

The Hetty Denen Foundation has entered into several partnerships over the years. The main collaboration, of course, is with the community in Shimabala. Financial support for projects to this community is provided in materials. This way they can realize the projects themselves through their own actions and efforts. And this way **we are strong together**. This partnership shows time and time again, a great appreciation and gratitude for the involvement of the HDF.

We have also entered into partnerships with organizations that collect funds together with us. Think of, for example, "Wilde Ganzen"; (<https://www.wildeganzen.nl/over-ons/english>) they support community-based organizations all over the world with a mission to reduce poverty and inequality through community-led initiatives, making the world a little more beautiful. **Stronger together** in efforts to achieve a better future and ensure crucial progress in ending poverty in Zambia. One of the projects, which we were able to realize together with "Wilde Ganzen", is the construction of the new school hall (2019) at the "Hetty Denen School". This school hall is already being used intensively. "Wilde Ganzen" converts our € 1, = into € 1.50 if all conditions are met. A very worthy fundraising partner, **we are stronger together**.

The "Pharus" Foundation was founded by a family who became wealthy through their successful business. This family gives back to society financially, by entering into partnerships. One project that we were able to realize, **together with 'Pharus'** is the construction of a kindergarten building, in Chipwende in 2019. Many young children aged 4 to 6 years could not go to school because the nearest school was too far away and there was no (money for) transportation. This caused a learning delay for these children. With the project in Chipwende we had 3 goals.

1. Creating the first kindergarten in Chipwende.
  2. Provide a healthy and enjoyable learning environment for young children
  3. Encourage children to move on to a Primary School after the 'Nursery School'.
- The request for this project came from a married couple Susan and Ary, who live in Chipwende. Susan knows this area well because she has served as a deputy principal in this region for a long time. Due to their presence there, they were able to steer and control the construction properly. Partly because of this, the project was completed in a relatively short amount of time. It is very nice to see that the three set goals have been achieved. Partly due to a good and solid cooperation in which **we are stronger together**.

BIS is the abbreviation of: "Bureau International Cooperation". They are a platform for foundations working in small-scale development cooperation. The HDF can contact BIS for to assist with fundraising. On request, they actively think along with us in options for financing our projects. One of the projects that we have been able to achieve **in working together** with BIS is the construction of two classrooms at the "Kasenje Primary school" in the town of Kafue. Bernadette Mulemi is the headmaster of this school and initiator of this project. We have had a very good relationship with her for a long time. The "Kasenje Primary School" is a government school, which means that the operational costs (including books and salaries) are supported by the Ministry of Education. Due to a lack of space in the school, they had initiated building two extra classrooms. However, the school board had no (financial) resources to complete these classrooms. Therefore they submitted a request for support to the HDF. In addition to the construction of the two classrooms, a "strong room" has also been built. This is a safe where the exams are securely kept, until it's final exam time. This is another great result that we have been able to achieve by **working together** with BIS.

The above is a brief selection of our partnerships. All of those are equally valuable. But the most valuable partnership to us is you! Without you, we would not be able to realize all these projects. We very much appreciate and value our partnership with you, our interested reader / donor. We are very grateful to all of our supporters. And we sure hope that this way of **working together**, will last a long time.

In our next and final part of this series, we will be exited to share our enthusiasm with you, for the latest project, we would love to be able to realize. The expansion of the "Hetty Denen school" in Shimabala with 4 classrooms, in order to be able to provide education for 16 to 18 year olds; the "Senior Secondary School" or high school. Many donations are still needed for this project! Can we count on your support?

*"The music sounds good,  
When everyone participates.  
Participation,  
That's what it's all about!  
Whoever participates, gets involved,  
Whoever participates, will find his place".*

