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IN MEMORIAM

Prince Claus 1926– 2002

Honorary President, Royal Tropical Institute

On 6 October 2002, His Royal Highness Prince Claus of the Netherlands passed away. KIT mourns the loss of a devoted Honorary President and a knowledgeable and engaged partner in international cooperation.

The Prince had been the Honorary President of KIT since 1988. However, relations between the Prince and the Institute date back to the early 1970s, when Prince Claus was President of the NCO, the National Commission for Development (presently known as the National Committee for International Cooperation and Sustainable Development, NCDO). The Commission's aims were to provide information and increase public awareness of development cooperation. Prince Claus maintained an office at KIT.

As Honorary President, Prince Claus regularly attended conferences, gatherings and openings at the Institute. He opened the Tropenmuseum's exhibition on Yemen in 1988 with a personally composed lecture. In 1997, he unveiled the statue of Nicholas Pope in the hall of the new KIT Training Centre. The Prince never let working visits pass by without engaging KIT experts in an exchange of views. He was immensely interested in our work, well-versed in the subject matter, and always keen to provoke a discussion. His sincere concern and critical mind will be sorely missed.

A photograph of an older man with white hair, wearing a dark suit, light blue shirt, and patterned tie, sitting on an ornate, dark wood chair. The chair has intricate carvings, including a horse on the backrest. The background consists of wood-paneled walls and a decorative wallpaper border with a repeating floral or scroll pattern. The floor is made of light-colored wood in a herringbone pattern. A white horizontal bar is overlaid on the image, containing the word 'FOREWORD' in bold black letters.

FOREWORD

There is more to the Royal Tropical Institute (**KIT**) than meets the eye. The perception of many Dutch citizens is that our landmark building essentially houses a rather well-known ethnographic museum, while international networks primarily perceive our Institute as a knowledge provider in a broad range of development related areas. Both perceptions are correct, but each represents but a fragmentary view of all the activities and services that **KIT** provides. The Royal Tropical Institute has a special position regarding current developments of globalization and international cooperation. As a centre for international and intercultural cooperation it aims to provide comprehensive services in many fields including consultancy, publishing, research and training, to make available and convey its knowledge and expertise on a global scale, and to celebrate worldwide cultural diversity through exhibitions in our museums and through performing arts on our stages. Without losing sight of history, tradition and the importance of continuity, **KIT** provides an innovative approach to building new knowledge, expertise and networks. The Institute brings together public policy makers, NGOs, scientists and business people, stimulates cooperation between them, and combines broad public events with policy-oriented or more specialized activities. The year 2002 brought new projects, new challenges to tackle, and new and innovative solutions. **KIT's** comprehensive approaches rely on a solid, effective and competitive management of all our work, as well as on content knowledge, expertise and research. They must also rely on sufficient demand for our services and an open collaboration with fellow-institutions. This Annual Report presents a comprehensive overview of our activities in a year of transition. I hope it will enhance the awareness of clients, partners and colleagues as to the many facets and comprehensive approaches of **KIT**. But I expect the reader to be critical and thus to challenge us to do even better in 2003!

Dr Jan Donner
President

BASIC FACTS

• KIT was established in 1910 as the 'Colonial Institute' for the study of the tropics and of trade and industry in the colonies. Renamed as the Royal Tropical Institute in 1950, it has developed into a centre of knowledge regarding issues of international cooperation and development.

- The Institute has the statutory form of an association with private and corporate members.
- The Institute is financed through its own income, through output financing based on production agreements with the Dutch government, and through project-generated income.

- The Institute employs around 500 people, some of whom regularly carry out short-term and long-term assignments abroad.
- KIT is housed in a building dating back to 1926, decorated both inside and outside with symbols representing world cultures and Dutch colonial history.

KIT AT A GLANCE

KIT ORGANIZATION

Council of Members

Board of Directors

Executive Board

Corporate Communication
Personnel, Organization & Information
Finance, Control & Facilities

**Capacity Building & Research
for Development**

KIT Biomedical Research
KIT Development, Policy & Practice

**Cultures, Communication,
Collaboration**

KIT Intercultural Communication

**Cultural Preservation &
Exchange**

KIT Tropenmuseum
KIT Kindermuseum
KIT Tropentheater

**Information and Publishing for
International Cooperation**

KIT Information & Library Services
KIT Publishers

‘The Royal Tropical Institute (KIT) is an independent **centre of knowledge and expertise** in the areas of **international and intercultural cooperation**. The aims of KIT are to contribute to sustainable development, poverty alleviation, and cultural preservation and exchange. Within the Netherlands it seeks to promote interest in and support for these issues.

KIT conducts research, organizes training activities, and provides consultancy and information services. Central to KIT’s approach is the elaboration of practical expertise in policy development and implementation.

KIT stewards cultural heritage, organizes exhibitions and other cultural events, and provides a venue for meetings and debate. A key objective underlying KIT’s work is to enhance and exchange knowledge of and understanding for different cultures.

KIT is a not-for-profit organization that works for both the public and the private sector in collaboration with partners in the Netherlands and abroad’. (*Mission Statement*).

2002 IN FIGURES

In 2002, the Royal Tropical Institute:

- had working relations with governments, companies, development organizations and other civil society organizations in more than 60 countries across the globe;
- was involved in more than 50 international projects aimed at capacity building and research in its core areas of health care and health systems, rural and economic development, gender equity, and culture;
- carried out some 25 international projects dealing with detecting and combating tropical infectious diseases;
- organized international training courses in health care policy (5) and gender equity (4);

- staged four large and seven small special exhibitions in its Tropenmuseum and Kindermuseum servicing some 137,000 visitors;
- staged 189 cultural performances and events in its Tropentheater servicing 32,000 visitors;
- opened the door of its libraries to more than 12,000 visitors;
- published 35 new books on international and intercultural cooperation; and,
- provided coaching and training in intercultural communication to some 55 organizations and companies: 400 courses focused on culture, 350 on language and 50 were tailor-made, integrating both culture and language.



THE INSTITUTE IN 2002



The principal aim of the **Royal Tropical Institute** is to ensure that knowledge pertaining to **sustainable development, poverty alleviation** and **intercultural cooperation** is generated, gathered, documented, made accessible and shared. The year 2002 has shown that this mission has not lost any of its relevance or urgency. The external environment in which the Institute operates has seen important and challenging developments: economically, politically and socially.

The terrorist attacks of 9/11 in the United States had a serious impact on international cooperation and the relations between countries and cultures in 2002. The United Nations Conference on Financing for Development in Monterrey and the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg were important events with regard to the future of international cooperation.

Against this background it is important to note how decades of experience in international development have made KIT culturally sensitive. From an important tool, dialogue has almost become an aim in itself, since only shared values and respect for different values offer a starting point for successful collaboration. From being an obstacle to change, culture has become a driving force for development.

Innovation and re-orientation

KIT's ability to respond to events and developments in its fields of operation requires permanent innovation. In this respect, 2002 was an important year. The Institute embarked upon a process of reflection, re-orientation and refocusing. It reformulated its mission statement to clearly express its joint objectives and ambitions. Essential to the mission is that the Royal Tropical Institute is a not-for-profit organization. It operates as a private

association of corporate and individual members in both the public and private domain. KIT and its approximately 500 employees must function as a learning organization. Efficiency is vital to generating the income necessary to ensure continuity for the benefit of our clients, partners, members and employees.

The financial statement in this Annual Report confirms the viability of the Institute. Moreover, it demonstrates the major changes that were implemented in the Institute's accounting during 2002. These changes were partly initiated through the outcome of a mutually favourable, independent evaluation of our cooperation with the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Development Cooperation.

What is characteristic of the KIT approach is that it covers a broad spectrum of disciplines and interests, ranging from cultural exchange to biomedical research, from information services to sustainable development, and from gender issues to capacity building. The added value is that KIT is more than the sum of its parts. Linkages and open communication between the individual departments are crucial to the generation of this added value.

Refocusing the organization

In 2002, the Institute decided that its track record could be improved and the

organizational structure refocused. By the end of the year, the Institute comprised the following line departments:

- KIT Biomedical Research;
- KIT Development, Policy & Practice;
- KIT Intercultural Communication;
- KIT Information & Library Services;
- KIT Publishers;
- KIT Tropenmuseum, including the KIT Kindermuseum;
- KIT Tropentheater.

Prominent departments such as KIT Health, KIT Rural Change and KIT Gender were combined to form KIT Development, Policy & Practice. This department covers five major areas: Social Development & Gender Equity, Health, Institutional Development, Sustainable Economic Development and Educational Programmes. The tasks of individual sub-departments ('areas') have been reformulated. A Management Support Unit, focusing on effective project management, has been created to support departmental activities.

A one-stop, international meeting point

KIT took over two organizations: Hotei Publishers, specialized in the history and culture of Japan, and Ecooperation, the National Mechanism for Sustainable Development Agreements between the Netherlands and Benin, Bhutan and Costa Rica. Hotei is now part of KIT Publishers, and

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Ecooperation is part of KIT Development, Policy & Practice. At the same time, in order to improve the utilization of its premises, the Institute created space to accommodate organizations closely aligned to KIT's aims and objectives. Agreements were concluded with the National Committee for International Cooperation and Sustainable Development (NCDO), OneWorld, Agrofair and others to house their offices in the Institute buildings. KIT envisages more organizations taking up offices on its premises in the future. This will make the building even more of a premier, one-stop international meeting point and convention centre for discussing and promoting international cooperation and development.

It is a tribute to the Institute's staff that these changes were implemented while the regular work continued. Despite the ongoing process of innovation, the staff continued to provide an effective platform to a growing audience. A large number of books and documents such as research findings, catalogues and novels were published, and research was carried out on topics ranging from health issues to globalisation, and from rural development to gender issues. In addition, KIT organized important meetings to commemorate historic events, to welcome officials, and to discuss *Health and Food Security* and *Governing for Equity*. In short: as far as our many clients were concerned it was "business as usual".

Comprehensive approaches

For KIT, 2002 was an important year in terms of creating more synergy between the various departments and product groups. Although one of the Institute's strengths has always been that a project, a problem or a challenge are looked at from different angles, KIT's structure did not entirely reflect this capacity. In the past, crosscutting issues did not always get the attention they deserved and it proved difficult to develop interdisciplinary initiatives.

A number of multidisciplinary exchanges have led to a diversification of specific services provided by the Institute, for example, to live and work in another country requires more than a mastery of the language. One must also appreciate cultural differences, be familiar with local and national values, understand mercantile, religious and legal concepts, and cherish the environment, arts and cultural treasures of others. At the same time, one must fully grasp the implications and the dangers of living in countries that have a different climate, tropical diseases and an unfamiliar medical infrastructure, different traffic conditions and unfamiliar eating habits. KIT's services in capacity building, development research and training have been reformulated to better reflect this interrelatedness. The global village may seem

small in terms of travel, but a few hours on an intercontinental flight in no way adds up to an adequate preparation for the cultures and conditions encountered upon arrival. KIT aims to enlighten a growing Dutch audience, corporate and individual, to the need to adequately bridge cultural differences. The Institute's international experience and expertise in many fields makes it an increasingly effective partner for international organizations, donors, the Netherlands and other governments, as well as for corporate partners, research institutes around the globe and our many colleagues in a vast array of functions.



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KIT's forum function

Implementing the forum function contained in its mission, the Institute stimulates debate and organizes meetings on issues related to its various fields of operation. Its unique building, offering an attractive venue, is a major asset.

The building was paid a memorable visit by the Ghanaian Ashanti King Asantehene and his court on 22 June. The programme comprised an official audience which was attended by some 500 KIT

associates, a visit to the Ghana-related exhibition *Paleisgeheimen* (Mysteries of the Palace) in the Kindermuseum (Children's museum), and a performance by the Ghana National Dance Company in the Lichthal (Light Hall) of the Tropenmuseum.

On 7 November, the International Conference on Agriculture and Development took place at the Institute. The conference, entitled 'Essential Triangle: health, poverty alleviation and food

security', was based on the premiss that poverty alleviation must also consider health and food security issues.

The programme included presentations and discussions on the current situation in research, education and policy with regard to food production, sustainable agriculture and health. Partners in this event were the alumni associations of the University of Wageningen, KLV (the Royal Agricultural Association), and the Hogeschool Larenstein in Velp.



CAPACITY BUILDING & RESEARCH FOR DEVELOPMENT



Capacity building and research for development is an important field for KIT. Its added value is an integrated and intersectoral approach. The main focus is on policy and management in areas in which KIT has built up experience and networks since its beginning: health care policy, disease control, issues of rural and economic development, and cultural aspects of development. Over the past decades the Institute has also gained a position in the field of gender issues, social development, and institution and capacity building. Most of KIT's activities in these fields are conducted by two departments: **KIT Development, Policy & Practice** and **KIT Biomedical Research**.

KIT Development, Policy & Practice: Fields of expertise

The department has experts working in five areas each covering specific themes:

Social Development and Gender Equity

- Capacity building in gender and development
- Poverty and equity
- Citizens' rights
- Participatory governance

Sustainable Economic Development

- Natural resource management
- Management of Economic Chains
- Partnerships for Sustainable Development

Health

- Health systems
- Reproductive health
- HIV/AIDS
- Health economics
- Disease control
- Nutrition

Institutional Development

- Management concepts and organization
- Institution building
- Change management
- Management of cultural heritage
- Public administration
- Finance management and accountability
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Human resource development planning

Educational programmes

- Courses and training programmes
- Training needs assessments
- Curriculum development
- Planning and organization
- Quality assurance

KIT DEVELOPMENT, POLICY & PRACTICE

MULTIDISCIPLINARITY FOR DEVELOPMENT

KIT's aim is to help people in developing countries increase their knowledge and abilities so that they themselves can exert greater control over their lives and secure the benefits they themselves identify. It is not KIT that decides which projects are to be started, what needs are to be addressed, or what themes are to be researched; the partners are in the driver's seat.

To provide a multidisciplinary service to its clients and partners, KIT streamlined the organization of its consultancy services in 2002. The existing informal cross-fertilization between the various technical departments was formalized by creating KIT Development, Policy & Practice. This new department ensures the continuity of important work within the familiar KIT domains of health systems development, rural economic development, and health training and gender. It also promotes the sharing of knowledge and the development of a common approach to important crosscutting issues such as institutional development, good governance, organizational change and decentralization.

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Social Development and Gender Equity

How do we increase the influence of women in decision-making? How can we enhance women's political effectiveness? What is the role of civil society in holding governments accountable for gender equality commitments? In what way can government budgets be monitored to ensure a fairer distribution of resources? How can law reforms be made more relevant to the needs and interests of poor rural women? How can marginalized groups be assisted in claiming citizenship and equal rights?

These are questions that are crucial to the department's work on social development and gender equity.

These and other related questions aimed at improving government accountability, enhancing citizenship participation, promoting civil society and state partnerships in development also formed the basis of the three-year research programme entitled 'Gender, Citizenship and Governance' undertaken by KIT in partnership with 16 civil society organizations from Southern Africa and South Asia.

In 2002, the programme resulted in the international conference 'Governing for Equity' held in Cochin, India. Based on the outcome of their research, the partners from Southern Africa and South Asia presented and discussed innovative approaches to enhance women's political participation and make governments more transparent, accountable and responsive to poor people's needs. At the conference more than a hundred delegates conceived a common vision on the integration of gender equality with the ongoing democratization processes and with the development of a civil society. This common vision provides KIT with a sound basis for participatory programme planning (more information at www.kit.nl/gcg).



For more information:
www.kit.nl/development



Teaching the teachers

In the autumn of 2002, seventeen teachers and lecturers from three medical schools and from the National Institute for Public Health and Hygiene in Vietnam followed a training course in public health management. The training course was held in the Netherlands as part of a programme funded by NUFFIC, the Dutch organization for international cooperation in higher education. The course covered

Human Resources Development, Health Services Planning and Management and Health Financing, and was aimed at improving the participants' teaching skills. Both experienced teachers from KIT and Vietnamese experts conducted the training course. This collaboration proved very valuable as it allowed participants to develop culturally sensitive teaching materials for South Vietnam, using the material and lessons learned from other countries.

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A healthy business

Farmers in the remote Indian state of Uttaranchal live on the periphery of economic development. Their daily life is a world far removed from the reality of ICT-experts in the big cities of India. However, in the near future these two distant population groups may become connected. Looking for ways to free the farmers of Uttaranchal from their marginal position, KIT experts together with local partners discovered that this remote state in India has the potential to produce alternative medicine and raw materials for the market. In the cities of India the demand for such

alternative medicine is considerable and growing. More than 200 plant species have been identified as viable products for the market, and farmers are taking a keen interest in the potential of medicinal and aromatic plants. For the farmers, the production of medicinal plants means a considerable enhancement of their income. Also, by farming these medicinal and aromatic plants, some endangered plant species may be saved from extinction. This story is still developing; in 2003, KIT will conduct market studies in other parts of India and Europe and will help conclude contracts between producers and traders.



Reciprocity in Development

In 2002, KIT took over the implementation and coordination of the Sustainable Development Treaties between the Netherlands, Benin, Bhutan and Costa Rica. These treaties, initiated by the Dutch government, promote sustainable development with reciprocity, equality and participation as leading principles. They focus not only on the alleviation of poverty in developing countries, but also on reducing the environmental burden in the industrialized world. The activities

are grouped within the Netherlands International Partnership for Sustainability (NIPS). NIPS facilitates and brokers in project design, and organizes policy dialogue between public and private partners in the Netherlands and in the other countries involved in the Treaties. Within the framework of NIPS, KIT participated in the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg. Along with partner organizations in Benin, Bhutan and Costa Rica, the Institute organized a 'side event' which attracted considerable

attention. The three Southern countries are engaged in a cooperative agreement to stimulate South-South cooperation. In preparation for the Johannesburg meeting, KIT and its partners made grateful use of the results of a NIPS project earlier in 2002. In the report, entitled 'Tina en de melk' (Tina and the milk), five experts from the Southern hemisphere critically evaluate the sustainability of key aspects of Dutch society.

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Impact of HIV/AIDS in Nigeria

HIV/AIDS increasingly undermines development. Time spent on caring for the sick cannot be used to plough the fields. Money spent on expensive medicine cannot be used to buy farming inputs. In short: HIV/AIDS has a direct impact on the entire household and its production system. In an attempt to mitigate the impact of HIV/AIDS on rural livelihoods, the Agricultural Authorities of Benue State (Nigeria) decided to survey the full

impact of HIV/AIDS in the countryside. With financial aid from the British government's Department for International Development (DFID), they enlisted KIT's assistance in conducting a research project designed to gain an in-depth picture of the impact of HIV/AIDS on a rural community. Similar studies elsewhere have tended to restrict their focus to the economic aspects of a family household. The present study approaches livelihood as an

integral unit of analysis, thus broadening the scope of the research to include all aspects of day-to-day life. The final report will help the Benue State authorities improve their strategy in the fight against HIV/AIDS by creating a deeper understanding of the diverse forms of impact on people's lives, and of the various coping strategies developed as a response. The study is being carried out together with Nigerian researchers in the period May 2002 to May 2003.

Sustainable Economic Development

Small-scale farmers in the Bolivian Andes are struggling to survive. The products they cultivate under harsh conditions face fierce competition from cheap imports. Local and national policies favour the large-scale farmers that operate in the lowlands. These are conditions faced by small farmers in many areas of the world.

KIT works with local partners to create alternative policies that support rather than harm the peasant sector. KIT promotes farmers' organizations and the creation of competitive funds for appropriate technology, and helps to organize supply chains. Ideally these changes are embedded in the local administration to assure their continuity.

Even well-intentioned researchers sometimes tolerate a gap between their research topics and the people's needs they aim to address. How can researchers be made to listen to farmers' needs? How can the needs of the clients be identified? KIT has summarized twenty years of experience in a *Guide to Client Oriented Research* that aims to make agricultural research more effective in its contribution to rural development. The role of KIT experts varies from researching the local economic circumstances to helping clients develop a useful business strategy. The experts can not only advise local

producers on how to develop their role in the local setting, but can also broker between local producers and clients abroad.

Health

KIT Development, Policy & Practice cooperates with partner organizations to provide support and advice to governments and organizations in developing countries in a variety of health and health-related fields. In 2002, the department was involved in projects to set up effective and sustainable health systems and to develop health programmes and health policy planning at community, district and national levels. The department was also a partner in research projects on diagnostics of tuberculosis, leprosy, HIV/AIDS and sexual and reproductive health, and in the costing of health programmes.

In 2002, KIT further strengthened relations between the various actors in the Dutch health and development field, including policy makers, research institutes, development NGOs and the private sector. On 26 November, the Institute organized a successful seminar entitled 'Macro-economics and Health: investing in health for economic development'. This meeting, which was organized at the request of the Dutch Ministry of Development Cooperation, was designed to contribute to the debate sparked off by the 2001 report of the

Commission on Macroeconomics and Health (CMH) on behalf of the World Health Organization. This report argues that more investment in the health sector can, in a relatively short time, lead to a reduction of poverty. The CMH report stimulated a lively international debate on how to raise resources for the Health Sector and, equally important, on how to use increased resources effectively. In a follow-up to the symposium the WHO requested KIT to operationalize the outcome of the symposium by supporting the development of a macroeconomic health framework focussing on poverty in a number of countries.

Educational programmes

KIT assists partner training-institutes in developing countries in the assessment of training needs, curriculum development and the planning and implementation of a variety of courses. The Institute also advises on gender training needs and supports partners in developing, implementing and evaluating courses. KIT Development, Policy & Practice runs training courses for trainers on topics such as innovative teaching methods and curriculum development. The courses KIT provides on professional development in health and health-related areas cover international health and tropical medicine, health sector reform and financing, quality assurance and district health management. In 2002, 22 students from 15

Engendering rural programmes in Yemen

Since 2001, KIT has supported the Ministry of Agriculture in Yemen in the implementation of its gender policy. According to data gathered by the Ministry, women's work accounts for 80 per cent of the subsistence agriculture in Yemen. They provide the households with food and food security. Rural programmes, however, usually target the men. This means that women farmers rarely have access to improved seeds and new methods of cultivation and cattle rearing, or to credit. In 2002, KIT organized training courses for female agricultural extension workers and provided support to the Rural Women's Units. As a result, in many areas government extension workers contacted women farmers for the first time.



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countries successfully completed KIT's International Course in Health and Development and were awarded the degree of Master in Public Health. Within the framework of the TropEd Europe network, KIT offered advanced modules of this course to students from European Institutes.

In the field of gender equity and gender and governance, KIT organized five training workshops. The training of trainers in Gender & Development in the Middle East and Maghreb context took place in Lebanon and

drew 30 participants from eight countries in the Middle East. Three courses were organized in Amsterdam: The training of trainers workshop on Gender & Development (June, 12 participants); the training course Gender, Citizenship and Governance (September, 10 participants); and a basic training workshop on Gender & Development (November, 15 participants).

KIT BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

DETECTING AND COMBATING TROPICAL DISEASES

KIT Biomedical Research is a leading player in the field of essential diagnostics for tropical diseases. There is a direct link between the poverty in low-income countries and the occurrence of these diseases.

In fact, it is a vicious circle: poor areas lack the resources for prevention and treatment, while the tropical diseases hamper economic development and thereby contribute to poverty.

The department provides an integrated package for detecting and combating infectious diseases. It includes the development and evaluation of diagnostic methods and epidemiological and policy research. The department has developed – and is developing – tests for diseases including malaria, leishmaniasis, tuberculosis, leptospirosis, leprosy and typhoid fever. The department further provides support and advice in building research capacity, establishing, equipping and operating laboratories, evaluating and improving diagnostic processes, and managing quality in laboratory diagnostics. These activities are usually carried out in collaboration with partners in developing countries and with research institutions, multilateral organizations and industry.

THE DEPARTMENT IN 2002

Annually, millions of people in developing countries die because they do not have access to care or, if they do have access, because their disease is not recognized or diagnosed too late. One of the main problems is that diagnostic tools are often unavailable, or are too complicated, too expensive, or improperly used. Because diagnostic tools are often expensive, it is important that they are used in a cost-effective way.

In 2002, KIT Biomedical Research further worked on the development of guidelines to enhance the cost-effective and correct use of the available diagnostic tools. In addition, it continued with the development of simple, rapid and cheap diagnostic tools. An important and intrinsic part of many of KIT Biomedical Research's activities is to train local people in the use of the tools developed and in the implementation of guidelines.

In 2001, the department decided to increase its focus on disease control and patient care. Thus, in 2002, more attention was paid to the implementation of new health tools and strategies. The key questions in this process always concern the feasibility of new strategies and their efficiency in developing regions, and the accessibility of their results for the people that need them most.

“Your manuscript nr. 7092 on dengue in North Thailand is clearly written and a useful example of how such a study should be carried out”.

Reaction from the Editor of Tropical Medicine and International Health

For more information:
www.kit.nl/biomedical_research



Predicting the risks of mosquito-borne diseases from land-use change

All over the world land-use is changing: forests become orchards, rice fields are turned into urban areas. The 'RISKMODEL' project, conducted by KIT in Thailand, studies the impact of such land-use changes on diseases transmitted by mosquitoes. The project is funded by the European Union and runs from October 2000 to October 2004. It is being carried out in northern Thailand, in an area where a lot of land-use changes are taking place.

KIT Biomedical Research collaborates with four partners on this project: the University of Leeds and the Natural History Museum (UK) are studying the

changes in mosquito populations, while the Catholic University of Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium) is studying the changes in land-use, and the Thai partner Chiang Mai University is coordinating the field work. KIT Biomedical Research is studying the occurrence of malaria and dengue.

Every year, several surveys are conducted: a KIT staff member plus a team of local collaborators visit selected villages where the whole population is interviewed on the use of prevention measures, personal movements and disease history, and blood samples are collected. This information is used to determine the presence of risk factors affecting a villager's chances of contracting malaria or dengue.

These include the use of bed nets, the place where the villager spends the night or works during the day, and his or her knowledge of the disease.

The final aim of the project is to construct a model that can predict the influence of a whole range of factors (involving people, land-use and mosquitoes) on the occurrence of malaria and dengue, and possibly of other mosquito-borne diseases as well. This model will help public health policy makers and those that plan changes in land-use to predict the impact that certain changes will have on public health. KIT staff will present the predictive model to other interested policy makers in Thailand and other countries in Southeast Asia.

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Improved diagnosis of tuberculosis

Early diagnosis is essential in the fight against tuberculosis. Although the conventional diagnostic technique of microscopy is cheap and easy to use, its low sensitivity is a major disadvantage. There is an alternative: the DNA-based Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR).

The project 'Improved TB Control through Molecular Diagnosis' is studying the cost-effectiveness of PCR within the City of Nairobi (Kenya). There are several stakeholders in this project, including patients' representatives and international institutions such

as the World Health Organization. The project is a joint exercise run by the Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), the National Leprosy and Tuberculosis Programme of Kenya (NLTP), KIT Biomedical Research and KIT Development, Policy & Practice.

The project compares the performance of PCR with conventional diagnostic methods. The findings of this study will help determine the sustainability of this new diagnostic technique in developing countries, particularly in urban settings with a high prevalence of the disease.





CULTURES, COMMUNICATION, COLLABORATION



Long-term experience in international development has made KIT **culturally sensitive**. From an important tool, **dialogue** has almost become an aim in itself. Respect for different values and cultural backgrounds must be the starting point for successful collaboration. In its mission, this approach is identified as a key characteristic of KIT.

It is implemented throughout the entire spectrum of KIT's activities and operations. In this respect, **KIT Intercultural Communication** is a distinct and recognizable department that, in a very practical manner, makes its knowledge and expertise in this area available to the outside world.

KIT Intercultural Communication: clients in 2002

ABN AMRO, Ahold,
Amsterdam (municipality),
AKZO Nobel, Artsen zonder Grenzen
(MsF-NL), ASML, BT Ignite, Cargill,
Cayenne Communications, Corus,
CTC Beheer, Deloitte & Touche,
DN Groep BV, DSM,
Dynamisch vastgoed, Footlocker,
FNV Mondiaal,
Friesland Nutrition/Coberco,
International Labour Organization (ILO),
ING Bank, Intralox, Kliq, KLM,
Lepira Foundation, Lumileds, Meelunie,
De Meren, Metro Cash,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs (the Netherlands),
Ministry of Home Affairs (the Netherlands),
Ministry of Defence (the Netherlands),
Ministry of Finance (the Netherlands),
De Nederlandse Bank, Nestlé,
Numico, Nuon, O₂, Océ Nederland BV,
Organon, Rabobank,
Rasp Benschop Foundation,
Royal Dutch Army, Royal Dutch Airforce,
Sara Lee DE, Shell, SNV, Solvay,
Sterling Commerce, Unilever,
Universiteit van Amsterdam (University of
Amsterdam), de Volkskrant,
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (The Free
University of Amsterdam),
Zaanstad (municipality).

KIT INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION

EFFECTIVE INTERACTION IN AN INTERCULTURAL ENVIRONMENT

Since 1980, KIT Intercultural Communication has been supporting individuals, companies and organizations by helping them to operate effectively in international and multicultural environments. The department offers training, advice and coaching directed both at developing countries and at western and East European countries. Activities include country-oriented information days for future expatriates, business culture training workshops, and integrated language and culture courses both for Dutch nationals going abroad and for foreigners coming to live and work in the Netherlands.

KIT Intercultural Communication also offers repatriation courses, intercultural awareness workshops, and training in writing and presentation skills. The department's intercultural trainers and consultants are professionals from multicultural and multidisciplinary backgrounds, with extensive experience as managers, consultants or development experts in Europe, Latin America, Africa, the Middle East, Asia and North America.

THE DEPARTMENT IN 2002

As a result of globalization and internationalization, companies, governments and organizations increasingly face diversity and cultural differences.

Finding an adequate way to deal with these challenges not only requires the exchange of information, but also the development of communication skills in terms of both language and culture. This is essential when working in international teams and organizations, for networking and lobbying, for building bridges between individuals of different cultural backgrounds, and for practical issues such as conflict management. Crucial in this regard is an awareness of perceptions, of social context, and of the significance of trust, in short: of culture. In 2002, three-quarters of KIT Intercultural Communication's clients came from the Dutch business community, 13 per cent from the government, and 12 per cent from social and private organizations.

KIT Intercultural Communication organized training activities to help prepare several thousand individuals for postings to thirty different countries. Courses were offered in twenty different languages. Many of the programmes were tailor-made; they were geared to the specific wishes of clients, and consisted of combinations of training, advice and coaching.

Thus KIT Intercultural Communication commenced this year with individual coaching programmes for foreign employees of multinationals. They are intensively coached in areas of language and cultural

differences, so that they can quickly operate effectively within the Dutch corporate world. The department also advised mental health care organizations concerning the planning and implementation of multicultural policies. These organizations are increasingly confronted with clients from different cultural backgrounds, and they need to be able to respond effectively. KIT Intercultural Communication provided training activities for senior management staff, patients' associations, and personnel departments.

In addition, the department developed a number of new products in 2002. One example is the course encompassing language and culture, which forms part of the internal training programme for young managers of the Nederlandse Bank. Other components include the use of formal and informal English in an intercultural and international environment, conventions in presentations and meetings, intercultural management and inter-European cultural differences. About ten per cent of the department's work takes place in developing countries. Commissioned by donor agencies and in close cooperation with local training institutes, KIT Intercultural Communication is involved in projects on human resource management, institutional development, change management and curriculum development. In 2002, staff members also participated in KIT projects in developing



For more information:
www.kit.nl/intercultural_communication

“This course gave me useful insights into the transformation process that my organization is going through and my role in this. I am now much more appreciative of the importance of teamwork: the whole is more than just a sum of its parts”.

Participant at a training project for the Dutch development agency SNV

countries. In cooperation with KIT Publishers, a number of books were published and distributed among clients and course participants. In response to the growing importance of intercultural communication and a rapidly changing market, the department went on to develop Vision 2006. In this policy document 'improving the effectiveness of the interaction between people of different cultures' is restated as the mission of the department. It also identifies KIT's ambition to become one of the top three training institutes in the field of intercultural

communication in the Netherlands.

Accordingly, a re-organization process was started in 2002; its key aims are to respond more rapidly and with greater flexibility to market demands, to fully integrate the language and culture divisions, and to trim down the department.



CULTURAL PRESERVATION AND EXCHANGE



In view of its historic roots as a colonial institute and museum and given its expertise in the field of culture, cultural preservation and exchange is one of KIT's key tasks, both domestically and internationally. The Institute carries out cultural programmes across the world, aimed at protecting **cultural heritage** and enhancing **cultural exchange**. These programmes focus on institutional and capacity building, and on advice with regard to cultural policy. In the Netherlands, the emphasis lies on contributing to the knowledge and understanding of different cultures, and on increasing public support for international and development cooperation. In this respect, the **Tropenmuseum** and the **Tropentheater** are key departments within KIT.

Sponsors in 2002

In 2002, KIT Tropenmuseum received financial support from:

Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Netherlands Ministry of Education,
Sciences & Culture,

DOEN Foundation,
NCDO,
Levert Fund,
Prince Claus Fund,
VSB Fund,
Municipality of Amsterdam,
Amsterdam Fund for the Arts.

KIT TROPENMUSEUM

A LEADING ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM IN EUROPE

KIT Tropenmuseum is one of the largest ethnographic museums in the Netherlands and one of the leading museums in this field in Europe. It houses prominent collections of material culture, photography, music and film. With these collections, as well as through thematic exhibitions, publications, and educational and public activities, KIT contributes to the mutual knowledge and understanding of western and non-western cultures, and to enhancing domestic support for international cooperation. In addition, the museum is actively involved in international cultural cooperation programmes, particularly with regard to building museum capacity in developing countries.

A special component of the Tropenmuseum is the KIT Kindermuseum, where children aged 6 to 12 are submersed in another culture. Under professional guidance, they bring to life an exhibition of their own through storytelling, dance, music and art.

THE MUSEUM IN 2002

In 2002, the Tropenmuseum once again succeeded in improving the manner in which it connects KIT's work for the Dutch public in Amsterdam to the international work with our partners worldwide.

Here, the exhibition that opened in October, *Familieverhalen uit Zuid-Afrika: een groepsportret* (Group Portrait South Africa) deserves special mention.

This exhibition was largely made in South Africa and will return there in 2003.

The process of realization provides a striking example of the way in which the work in Amsterdam and in partner countries link up. The exposition has been very well-received by Dutch and South-African visitors, and has also attracted a lot of publicity in South Africa. Television reporter Johan Allers, who covered the exhibition for South-African television, wrote a letter containing the following lines to the museum afterwards:

'The exhibition really hits the nail on the head! You not only recognize yourself in the portraits, but you also recognize the things that connect you to the nine families. A kitsch flower-vase in the house of a black family is just as kitsch and just as at home in the house of an Afrikaner farmer family. You succeed in bringing the common identity, character and texture of the South African experience to life. I loved it'. (for original text see page 37).

Other large exhibitions in 2002 were: *Batik, met was getekend. 200 jaar textielkunst uit Indonesië* (Batik, Drawn with wax: 200 years of textile art from Indonesia), which ran until February, and *Hemelbestormers, vliegers uit vele windstreken* (Warriors of the sky, kites from around the world): an impressive collection of kites that were displayed throughout the entire main exhibition hall.

The photographic exhibition *Race naar de Sneeuw* (Race to the snow) documents one of the last expeditions to uncharted areas on

the Dutch East Indies map, in the early 20th century, like the Carstens mountain range in New Guinea. The exhibition also helped to explore and intensify relations between the Tropenmuseum and Indonesia.

The exhibition continued until May, and then moved on to various locations in Indonesia. KIT Publishers released a catalogue with the same title.

Van Vrouwenleven. Foto's van vrouwen in Suriname, 1902-1981 (Of women's lives. Photographs of women in Suriname) was another well-visited exhibition that opened in April. Invited as guest curator, the Surinamese writer, Clark Accord, selected approximately 90 photographs from the KIT Suriname collection. The exhibition then went on to visit the 'Winternachten' festival in Paramaribo.

Temporary exhibitions were *Mancala, een wereldspel* (Mancala, a world game), about a board game that is popular all over the world, and *Ik woon in Zuid-Afrika* (I live in South Africa), consisting of photographs taken by South-African children between the ages of 10 to 13.

Throughout 2002 the museum continued to engage in public information and education. Here the Kindermuseum played an important role, with the exhibition *Paleisgeheimen* (Mysteries of the Palace) enjoying another year of success and with the development of special educational tools to enrich the various exhibitions.



For more information:
www.kit.nl/tropenmuseum
www.kit.nl/kindermuseum



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Familieverhalen uit Zuid-Afrika: een groepsportret

Familieverhalen uit Zuid-Afrika: een groepsportret (Group Portrait South Africa) is an exhibition featuring nine South-African families from diverse social, economic and cultural backgrounds. Their personal stories form the central focus. This approach brings the makers very close to the people concerned. While the museum used to tell stories about far-away people, it now works closely with these people to enable them to tell their own tale. Consequently, the result is personal, intimate and recognizable.

South Africa has many outstanding professionals: passionate artists, photographers and writers. The personal contacts with them and their family members were inspiring and heart-warming. Cynthia Galada is still proud of her family being part of the exhibition, and it is a token of trust that the famous jazz singer, Dolly Rathebe, shares stories of her youth and that the Plaatjes, the Nunns and the Juggernaths offered their private photographs. It was important that the innovative character of the project concept was recognized in South Africa as well: there was no lack of inspiration. The South African Deputy Minister for Culture, Brigitte

Mbandla, opened the exhibition on 3 October 2002. *Familieverhalen uit Zuid-Afrika* and the corresponding book are products of intensive collaboration with numerous South African and Dutch individuals and organizations. The Tropenmuseum brought objects, photographs, films, texts and works of art as well as ideas regarding their presentation, together in both concept and form. The accompanying book was also the result of fruitful collaboration. It was produced in a Dutch and English edition; the latter was launched in South Africa in March 2003 and was selected as Book of the Week.

“Die tentoonstelling slaan 'n fyn spyker op 'n nuwe kop. Nie net herken jy jousef in die portrette van die nege families nie, maar jy herken ook elemente wat jousef en die nege families aan mekaar bind. 'n Kitch blompot in die huis van 'n swart familie is net so kitch en tuis in die huis van die Afrikaanse boerfamilie. Jy slaag daarin om die gemeenskaplike identiteit, karakter en tekstuur van die Suid Afrikaanse belewenis tot lewe e bring. Ek het geniet”.

Johan Allers, reporter South African Television

Collecting, preserving and stewardship are three of the less visible, though no less essential, functions of a museum. A museum exists by virtue of its collection and, in 2002, the Tropenmuseum continued to devote itself to its collection, particularly with regard to increasing its accessibility to the public and the scientific world. Thus, partners in countries from which the collection originates can study the collection. Here, good progress was made in preserving the historic collection of photographs from the Dutch East Indies, New Guinea and Suriname. The process involves removing glass, nitrate and acetate negatives from their casing, cleaning them, and repacking them in new acid-free paper.

Selected negatives are scanned and stored digitally. KIT Tropenmuseum also continued its efforts to expand the museum capacity in developing countries. In Mali, for example, a project was organized on masquerade festivals and on the meaning of puppet theatre in the context of change in rural areas. The project resulted in 'Sogo bo. La fête des masques bamanan' a publication in French and in the local language Bamanan. The research material and photographs were presented to the national museum in Bamako. With 'Kids in Museums, Experiencing Culture', the Kindermuseum provided KIT's contribution to the 2002 Amsterdam

Maastricht Summer University. The programme offered the professional staff of children's museums all over the world an introduction to KIT Kindermuseum's approach, and the opportunity to exchange experiences. Among the participants were staff of partners of KIT in Vietnam, Kenya, Zambia and Iran.

The year 2002 was successful for KIT Tropenmuseum, not only in terms of collection building and management, but also with regard to its exhibitions and the public interest they aroused. The number of visitors increased by more than eight per cent to 137,000.

KIT TROPENTHEATER

VENUE FOR CULTURES OF THE WORLD

KIT Tropentheater provides a venue for cultures from across the world. It presents non-Western music, theatre, film and dance productions, thereby contributing to our knowledge and understanding of other cultures. The theatre also aims to enhance support for international and intercultural cooperation. It initiates and stimulates debate on the changing international society through informative and multidisciplinary programmes and projects. Furthermore, KIT Tropentheater offers its expertise to third parties and cooperates closely with other KIT departments and with external national and international partners.

THE TROPENTHEATER IN 2002

Notable projects in 2002 were the *Zijderoute Festival* (Silk Road Festival); in collaboration with the Amsterdam Concertgebouw, the El Hizjra prize for literature, and various debates in the wake of the vehement political developments of that year. The performance of the National Dance Company of Ghana and the De Rode Loper Festival (The Red Carpet Festival) must also be mentioned. In the autumn, the Tropenmuseum's exhibition *Familieverhalen uit Zuid-Afrika: een groepsportret* prompted a series of special South African programmes, ranging from jazz singer Dolly Rathebe, to the popular cabaret artist, Coco Merckel.

The programme Young and PositHiv at the end of November succeeded in bringing together HIV-positive individuals from the non-Western world and Dutch policy makers, film-makers and young people. The result was a memorable weekend filled with film, debate and dance, during which attention was drawn to this issue.

The youth performances in the series *All in the Family* were successful not only in the regular programming: the school performances too (for which extra educational material was produced) never failed to draw a full house. From 2001 to 2002, the number of visitors increased by approximately 4000; in total, the performances attracted more than 32,000 people. This increase was not due to an increase in the number of productions: there were 189 performances in 2002, as compared to 190 in 2001. Clearly, the interest in non-Western programmes is on the increase.

Various concerts in the Grote Zaal (Grand Auditorium) were exceptionally popular, for example the concerts given by flamenco singer Miguel Poveda, by the Cuban David Calzado y su Charanga Habanera, and by the Septeto Nacional, also from Cuba, that performed in the series *Dansen in Marmer* (Dancing in Marble).

The youth (theatre) performances are also gaining in popularity. According to the Dutch newspaper, *De Telegraaf*, the Main Hall 'can rarely have swung as much as during Juffrouw Kokolishi's Bruiloft (Miss Kokolishi's Wedding).' Another very special performance was that of the Dogon masked dancers from Mali. Professor Wouter van Beek gave a lecture shedding light on the world behind this mythical dance which features masks of up to five metres high. *Muziek en Dans uit India* (Music and Dance from India) comprised a series of concerts initiated and produced by KIT Tropentheater. It was opened by Sharmistha Sen with a sitar concert and then went on tour throughout the Netherlands. The music programme was also very diverse and featured a wide range of artistes including a voodoo performance from Benin and a concert by the Mexican singer, Lila Downs.

With regard to film, the theatre presented the new series 'Film & Food.'. The showing of movies featuring the famous Indian film star Rekha, and her actual presence created quite a stir, especially in the Suriname/Hindustani community. Besides this bit of Bollywood, the summer also offered more serious films. Well over 1400 people visited the 13th Beeld voor Beeld film festival. The premiere of the documentary *Tara*, on the eventful life of the Dutch politician, Tara Oedrayraj Singh Varma, drew a lot of attention.

“A fantastic show. Let's have more productions like this! When we got back home we made exact copies of the costumes for one of our classes at school”.

Shamira Prakash (17) on the dance performance of Kathak-Roopmati from South-India (March 2002)

**For more information:
www.kit.nl/tropentheater**





Young and PositHiv

Young people infected with HIV do not let their condition pull them down: many of them actively try to convince their peers of the risks of HIV/AIDS and involve them in the fight against this disease. In order to allow afflicted young people tell their stories, KIT Tropentheater organized *Young and PositHiv* within the framework of World AIDS Day 2002. This four-day programme consisted of lectures, discussions, performances, films and a hip-hop meeting. Participants came from South Africa, Russia, India, Latin America, Tanzania and Senegal. The highlight was a performance by two Dutch and

three African hip-hoppers: Devious (South Africa), X Plastaz (Tanzania) and Baby Fatim (Senegal) who have been very successful in the campaigns against HIV/AIDS in their home countries. In Amsterdam they were assisted by their Dutch colleagues 2 Tall and Skate the Great. *Young and PositHiv* sought to introduce younger members of the Dutch public to the global HIV/AIDS problem. Participants also had the opportunity to exchange views and share experiences. *Young and PositHiv* was made possible through financial contributions from NCDO, Aidsfonds/Stop Aids Now and Africaserver.nl.

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National Dance Company of Ghana

In June, the National Dance Company of Ghana gave four performances in the Lichthal of the Tropenmuseum. The Tropentheater was responsible for the production, programme and publicity. The performances were part of the Holland Festival and the Amsterdam Roots Festival. Preceding the performances, the theatre accommodated the symposium *Performing Culture - The Politics and Aesthetics of Cultural Expression in Contemporary Ghana*. Publicity for the performances was partly aimed directly at the Ghanaian and the Suriname-Creole communities in Amsterdam.

The commercials on local Amsterdam radio stations serving these groups proved especially effective. The number of visitors exceeded expectations: on average, more than 450 people visited each performance, with a total of approximately 1850. Those who attended a performance could also visit the museum. The utilisation of the Lichthal, which has a capacity of 490, meant the fulfilment of a dream long-cherished by the Tropenmuseum and the Tropentheater. Performances in this hall draw in (new) crowds and enhance the appeal of the museum, the theatre, and of KIT as a whole.





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Zijderoute Festival

In January 2002, KIT Tropentheater and the Amsterdam Concertgebouw organized the Zijderoute Festival (Silk Road Festival). The festival was an initiative of the famous cellist Yo-Yo Ma, who wished to explore the rich musical traditions that stretch along this renowned trading route. The Concert Hall presented four evenings of contemporary music from Central Asia and China, while KIT Tropentheater offered four evenings of traditional music. On Saturday 26 January, Yo-Yo Ma

himself conducted a performance by two Chinese ensembles in a fully-packed Main Hall. With great erudition, he talked about his festival and about his love for the music of Wu Man and Dai Xiokian, two pipa and qin virtuosos. The performances were greeted with great enthusiasm. The next day, the Dutch newspaper, *Het Parool*, carried the headline: 'Qin and pipa play thrilling game with silence.' All concerts during the Zijderoute Festival were sold out (more than 10,000 visitors).





INFORMATION AND PUBLISHING FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION



Knowledge-building and **information exchange** are KIT's core activities. They are key to its mission: to contribute to international cooperation, sustainable development and poverty alleviation; to understand and promote intercultural cooperation and communication; and, to enhance the preservation of culture and cultural exchange. The departments **KIT Information & Library Services** and **KIT Publishers** play a crucial role in the Institute's knowledge sharing activities. They reach out to professionals in various fields of operation, as well as to the general public. They provide a service to both national and international audiences and networks.

KIT INFORMATION & LIBRARY SERVICES

A MAJOR LIBRARY ON DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

The Institute's library ranks among the largest in Europe in the field of international cooperation and development issues. The library's collection has accumulated ever since the foundation of the Institute. The book collection (260,000), scientific studies and related documents (1 million), journals and magazines (19,000, of which 4,250 are running subscriptions), maps (25,000), as well as a large amount of electronic information, are all in the hands of KIT Information and Library Services. This department is devoted to the development of knowledge and the provision of information on international cooperation, development issues and their social and historical contexts, and the cultures that exist in the tropical and subtropical parts of the world. Specific topics include: socioeconomic development and globalization; decentralization and good governance; rural development and the environment; issues of health (including HIV/AIDS); gender and women's emancipation; art, culture and religion; and, institutional development and capacity building.

KIT provides information services to users within the Netherlands and abroad. Its clients include professionals such as scientists, policy makers, development workers and journalists, as well as travellers, students and pupils. Visitors can access information sources through an extensive

catalogue, with or without the assistance of KIT information specialists. The catalogue can also be accessed via internet.

The department collaborates with a large number of libraries and information services in developing countries. This collaboration is primarily aimed at the development of skills and capacity (through the establishment of information centres, libraries and inter-institutional information networks), at expanding and adapting locally available information sources, and at the collaborative production of documentary material.

KIT owns a large historical collection pertaining to the former Dutch colonies. This cultural heritage collection includes unique documents. As part of the Institute's stewardship of this heritage, parts of the collection are preserved and special copies are made on micro-film in the case of particularly vulnerable and unique items.

THE DEPARTMENT IN 2002

In response to the growing group of international users, 2002 saw a further expansion of information supply through internet and e-mail. Besides providing on-line services (catalogue, request forms), the department worked on increasing the availability of full-text documents and web-links through a Virtual Library. To improve the services for the general public in the Netherlands, the library facilities in the Tropenmuseum were modernized and bundled. The resulting 'Resource Centre

Tropenmuseum' offers books, journals, CD-ROMs and videos to visitors seeking information related to tropical countries or to the museum's exhibitions.

Considerable progress was made in the restoration and preservation of our cultural heritage. Support from the Dutch governmental project 'Erfgoed Extra' enabled the construction of a climatized depot to preserve rare and unique documents, retaining their availability for scientific research.

KIT Information & Library Services participated in several projects with partner organizations in developing countries, most significantly in Ghana (Ghana Agricultural Information Network System, GAINS); in Mozambique (Universidade Católica de Moçambique); in Zambia (Medical Library of the University of Zambia and the Lukulu District Aids Taskforce); in China (Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, CAAS); and, in India (National Institute of Science Communication and Information Resources, NISCAIR).

During 2002, KIT Information & Library Services produced several bibliographies and worked alongside other KIT departments to deliver six 'Internet Specials': special web pages providing information on topical issues such as decentralization, theatre and development, ICT & development cooperation, globalization and health, food security, and gender and natural resources management.

“Please accept my regards and my wishes with great thanks to your generous institute for sending me useful references. They are most suitable in my research and help me very much in my work to complete my thesis”.

Ammar Sami Abdul Aziz, Iraq

For more information: www.kit.nl/library

In collaboration with its partner organization SAfAIDS in Zimbabwe, the 15th volume of *Sexual Health Exchange* was published. This quarterly periodical on sexual health reaches some 21,000 health workers and trainers in developing countries. Also, in a joint effort with CAAS and NISCAIR, two updates of the documentary production 'Agriculture and Environment in Developing Regions' were released. Covering agriculture, natural resource management, fishery and environmental issues in developing countries, this database features around 4000 summaries of important international articles every year. It is available on CD-ROM and via internet and is used extensively

worldwide. This year also saw the publication of the sixth volume of the series 'Gender, Society and Development: An annotated Bibliography Series'. This series is widely distributed, and is used particularly by professionals in the field of gender and development. This volume deals with gender in relation to the management of natural resources.

During the course of 2002, the Library and the Knowledge Centre Tropenmuseum together received more than 12,000 visitors. Some 33,000 publications were lent out. The department's website was visited 165,000 times. KIT information specialists

dealt with 900 specific information requests, of which 343 came from developing countries. The department had exchange agreements with 376 partner organizations (287 in developing countries and 89 in Western countries). A large number of partner organizations in developing countries (140) received the quarterly service of KIT Library's new acquisitions. As a result of which, the department provided some 2200 copies of articles.

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'Het Levende Boek' (The Living Book) provides access to a unique heritage

'Het Levende Boek' illustrates KIT's innovative approach to presenting its remarkable collection of cultural heritage. The project combines digital photography, touch-screen and audio presentations to provide access to unique but vulnerable historical books on Dutch colonial history. The first 'living book' in the KIT-collection, completed in 2002, recounts the 'Journey to Suriname and the inland regions of Guiana'; a travel account written in 1799

by the military officer John Gabriel Stedman. Stedman lived in Suriname from 1773 to 1778, as part of a military company fighting the runaway slaves known as the 'marrons'. In his diary he describes the military expeditions, Suriname society, the natural surroundings, slavery and the slave resistance. The presentation in the Knowledge Centre Tropenmuseum consists of 40 pages of animations and engravings. The reader turns the digital pages with a finger, and each page offers a brief spoken explanation. The screen allows for the enlargement

of drawings and text-fragments, and for additional information to be called up. This first 'living book' is a joint project between KIT, the Wereldmuseum (World Museum) in Rotterdam, the Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde (National Ethnological Museum) in Leiden and the Suriname Museum in Paramaribo. It received financial support from the K.H. Hein Fund, the Gravin van Bijlandt Fund, the VSB Fund, the Prins Bernhard Cultural Fund, the Mondriaan Foundation and Surinam Airways.

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Advising a Mozambican university on information policy

KIT Information & Library Services is involved in a collaborative venture with the young Universidade Católica de Moçambique (UCM). The relationship began in 2000 through an arrangement with the Faculty of Medicine concerning publications and information exchange. By 2002, it had grown to encompass all other faculties. KIT assists the university with the physical, logistical and digital organization of the various faculty libraries, with information and publications, and with procuring

free or low-cost books and journals. KIT also offers advice on policy and infrastructure regarding the provision of documentary information, including assistance in finding funding agencies for projects. In 2002, a survey of information needs was conducted to serve as the basis for the UCM's future information policy. KIT and UCM used the results to draw up information profiles for each faculty. Recommendations such as the setting up of a digital network, providing all librarians with internet access, and promoting the electronic availability of journals and magazines, have been implemented.





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Sharing information with Ghanaian agricultural organizations

In 2002, KIT extended its cooperation with GAINS, the Ghana Agricultural Information Network System. This service plays an important role in informing and advising Ghanaian agricultural organizations. In the coming years, GAINS aims to provide agricultural advisers with practical and relevant materials to better serve farmers and agricultural organizations. GAINS approached KIT in 2001 with a request for advice on improving the quality of their services. In response to this, KIT conducted a survey of the target group's specific information needs, which led GAINS to adjust the manner in which it gathers information and communicates with members and users. To ensure a systematic and frequent provision of relevant information and new materials to the various user-groups, a system of newsletters was set up and the utilization of the internet was pursued wherever possible. KIT also advised GAINS on methods of evaluation and provided assistance in procuring publications.



KIT PUBLISHERS

PUBLISHING WORLDWIDE ON CULTURE AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

KIT Publishers informs the public and relevant organizations worldwide through books, magazines and CD-ROMs. Central to its publishing policy are art and culture, children's literature, intercultural communication, development and policy, and general country information. Established in 1985, by 2002 KIT Publishers had a staff of ten. Now publishing between 40 to 60 new books per year, KIT Publishers can hold its own with other medium-sized Dutch publishers.

KIT PUBLISHERS IN 2002

In 2002, KIT Publishers again published some 60 new titles. Some of them were co-publications with, for example, ExpatPlus Media, the Netherlands public TV company NPS, the African Studies Centre in Leiden, and Nuffic, the Netherlands organization for international cooperation in higher education. *Afrika. Van de Koude Oorlog naar de 21ste eeuw* (Africa. From the Cold War into the 21st century) was printed for the second time around within only one month.

KIT Publishers significantly strengthened its position in 2002 through its take-over of Hotei Publishing. Specialized in Asian art and culture, Hotei's portfolio includes monographs on important Japanese artists and a number of exhibition catalogues compiled in collaboration with international museums and institutes such as The British Museum, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Ashmolean Museum Oxford, the Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde (National Ethnological Museum), the Van Gogh Museum and the Rijksmuseum (National Museum). Hotei Publishing's list thus forms a perfect complement to KIT Publishers' books.

“No book can compensate for a lost past; that would be an impossible task. But ‘Group Portrait South Africa’ goes a long way towards ‘writing’ a different kind of history. It presents us with a handful of stories, of ordinary folk, their reconstructions of their own past and their memories. It seems valuable to sample as many as possible of these countless stories in order to arrive at a more intimate understanding of what lies behind the official versions of history”.

Nelson Mandela

**For more information:
www.kit.nl/publishers
www.kit.nl/hotei**



Familieverhalen
uit Zuid-Afrika

Van de Tijd en de Tropen

(Of Time and the Tropics)

The year 2002 saw the publication of the remarkable book *Van de Tijd en de Tropen* (Del tiempo y el Tropico; Of Time and the Tropics), which recounts a unique journey of discovery through the relatively little known Central American country of Honduras. Three artists – a photographer, a writer and a musician – set out to explore and record the country's past and present through images, text and music. The photographs of the internationally renowned Dutch photographer Hannes Wallrafen document a way of life and the marks left by the passage of time, providing an accurate yet imaginative introduction to Honduras and its people. The texts written by one of Honduras' greatest writers, Julio Escoto, and the music contributed by the well-known composer and singer Guillermo Anderson, further enhance the experience.



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Japanese Export Porcelain - Catalogue of the Collection of the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford

In November 2002, Hotei Publishing published *Japanese Export Porcelain: Catalogue of the Collection of the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford*, by Oliver Impey. This book was the first new publication since Hotei's book publishing activities were taken over by KIT Publishers. Japanese porcelain was imported into Europe from the end of the 1650s until the late 1730s, which is the period

covered in this catalogue. The fall of the Ming dynasty and the accompanying civil wars in China coincided with a formative period in the Japanese porcelain industry, and Japan, previously an importer of porcelain, became an exporter, trading only with the Chinese and the Dutch during this period of self-imposed political and economic isolation. Renewed competition from Jingdezhen in the 1730s eventually drove the Japanese out of the export market.

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In 2002, KIT published the 24th volume of the children's global magazine *samsam*. Distributed through schools, this magazine provides children aged 9 to 13 with an enjoyable yet effective introduction to development assistance and poverty alleviation, international cooperation and cultural diversity. The magazine publishes seven editions during the school year. Each issue is devoted to a particular theme, often in conjunction with a certain country. In 2002, these were: Sri Lanka, a

world of tea; India, sense and nonsense of education; South Africa, a country of colour; On foot through Ethiopia; Animals: a well-filled pouch; Brazil, living in a metropolis; Tanzania: falling ill, getting better.

Each edition comes with a teacher's guide. Pupils can expand their knowledge through an extensive interactive website. *Samsam* reaches 85 per cent of all pupils in the upper stages of Dutch primary education, representing some 450,000 children plus

their teachers. The magazine also finds readers among 45,000 pupils in Suriname. The production of *samsam* is commissioned by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Development Cooperation. To further promote the role of the magazine in the classroom, *samsam* once again organized a two-month 'web expedition'. Pupils were able to accompany two journalists in a virtual trip around the world. In 2002, the expedition visited India and Suriname. This project also involved children in the countries visited.

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Afrika. Van de Koude Oorlog naar de 21ste eeuw (Africa. From the Cold War into the 21st century). In 2002, KIT Publishers released the first Dutch standard book on the recent history of Africa. Written by Roel van der Veen, *Afrika. Van de Koude Oorlog naar de 21ste eeuw* proved to provoke a lot of debate. In around 480 pages, the author describes the contemporary history of how African states function, perhaps better said: malfunction. As a consequence of historically determined processes, ever since their independence these

states have developed a way of working that differs from what we are accustomed to in the West. As the author understates: 'I hope that my provocative statements will enliven our discussion of and involvement with the continent.' Van der Veen's critical assessment of development cooperation drew a lot of media attention. The first edition was sold out within two weeks of the book's release and a third edition is on its way. The author is a policy maker at the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, but he wrote the book on his personal title.



INTERNAL ORGANIZATION



A DECISIVE INSTITUTION

With regard to KIT's internal organization, 2002 was a year of change aimed at rendering the Institute more decisive in terms of policy and practice. Early in the year preparations were made through an institution-wide project involving seven working groups representing all staff sections to tackle various aspects of the organization.

Later in the year the project's proposals were implemented. The main elements were to reformulate the mission statement; to establish a new organizational structure based on integral management principles; to start a management development programme; to re-organize the Institute's finances; to further position KIT as a centre of knowledge and expertise; to launch a series of innovative projects; to improve project management; and, to increase the coherence between various KIT activities.

SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

Three service departments facilitate the Institute's activities.

Personnel, Organization & Information

supports the various departments in areas such as recruitment and selection, training and education, legal position, organizational change and quality assurance, and the installation and maintenance of hardware and software. In 2002, special attention was

given to the integration of new units and their staff. The department also spearheaded the implementation of policies to reduce prolonged absenteeism, and to oversee the switch from Windows 95 to Windows 2000.

The Finance, Control and Facilities

department takes care of the financial administration and the management and maintenance of the building and its technical installations. The Congress Facilities unit, which falls under this department, is responsible for hiring out the Grote Zaal (Main Hall), the Marmeren Hal (Marble Hall), de Mauritszaal (Maurits room) and other council and meeting chambers. Numerous congresses, symposia and other gatherings took place in these facilities in 2002.

This department is also responsible for the contract between KIT and the hotel chain, NH Hotels, regarding the NH Tropenhotel.

The **Corporate Communication** department supports the internal and external communications of the Institute.

The department advises the Board of Directors with respect to promoting KIT's profile as a whole and also undertakes activities geared towards this end. In addition, it advises individual departments on their communication policy and its implementation. Finally, the department holds primary responsibility for the management, maintenance and updating of the Institute's website.



FINANCIAL INFORMATION



SOURCES OF INCOME

KIT finances its activities in different ways: through its own income, through project proceeds, through subsidies and through production agreements with the Dutch government.

The funding arrangements with the government ('output-financing') run via the Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Development Cooperation, and have four-year terms.

In total, this funding amounts to approximately € 14 million per year. It is an important source of income for KIT Tropenmuseum, KIT Tropentheater and KIT Information & Library Services.

In addition, the departments earn their money 'in the marketplace.' This applies especially to KIT Publishers and KIT Intercultural Communication. The project costs of the KIT Development, Policy & Practice and the KIT Biomedical Research departments are partly covered by the output financing; the remainder comes from other funding agents.

FINANCES IN 2002

The Royal Tropical Institute Association closed the 2002 accounts with a loss of € 4,330,000. This loss has been debited to its own assets. It includes an amortization of € 3,923,000. Operating costs were increased by € 814,000 in 2002 on account of the redundancy pay provision. As from 2002, KIT

abandoned the classic accounts method and instead adopted the cost-benefit system. This implies a once-only reassessment of assets, and its inclusion in the balance. The main mutations are reflected in the valuation of the buildings and other fixed assets. It also implies that as of January 1, KIT depreciates its assets. Partly due to this changeover in system, the 2002 figures cannot be properly compared to those of 2001.

In 2002, the cost structure of the Institute was investigated and the integral cost price per unit of production calculated. This provided insights into the real costs per unit of production and per project at department level. Henceforth, the indirect costs will be fully reflected in the cost prices. For example, standard daily rates for KIT specialists (including accommodation, workplace, etc.) were calculated. This has clarified internal budgetary responsibilities, enabling a more cost-effective operation. Over the coming years such insights will facilitate real control at the departmental level. The outcome of this comprehensive investigation has served as the basis for the 2003 budget.

The final year of the four-year output-financing period was 2002. A subsequent agreement needs to be negotiated. This process was started in 2002 and will be completed in 2003.

OVERVIEW FINANCES 2002

Income statement

Year ending 31 December 2002	2002	2001
In € x 1000		
Income		
State financing	14,372	13,788
Cultural heritage	1012	1176
Subsidies	3555	1910
Reimbursed project costs	9574	5604
Other income	9782	10,908
	<u>38,295</u>	<u>43,386</u>
Expenditure		
Personnel expenses non-projects	19,011	17,283
Personnel expenses projects	2200	4604
Project costs	5359	9504
Depreciation fixed assets	3923	-
Other operating expenses	12,142	12,710
Total expenditure	<u>42,635</u>	<u>44,101</u>
	<u>(4340)</u>	<u>(715)</u>
Financial income	10	173
Loss on ordinary activities	<u>(4330)</u>	<u>(542)</u>
Extraordinary expenses	-	(3873)
Net loss	<u>(4330)</u>	<u>(4415)</u>

BALANCE SHEET

31 December 2002

(In € x 1000, after appropriation of the result)

	2002	2001
Assets		
Fixed assets	36,320	-
Inventories	630	392
Receivables ¹	2609	14,786
Cash	5547	5557
Total assets	<u>55,106</u>	<u>20,735</u>
Equity and liabilities		
Equity	35,130	(1513)
Provisions	7409	9460
Long term liabilities	-	2424
Short term liabilities	12,567	10,364
Total equity and liabilities	<u>55,106</u>	<u>20,735</u>

The increase in KIT's own assets is the result of adopting the cost-benefit system. In other words: KIT's own assets primarily reflect the buildings. Depreciation thereof explains the deficit in the 2002 operating costs.



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We have audited the abbreviated financial statements of The Royal Tropical Institute, Amsterdam, for the year 2002 (as set out on page 29). These abbreviated financial statements have been derived from the financial statements of The Royal Tropical Institute for the year 2002. In our auditors' report dated 18 June 2003 we expressed an unqualified opinion on these financial statements. These abbreviated financial statements are the responsibility of the company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these abbreviated financial statements.

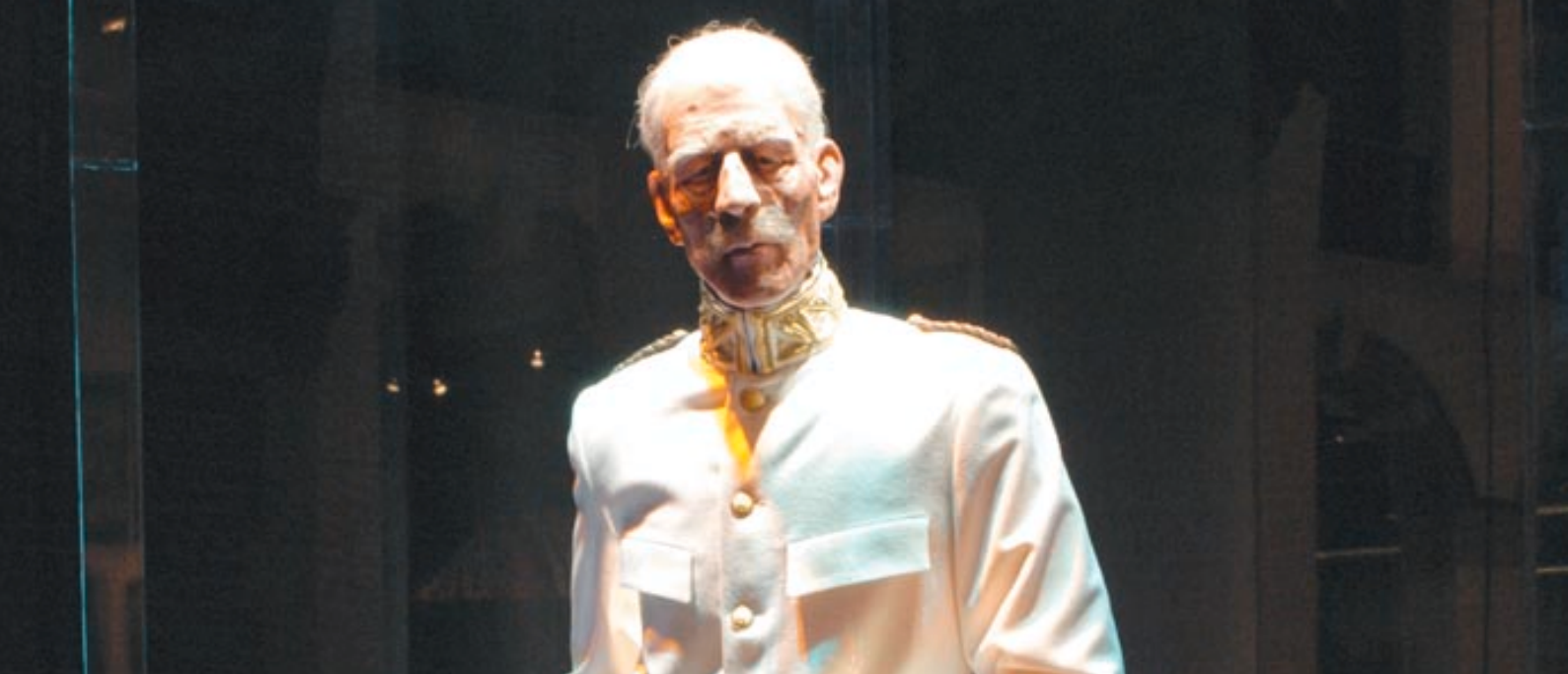
In our opinion, these abbreviated financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the financial statements from which they have been derived.

For a better understanding of the company's financial position and results and of the scope of our audit, the abbreviated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements from which the abbreviated financial statements have been derived and our auditors' report thereon.

Amsterdam, 18 June 2003

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PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES IN 2002

KIT DEVELOPMENT, POLICY & PRACTICE

Projects

BANGLADESH

Project: Chittagong Hill Tracts Regional Development Plan

Assessing the potential for rural development and infrastructure investments in Chittagong Hill Tracts, by upgrading basic rural infrastructure, and raising income generation through improvements by means of microcredit and savings and improving opportunities and strengthening beneficiary participation of the poor, including tribal groups and women.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partners: ARCADIS Euroconsult, Development Planners and Consultants (DPC Group), SODEV Consultants

Sponsors: Bangladesh Ministry of Chittagong Hill Tract Affairs and the Asian Development Bank

BENIN

Project: Regional Programmes for Agricultural Research (APRRA)

Providing technical assistance for institutional change for improved research management including monitoring and evaluation, financial management and research fund management. KIT is involved in testing a system for monitoring research activities in collaboration with the project AGRAN of the German development agency GTZ, which supports the southern regional research centre. Research activities of the regional programme have started in the North.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partners: GTZ, INRAB and CBDD

Sponsors: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation and the Danish Development Agency DANIDA

BURKINA FASO

Project: Policy development for rural decentralization

Providing support for exploring - together with the expert platform GRAF - options for decentralized natural resource management. Results were published in a special KIT bulletin.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partners: Groupe de Recherche et Action pour le

Foncier (GRAF) and CND

Sponsors: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

CABO VERDE

Project: Environmental policy development

Assisting the Ministry of Environment in further developing the national environmental policy, focusing on institutional development, participatory policy development, especially at the local level, and on integrating environmental issues in the community planning cycle.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: Ministry of Environment and the Netherlands Embassy in Cape Verde

Sponsors: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Project: Improving quality of services in hospitals and health centres

Providing technical assistance in overcoming financial-administrative obstacles in invoicing systems; advising on financial and technical supervision and training of personnel in health centres; assisting in assessing the financial feasibility of alternatives to sustain health services.

Area: Health

Partners: CISJEU youth centre, Bangui, Regional Team, Bassangoa

Sponsor: German Development Agency GTZ

EGYPT

Project: Egyptian Tuberculosis Control Project (phase 3)

Providing technical support services aimed at capacity building in disease control. The project included developing training modules and innovative research in the area of cost-effectiveness of TB interventions.

Area: Health

Partner: Ministry of Health, Egypt.

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: Fayoum Family Medicine programme

Technical assistance in this joint programme between the Governorate of Fayoum and the Netherlands Embassy in Cairo. The programme

aims to set up an introduction of the family medicine concept of the Ministry of Health & Population in the whole of the rural Fayoum District to effectively implement rural health facilities, install a properly functioning medical records unit at each rural health facility and to deliver a basic benefit package of health service, also in the long term.

Area: Health

Partner: Governorate of Fayoum and the Netherlands Embassy in Cairo

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: Education & Training of Nurses in the Aswan Governorate

Assisting in the upgrading of the education of nurses and midwives and in the construction and staffing of a new nursing school in Aswan City.

Area: Health

Partner: Netherlands Embassy in Cairo

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: Policy and Co-ordination Unit of Women in Agriculture (PCUWA)

Providing support aimed at improving the management of this unit. Activities included a review of marketing constraints and opportunities for female farmer groups in selected communities in Fayoum, Beheire and Wadi El Gadid.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: KIT Intercultural Communication

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: Mainstreaming Women in Agricultural Policies and Practices.

This project aims to strengthen the capacity of the Policy and Coordination Unit for Women in Agriculture to fulfil its mandate and mission of integrating women's needs and issues into the mainstream of agricultural policies and practices. KIT provides support in the key areas of the project such as advocacy, policy & research, and training.

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Partner: Egyptian Ministry of Agriculture and the Netherlands Embassy in Cairo

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

ETHIOPIA

Project: National Tuberculosis Control Programme

Providing technical support services for the World Health Organization in Ethiopia. The project aims to implement and expand the DOTS strategy country-wide. KIT's focus is on organisational capacity building and human resource development through training. The first phase of the support project ran from 1996-2001. A second five-year project has started in 2002.

Area: Health

Partner: World Health Organisation-Ethiopia

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs-Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: Ethiopia Agricultural Research Organization (EARO)

Providing support aimed at strengthening Client-Oriented Research of EARO. KIT supervised an international review of the Cool Season Legume Research Project (1998-2001).

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs-Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: Gender mainstreaming in the sector development programme.

This project aims at capacity building of ministry staff in the government of Ethiopia to effectively mainstream gender within the food security, education and health sectors. KIT focuses on making a needs based assessment; capacity building and support for gender focal points in the relevant ministries; and, strategy development for each concerned Ministry.

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Partners: Various Ethiopian Ministries dealing with food security and health issues and the Netherlands Embassy in Addis Ababa

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs-Directorate General International Co-operation

EUROPEAN UNION

Project: Gender Impact assessment of the European Union's Fifth Framework programme

KIT assessed the status of gender mainstreaming in this EU Programme. KIT also formulated recommendations for the better integration of gender in the next framework programme.

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Sponsor: European Union

HAITI

Project: Rural development programme

Providing technical assistance in setting up a rural development programme for the Central and Southern Zones of Haiti, increase and ensure the agricultural production and improve living standards.

Introducing farming systems approaches; work on, improving the environment and animal health care; and setting up strategies for community participation.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partners: Gesellschaft für Agrarprojekte (GFA-AGRAR), Germany; Louis Berger; Cabinet Nerette & Associates

Sponsor: European Committee CEC, Haiti

INDONESIA

Project: Intensified Communicable Disease Control (ICDC)

This project aims to improve control of communicable diseases in Indonesia as well as decentralizing data collection and planning control activities and linking them to actors other than the state health system. Project implementation aims at several pilot provinces throughout Indonesia.

Area: Health

Partner: Euroconsult Jakarta and PT Macon

Sponsor: Asian Development Bank

Project: Indonesian Health Project V

Providing technical support services for the government strategy in decentralizing and improving the quality and availability of services for rural communities and low income groups in both urban and rural areas, and to sustain the quality of services delivered by health professionals. The Project covers three provinces: Central Java, Central Kalimantan, and South Sulawesi, and the Central Ministry of Health.

Area: Health

Sponsors: Ministry of Social Health and Welfare, Indonesia and the Worldbank

Partner: Arcadis

MALI

Project: National Agricultural Research Programme

Providing technical assistance to the National Agricultural Research Programme of Mali's national agricultural research institute (IER) and its current programme that aims at better linking agricultural research to the interests of its clients and at making it more cost-effective. Also support is given to farmer organizations, their representatives and many other stakeholders to improve their position and functioning in the existing Agricultural Knowledge and Information System.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partners: Institut d'Economie Rurale (IER) and Centre Djoliba, Bamako

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs-Directorate General International Co-operation

MALI, MAURITANIA AND SENEGAL

Project: Senegal River ecosystem

Water management of the Senegal River via the

newly constructed high dams, which optimally takes into consideration the different effects on the environment; Mitigation of the problems which dense stands of aquatic weeds currently impose on the local population in the Lower Senegal Valley; and, prevention of a further spread of water hyacinth and Salvinia in the region.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: Syke

Sponsor: European Union

MOZAMBIQUE

Project: UNFPA country programme

Support the national reproductive health programme (UNFPA/MOH CP 2002-2006). Technical assistance is provided to the Ministry of Health within the framework of the national integrated community health programme, and related training activities. KIT also provided technical assistance to a pilot integrated reproductive health programme in the Zambezia province.

Area: Health

Partner: Ministry of Health, Mozambique

Sponsor: United Nations Fund for Population Activities UNFPA

NAMIBIA

Project: National Aids Commission Programme

Setting up a public information system, promoting safer sexual behaviour of the population groups and health seeking behaviour of persons with STD and HIV/AIDS, and to improve clinical management of HIV/AIDS and counselling and information services.

Area: Health

Partner: Ministry of Health and Social Services, Namibia

Sponsor: European Commission

Project: External Mid-Term Review of the Second Medium Term Plan on HIV/AIDS

Provide Namibia's National AIDS Committee with a high quality independent review of the current status of implementation of the Second Medium Term Plan and to provide substantial policy recommendations on how to strengthen the national efforts to combat the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

Area: Health

Partner: National AIDS Committee

Sponsor: Ministry of Health and Social Services, Namibia

Project: Health and Social Support Programme, Phase II

Providing assistance for the support programme for health and social sectors aimed to enhance the health status of the Namibian people through better implementation of primary health care

activities and more effective management at central, regional and district levels.

Area: Health

Partner: STAKES

Sponsor: FINNIDA (Finnish Development Cooperation)

Project: Mashare Agricultural Development Institute (MADI)

Providing support in developing MADI into an agricultural research, training, information and outreach centre, serving the farmers and rural communities of the Northern Kalahari Sands Plateau and – in specific fields – all of Namibia. Activities concentrate on improving management/administrative structures and systems; upgrading the infrastructure and acquisition of equipment; and establishing an income-generating research and training farm unit and a documentation and information centre.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: Lux-Development S.A.

Sponsor: MADI

NEPAL

Project: Reproductive Health Initiative Nepal

Providing technical assistance to the Reproductive Health Initiative, an EU/UNFPA joint intervention. Activities included the development of male involvement activities in safe motherhood.

Area: Health

Partners: AMK (Amaa Milan Kendra), Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI) and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM).

Sponsor: European Union/UNFPA

NETHERLANDS

Project: Policies on Leprosy

Evaluation and monitoring missions for Netherlands Leprosy Relief in Nigeria, India, Indonesia and Brazil. Participation in the international ILA technical forum and medical social commission ILEP.

Area: Health

Sponsor: Netherlands Leprosy Relief

Project: Share-net, the Netherlands network on Sexual and Reproductive Health and HIV/AIDS

Hosting the secretariat, participating in the network; and contributing to its activities. Share-net activities in 2002 included: a theme meeting on Mainstreaming Aids; a workshop on Applied Research in Sexual and Reproductive Health (S&RH) and HIV/AIDS; a mini-conference on S&RH in Central and Eastern Europe; and discussion meeting on HIV/AIDS and S&RH in Sector Wide Approaches;

and the network's Annual Meeting.

Area: Health

Partner: 30 organisations involved in development issues and and reproductive health and HIV/AIDS

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs-Directorate General International Co-operation

NIGERIA

Project: New approaches to planning and managing agriculture

Assisting Shell Nigeria in assessing the programme of agricultural and community development in the Niger Delta and the intervention area and aligning the company's policy towards rural and community development with upcoming Federal, State and Regional development plans and formulating a detailed training and extension programme in collaboration with selected local institutions.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: Armit

Sponsor: Shell SPDC

OXFAM INTERNATIONAL

Project: Oxfam's gender mainstreaming strategy

Supporting Oxfam's gender mainstreaming strategy by: providing an organizational assessment; assisting in developing the framework for the gender mainstreaming component; providing technical backstopping on gender; and, establishing linkages between the main two components of the programme: Ending Violence Against Women (EVAW) and Gender Mainstreaming (GM).

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Sponsors: Oxfam

RUSSIA

Project: Pollution of the Kola River

Study on pollution of the Kola River and its outflow into the Arctic Sea: source identification, protocol for monitoring and low cost purification measures. Supporting the construction of an artificial wetland in Shongoi; analysis of water samples as well as biological indicators.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partners: International Training and Development Centre, Lulea University (Sweden), Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE), North Ostrobothnia Regional Environment Centre, (Finland), Federal State Institution 'Murmansk Territorial Fund for Geological Information: (Russian Federation), Murmansk Areal Department for Hydrometeorology and Environmental Monitoring, (Russian Federation), Kharkov State Academy of Municipal Economy, (Ukraine), University of Tartu, (Estonia).

Sponsor: European Union

SLOVAK REPUBLIC

Project: Gender equity policies

Technical assistance for strengthening the implementation and enforcement of the principle of equal treatment in the Slovak Republic, with a special reference to equal opportunities for women and men in employment.

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Partners: Slovak Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family (MOLSAF)

Sponsor: Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs (SENTER)

SOUTH ASIA AND SOUTHERN AFRICA

Project: Gender, Citizenship and Governance programme

Developing and implementing the Gender, Citizenship and Governance programme. This partnership between KIT and 16 participating organizations from South Asia and Southern Africa aims to develop a gender perspective on good governance and to deploy effective strategies for advocating gender equity as part of good governance. The focus is on setting up a process oriented approach towards building good practices within the field of gender and governance; capacity development among partner organizations; monitoring and evaluation missions; building and maintaining a website and an electronic network; organizing an international conference (including a final publication); development of an action research guide; and the development of training manuals and course readers.

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Sponsors: Ford Foundation and the Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs/Directorate General International Co-operation

SUDAN

Project: Building a Constituency for Peace Through Diversity

This assignment is part of a project of the Dutch development NGO NOVIB on peace-building mechanisms in Sudan. KIT evaluated the first phase of this project which involved a series of five studies conducted by Sudanese researchers. In the second phase KIT will take the lead in publishing a report of the research studies.

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Partners: Al-Afnad University and CSIW Khartoum

Sponsors: NOVIB

TANZANIA

Project: TANESA- Aids project

Providing technical assistance to the community AIDS project TANESA. Activities focused on multi-sector planning of HIV/AIDS interventions and training stakeholders.

Area: Health

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs- Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: National Agricultural Research System
Supporting the National Agricultural Research System's Client Oriented Research Programme. Focus on organizational strengthening and institutional change. Special attention is given to human resource and financial management, linkage and collaboration with clients and partners, research planning, monitoring and evaluation, user-friendly output production, dissemination and information management.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: Ministry of Agriculture, Tanzania

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs- Directorate General International Co-operation

TURKEY

Project: Proposed Anatolia Watershed Rehabilitation Project

To stop degradation in selected micro-catchment (MC) areas of five watersheds in Anatolia and implement community selected priority interventions to rehabilitate MCs and to develop rural activities on a small scale to raise local rural income.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: Ministry of Forestry, Turkey

Sponsor: World Bank

Project: Agricultural Pollution Control

Assisting the World Bank programme in East Turkey

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: Ministry of Agriculture, Turkey

Sponsor: World Bank

UNAIDS

Project: Local response project – UNAIDS

Strengthening the UNAIDS local responses initiative which focuses on the collection and distribution of actions taken at the community level in the battle against Aids. The project aims to develop and implement a toolbox on local responses in the fields of prevention, care and treatment, and mitigation undertaken by actors world-wide. It is accessible to all those who have an interest in the local responses agenda. In the framework of this project KIT drew up guidelines for writing tools and their implementation and has published the first sixteen tools on a special website.

Area: Health

Sponsor: UNAIDS

YEMEN

Project: Economic development in the Shabwah Governorate

Providing technical assistance to the Shabwah

Governorate in formulating and implementing its economic development strategy. KIT identified areas of synergy, managed potential conflicts of interest, and helped the governorate to present its plans to the international donor community.

Area: Sustainable Economic Development

Partner: Netherlands Embassy in Sanaa

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: Gender policy and capacity building in agriculture

Providing technical assistance to the Rural Women's General Directorate in the Yemen Ministry of Agriculture to help in the implementation of its gender policy and in capacity building within rural women's units/sections to meet the needs of women in agriculture.

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Partner: Netherlands Embassy in Sanaa

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

Educational Programmes

LEBANON

Course: Gender and Organizational Change- Training Workshop for Trainers

First in a series of gender training programmes for the Middle-East region

Date: December 2002

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Partner: Gender Linking and Information Project, Lebanon

NETHERLANDS

Course: International Course in Health Development (ICHD)

38th Course for health workers working or preparing to work in a managerial capacity in health services at the national, regional or decentralized district level. The ICHD is an annual ten-month Masters of Public Health course organized by KIT in collaboration with the Free University Amsterdam (VUA) and the University of Amsterdam (UVA). KIT is a member of the European network of Institutes for Higher Education (TropEd)

Date: September 2001 - June 2002

Area: Health

Course: Golama Course

13th and 14th course in Health Care in Developing Countries preparing military medical staff for their assignments in out-of-area operations

Date: April and October 2002

Area: Health

Sponsor: Dutch Ministry of Defence

Course: District Health Care (DHC)

17th Course for health care workers with experience in public health administration at the district level and in primary health care programmes.

Date: April - June 2002

Area: Health

Course: Training of trainers from South Vietnam in Primary Health Care Management

Three courses on Human Resources Development, Health Services Planning and Management and Health Economics and Financing were organized for 17 trainers from South Vietnam in preparation for their tasks as trainers in Primary Health Care Management.

Date: September - December 2002

Area: Health

Sponsors: Netherlands Organization for International Cooperation on Higher Education - Nuffic

Course: Refresher Course

This course for former ICHD and DHC participants on 'HIV/AIDS in a Multi-Sectoral Perspective' was held in Pretoria, South Africa in co-operation with the University of Pretoria

Date: November 2002

Area: Health

Course: Gender and Development

8th International Training Course for Training the Trainers

Date: June

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Course: Gender, Citizenship and Governance

5th International Training course

Date: September

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

Course: Women, Gender and Development

12th International Training Workshop

Date: November

Area: Social Development and Gender Equity

KIT BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

Projects

BANGLADESH

Project: Contact transmission and chemoprophylaxis in leprosy (COLEP)

A prospective (sero-)epidemiological study
Partners: Bangladesh/Danish Leprosy Mission, Nilphamari 5300, Bangladesh and Erasmus University, Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

Sponsors: American Leprosy Mission (USA), The Leprosy Mission (United Kingdom)

BELGIUM, SPAIN

Project: Differential diagnosis of infectious lung disease

Partners: Kreatech BV, the Netherlands; Erasmus University Medical Center, Rotterdam, the Netherlands; Leiden University Medical Centre, the Netherlands; Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium; Limburg Universitair Centrum, Diepenbeek, Belgium; and, Universidad de Oviedo, Spain.

Sponsor: European Union

BRAZIL

Project: Definition of novel Mycobacterium tuberculosis antigens for vaccination and early detection

Partners: Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; the University of Juiz de Fora, Juiz de Fora, Brazil; the Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden; and, the University of Leiden, the Netherlands.

Sponsor: European Union

Project: Detecting Leishmania infections in humans and dogs in endemic regions

Evaluation of simple diagnostics

Partners: Bio-Manguinhos, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and several FIOCRUZ institutes in Brazil.

Sponsor: Hubrecht Janssen Fonds

Project: Development of antigen-based diagnostic tests for immunodiagnosis of tuberculosis.

Partners: Department of Immunohaematology of the University of Leiden, the Netherlands; Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Rio de Janeiro, and the University of Juiz de Fora, Brazil; and, TNO Prevention and Health, Leiden, the Netherlands.

Sponsor: Netherlands Foundation for the Advancement of Tropical Research (WOTRO)

BRAZIL, SINGAPORE

Project: Early prediction and prevention of leprosy in household contacts

by measuring peripheral autonomic nerve dysfunction in relation to clinical, immunological and molecular parameters.

Partners: Department of Infectious Diseases, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore and FIOCRUZ, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Sponsor: Netherlands Leprosy Relief (NLR)

CUBA, COSTA RICA, NICARAGUA, EL SALVADOR, HONDURAS

Project: Epidemiology of haemorrhagic fevers leptospirosis and dengue in Central America

A comprehensive multidisciplinary study.

Partners: Queens University Belfast, UK; the Instituto Medicina Tropical Pedro Kouri, Department of Virology, Havana, Cuba; the Instituto

Costarricense de Investigación y Enseñanza en Nutrición y Salud, Tres Rios, Costa Rica; the Centro Nacional de Diagnóstico y Referencia, Dep. de Microbiología, Managua, Nicaragua; the Laboratorio Central 'Dr. Max Bloch', Ministerio de Salud Pública, San Salvador, El Salvador; and, the Laboratoria Central de Virología, Honduras.

Sponsor: European Union

ETHIOPIA

Project: Field evaluation of a FAST anti-leishmania antibody detection assay

Partner: Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.

Sponsor: World Health Organization

Project: Serological diagnosis of Visceral Leishmaniasis

Batch quality control of liquid cultured antigen prepared in Ethiopia.

Partner: Institute for Pathobiology, University of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Sponsor: World Health Organization

INDIA

Project: A pilot study to establish leptospiral etiology of uveitis.

Partners: Aravind Eye Hospital & PG Institute of Ophthalmology, Madurai, Tamil Nadu, India; and, the Department of Ophthalmology of the University Medical Centre of Utrecht, the Netherlands.

Sponsor: Netherlands Foundation for the Advancement of Tropical Research (NWO/WOTRO)

INDONESIA

Project: Development of strategies for pro-active case finding in leprosy control

Partner: Hasanuddin University, Ujung Pandang, Indonesia.

Sponsor: Netherlands Leprosy Relief (NLR)

Project: Improvement of the rapid diagnosis of typhoid and paratyphoid fever and identification of asymptomatic individuals with an active infection

Partners: Hasanuddin University, Ujung Pandang, Indonesia; and, the Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, Department of Biochemistry, London, UK.

Sponsor: European Union

Project: Haemorrhagic fevers in Indonesia

Partners: Slotervaartziekenhuis and Academic Medical Centre (AMC) in Amsterdam, the Netherlands; University Medical Centre St. Radboud, Nijmegen, the Netherlands; and, the Diponegoro University Semarang, Jakarta, Indonesia.

Sponsor: Hubrecht Janssen Fonds

Project: Aetiology, diagnosis and treatment of reversal reactions in leprosy: a multidisciplinary immunological approach

Partners: Hasanuddin University, Ujung Pandang, Indonesia; University of Leiden, the Netherlands; and, the Academic Medical Center, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

Sponsor: Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW)

KENYA

Project: Improved Tuberculosis Control through Molecular Diagnosis

Biotechnological innovations for health care.

Partners: Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI); the National Leprosy and Tuberculosis Programme (NLTP), Nairobi, Kenya; the National Institute of Public Health and Environmental Protection (RIVM), Bilthoven, the Netherlands; and, KIT Development, Policy & Practice.

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: Early detection of drug resistant Plasmodium falciparum

Evaluation of a quantitative nucleic acid sequence-based amplification assay (QT-NASBA)

Partner: Kenya Medical Research Institute, Nairobi, Kenya.

Sponsor: Hubrecht Janssen Fonds

THE NETHERLANDS

Project: Integrated stand-alone array system for tuberculosis

A basic research project with Pamgene aimed at simultaneous identification and drug sensitivity determination of tuberculosis mycobacteria through microassays. Carried out at KIT Biomedical Research.

Sponsor: Pamgene

Project: Reference laboratory for leptospirosis

Partner: National Institute of Public Health and Environmental Protection (RIVM), Bilthoven, the Netherlands.

Sponsor: National Institute of Public Health and Environmental Protection (RIVM)

Project: Development of a Leptospirosis Reference Centre website (WHO/FAO/OIE/RIVM) presenting reference strains characteristics and descriptions as well as reference services and products. This project is carried out at KIT Biomedical Research.

Sponsor: Hubrecht Janssen Fonds

Project: Development of the WHO website for leptospirosis surveillance

This project is carried out at KIT Biomedical Research
Sponsor: World Health Organization

NIGERIA, BRAZIL, NEPAL

Project: Introduction of the *M.leprae* lateral flow test for leprosy control: a pilot project

Partners: Leprosy Control Programmes in Nigeria, Brazil and Nepal.

Sponsor: Netherlands Leprosy Relief (NLR)

SUDAN

Project: Chloroquine and Sulphadoxine/Pyrimethamine assessment

outcome in the treatment of acute uncomplicated Plasmodium falciparum malaria in Gezira, Sudan.

Partner: Faculty of Medicine, Gezira, Sudan.

Sponsor: Netherlands Foundation for the Advancement of Tropical Research (NWO/WOTRO)

THAILAND

Project: Predicting the risks of mosquito-borne diseases from land-use change

Partners: Chang Mai University, Thailand; the Catholic University of Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, the National History Museum, London, United Kingdom; and, the University of Leeds, United Kingdom.

Sponsor: European Union

VIETNAM

Project: Detection of mycobacterial tuberculosis antigen in sputum, serum and other body fluids from patients with tuberculosis. Carried out at KIT Biomedical Research.

Partners: Division of Pulmonary Diseases, Academic Medical Centre, Amsterdam; the Pham Ngoc Thach Hospital in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; and, the Municipal Health Service (GG&GD), Amsterdam.

Sponsor: Amsterdam Society and Research Fund for the Prevention and Cure of Tuberculosis.

Scientific Publications*

Evaluation of Brucella dipstick assay for the diagnosis of acute brucellosis

Altuglu I., Zeytinoglu A., Bilgic A., Kamcioglu S., Karakartal G., Smits H.

Diagnostic Microbiology and Infectious Disease 2002;44:241-243

Epidemiology of leprosy on five isolated islands in the Flores Sea, Indonesia

Bakker M.I., Hatta M., Kwenang A., Klatser P.R., Oskam L.

Tropical Medicine and International Health 2002;7:780-787

Knowledge and use of prevention measures related to dengue in northern Thailand

Bentham B.H.B. van, Khantikul N., Panart K., Kessels P.J., Somboon P., Oskam L.

Tropical Medicine and International Health 2002;7(11):993-1000

A comprehensive study on the efficiency of the routine diagnostic process for pulmonary tuberculosis in Nairobi

Cleeff M.R. van, Kivihya-Ndugga L., Githui W., Nganga L., Odhiambo J., Klatser P.R.

International Journal of Tuberculosis 2003; 7(2):186-189

Evaluation of the clinical utility of a rapid blood test for human leptospirosis

Eapen C.K., Sugathan S., Kuriakose M., Abdoel T., Smits H.L.

Diagnostic Microbiology and Infectious Disease 2002;42:221-225

The decaying genome of *Mycobacterium leprae*

Eiglmeier K., Parkhill J., Honoré N., Garnier T., Tekaiia F., Telenti A., Klatser P.R., James K.D., Thomson N.R., Wheeler P.R., Churcher C., Harris D., Mungall K., Barrell B.G., Cole S.T.

Leprosy Review 2001;72(4):387-98

Sero-epidemiological assessment and diagnosis of visceral leishmaniasis in an endemic locality using Fast Agglutination Screening Test (FAST)

Hailu A., Kroon C.C.M., Schoone G.J., Berhe N., Schallig H.D.F.H., Kager P.A..

Acta Tropica 2002;83:93-101

Import van leptospirose in 2001 afgenomen

Hartskeerl R.A., Goris M.G.A.

Infectieziektenbulletin 2002;13(8):315-316

Simple dipstick assay for the detection of *Salmonella typhi*-specific IgM antibodies and the evolution of the immune response in patients with typhoid fever

Hatta M., Goris M.G.A., Heerkens E., Gussenhoven G.C., Gooskens J., Smits H.L.

American Journal of Tropical Medicine 2002;66(4):416-421

Evaluation of dipstick serological tests for diagnosis of brucellosis and typhoid fever in Egypt

Ismail T.F., Smits H.L., Wasfy M.O., Malone J.L., Fadeel M.A., Mahoney F.

Journal of Clinical Microbiology 2002;40:3509-3511

Antigen and antibody detection assays for the diagnosis of tuberculosis

Pereira Arias-Bouda L.M.

Thesis, University of Amsterdam, 3 December 2002

Evaluation of the direct agglutination test and the rK39 dipstick test for the sero-diagnosis of visceral leishmaniasis

Schallig H.D.F.H., Canto-Cavalheiro M., Da Silva E.S.

Memórias do Instituto Oswaldo Cruz

2002;97(7):1015-8

Development of a fast agglutination screening test (FAST) for the detection of anti-Leishmania antibodies in dogs

Schallig H.D.F.H., Schoone G.J., Beijer E.G.M., Kroon C.C.M., Hommers M., Özbel Y., Özensoy S., Da Silva E.S., Cardoso L.M., Da Silva E.D.

Veterinary Parasitology 2002;109:1-8

Molecular biological applications in the diagnosis and control of leishmaniasis and parasite identification. (Molecular biology and leishmaniasis)

Schallig H.D.F.H., Oskam L.

Tropical Medicine and International Health 2002;7:641-651

* selection, for full list see website

KIT INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION

Project: Advisory Skills Training

Training local partners of the Dutch development organization SNV in Mali, Mozambique, Nepal, Peru, Tanzania in cooperation with local training institutes

Partners: Cente, Djoliba (Mali), CBE (Mozambique), ODC (Nepal), Informat (Peru), MS-TCDC (Tanzania)

Sponsor: SNV

Project: Setting Quality Standards for Interpreters and Translators

Sponsor: Kernteam Tolken & Vertalers (Coreteam Interpreters & Translators), Utrecht

KIT TROPICMUSEUM

Expositions

Lichthal - Light Hall

January-February 2002: Batik, Met was getekend. 200 jaar textielkunst uit Indonesië (Batik, Drawn with wax: 200 years of textile art from Indonesia)

February - June 2002: Hemelbestormers, vliegers uit vele windstreken (Warriors of the sky, kites from around the world)

October 2002 – September 2003: Familieverhalen uit Zuid-Afrika, een groepspportret (Group Portrait South Africa)

Parkzaal - Park Hall

March - September 2002: Mancala, een wereldspel (Mancala a world game)
October 2002 – June 2003: Ik woon in Zuid-Afrika (I live in South Africa)

Galerie – Painting Gallery

January - February 2002: Race naar de Sneeuw (Race to the snow)
February - April 2002: Een koffer vol herinneringen. Portretten en verhalen van bewoners van oostelijk Amsterdam (A trunk packed with memories. Sketches and stories of people living on the east side of Amsterdam).
April - October 2002: Van Vrouwenleven. Foto's van vrouwen in Suriname, 1902-1981 (Of women's lives. Photographs of women in Suriname, 1902-1981)
November 2002 – January 2003: Jamshid Bayrami, photographer from Iran

Kartinivleugel – Kartini wing

March - May 2002: Taaltrotters; multimedia exhibition on multilingualism.

KIT Kindermuseum – (Children's Museum)

January - December 2002: Paleisgeheimen (Mysteries of the Palace) on Asante culture in Ghana

Capacity Building Projects*

AFRICA

Project: Institutional strengthening of the museums in Africa

Cooperating with the Programme for Museum Development in Africa (PMDA) involving museums of Sub-Saharan Africa; assisting in elaborating a strategic 5-year plan; assessing museum conditions, resources and needs; and, holding a programme review and development workshop.

Partner: Programme for Museum Development in Africa (PMDA)

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA

Project: Object ID

Assisting museums in 14 countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America. Setting up an internationally accessible and efficient information system which offers customs agencies, law enforcers and the art trade the means to establish whether an object was stolen or not. The core of Object ID is the digital registration of their collection, in particular with

pecially developed software. In 2002, working visits were made to the Musée National in Ougadougou, Burkina Faso, the Musée National in Bamako, Mali, the Polonnaruwa Museum in Polonnaruwa, Sri Lanka, the Koptic Museum in Cairo, Egypt and the National Museum of Bangladesh. In Sri Lanka an identification mission was carried out to Anuradhapura and Galle.

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

BENIN

Project: Mobile exhibition on Man and his Environment

Assisting in developing a mobile exhibition on issues of sustainable development and ecology on a truck that will travel across Benin visiting community centres and centres for young people.

Partner: Centre Beninois pour le Developpement Durable

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

INDIA/THAILAND

Project: Institutional Development

Participation of key staff from KIT in international expert meetings of ICCROM in Bangkok, Thailand on Preventive Conservation and the organization together with the National Research Laboratory for Cultural Property (NRLC) in Lucknow, India of a seminar on 'The Culture of Conservation.'

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

INDIA, SURINAME, THE NETHERLANDS

Project: Bidesia

Researching and cooperating on issues surrounding hindu migration and identity

Partners: GBPant Social Science Institute Allahabad.

Sponsor: Gonda Fund (IIAS, Leiden)

INDONESIA

Project: Museological cooperation with DKI Jakarta

Cooperation with seven museums in Jakarta aimed at long-term museological cooperation and the strengthening of development issues by training museum staff in preservation and conservation techniques and policies. Writing a Master Plan for each museum together with the staff of the museum concerned.

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs – HGIS fund

KENYA

Project: Technical support for the National Museums of Kenya

Assisting in strengthening the National Museums

of Kenya. Support Programme focussing on a solid and durable management and financial base for the sustainable development of these museums.

Partner: Transec

Sponsor: European Union

MALI

Project: Ethnomusicology in Mali

Assisting in research on masquerade festivals and on the meaning of puppet theatre in the context of change in the rural region of Segou. The project resulted in a publication in French and Bamanan. The research material and photographs were presented to the national museum in Bamako.

Partners: Alphalog and National Museum, Bamako.

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES

Project: Training in the registration and documentation of museum collections

Partner: NAAM Curacao

SURINAME

Project: Surinaams Museum

Providing assistance to the 'Surinaams Museum' Foundation in Paramaribo to enable it to set up a training programme in conservation and preservation and prepare a request for funding to build and reconstruct a collection depot.

Partner: Surinaams Museum Foundation

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs - HGIS fund

YEMEN

Project: National Museum Sana'a

Advising National Museum staff regarding assessments of several departments and internal museum services

Partners: Yemen Ministry of Culture and the General Organization of Antiquities and Museums (GOAM). Netherlands Embassy in Yemen

Sponsor: Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs - Directorate General International Co-operation

Project: National Museums of Zanzibar

Identification mission to review the plans for three museums on the island: House of Wonders Museum, Peace Memorial Museum and the Natural History Museum.

Partner: DAMA

Sponsor: Embassy of the Netherlands in Dar es Salaam

** Implemented in close cooperation with KIT Development, Policy & Practice*

KIT TROPENTHEATER

In 2002, KIT Tropentheater staged 189 events.

Regular programme

Fifty-nine performances by artists and groups from Latin America, Asia, Africa, the Arab region and the Mediterranean.

Festivals/projects

Fifty-six performances by international artists in the framework of the project 'Familieverhalen uit Zuid-Afrika' (Group Portrait South Africa) and six festivals: Winternachten (Winternights) in Amsterdam, Zijderoute (Silk Road) Festival, Wereldmuziek Theaterfestival, Holland Festival, Amsterdam Roots Festival and the El Hizra Festival.

Youth Programmes

Eighteen programmes for young people and children: films, plays and performances by international musicians and dancers.

Informative Programmes

Ten informative programmes ranging from a debate on the future of development cooperation to lectures on Suriname, Ghana and Islam.

Multidisciplinary programmes

Multidisciplinary programmes combining music, film, lectures and debates on the occasion of two events:

- the unveiling of the National Monument for the History of Slavery;
- World Aids Day 2002 (programme: Young and PositHiv).

Film programmes

Thirty-five international films, screened largely in the framework of three large festivals: Wereldcinematour, Cinema India, Beeld voor Beeld (Image by Image).

KIT INFORMATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Capacity Building Projects

ZAMBIA

Project: Medical Library University of Zambia
Improving information access for health workers

GHANA

Project: Ghana Agricultural Information Network Systems (GAINS)
Strengthening the information services of the Institute for Science and Technology Information.

MOZAMBIQUE

Project: Medical Faculty, Catholic University of Mozambique, Beira
Capacity building of a Resource Centre for problem-oriented education for health workers.

THE NETHERLANDS

Project: Leap-impact partnership
Developing methods for self-monitoring and evaluation of small budget information services in developing countries.

Projects in the Netherlands

Project: Erfgoed Extra (Heritage Extra)
Restoration and preservation of KIT's colonial documentary cultural heritage: construction of a climatized depot to preserve rare and unique documents.

Partner: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry for Education, Culture and Sciences.

Project: Het Levende Boek (The Living Book)

Innovative presentation of fragile books about Dutch colonial history using a combination of digital photography, touch-screen and audio presentations.

Partners: Wereldmuseum (World Museum), Rotterdam, Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde (National Ethnological Museum), Leiden and the Surinam Museum in Paramaribo.

Documentary Productions

Product: Sexual Health Exchange (SHE) Newsletter
Quarterly magazine (in English and Portuguese) on sexual health for health workers and trainers in developing countries.

Product: Agriculture and Environment in Developing Regions (AEDR)

Database annually featuring around 4000 summaries of important international articles on agriculture, natural resource management, and fishery and environmental issues in developing countries, (CD-ROM and web version, in English).

Product: Gender, Society and Development: an annotated Bibliography Series; Vol.6

An annotated series for professionals in the field of gender and development.

PUBLICATIONS

KIT PUBLISHERS

Art & Culture

Familieverhalen uit Zuid-Afrika

P. Faber
2002, ISBN 90 6832 522 1, hardcover 240 pp.
ill. Full colour, €37.50

Jagernath Lachmon

R. Khemradj
2002, ISBN 90 6832 529 9, paperback 144 pp.
ill. €12.50

De kleine geschiedenis van de slavernij

H. Dors
2002, ISBN 90 6832 517 5, paperback 64 pp.
ill. Full colour, €7.00

Primitieve kunst in de beschaafde wereld

S. Price
2002, ISBN 90 6832 512 4, paperback 176 pp.
ill. €20.50

Suriname door het oog van Julius Muller

S. Vink, 2002, ISBN 90 6832 271 0, paperback 96 pp.
ill. €18.00

Merchants, missionaries and migrants

I. van Kessel
2002, ISBN 90 6832 523 x, hardcover 160 pp.
ill. Full colour, €29.00

Van de tijd en de tropen / Del tiempo y el tropico

H. Wallrafen, J. Escoto and G. Anderson
2002, ISBN 90 6832 526 4, hardcover 128 pp.
ill. Full colour, €32.50

Of time and the tropics / Del tiempo y el tropico

H. Wallrafen, J. Escoto and G. Anderson
2002, ISBN 90 6832 526 4, hardcover 128 pp.
ill. Full colour, €32.50

Intercultural Communication

Expathandboek

2002, ISBN 90 6832 568 x, paperback 160 pp.
ill. Full colour, €20.00

Country Studies

The 'Landenreeks' is a series of concise country studies on developing countries. The general and up-to-date information is used for reference and travel preparation. In cooperation with Novib.

Afghanistan

W. Vogelsang
2002, ISBN 90 6832 397 0, paperback 74 pp.
ill. Full colour, €10.40

Argentinië

J. Thielen
2002, ISBN 90 6832 390 3, paperback 74 pp.
ill. Full colour, €10.40

Bosnië-Herzegovina

W. Campschreur
2002, ISBN 90 6832 394 6, paperback 74 pp.
ill. Full colour, €10.40

Burkina Faso

M. Breusers and C. Grumiau
2002, ISBN 90 6832 392 x, paperback 74 pp.
ill. Full colour, €10.40

Nepal

M. van Dalen and L. de Vries
2002, ISBN 90 6832 379 2, paperback 74 pp.
ill. Full colour, €10.40

Nigeria

G. van der Aa
2002, ISBN 90 6832 398 9, paperback 74 pp.
ill. Full colour, €10.40

Vietnam

H. Paulzen
2002, ISBN 90 6832 391 1, paperback 74 pp.
ill. Full colour, €10.40

Ego Document

De cholerafabriek

M.A. Sandifort
2002, ISBN 90 6832 527 2, paperback 160 pp.
€17.50

Development Issues

General

Afrika, van de Koude Oorlog naar de 21e eeuw
Roel van der Veen
2002, ISBN 90 6832 524 8, paperback, 456 pp.
€29.00

Health

HIV Prevention and AIDS care in Africa
J. Ng'weshemi, J.T. Boerma and J. Bennet
2002, ISBN 90 6832 108 0, paperback 400 pp.
€27.00

Agriculture

Towards integrated soil fertility management in Tanzania
G. Ley, G. Baltissen, W. Veldkamp, A. Nyaki and T. Schrader
2002, ISBN 90 6832 145 5, paperback 108 pp.
ill. Full colour, €11.50

NI RP series

Part 11 Refugee resettlement in Uganda
N. Sherman and P. Mulindwa
2002, ISBN 90 6832 674 0, paperback 62 pp.
€16.00

Part 12 NGOs dealing with refugees resettlement in Ethiopia
B. Gidron, Ph. Quarels van Ufford and A. Bedri Kello
2002, ISBN 90 6832 673 2, paperback 62 pp.
€16.00

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