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Welthungerhilfe presents 2015 Annual Report

Flight and migration are the challenges of our decade

Bonn/Berlin, 7.7.2016. Humanitarian crises and conflicts also dominated the work of Welthungerhilfe in 2015. Providing for refugees in locations such as Syria, Turkey or South Sudan was the focus of project funding. "Global refugee movements and their consequences represent one of the greatest challenges of our decade", says Bärbel Dieckmann, president of Welthungerhilfe. "In Germany, there are large tasks to handle in the admission and integration of refugees, but the main burdens are borne by neighbouring countries. More than 80 per cent of refugees are hosted in the South."

At 50.2 million Euro, the donation income from 2015 was among the highest since the establishment of Welthungerhilfe. Institutional donors also provided the largest grant amount to date for project work, with 158.9 million Euro. In 2015, therefore, a total of 214.4 million Euro was available for the fight against hunger.

The year 2015 showed that hunger is becoming more and more complex. "The three C's of conflicts, crises and climate have an increasing influence on our work. Thanks to the German population's high readiness to donate, we were able to rise to these challenges and provide better prospects for more than 7 million people", explains the chairman of the board, Dr. Till Wahnbaeck. For the future, Welthungerhilfe is calling for better interconnection between humanitarian assistance and long-term development cooperation, as half of all refugees are displaced for more than 10 years.

Note: The English version of the 2015 annual report will be available from mid-August at www.welthungerhilfe.de/annual-report

The German version is available at:
www.welthungerhilfe.de/pm-jahresbericht-2015.html

***Welthungerhilfe** is one of the largest private aid organisations in Germany. It provides aid from a single source: From rapid disaster relief to reconstruction and long-term development cooperation projects with local partner organisations, based on the principle of help for self-help. Since its establishment in 1962, more than 8,120 overseas projects in 70 countries have been supported with 3.033 billion Euro - for a world without hunger and poverty.*

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