

# Viet Duc

## Charity Fund – Loan Stiftung

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Loan Stiftung is a private charity founded on 09.05.2016 by writer Isabelle Müller. The aim is to support the poorest children in Vietnam to have a better life.

The Foundation is headquartered in Unterreichenbach, Federal Republic of Germany.

### **Formation process and characteristics of Loan Stiftung**

#### **Inspiration :**

The idea for the founding of Loan Stiftung came from the experiences of two lives: Isabelle Müller and her mother, Mrs. Dau Thi Cuc.

In the 1930s, when Ms. Dau Thi Cuc (nicknamed Loan) was still in her homeland of Vietnam, she was not allowed to go to school because she was a girl. On the path to freedom and happiness, with an indomitable will and a thirst for knowledge, she defied everything, risking her life to access education.

In 1955, Ms. Loan followed her husband to France and here, although she had to face many difficulties: economic poverty, racial discrimination because of her skin color... she still raised her five children in that situation to maturity and she was always aware of the power and importance of education.

As the youngest child of her mother Loan, Isabelle Müller still remembers that time very clearly, remembers the coldness of those around her, because her family could not keep up with them in terms of material things and remembers how difficult it was to keep the remaining honor and to fight the loneliness that was gradually nesting in the heart of Isabelle Müller's family. But with the power of education Isabelle Müller is now successful and in control of her life.

From the life story of her mother (Mrs. Loan) and her own, writer Isabelle Müller decided to found Loan Stiftung.

#### **The purpose of Loan Stiftung 's activities :**

Support youth, develop education, from community education to vocational education, encourage the development of basic international beliefs and understanding between peoples.

The main goal of the Fund is to guide children in especially difficult circumstances in the most remote areas, where very few individuals and organizations set foot (mostly remote mountainous areas in Northern Vietnam) to a better, more independent life.

To achieve that goal, education is indispensable. Therefore, Loan Stiftung 's support focuses on building kindergartens, schools, dormitories as well as providing learning tools and support in taking care of the children.

### **Features of Loan Stiftung:**

- The Fund operates on the following principles: Zero administrative costs. 100% of donors' contributions are transferred directly to beneficiaries. Fund members operate on a voluntary basis as volunteers with self-funded expenses.
- All financial activities and revenues and expenditures of the Fund are transparent and clear.
- The progress of the Fund's projects is updated in detail and fully reported in newsletters via the Fund's email system, website, and page.
- The Fund advocates spreading love to the community through charitable activities.
- The Fund emphasizes honesty and efficiency in charity projects, multi-layer verification, objective post-project evaluation after on-site surveys, and always updates and re-evaluates projects over time to ensure that each project is preserved and developed sustainably.

### **Loan Stiftung projects :**

In nearly 6 years of operation, Loan Stiftung has carried out a total of 35 projects , of which 29 have been completed and handed over. The amount of contributions is up to 1 million Euro from benefactors.

In addition to supporting poor provinces in the North of Vietnam such as Cao Bang, Ha Giang, Lao Cai, Yen Bai, Loan Stiftung also implemented a project to help children in difficulty during the historic flood in October 2020 in Ha Tinh - the hometown of Ms. Dau Thi Cuc.

### **Specifically, Loan Stiftung's projects:**

+ Completed projects:

Construction of kindergartens and primary schools (Projects 1,2,3,4,7,8,9,11,15,17,18,19,22)

Construction of libraries, dormitories, toilets (Projects 10,14,20,24,26,31,32,33)

Building a space with cultural identity and national spirit (project 21)

Support for learning materials and equipment (Projects 6,13,16)

Emergency relief after floods in Ha Giang (Project 16), in Ha Tinh (Project 30)

Enhance basic international trust and understanding among peoples (Project 37)

+ Projects in progress:

Helping orphans in Ha Giang (Project 5)

Awarding of "LOAN Stiftung Education Scholarship" (Project 25)

Awarding scholarships in Ha Tinh (Project 29)

Promoting love for homeland (Project 35) and artistic spirit for humanity (Project 36)

Construction of schools, dormitories, toilets (Project 34)

Among them, one project is still being implemented and attracting the attention and support of many benefactors: Project "Books for a better future" ( Project 38) .

In addition, new projects are continuously being established to provide timely support to students as well as to help them on their way to school.

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