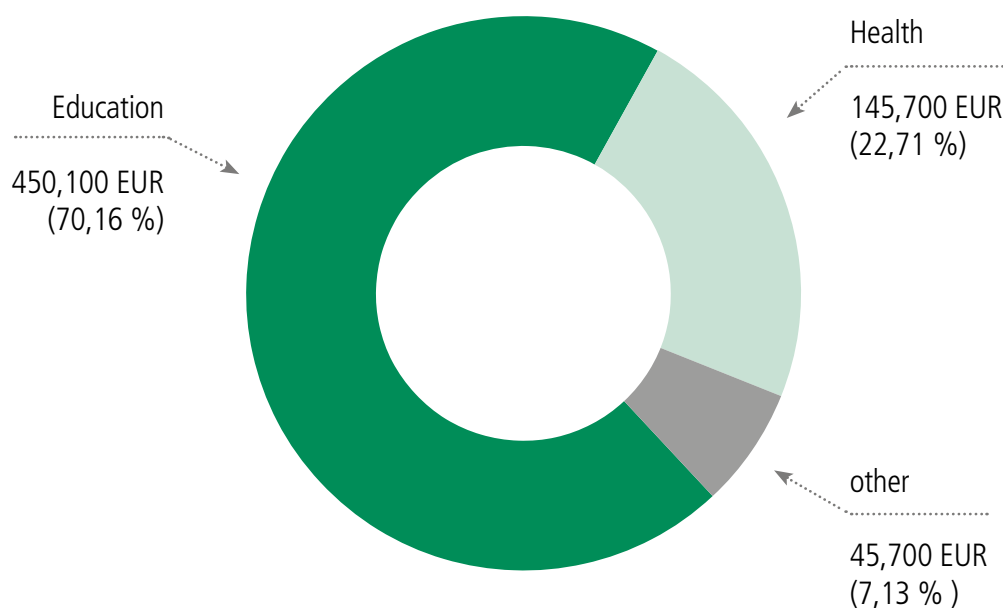
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Franz-W. Aumund's Philanthropic Commitment in 2020

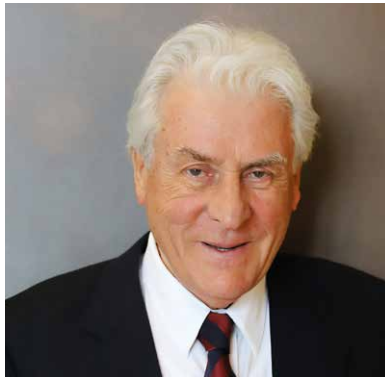
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Breakdown by funding purpose



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