

# **ANNUAL REPORT 2009**



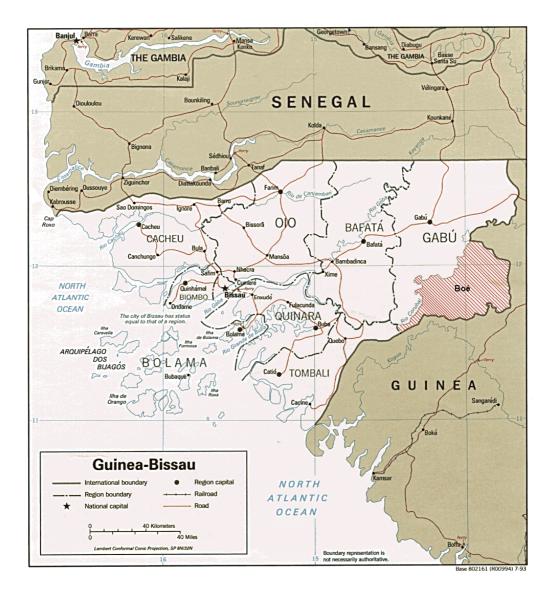
Community based action: a fast track towards successful chimpanzee conservation

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Photograph cover: chimpanzees in the Boé, Guinea Bissau (E. Mager)

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Annex: Achievements of Daribibó in 2009





The Foundation Chimbo can look back on a year with impressive results. Together with our local staff we have initiated new forms of active protection of chimpanzees in the Boé, a remote area in South-East Guinea Bissau. We have also been successful in finding money for our sister organization Daridibó in Guinea Bissau. These financial resources will enable our two organizations to intensify our joint effort aimed at the conservation of the ecosystem of the Boé and its chimpanzee population.

The habitat of the chimpanzee in this remote area has been preserved until recently but is now under serious threat: a growing human population, uncontrolled slash and burning and large scale shifting cultivation, forest and watershed destruction, road construction and last but not least concessions for bauxite mining threaten the area.

Like I said last year: chimpanzees are man's closest relatives and suffer from the destruction of their natural habitat due to mankind's expansion and greed. We should use our larger brainpower to conserve ecosystems and maintain biodiversity instead of diminishing the world's ecological basis. The least we can do is to respect the present space occupied and needed by those few chimpanzee populations that have survived our success in mastering the world.

This task has been fulfilled up till now by people like the very poor inhabitants from the Boé in Guinea Bissau. It is due time for the more resourceful people and institutions of the world to share this responsibility and help them executing this task. It has been a pleasure to see that many people both in Guinea Bissau as elsewhere share our views and are willing to cooperate.

The political situation in Guinea Bissau during 2009 has been very difficult and confusing for the people living in the country. We are impressed by the fact that even under those circumstances the willingness to cooperate with us on nature conservation was broadly shared.

Those of you that have supported us last year I would like to thank very much. I hope this report shows that your money, work or in kind support helped to bring our goals nearer. Others I would like to invite to join them in their support to our endeavour. We need you all.

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Dr. Annemarie Goedmakers President

# Introduction

The Foundation Chimbo is a Dutch NGO that has been established in 2007 for the protection of the chimpanzee in West Africa in memory of David Goedmakers.

David Goedmakers, son of Annemarie Goedmakers and Piet Wit, died the 25<sup>th</sup> of August 2006 of a ruptured aorta, he was 18 years young and wanted to study chemistry. In this way his parents announced the establishment of the Foundation Chimbo:

"We miss David enormously, but he has to miss his whole future. We want to give him a kind of future by realizing a project in his memory that combines his love of people and his love of nature. About ten years ago we visited the Boé with David. This is a remote, pristine area in southeast Guinea Bissau. The region has a low population density, few means of existence for the local population, and a rich natural environment in which groups of chimpanzees have survived. Unfortunately, the area is not protected in any way. We would like to safeguard the future of the chimpanzees and their environment by establishing a protected status for the area and by investing in sustainable tourism. In this way, we also hope to generate a new source of income for the local population."

Chimbo policy is to initiate own programs and activities or act as a catalyst for policies and actions that help to achieve the goal of a sustainable thriving chimpanzee population in West Africa.

The Boé sector lies in the South-East corner of Guinea Bissau. The region is cut off from the rest of the country by the Rio Corubal. To the South and East the Boé province shares the international boundary with Guinea Conakry.

Its isolated position and the general lack of resources are impediments to development, but did also create favourable conditions for the conservation of natural and cultural values. The biodiversity of Boé is the region's major asset: as a source of food security and ecologically sound income generation such as bee-keeping and traditional medicine, but also an opportunity for the development of ecotourism as a new source of income.

The biodiversity is still intact albeit under stress of human exploitation. The chimpanzee is the flagship species for biodiversity conservation in the Boé. Every gallery forest has its own family of chimpanzees. When passing through the surrounding savannah, their nests can be seen in the tree canopies along these streams.

Although Boé is an official hunting reserve in which hunting is forbidden by law, the law is rarely applicated. Only recently the national authorities of Guinea Bissau have realised that it is necessary to start working on the integral management of the natural richness of the Boé to the benefit of biodiversity conservation and local communities.

The Regional Action Plan for the Conservation of Chimpanzees in West Africa (Kormos & Boesch, 2003 IUCN/SSC Primate Specialist Group) classifies the Fouta Djallon Highlands in Guinea and Guinea Bissau, of which the Boé area forms part, as an Exceptionally Important Priority Area for chimpanzee conservation. According to this plan the following actions are needed in Guinea Bissau:

- Conduct basic surveys and monitoring in Boé
- Establish and expand an education awareness campaign about chimpanzees and other primates
- Carry out study of bush meat and pet trade in chimpanzees
- Improve management plan for the Boé area.

In 2009 we have been active in the first two fields and have intensified our work to combat poaching. We do this in close cooperation with DG Forest and Fauna and IBAP (the national Institute for Biodiversity and Protected Areas).

# Vision, objectives, mission and priorities

# Vision

The chimpanzee population of West Africa has the right to live and thrive in its original habitat. The present threats to its sustainable survival need to be warded off. This goal is of global interest and a shared responsibility between the world community and the local population.

# **Objectives**

The statutory objectives of Chimbo are:

- the conservation and where necessary restoration of the chimpanzee population in West Africa and the natural environment in which they live;
- to undertake all sorts of actions that are supportive to the above goal.

These general objectives are translated by the Board of Chimbo in long-term and annual goals that are instrumental in the realization of its mission.

## Mission

Our mission is to establish the Boé area in Guinea Bissau as a sustainable community based protected area that is financially self supporting ten years after the date that it has obtained its legal status. The Boé case will serve as an example for other areas in West Africa with chimpanzee populations.

## Priorities

Concrete activities mentioned in our statutes that we use to achieve our goals include:

- The establishment of protected areas
- Protection enforcement
- Education and training
- Investment in sustainable tourism
- Development of alternative income generation for local communities that is supportive of our objectives
- Stimulating scientific research that supports our objectives
- Awareness raising and communication
- Fund raising.

The Board has decided to focus the first five years on:

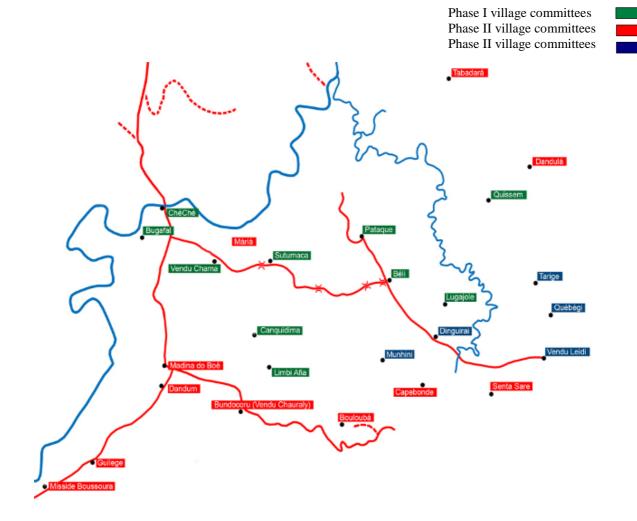
- obtaining the legal status as protected area for the Boé sector,
- fundraising to enable the establishment of a viable community based protected area,
- and gathering local, national and international commitment for our plans.

# Main results 2009

### Priority I: obtaining the legal status as protected area for the Boé

Daridibó was given the opportunity to send in a follow up proposal to the IUCN-NL Ecosystem Grants Programme (EGP) to expand its activities on a project that started in 2008: Integrated conservation of Chimpanzees in the Boé sector of Guinea Bissau. The project aims to strengthen the position of Daridibó in the Boé and in the country by initiating a number of activities related to awareness raising and community based conservation.

In phase II of the project the number of 10 village committees set up in phase I has been increased to 25. Their task is monitoring chimpanzee populations in their surroundings, denounce and discourage poaching, and evaluate damage done by chimpanzees to crops.



#### Map of village committees (Mager, 2009)

In phase II a scheme has been set up to compensate farmers for this damage in a just and sustainable way. The role of Chimbo has been to provide backstopping missions, to send an expatriate representative of Chimbo for half a year and to assist in writing the necessary documents (proposal, reports etc.). This project supports the process to make the Boé a community based protected area.

A student of Wageningen University, Manon Lummen, made a SWOT analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) based on literature study and field research: Ecovolunteer Tourism the Potentials and Constraints, a case study in the Boé area Guinea Bissau. This kind of research is necessary before a protected area can be developed with new sustainable sources of income for the local population.

# Priority II: fundraising to enable the establishment of a viable community based protected area

Chimbo has prepared the documents (concept note – full proposal) necessary to be granted a subsidy under the EU non state actors local programme for Guinea Bissau. By the end of the year 2009 Daridibó was able to sign the contract with the EU delegation.



Meeting of Daridibó and local partners to discuss the MISUBAB concept note

The project will run for three years from 2010-2012, is called MISUBAB (sustainable bauxite mining in Boé) and aims to give nature and the local population a voice in the decision making process of the national government and the mining company on bauxite mining in the Boé.

The EU will subsidize to project to a maximum of  $\notin$  499.000, and the Foundation Chimbo has signed a commitment to spend a sum of  $\notin$  60.000 on the project.

Also on a local level in The Netherlands our goals are shared: a soccer tournament has been organized in Kesteren to raise money for Chimbo and an art gallery dedicated part of the results of a sales exhibition to Chimbo.



Art gallery Eye for Nature: sales exhibition dedicated partly to Chimbo

**Priority III: gathering local, national and international level commitment for our plans** The local radio of Boé has a daily program on nature conservation and related issues. Daridibó had become the number one "brand" in the area. Soccer tournaments, theater groups, school children competitions all focused to promote chimpanzee conservation increase awareness on the importance of nature protection. Local and regional authorities even from neighboring Guinea Conakry start to cooperate and take action to help us achieve our goals. The Ministry of Agriculture and especially the Department of Forest and Fauna is happy to receive our information on poaching and habitat destruction and is working on a cooperation agreement with Chimbo and Daridibó.



Bush fires in the Boé



Baboon for sale in Beli

With help of IUCN-Guinea Bissau politicians and national authorities become aware of the wealth in biodiversity of the Boé, its value both on a national and on a global level, and the necessity to act in a responsible way if taking decisions on development of the area. Large international organizations: like the EU, the UN through its organizations UNDP and GEF, and IUCN through its Commission on Ecosystem Management all show active commitment to our cause.

# **Goals compared to results 2009**

An overview of our achievements in relation to the goals set, is given in the following paragraphs.

# Priority I: obtaining the legal status as protected area for the Boé

- 3 backstopping missions executed for the EGP project: 5 executed in 2009
- Activities of IBAP-GEF/PNUD project in line with our plans: we have sent comments to their draft project documents. The project will probably start in 2010. We signed a support letter in which we committed Chimbo to a contribution in kind of \$ 100.000,--.
- Activities of AGIR II in Boé in line with our plans: due to lack of money AGIR II has not been active in the Boé in 2009. They planned to work on community based protected village forests near CheChe and Vendu Cham.
- Map of Boé produced needed for the procedure to become a legally protected area: this work will be taken over by IBAP once they start executing the GEF project. We received digitalized 1:50.000 maps produced in the 1950ties from GPC.
- Vendu Cham dossier for Ramsar application produced: GPC prepared a first draft of the geographical and ecological inventory of Vendu Cham but are still working to complete the final draft.
- Support given to Daridibó for implementation IUCN-NL EGP project (see annex): this has been succesfull, although time consuming and difficult due to distance and (cultural, technical and language) communication problems.
- Cooperation agreement signed with university: contacts with students of University of Cardiff resulted in a verbal agreement in 2010 to collaborate on chimpanzee and baboon DNA research in the Boé; our contacts with the University of Wageningen resulted in research topic of a student into opportunities for ecovolunteer tourism.
- Ecovolunteers programme started: as mentioned already under main results, a student of Wageningen University studied the potential of ecovolunteer tourism and the constraints due to the local conditions in Guinea Bissau.
- Successful 6 month mission by our project leader in Boé: Erik Mager lived for five months in Beli and has been very successful in raising awareness amongst the local population for nature conservation.

# Priority II: fundraising for the establishment of a viable community based protected area

- Positive decision taken on MAVA proposal: the decision promised on our latest proposal did not materialize. We have been asked to adapt the proposal again and will sent in this adapted version in 2010.
- *EU proposal successful:* we have been successful in the project proposal for Daridibó on sustainable bauxite mining.
- *KAP proposal successful:* we have sent in a proposal, but were not successful (we got no answer).
- At least one other proposal for subsidy successful: we have sent in proposals to SMOM of the Ministry of Environment of The Netherlands and to the Environmental Call 2009 of the EU. Both have been unsuccessful.
- One year of work/research done for free by students/interns/other persons: Tim van Laar, Joost van Schijndel, Manon Lummen, Priscilla Verhulst, Piet Wit, Annet de Waart and Erik Mager (and of course board members) spent in total more than one year for free on our cause.
- Extra: low key fundraising campaign executed among our sponsors.

- *Extra*: IBAP, IUCN-GB, Mavegro, Houwaard Notary and Waverijn accountants offered their service for free.
- *Extra*: fundraising has been achieved through the David Goedmakers Soccer Tournament organized by the soccer organisation Kesteren and through a special sales exhibition organized by art gallery Eye for Nature in Opheusden.
- Extra: Milieudefensie (FOE-Netherlands) donated t-shirts for a soccer tournament in Beli.



Abdoullah Sané with t-shirt of Milieudefensie

## Priority III: gathering local, national and international level commitment for our plans

- Website Chimbo kept up to date: see <u>www.chimbo.org</u>
- *Visual identity implemented*: happy new year card developed, but stationary still has to be printed.
- *Flashreports produced for those actively involved in our work*: three flashreports have mission reports have been produced.
- 2 fact sheets produced: activity postponed due to lack of time.
- *Large article in a Dutch newspaper*: several local newspapers published information on Chimbo and its activities linked to the soccer tournament held in Kesteren.
- *Extra*: the soccer tournament in Kesteren and the sales exhibition in the art gallery in Opheusden meant that we reached a lot of people with our message.
- *Extra*: by means of active networking on a national and international level we gained influence with stakeholders.
- *Extra*: Acta, a monthly magazine of the Stedelijk Gymnasium in Nijmegen published an article of our activities
- *Extra*: Ecology & Ontwikkeling (Ecology & Development), a magazine of the IUCN National Committee of the Netherlands aimed at Dutch policy makers, published an article on our combat for chimpanzee protection and against habitat destruction.

# **Overview of activities in 2009**

• From the 23<sup>rd</sup> of December 2008 until the 24<sup>th</sup> of January 2009 a fact finding/support mission has been carried out by Annemarie Goedmakers, Tedros Medhin and Piet Wit. Workshops on our activities with a broad participation of authorities, ngo's and local people interested in our work have been held in Beli and Bissau. We visited the national park Cantanhez as an example for the future national park in the Boé. During this mission in January 2009 we documented and reported an illegal road construction activity by the bauxite mining company expanding over 20 km to the authorities in Bissau. Local ecosystems have been badly damaged.



October 2008



January 2009

- During this same mission we have been asked by the National EIA Office to comment on an EIA for a road through the Boé sector from Gabu, via Beli to Vendu Leidi. Our comments have met approval by the Office and have been used in the following procedures.
- With a subsidy received in 2008 from "Daadwerkelijke Dierenbescherming", a Dutch fund to further animal welfare, we commissioned the preparation of a map needed in the legal process to get the protected area status for the Boé to GPC (National Office for Coastal Planning) in Bissau. Because the amount of money available was not enough to make a map for the whole Boé, we agreed to start with the area around Vendu Cham. Like this the map can be used at the same time for the application of this area as an official site under the Wetlands Convention .
- Erik Mager, a professional in wildlife management, was selected for the vacancy of Chimbo representative and project leader and has been stationed in the Boé for 5 months. WFD kindly offered housing in Beli for Erik.
- A backstopping mission for the EGP project, also aimed to introduce Erik Mager to stakeholders in Guinea Bissau, was undertaken by Piet Wit from Syzygy from from the 30<sup>th</sup> of April to the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2009.
- We applied for a donation to Adessium, a Dutch private fund, but were told that their focus lies elsewhere.
- Joost van Schijndel has done a literature study on the possibilities for mahogany plantations in Guinea Bissau. Due to his departure to Gabon for a German project on chimpanzees and gorilla's he could only present preliminary results.
- The Ecosystem Grants Programme (EGP) of IUCN-NL accepted our proposal to increase the subsidy for project nr. 600132. The subsidy that doubled to € 60.260,-- with an own contribution of Chimbo and Syzygy in kind (valued at € 130.000,--) is used to strengthen the position of Daridibó in the Boé sector and in Bissau, and to initiate awareness raising

and community based conservation activities. The project duration has been lengthened by half a year and is now from 1.1.2008-30.6.2010..

- We have sent in an application to become a member of GRASP, the UN Great Apes Survival Partnership, but were told that we did not yet exist long enough.
- Two backstopping missions for the EGP project have been carried out from the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> of July and from the 28<sup>th</sup> of August to the 5<sup>th</sup> of September by Annemarie Goedmakers.



Illegal transport of palmwood near CheChe in July



Only transport across the river by pirogue in August

- We have sent in applications for subsidy to SMOM a subsidy channel of the Dutch ministry of Environment (title: Environmental Conventions in Action), and to the EU Environmental Programme (title: Safe the Tree and the Chimpanzee) but have been turned down by both.
- Advisor to the board Piet Wit became a member of the Primate Specialist Group of the IUCN Species Survival Commission.
- We participated in a competition ("Realise Your Ideal") aimed at people or small charities organized by a national newspaper in The Netherlands: Trouw, in which you could win money to execute a plan. We promoted a website that wanted to make people participate in an action for "your aluminium takes chimpanzees into account". We did not win, but have been able to inform quite a lot of people about our activities.
- We had a brainstorm session with M. van Aggelen of the Dutch Zoo organisation on the EAZA Ape Campaign in September 2010.
- We contacted several networks on responsible mining and offered knowledge sharing and our participation in their activities on bauxite mining.
- We have been working on a business plan that will give us a clear and easy tool to check whether we keep the right track to fulfill our mission and are meeting our annual and long term goals. Due to the enormous workload of last year that made us spend our effort on field work and proposals for subsidies, this business plan still has to be finalized.
- Syzygy sponsored the production of a happy new year card for Chimbo, also meant to inform our 2007 and 2008 sponsors on our activities.
- A new five year donation contract has been signed by Chimbo with two donors that amounts to € 150.000 over the period from 2009-2013.

# Governance

Chimbo is a Dutch organization that has been founded the 4<sup>th</sup> of April 2007. It is registered in the Chamber of Commerce of Amsterdam under number 34272068.

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|                   | info@chimbo.org          |                |  |
| Bank:             | accountnumber 2734651    |                |  |
|                   | IBAN: NL05INGB0002734651 |                |  |
|                   | BIC: INGBNL2A            |                |  |

The Dutch tax authorities have granted Chimbo the ANBI status (ANBI: Algemeen Nut Beogende Instelling = non-profit institution serving the public interest). An ANBI does not have to pay tax on gifts that it receives in the context of the public interest. A donor may deduct the gift from personal or corporate income tax. Inheritances received by an ANBI are exempted from inheritance tax.

Board members are appointed for four years, can be reappointed and do not receive a remuneration for their work only for the costs made and only after due approval.

| Board                    | function                    | period          |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Dr. Annemarie Goedmakers | president                   | since 4.4.2007  |
| Drs. Egbert Wesselink    | treasurer                   | since 25.2.2008 |
| Joris Pinkster, MSc      | secretary (since 25.2.2008) | since 4.4.2007  |
| Tedros Medhin            | member                      | since 4.4.2007  |
| Dr. Jules de Waart       | member                      | since 4.4.2007  |

#### Advisors to the board:

Annet de Waart, former member of the national Emancipation Committee of the Netherlands and president of the board of Animal Welfare Amsterdam.

Ir. Piet Wit, president of the Commission on Ecosystem Management of IUCN, director of Syzygy, and member of the board of Hustai National Park.

The Board has held 5 meetings in 2009. Important issues that have been discussed and/or decided: goals of missions, mission reports, TOR's for student research assignments and results, selection and TOR for Chimbo local representative and project leader, annual and multi-annual budget and accounts, declaration policy, subsidy proposals, reports of meetings, progress in relation to our general objectives and annual goals, go/no go situations, political situation in Guinea Bissau, partner selection, communication opportunities etc.

# **Resources: human and financial**

Board members, advisors, students and many others volunteered to work for the cause of Chimbo.

Volunteers (others than board members) and students:

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|-----------------------------------|--|
| Piet Wit                          | advisor to the board                                       |
| Annet de Waart                    | advisor to the board                                       |
| Tim van Laar                      | economic value of hunting in the Boé                       |
| Priscilla Verhulst                | legal possibilities to protect the interests of nature and |
|                                   | the local population against bauxite mining                |
| Erik Mager                        | Chimbo representative in Beli                              |
| Joost van Schijndel               | literature research on mahogany plantations                |
| Manon Lummen                      | ecovolunteer tourism                                       |
| Henk Kouwenhoven                  | advisor on technical aspects of radio                      |
| Joao de Azevedo                   | advisor on Portuguese                                      |
| Jan Jansen                        | technical aspects website                                  |
| Thies de Waard                    | logo Chimbo  |
| Teresa Borasino                   | logo Daridibó and design of end of the year card           |
| Alpha Iaia Keita                  | promotor of nature conservation in Guinea Bissau           |
| Issaga Sane                       | volunteer in the Boé on nature conservation                |
|                                   |  |

#### Subsidies

In 2008 Chimbo receive a subsidy from "Daadwerkelijke Dierenbescherming" which has been partly spent in 2009.

In 2009 our sister organization Daridibó received a subsidy from IUCN-NL EGP to which Chimbo contributes in kind.

In 2009 Daridibó signed a contract with the EU delegation in Guinea Bissau for a subsidy that will start in 2010 to which Chimbo will contribute in money.

In 2009 we signed a contract with IBAP to contribute \$ 100.000 in kind to the project: "Support for the Consolidation of a PA System in Guinea-Bissau's Forest Belt " that will start in 2010 and will be subsidized by UNDP and GEF.

Contributions in kind to Chimbo of partners or multi-annual sponsors

Syzygy IUCN-GB IBAP Mavegro Bhantal Boé/Weltfriedensdienst Waverijn Accountants Houwaard Notary

#### Donations

More than 30 individuals, organizations and companies have contributed financially to the activities of Chimbo in 2009.

# Partners

Actively involved in our program:

Daridibó (president Nelson Gomes Dias) our sister NGO in Guinea Bissau.
Syzygy (director Piet Wit) a consultancy firm based in the Netherlands working on nature conservation and natural resource management .
IUCN-GB (director Nelson Gomes Dias) IUCN country office in Guinea Bissau.
DGFF –DSF (director Amadu Baldé) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and GRASP national focal point.
IBAP (director Alfredo da Silva) the National Institute for Biodiversity and Protected Areas, an official organization of the government of Guinea Bissau.
Mavegro (director Jan van Maanen) a trading company based in Bissau operating a.o. a private national radio.
Radio Collines de Boé (director Amadu Sané) a radio that covers Boé.
Local authorities in the Boé area.
Provincial authorities in Gabu, Guinea Bissau.

In 2009 we have cooperated on (awareness of) chimpanzee conservation, community based conservation or rural development issues with the following organisations:

WWF-NL based in Zeist, The Netherlands.

IUCN-NL based in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

WFD Weltfriedensdienst in Berlin, Germany active on international cooperation.

Bhantal Boé a project organisation for rural development set up by WFD in Boé.

Unicef-Guina Bissau active on education in the Boé.

#### **UNDP-Guinea Bissau**

**EU-Guinea Bissau** 

**Universities** of Lissabon, Cardiff, Wageningen, and Rotterdam, and the University of Applied Natural Sciences in Velp.

**Palmeirinha** a national NGO in Guinea Bissau active on environmental education and awareness raising campaigns.

**AD** Aid and Development, a national NGO in Guinea Bissau active on nature protection and sustainable development.

**Tiniguena** This Land is Ours, a national NGO in Guinea Bissau active on sustainable development.

Faabade Boé a local NGO in Boé active on awareness and rural development.

Fonda Huuwa a local NGO in Boé active on rural development.

Amigos da Terra, Amazônia Brasileira based in Sao Paulo, Brasil active on environmental and nature conservation issues.

Wetlands International-GB the branch of WI in Bissau.

GPC National Office for Coastal Planning in Bissau.

Guiné Verde a national NGO in Guinea Bissau active on forest protection.

IUCN Species Survival Commission, the Primate Specialist Group.

## Future cooperation

We want to become a member of **GRASP**: the UN Great Apes Survival Partnership.

# FOUNDATION CHIMBO, KESTEREN

# BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009

| CURRENT ASSETS                          | 2009<br>€        | 2008<br>€       |
|---|------------------|-----------------|
| Current assets                          |                  |                 |
| Receivables<br>Cash at bank and in hand | 415<br>12,777    | 21<br>5,538     |
|   | 13,192           | 5,559<br>====== |
|   | 13,192<br>====== | 5,559<br>====== |

#### **RESERVES AND LIABILITIES**

#### Reserves

| Discretionary net worth<br>Continuity reserve<br>Appropriated reserves | -22,715<br>500<br>2,924 | -6,302<br>500<br>5,065 |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------|
|  | -19,291                 | -737                   |
|  | ======                  | =======                |

#### Liabilities

| Current liabilities | 32,483 | 6,296  |
|---------------------|--------|--------|
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| 13,192 |  |
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# FOUNDATION CHIMBO, KESTEREN

# **INCOME AND EXPENSES STATEMENT 2009**

|  | 2009                                    | 2007/2008                           |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| Fundraising  | €                                       | €                                   |
| Income from fundraising  |   |                                     |
| Donations<br>Donations from first of five annuity instalments 2008 until 2012<br>Donations from second of five annuity instalments 2008 until 2012<br>Donations from first of five annuity instalments 2009 until 2013<br>Grant    | 3,851<br>0<br>10,350<br>30,000<br>0     | 12,844<br>10,350<br>0<br>0<br>3,000 |
| Total income from fundraising  | 44,201                                  | 26,194<br>======                    |
| Expenses fundraising   |   |                                     |
| Direct acquisition cost<br>Performance cost own organization   | 89<br>256                               | 0<br>823                            |
| Total expenses fundraising   | 345<br>=====                            | 823<br>======                       |
| Available from fundraising   | 43,856                                  | 25,371                              |
| Investment result<br>Other income and expenses   | 415<br>-72                              | 21<br>-62                           |
| Total available for objective  | 44,199<br>======                        | 25,330<br>                          |
| Costs and expenses   |   |                                     |
| Costs and expenses spent on objective  |   |                                     |
| Assistance<br>Integral conservation: stationing E. Mager<br>Direct expenses for projects: equipment park guards<br>Direct expenses for objective: mission cost EGP, MISUBAB en MAVA<br>Contributions<br>Performance cost objective | 9,921<br>2,191<br>49,376<br>62<br>1,203 | 0<br>0<br>24,072<br>308<br>1.687    |
| Total costs and expenses for objective   | 62,753<br>=====                         | 26,067<br>======                    |
| Deficit  | -18,554<br>=====                        | -737                                |

# Appropriation of reserve 2009

Allocation / withdrawal from:

| - Continuity reserve      | 0       | 500    |
|---------------------------|---------|--------|
| - Appropriated reserve    | -2,141  | 5,065  |
| - Discretionary net worth | -16,413 | -6,302 |
|                           |         |        |
|                           | -18,554 | -737   |
|                           | ======  | ====== |

#### NOTES TO THE FOUNDATION FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2009

#### General

The annual report has been established in accordance with the auditing guidelines for fundraising institutions and takes place under the historical cost convention.

#### **Comparative figures**

The comparative figures are from April 4, 2007 up to and including December 31, 2008

#### Principles for the valuation of assets and liabilities and the determination of the result

#### General

Unless presented otherwise at the relevant principle for the specific balance sheet item, assets and liabilities are presented at face value.

Identifiable risks and liabilities are taken into account in the form of provisions.

Receivables included in current assets and amounts included in short term liabilities are, unless stated otherwise, receivables and liabilities with a maturity of (less than) one year.

Receivables, liabilities and obligations denominated in foreign currency are translated at the exchange rates prevailing at balance sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currency during the financial year are recognised in the financial statements at the exchange rates prevailing at transaction date. The exchange differences resulting from the translation as of balance sheet date, taking into account possible hedge transactions, are recorded in the profit and loss account.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are presented at cost less accumulated depreciation and, if applicable, less impairments in value. Depreciation is based on the estimated useful life and calculated as a fixed percentage of cost, taking into account any residual value. Depreciation is provided from the date an asset comes into use.

#### Financial fixed assets

Where significant influence is exercised participations are valued under the net asset value method. This net asset value is based on the same accounting principles as applied by foundation Chimbo. If participations have a negative equity a provision is formed, primarily comprising the receivables from this participation. The remainder is recognized under provisions, in the amount of the share in the losses incurred by the participation, or for the amount of payments the company is expected to make on behalf of these participations.

Where no significant influence is exercised participations are valued at cost and if applicable less impairments in value. With the valuation of participations any impairment in value is taken into account.

#### Result

Determination of the result arises from the before mentioned principles of valuation and takes place under the historical cost convention. Donations, collections and contributions recognized in the year of reception.

### NOTES TO THE BALANCE SHEET

# Analysis concerning the balance

|  | 2009                       | 2008                     |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Current assets   | €                          | €                        |
| Receivables  |                            |                          |
| Prepayments and accrued income   |                            |                          |
| Interest Postbank Rentemeerrekening<br>Interest ASN-Bank, Ideaalsparen     | 30<br>385                  | 20<br>1                  |
|  | 415                        | 21                       |
| Cash at bank and in hand   |                            |                          |
| Postbank betaalrekening<br>ASN Bank Ideaalsparen<br>Cash                   | 2,277<br>10,500<br>0       | 5,018<br>500<br>20       |
| Total assets   | 12,777<br>======<br>13,192 | 5,538<br>======<br>5,559 |
| Reserve  |                            |                          |
| Discretionary net worth  |                            |                          |
| Surplus as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007<br>Appropriation of result | -6,302<br>-16,413          | 0<br>-6,302              |
| Deficit as at December 31  | <br>-22,715<br>======      | -6,302                   |
| Continuity reserve   |                            |                          |
| Surplus as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007<br>Appropriation of result | 500<br>0                   | 0<br>500                 |
| Surplus as at December 31  | 500                        | 500 =====                |

These reserve is intended for fulfilment of obligations if the foundation is forced to stop by circumstances.

# Analysis concerning the balance

|  | 2009<br>€       | 2008<br>€     |
|--|-----------------|---------------|
| Appropriations reserve 1                                       | £               | C             |
| Surplus as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007                | 2,065           | 0             |
| Received for projects: equipment parking guards                | 50              | 2,065         |
|  | 2,115           | 2,065         |
| Used for these projects  | -652            | 0             |
| Surplus as at December 31                                      | 1,463<br>====== | 2,065         |
| Appropriations reserve 2                                       |                 |               |
| Surplus as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007                | 3,000           | 0             |
| Received for projects: production of map                       | 0               | 3,000         |
|  | 3,000           | 3,000         |
| Used for these projects  | 1,539           | 0             |
| Surplus as at December 31                                      | 1,461<br>====== | <b>3,</b> 000 |
| Total reserve  | -19,291         | -737          |
|  | =====           | ======        |
| Appropriations reserve per project: equipment parking guards   |                 |               |
| Project 1: Purchase field shoes                                | 90              | 90            |
| Project 2: Purchase uniforms                                   | 225             | 225           |
| Project 3: Purchase bicycles<br>Project 4: Purchase binoculars | 528<br>570      | 700<br>800    |
| Project 5: Purchase GPS  | 50              | 250           |
|  | 1,463           | 2,065         |
|  | ======          | ======        |
| Project 1: Purchase field shoes                                |                 |               |
| Balance as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007                | 90              | 0             |
| Received for this project                                      | 0               | 90            |
|  | 90              | 90            |
| Used for this project  | 0               | 0             |
| Balance as at December 31                                      | 90              | 90            |
|  | ======          | ======        |

# Analysis concerning the balance

|  | 2009     | 2008     |
|--|----------|----------|
| Project 2: Purchase uniforms   | €        | €        |
| Balance as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007<br>Received for this project | 225<br>0 | 0<br>225 |
|  | 225      | 225      |
| Used for this project  | 0        | 0        |
| Balance as at December 31  | 225      | 225      |
|  | =======  | =======  |

# Project 3: Purchase bicycles

| Balance as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007<br>Received for this project | 700<br>50 | 0<br>700 |
|--|-----------|----------|
|  |           |          |
|  | 750       | 700      |
| Used for this project  | -222      | 0        |
|  |           |          |
| Balance as at December 31  | 528       | 700      |
|  | ======    | =======  |

# Project 4: Purchase binoculars

| Balance as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007<br>Received for this project | 800<br>0 | 0<br>800 |
|--|----------|----------|
|  |          |          |
|  | 800      | 800      |
| Used for this project  | -230     | 0        |
|  |          |          |
| Balance as at December 31  | 570      | 800      |
|  | ======   | =======  |

#### Analysis concerning the balance

|   | 2009    | 2008   |
|---|---------|--------|
|   | €       | €      |
| Project 5: Purchase G.P.S.                      |         |        |
| Balance as at January 1, 2009 and April 4, 2007 | 250     | 0      |
| Received for this project                       | 0       | 250    |
|   |         |        |
|   | 250     | 250    |
| Used for this project                           | -200    | 0      |
|   |         |        |
| Balance as at December 31                       | 50      | 250    |
|   | ======= | ====== |

#### Liabilities

#### Accrued income

| Course cost Fula<br>Mission cost December 2008<br>Declaration Syzygy: mission costs 2009          | 249<br>0<br>15,952   | 249<br>6,047<br>0         |
|---|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Declaration A. Goedmakers en P. Wit mission costs 2009 + advance GPC<br>Total current liabilities | 16,282<br><br>32,483 | 0<br><br>6,296            |
| Total liabilities ==  | 13,192<br>======     | ======<br>5,559<br>====== |

#### Off balance sheet commitments

- Contribution EU Project MISUBAB

Foundation Chimbo has an obligation at December 31, 2009 of  $\in$  60,000,= over the years from 2010 - 2012. This amount is the contribution to the project MISUBAB

- Contribution in kind to GEF project IBAP

Foundation Chimbo has an obligation at December 31 in kind \$ 100.000,= for the project GEF IBAP.

These obligations are secured by annuity obligations in the form of a grant during 2009 -2013 and commitments of board members and advisors.

### NOTES TO THE INCOME AND EXPENSES STATEMENT

# Analysis concerning income and expenses statement

|  | 2009<br>€                      | 2007/2008<br>€                  |
|--|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Expenses fundraising   | U                              | Ū                               |
| Direct fundraising costs   | 89<br>======                   | 0                               |
| Performance costs own business (Netherlands)   |                                |                                 |
| Office expenses<br>Meeting and management costs  | 0<br>256<br><br>256<br>======  | 544<br>279<br><br>823<br>====== |
| Investment result  |                                |                                 |
| Interest Postbank Rentemeerrekening<br>Interest ASN-Bank Ideaalsparen                                  | 30<br>385<br><br>415<br>====== | 20<br>1<br><br>21<br>           |
| Other income and expenses  |                                |                                 |
| Bank interest and costs  | -72                            | -62                             |
| Assistance   |                                |                                 |
| Integral conservation: stationing E. Mager   | 9,921                          | 0                               |
| Direct expenses for projects: equipment park guards<br>Direct expenses for projects: production of map | 652<br>1,539                   | 0<br>0                          |
|  | 2,191                          | 0                               |

# Analysis concerning income and expenses statement

|  | 2009        | 2007/2008 |
|--|-------------|-----------|
| Direct expenses for objective: mission cost    | €           | €         |
| Direct expenses for objective. mission cost    |             |           |
| Mission costs October 2007                     | 0           | 5,887     |
| Mission costs March 2008                       | 0           | 1,652     |
| Mission costs April/May 2008                   | 0           | 6,764     |
| Mission costs September 2008                   | 0           | 1,558     |
| Mission costs December 2008                    | 0           | 7,500     |
| Mission costs W.F.D.                           | 0           | 462       |
| Course costs Fula                              | 0           | 249       |
| Mission costs 2009                             | 19,307      | 0         |
| EGP: Conservation of Chimpanzees               | 15,000      | 0         |
| MISUBAB: Sustainable bauxite mining            | 10,069      | 0         |
| MAVA: Conservation and sustainable development | 5,000       | 0         |
|  |             |           |
|  | 49,376      | 24,072    |
|  | ======      | =======   |
| Contributions                                  |             |           |
| Contribution Daribó                            | 62          | 231       |
| Contribution Chimbo Bissau                     | 0           | 77        |
| Gontributori Gimibo Dissau                     |             |           |
|  | 62          | 308       |
|  | ======      | =======   |
|  |             |           |
| Performance cost objective                     |             |           |
|  | 0           | 1.2.47    |
| Congress costs I.U.C.N.                        | 0           | 1.347     |
| Partnership costs MAVA                         | 0           | 340       |
| Third-party services                           | 1.186<br>17 | 0 0       |
| Office expenses                                | 1 /         | 0         |
|  | 1,203       | 1,687     |
|  | 1,205       | ======    |
|  |             |           |

Kesteren, d.d. June 28, 2010

On behalf of the Board,

Dr. A.M.C. Goedmakers President



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To management of foundation Chimbo Kesteren

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial statements 2009 of foundation Chimbo, Kesteren, which comprise the balance sheet as at December 31, 2009, the profit and loss account for the year then ended and the notes.

#### Management's responsibility

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and for the preparation of the management board report, both in accordance with the Guideline for annual reporting 650 "Fundraising organisations" of the Dutch Accounting Standards Board. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Dutch law. This law requires that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of foundation Chimbo as at December 31, 2009, and of its result for the year then ended in accordance with the Guideline for annual reporting 650 "Fundraising organisations" of the Dutch Accounting Standards Board.

Kesteren, September 14, 2010 Waverijn accountants en belastingadviseurs

i-0. Drs. A.I. W verin Registeraccountant

Kesteren – Brielle – Druten – Numansdorp – Rotterdam Waverijn accountants en adviseurs is een besloten vennootschap met beperkte aansprakelijkheid, ingeschreven in het handelsregister van de Kamer van Koophandel onder nummer 11046804. Op al onze diensten zijn algemene voorwaarden van toepassing die wij op verzoek toezenden. www.waverijn.nl



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### Events after balance sheet date

During our mission in the beginning of 2010 Joris Pinkster and Piet Wit were shown by guide Amadal Camara (from Beli) a site where chimpanzees use a stone and a hollow tree to make sounds to warn each other. The knowledge that chimpanzees make use of such a tam tam was broadly shared by villagers. For us this was new and up till now we have not been able to find documented cases in literature of this kind of material use by chimpanzees. We will try to verify these findings with further field research.



Amadal Camara shows a chimpanzee tam tam in a forest near Beli

# Future

# Goals 2010

# Priority I: obtaining the legal status as protected area for the Boé

- 4 backstopping missions executed for the EGP and the MISUBAB project
- Start of cooperation with IBAP on GEF project
- Cooperation with AGIR II on their activities in Boé
- Vendu Cham dossier for Ramsar application produced
- Support given to Daridibó for final phase IUCN-NL EGP project (see annex)
- Cooperation agreement signed with university on ecovolunteer research programme
- First steps on ecotourism programme
- Follow up of community based conservation programme by Chimbo expat project leader and local coordinator both based in Beli

# Priority II: fundraising for the establishment of a viable community based protected area

- Positive decision taken on MAVA proposal
- EU proposal on follow up EGP programme successful
- At least one other proposal for subsidy successful
- One year of work/research done by students/interns/other persons

# Priority III: gathering local, national and international level commitment for our plans

- Website Chimbo kept up to date and translated to English, French and Portuguese
- Stakeholder analysis and communication plan and updated
- Visual identity implemented
- Regular flash reports produced to inform those actively involved in our work
- Large article in Dutch newspaper
- Chimbo becomes member of GRASP
- Start discussion with Stichting Aap in The Netherlands on cooperation

# Long term goals

- The Boé is an adequately protected area with a sound financial basis consisting of different zones (core area, buffer zone and area for sustainable economic development)
- Responsible (planet, people, profit are all respected) economic development in the area
- If bauxite mining is developed it has to be carried out in an environmentally and socially responsible way, and it will compensate adequately for biodiversity loss through the financing of protection and restoration measures
- Uncontrolled immigration has stopped
- Responsible and sustainable tourism is developed in order to provide the local population with new sources of income directly linked to biodiversity protection
- The Boé is part of a larger network of protected areas in Guinea Bissau, Senegal and Guinea Conakry aimed at adequate and sustainable protection of the remaining Western chimpanzee population.

# ANNEX

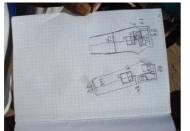


### Achievements of Daridibó in 2009

Part of Chimbo's achievements are realised through interventions of Daridibó our sister organization in Guinea Bissau. The impact of Daridibó's activities on public awareness is impressive: All major stakeholders were aware that chimpanzees are legally protected, but now they declare publicly that it is a shame to hunt them. People detaining chimpanzees are denounced nowadays where this would be an exception before Daridibó became active. Daridibó and Chimbo have put conservation of the ecosystems of the Boé on the national agenda.

#### Community based conservation

- The number of village committees has been increased from the10 pilot villages active in chimpanzee conservation in 2008 to 25. The village committees are directed by a central committee in which each village committee is represented. In 2009 because of the bigger number of village committees and the long distances between some villages, a sub-regional structure has been set up as well. In these committees all stakeholder groups are represented: village elders, hunters, women, volunteer forest guards, youth.
- The village committees monitor chimpanzee groups on their village lands. Their members survey the area, denounce poachers and check the presence of chimpanzees (twice a month with dedicated field visits). All members are supplied with a uniform made by a local tailor. Boots were bought at the Gabu market. Each committee has a bicycle at its disposal. The villages invest the money Daridibó pays them during the first year of their existence in their village schools.



Uniforms are made by a local tailor



Members of the village committee of Sutumaca

 A Daridibó cereal bank is being set up after long discussions how damage done to crops by chimpanzees should be compensated. Several possible schemes put forward by village committee members have been analysed, approaches known from literature have been evaluated on their applicability in the Boé, and many meetings have been held on the issue. In the end both local organizations (Faabade Boé and Funda Huuwa), village committees, the local EGP project coordinator, the expatriate Chimbo representative and the Directive Committee of Daridibó could agree on a system in which damage done by chimpanzees would be evaluated by a special committee. It is essential that a farmer has taken good care of his field, that the field has not been placed in the middle of a chimpanzee habitat, that the damage is caused by chimpanzees, that the estimate of the value of the lost crops is correct etc. The loss in value is compensated through the possibility to buy rice from the cereal bank at a reduced price. The advantage of the cereal bank is that also the population in general profits through a higher availability of rice in this remote area.

• A special contract has been signed between the local military forces based in Beli. One of the soldiers is equipped with a Daridibó bicycle to be able to assist the local village committee of Beli in its anti-poaching activities.



Signature of contract on the use of a Daridibó bicycle to monitor and combat of poaching .

#### Awareness raising

- The whole population of the Boé (12.000 persons) has been reached by awareness raising activities. Amadou Sané, Daridibó's coordinator in the Boé, is very well known all over the Boé and beyond:
  - Weekly radio messages are on the air in which the values of chimpanzee protection and nature conservation are discussed. Local leaders contribute actively to these messages.
  - A primary school children competition that has chimpanzee conservation as its subject was held: a collective competition for school classes with as a first price a visit to Cacheu, a protected area in the north-west of Guinea Bissau, second and third price respectively a visit to the place of birth of Amilcar Cabral and a party for the school; and an individual one for pupils of the highest classes with as a first, second and third price scholarships for secondary education for three, two and one year.
- A workshop has been organised in January 2009 in Beli in which representatives of all major stakeholders groups from both side of the border with Guinée Conakry were participating.

Amongst other presentations the results of the research of Tim van Laar, a student of the Applied Natural Sciences University in Velp on hunting in the Boé were presented by Tedros Medhin, board member of Chimbo. At the same time local authorities organised a meeting on their role in nature conservation and their cooperation with Daridibó and Chimbo.



Local authorities have a meeting after the workshop organised by Daridibó and Chimbo in Beli

• A similar workshop has been organised in Bissau with key-experts and resource persons from Bissau, Gabu and Beli. This workshop brought all major stakeholders of biodiversity conservation in the Boé sector together from the NGO-community, government and its agencies, the private sector and representatives from donor-organisations.