

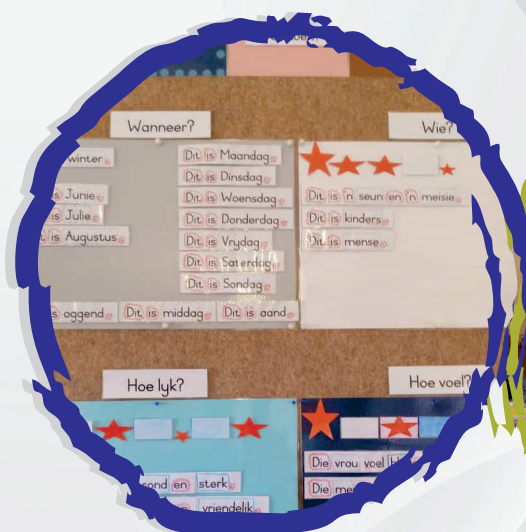
DeafNET

Centre of Knowledge



2023 ANNUAL REPORT

CAPACITY BUILDING



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ABOUT DEAFNET

Over the last 17 years DeafNET Centre of Knowledge (DeafNET) has provided a platform for networking and partnership building for Deaf organisations on the African continent. It has its footprint carved in more than 40 countries. Our new approach empowers our target group to take control of their own development as well as developing the Deaf community in their respective region.

CORE VALUES



Vision

To be a world-class network of exchanging knowledge and expertise in the interest of Deaf persons and their families in Africa.

Mission

To build a network of the Deaf in Africa through particularising, capacity building, research and knowledge dissemination to improve the health and socio-economic well-being of Deaf people and their families.

WHAT WE DO

Human Rights And Equal Opportunities



TRAINING PROGRAMME

- Leadership
- Red Star Process
- Capacity Building
- Social Competence



SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- Scholarship
- Beekeeping
- Pastry Making



QUADRENNIAL CONFERENCE

- DeafNET Africa
- Conference



RESEARCH

- Deaf Education



INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

- Sign Language Products
- HIV/AIDS Toolkit
- Newsletters



CAMPAIGNS

- Deaf Awareness
- Human Rights
- Fundraising
- Sign Language

MESSAGES

Ms Candice Morgan Chairperson of DeafNET



Firstly, I would like to say thank you all for the most incredible support and it is my first message as a chairperson. I am delighted to present to you our Annual Report, this has been a remarkable year for all of us, knowing we were able to steer through the challenges of the unpredictable conditions effectively and we tried to achieve strong growth. We did this by aligning to vision, focusing relentlessly on growth, and maintaining a strong operational rigor.

Giving back to society has never been more important, and I'd like to thank each member for their active support and unshakable trust in our abilities to deliver on our promise. You have motivated us to unleash our potential for the next phase of our growth. The Board of Trustees wishes to thank the sponsors and donations that enabled DeafNET to serve the Deaf people of Africa.

Mr Sanjay Beepat Manager of DeafNET



Looking back on 2022, I am delighted to report that despite many challenges, DeafNET worked effectively and continued to train and develop, empower and deliver quality programs to the Deaf communities in Africa. Our dedicated project team and volunteers have acquired new skills, built up their confidence which is much to feel proud of. It was a year full of challenges and achievements.

To further advance progress made during the previous four conferences, the fifth DeafNET Africa Conference was dedicated to the theme “Capacity building initiatives within the Deaf Communities” took place in Johannesburg from 21 – 24 November 2022. These accomplishments would not have been possible without the support and generosity of our sponsors, and donors. Finally, I would like to express my warm appreciation for the support extended by the Board of Trustees throughout 2022.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES



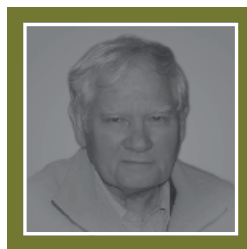
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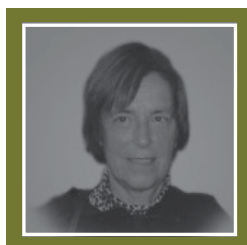
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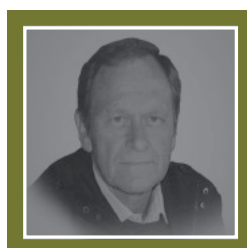
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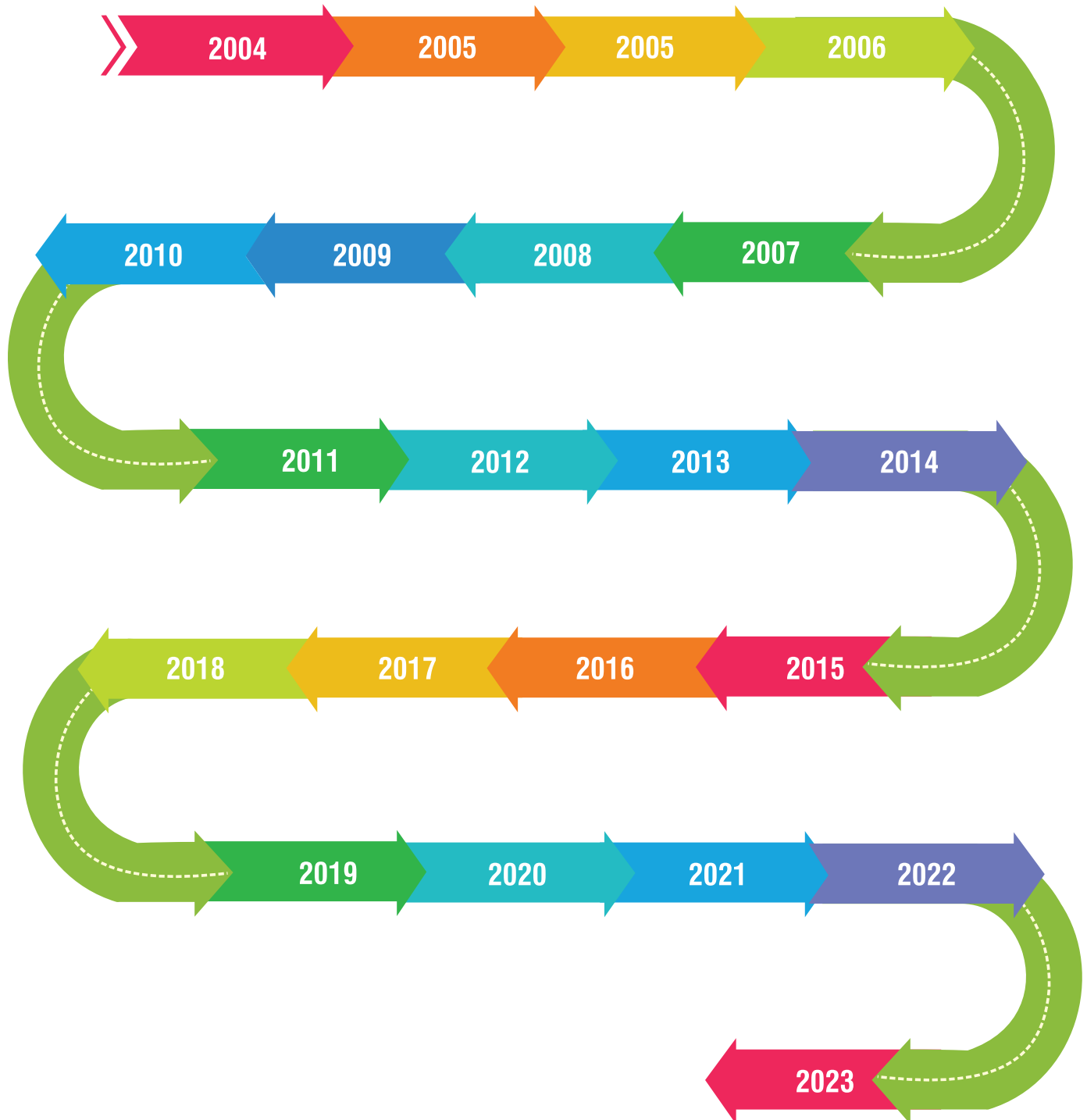
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CELEBRATING 17 YEARS OF EXISTENCE

2022 was a milestone year for the DeafNET Centre of Knowledge which saw the NPO celebrate its 17 years of existence. DeafNET is appreciative of everyone that has come along since 2005. Thank you to all who have walked the path with us from the beginning and those who have joined subsequently. Let's inspire and support each other to make a positive difference in people's lives and to make the world a better place for all. We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to SVE for their continued support of our new project-based learning model.



DEAFNET AFRICA NETWORK

The Network of DeafNET represents the six regions where all our friends and project teams are based. It covers more than 40 countries across Africa and the Islands and provides the ideal structure to fulfil DeafNET's vision and mission. More contacts were established during the conference. New ideas were generated that will form the basics of our future projects on the African continent.



PROJECT TEAM STRUCTURE

DeafNET's project team is a group of individuals from different countries in Africa, who work together on projects to achieve various objectives.

ORGANOGRAM

2022 - 2023

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DEAFNET AFRICA CONFERENCE



The 5th DeafNET Africa Conference "Capacity building initiatives within the Deaf communities" was held in Johannesburg, South Africa, from 21 - 24 November 2022. The purpose of the conference was to explore new initiatives and align projects and activities, advocate and promote Sign Language, identify areas of personal and community development and mobilise community partnership to give impetus to projects and adopting resolutions.

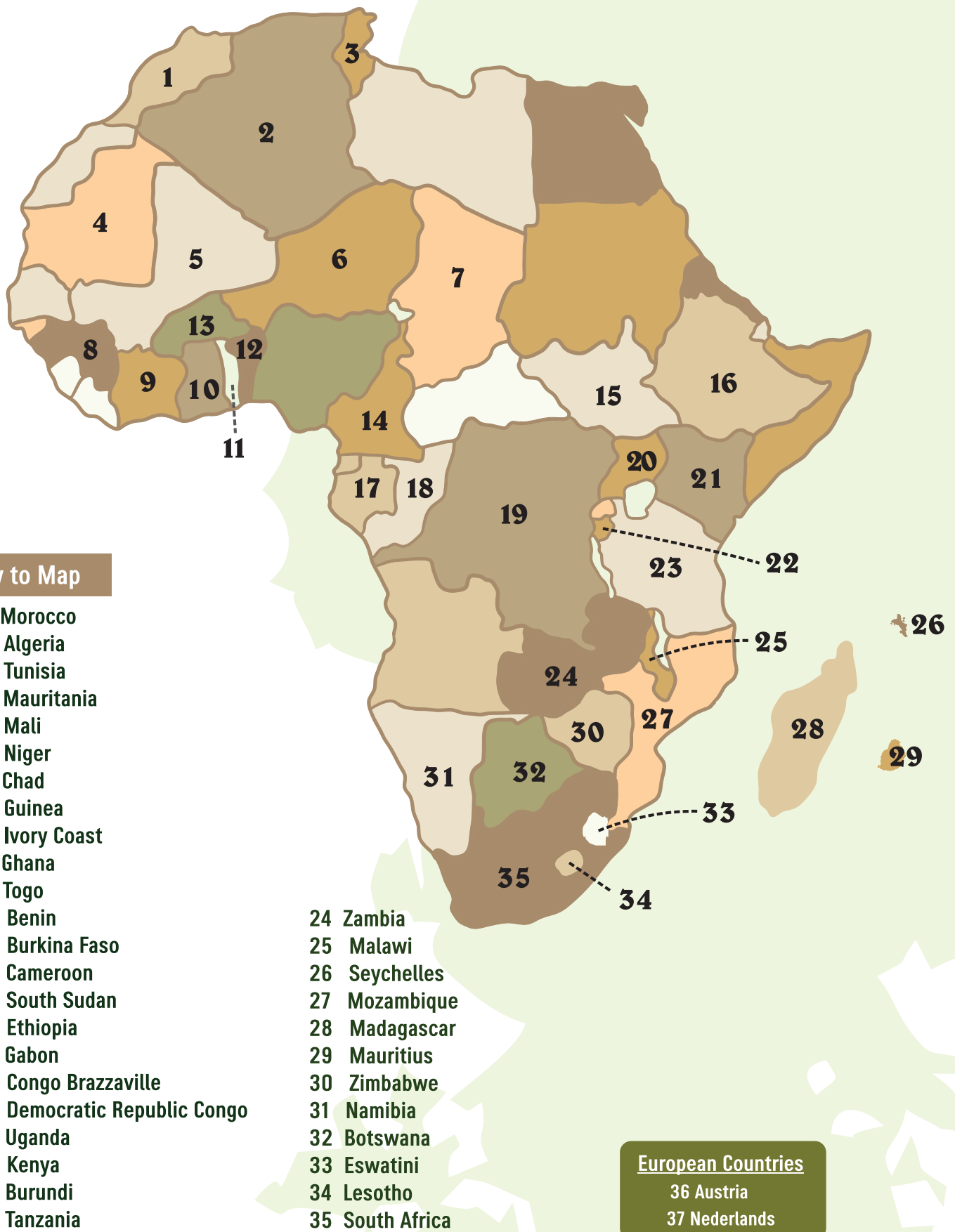


DEAFNET AFRICA CONFERENCE

The different conference sessions and workshops provided a platform for wider discussions on leadership, Deaf education, Sign Language, entrepreneurial leadership and mental health. The conference also served as a forum to raise awareness in the private and public sectors of society of Deaf human and civilian rights, including access to equal education at all levels. The different conference sessions and workshops provided a platform for wider discussions on leadership, Deaf education, Sign Language, HIV/AIDS awareness, entrepreneurship and the mental health of Deaf people. Indeed, the four days were very energetic with serious discussion and debate during the sessions. The academic papers presented by Deaf presenters, echoed in the form of abstracts and research papers from Deaf delegates from Africa and the Indian Ocean Islands, created a lot of eagerness.



COUNTRIES PARTICIPATED IN THE DEAFNET AFRICA CONFERENCE



PROJECTS

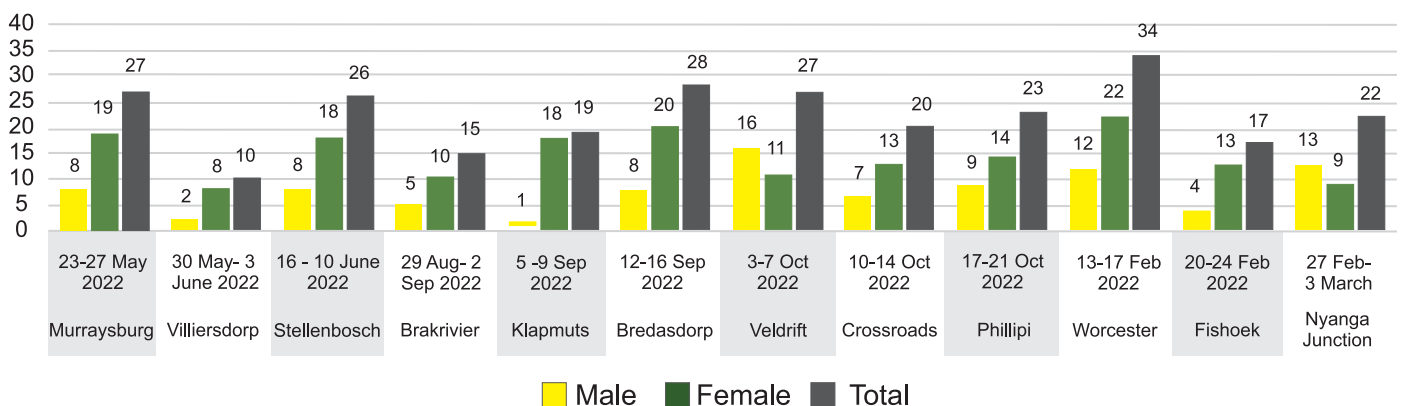
Sign Language Training In South Africa

Highlights and Accomplishments

Twelve Sign Language training workshops were hosted in collaboration with Department of Social Development and SVE in the Western Cape as part of youth development.



SL WORKSHOP SUMMARY 2022-2023



SL WORKSHOP PICTURES 2022-2023

DeafNET presented Basic South African Sign Language to youth, not in education, employment and/or training.



BEEKEEPING IN KENYA

DeafNET managed to implement beekeeping year 2 successfully in Kenya. Over the past year, DeafNET has worked to promote economic empowerment of deaf persons by providing equipment, knowledge and skills for beekeeping. To ensure sustainability, Kakamega Deaf Association has rolled out some initiatives such as formation of a registered Deaf beekeeping organisation and partnering with local honey producers. The project was handed over to the Kakamega Deaf Association, and DeafNET phased out the project in February 2023.



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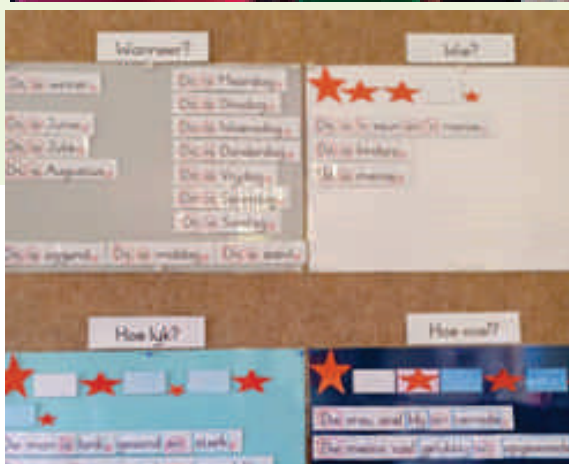
ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING IN KENYA

DeafNET in collaboration with Kakamega Deaf Association hosted a entrepreneurship workshop from 21-25 July 2022 in Kenya. Pursuing a self-employed venture frequently requires a strong focus on developing entrepreneurial skills. These skills enable entrepreneurs to run their business better, be independent as well as avoid start-up failure.



RED STAR PROCESS (RSP)

The Red Star Process is a training method that empowers teachers with skills and methodology to impart reading and writing skills as well as Sign Language skills to Deaf learners. In October 2022, DeafNET in partnership with De la Bat School for the Deaf in Worcester, South Africa, trained 4 educators coming from Cameroon, Chad, Mali and DRC. The workshop was held from 17 October - 18 November 2022, at De la Bat School for the Deaf, Worcester, South Africa.



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FACILITATE LEARNING USING VARIETIES OF DIFFERENT METHODOLOGIES - SOUTH AFRICA

The Facilitate Learning using Varieties of Different Methodologies “**SAQA US ID 117871**” workshop was presented in May 2022. Seven countries attended the workshop: Congo, Malawi, Eswatini, Uganda, South Africa, Mauritius and DRC. The training workshop took place from 9 - 13 May 2022, at De la Bat Church, Worcester, South Africa. The aim of this training course is to equip Deaf facilitators with skills for application in training workshops in a variety of focus areas.



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SOCIAL COMPETENCE IN LEADERSHIP ~ SOUTH AFRICA ~

Six countries were chosen to attend the second workshop: Malawi, Eswatini, Uganda, Congo, DRC and South Africa. This workshop stressed the importance of further empowerment and capacity building for Deaf people who were previously trained in leadership. The training took place from 16 - 20 May 2022, at De la Bat Church, Worcester, South Africa.



“This workshop stressed the importance of further empowerment and capacity building for Deaf people who were previously trained in Leadership.”

SOCIAL COMPETENCE IN LEADERSHIP ~ MALAWI ~

DeafNET, in partnership with Deaf Christian Church, Malawi, hosted a Social Competence in Leadership workshop from 1 – 5 August 2022, at Shalom Palace Lodge, in Blantyre, Malawi. The training was necessitated by the gaps identified and the among Deaf leaders. The workshop was facilitated by Jimmy Akimu (Malawi) and Edgar Bwire (Uganda).



“The training was necessitated by the gaps identified and the lack of leadership skills among Deaf leaders.”

SOCIAL COMPETENCE IN LEADERSHIP ~ DRC ~

The leadership workshop was held from 12 - 16 September 2022, at the National Museum of Arts in Kinshasa. The workshop was facilitated by Edgar Bwire (Uganda) and Debby Shukuru (Congo). The training had as its objective to empower Deaf leaders in social competency skills.

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SOCIAL COMPETENCE IN LEADERSHIP ~ ESWATINI ~

The third leadership workshop was held in Eswatini from 14 - 18 November 2022. Three facilitators, namely Rev Anthony Langwenya (Eswatini), Pastor Jimmy Akimu (Malawi) and Edgar Bwire (Uganda) presented the workshop. The training took place for five days under the auspice of the National Association of the Deaf, which offered assistance in ensuring that the project becomes a success.

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OUTREACH

HIV AWARENESS RAISING IN AFRICA

The objectives for these workshops were to mobilise Deaf people to sensitise and raise awareness to prevent sexually transmitted diseases, provide HIV/AIDS information with supporting visual and informative materials and improve ways and means to get the message across about the nature and impact of the pandemic of sexually transmitted diseases. The one-day training took place in five countries



“In 2022 our HIV/AIDS awareness raising reached our more than 125 Deaf people in 5 countries”

HIV AWARENESS-RAISING ~ MAURITIUS ~

The one-day workshop was held on 25 February 2023 at the Society for the Welfare of the Deaf and was presented by Irani Jankee.



HIV AWARENESS-RAISING ~ MALAWI ~

The Deaf HIV/AIDS Awareness training took place at the International Bible College BEREA (IBCB) in Blantyre, Malawi, and was facilitated by Pastor Jimmy Akimu. on 5 November 2022. The participants were selected from different areas and other districts, not only in Blantyre.



HIV AWARENESS-RAISING ~ RWANDA ~

Another HIV/AIDS workshop took place in Gicumbi, Rwanda, on 4 February 2023. The workshop was facilitated by Mr Edgar Bwire from Uganda. The participants were selected from different areas.



HIV AWARENESS-RAISING ~ SOUTH SUDAN ~

The third HIV/AIDS awareness training for Deaf people in South Sudan which took place on 24 February 2023, in Pajok, South Sudan. The workshop was facilitated by Mr Edgar Bwire from Uganda. Over 20 Deaf participants took part in the workshop. The main objectives were to sensitise and raise awareness to prevent sexually transmitted diseases.



HIV AWARENESS-RAISING ~ CHAD ~

Mr Mbaindiguim Djerandil hosted a workshop on HIV/AIDS at Ataltrab, Moundou, Chad on 7 March 2023. He welcomed all the participants and highlighted the importance of awareness raising in addressing prevention, testing and treatment in the Deaf community in Chad.



MENSTRUAL HEALTH AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS IN DEAF UNITS ~ ZAMBIA ~

Ms Rachel Muuma started raise awareness by teaching deaf learners at school about the importance of menstrual hygiene and proper sanitation techniques. Period poverty has been greatly affecting the education outcomes of deaf girls in Zambia and thus this campaign aims at keeping them in school by providing them with affordable sanitary products.



SIGN LANGUAGE BIBLE TRAINING CAMP ~ AFRICA ~

Pastor Athony Langwenya (Eswatini) and Pastor Jimmy Akimu (Malawi) attended a Sign Language Bible training camp held in Cape Town, South Africa on 24 – 31 March 2023. The main objective of the translation training camp was to equip participants with the necessary skills and knowledge to be able to run a Bible Translation site in their home country.



OTHER INITIATIVES ~ DRC ~

The workshop was organised by Deaf women, led by SoCoMo trained Deaf women, under the theme: "Digital education for women's autonomization, the challenge for Deaf women" It was held by Communauté des Sourds de la RDC, our label, in partnership with a church, Église Chrétienne Évangélique, and participation of Fondation Bolamu, Minister for disability.



~ MALI ~

After receiving RSP training in South Africa, Ms Balkissa Moukelou started to present the model to other educators who haven't been at the training.



NETWORKING ~ WORLD CONGRESS OF THE WORLD FEDERATION OF THE DEAF ~

Ms Candice Morgan (chairperson) and Ms Woinshet Girma (trustee) represented DeafNET at the 19th WFD Congress held at the Jeju International Convention Center from July 11-15, Jeju, South Korea. The different conference sessions provided a platform for wider discussions on Human Rights, Sign language and Deaf studies, inclusive education, Deaf community, international cooperation and development, and technology and accessibility. It was interesting and constructive to attend the congress and they had the opportunity to network.



The way forward THE WAY FORWARD

Recognising the importance of exchanging and disseminating knowledge and skills to empower Deaf people and their families on the African continent is fundamental to the organisation. DeafNET reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that its projects are well executed and in the interest of Deaf people.



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2023

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	2023 R	2022 R
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Propertyplant and equipment	2	52 683	52 094
Current assets		1 075 326	1 075 036
Debtors	3	-	763
Cash and cash equivalents	4	1 075 326	1 074 273
Total assets		<u>1 128 009</u>	<u>1 127 130</u>
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Capital and reserves			
Trust capital			
Current liabilities			
Creditors	6	<u>185 015</u>	<u>549 148</u>
Total equity and liabilities		<u>1 128 009</u>	<u>1 127 130</u>

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2023**INCOME STATEMENT**

	Notes	2023 R	2022 R
INCOME		5 300 895	1 638 265
Sponsorships			
De Stichting Vriennen van Effatha		61 650	-
Project income		4 107 340	1 425 145
SVE - CHAD - HIV Toolkit		-	1 450
SVE - HIV/Aids Awareness Program		61 014	-
SVE - Beekeeping		239 351	261 840
SVE - HIV/AIDS Awareness Program		134 550	333 786
SVE - Leadership and Management Training		524 700	181 277
SVE - Competency for facilitators		338 435	13 895
SVE - Redstar		266 830	194 820
SVE - Entrepreneurship		135 360	-
SVE - Conference		1 849 500	-
SVE - Sign Language Workshop		237 600	-
Department of Social Development		320 000	438 077
Other Income		1 131 905	213 120
Administration fees		162 500	86 020
Capitilized Assets		7 678	-
Contributions from other countries for projects		150 575	58 897
Donations		200	14 700
DRC (Own revenue)		178 300	-
Exhibition Stands		4 000	-
Interest		77 186	51 103
Registration for workshops		200 122	2 400
Project coordination fees		351 344	-
LESS: EXPENDITURE		(4 935 883)	(2 004 276)
General expenses		(338 795)	(557 598)
Operating expenses		(21 723)	(177 828)
Loss on sale or scrapping of assets		(300)	(133 887)
Meeting cost		(7 911)	(26 923)
Printing and stationary		(4 077)	(2 766)
Travel and accommodation		(2 548)	(5 996)
Web sites		(6 887)	(8 256)
Administration expenses		(204 324)	(140 257)
Accountants's remuneration		(37 257)	(22 149)
Auditor's remuneration		(18 300)	(15 150)
Bank charges		(25 766)	(4 071)
Cleaning services		(600)	(1 180)
Computer expenses		(8 212)	(5 649)
Depreciation and impairments		(3 889)	(4 766)
Insurance		(10 025)	(7 493)
Foreign exchange loss		(16 335)	-
Office supplies		(7 297)	(976)
Sundry expenses		(2 305)	-
Rent paid		(59 916)	(61 287)
Buildings		(30 502)	(32 173)
Equipment		(29 414)	(29 114)
Repairs and maintenance		(150)	(800)
Security		(3 043)	(3 302)
Subscriptions		(2 699)	(3 996)
Telephone and facimile		(8 530)	(9 438)

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INCOME STATEMENT

	2023 R	2022 R
Employee salaries and benefits	(112 748)	(239 513)
Compensation funds	(4 348)	(2 673)
Salaries and benefits	(106 000)	(233 000)
Unemployment insurance fund	(2 400)	(3 840)
Project expenses	(4 597 088)	(1 446 678)
SVE - HIV/AIDS Training and Awareness raising in Africa	(144 227)	-
Workshop expenses	(94 227)	-
Salaries	(50 000)	-
SVE - Entrepreneurship Training (Kenya)	(137 727)	-
Workshop expenses	(86 727)	-
Salaries	(51 000)	-
SVE - Leadership and Management (Cameroon Ethiopia and Tanzania)	-	(10 500)
Auditor's remuneration	-	(9 000)
Workshop expenses	-	(1 500)
SVE - Redstar (South Africa, Chad and Mali)	(270 243)	(3 000)
Workshop expenses	(242 743)	-
Salaries	(27 500)	(3 000)
SVE - Redstar (Chad and Cameroon)	-	(190 526)
Workshop expenses	-	(156 526)
Salaries	-	(34 000)
SVE - Beekeeping Project Kenya	(241 491)	(269 280)
Auditor Remuneration	(7 000)	-
Workshop expenses	(112 991)	(132 280)
Salaries	(121 500)	(137 000)
SVE - Competency for 5 facilitators in SA	(355 460)	(13 895)
Workshop expenses	(318 460)	(13 895)
Salaries	(37 000)	-
SVE - Deafnet HIV Toolkit 2	(51 625)	(348 836)
Workshop expenses	(51 625)	(296 336)
Salaries	-	(52 500)
SVE - Leadership in South Africa	(174 549)	(185 527)
Workshop expenses	(121 049)	(170 527)
Salaries	(53 500)	(15 000)
Sign Language Training (South Africa)	(251 386)	-
Workshop expenses	(173 886)	-
Salaries	(77 500)	-
TPA Social Development	(333 238)	(425 114)
Workshop expenses	(204 230)	(186 231)
Salaries	(129 008)	(238 883)
SVE - Leadership in Malawi and DRC	(378 960)	-
Workshop expenses	(318 960)	-
Salaries	(60 000)	-
DRC - Social Competency	(133 490)	-
Workshop expenses	(130 190)	-
Salaries	(3 300)	-
African Conference	(2 124 692)	-
Workshop expenses	(2 124 692)	-
Net surplus/(deficit)	365 011	(366 010)

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SPONSORS AND DONORS

The generous contributions of our sponsors sustain our work to build a network in Africa through particularizing and capacity building of deaf people and their families. As a registered non-profit organisation in South Africa, your gift to DeafNET is deductible.

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