



*"It is a reality today: 1 billion people live in poor neighborhoods, which are part of the growing southern cities. For all stakeholders, it is essential to contribute to a culture of integration of the poorest. Since 2008, Eau et Vie addresses this challenge by promoting the inclusion of the slums in the heart of the cities through a connection to a drinking water network, access to sanitation and community mobilization. The social impact is very important. In 2016, 20,000 additional people will benefit from our services in the Philippines, Bangladesh and Ivory Coast. Thank you for your support!"*

**Valérie Dumans and Philippe de Roux, Co-directors**



## COMING SOON: OPENING OF THE WATER NETWORK IN IVORY COAST

Eau et Vie team in Ivory Coast recruited a second programme manager in charge of the local association Eau et Vie Côte d'Ivoire. For its part, the programme manager of the social enterprise of water Dji Ni Sii officially created the agency. The 2 organizations will settle in Yopougon, the largest municipality of Abidjan, where the pilot project will be implemented.

Through effective advocacy, support of all partners was confirmed. Final negotiations with the local operator focus on the water tariff. The partnership agreement which would allow Eau et Vie to intervene in Ivory Coast will be signed soon. The technical team would then be recruited. Final step towards the construction of the water network in July!



## ZERO WASTE GOAL IN THE STREETS OF BHASHANTEK (BANGLADESH)

On the occasion of the 'Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) Clean-Up Week' on February 20<sup>th</sup>, Eau et Vie and its partner Swisscontact organized a **public awareness-raising session on waste management within Bhashantek slum**. The session was followed by a rally in the streets. Children marched through the streets, holding placards and chanting slogans on the importance of not throwing waste anywhere.

In total, nearly 90 people attended the event, including 32 children and 25 women.



## A FIRE EXTINGUISHED BY VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS IN THE PHILIPPINES

On February 9<sup>th</sup>, a fire occurred in the slums of Cavite (sub-urb of Manila, The Philippines). Thanks to the 24 volunteer firefighters trained and equipped by Eau et Vie since 2012, **the fire was successfully brought under control and extinguished** using the fire hydrant installed in the slum and water jumps. Only 3 houses were burned and no casualties reported. In another area where Eau et Vie is not implemented, 900 houses were burned by another fire...

Congratulations to the volunteer firefighters, also welcomed by the mayor of the city!



## IMPACTS OF EAU ET VIE ACTIONS\*



**20,236** persons and **19** public places welcoming daily **1,042** users have a sustainable access to drinking water



**466** volunteer firefighters trained and equipped  
**4** fires extinguished in the Philippines



**1,518** persons sensitized on good hygiene practices, including **880** children during school sessions



**106** persons benefiting from a sanitary complex in the Philippines and **29** families from **103** meters of pipes covered by footpaths in Bangladesh



**2,737** persons more environmentally-conscious  
**433** families benefiting from the solid waste management service in Bangladesh



**405** people of **8** slums in the Philippines and Bangladesh associated with Eau et Vie projects in 2016

\*End of April 2016



## MEETING THE PEOPLE OF YOPOUGON (IVORY COAST)

The precarious urban area of Djidan 1 in Yopougon was selected to start the pilot project. Made up of 723 families (about 3,500 people), the slum covers all the features that justify the intervention of Eau et Vie: lack of access to clean water and sanitation, poor living conditions, high population density, relatively stable land, water of the dealer available nearby to supply the network, no other similar projects in the area and demand from both communities and local authorities.

Therefore, Eau et Vie team in the field started more precise socio-economic surveys on the inhabitants.



## EXTENSION OF THE WATER NETWORK IN BHASHANTEK (BANGLADESH)

In February, the water supplier DWASA finally granted the long awaited permission for Eau et Vie to connect to its network and provide the people of the second part of Bhashantek with drinking water. **Today, 95% of the first part of the slum is covered by individual lines, allowing 1,715 households (over 7,700 people) to have access to clean and running water at home.** Plumbers are working on the extension of the water network with the construction of the last connections on the first half of the slum.

Improvement works of the clusters are also ongoing: coverage of exposed pipes, identification by means of a nameplate, installation of another fire hydrant and especially, expansion in order to facilitate access to the meter readings for the bills collectors.



### NEWS FROM...

#### • LEYTE (TACLOBAN), THE PHILIPPINES

In the island of Leyte, Eau et Vie is finalizing the partnership with the water supplier Leyte Metropolitan Water District (LMWD) to provide clean water and related services to families survivors of the Typhoon Haiyan (2013), living at relocation sites in the municipality of Tanauan. The two areas identified (Sacme and Pago) will ultimately be home to 1,186 families (6,523 persons). Eau et Vie continues to carry prospection activities in other relocation sites.

#### • CHITTAGONG, BANGLADESH

Eau et Vie's new project in the great port of Chittagong will be launched soon! The needs of the people are enormous. Thanks to our partners, all funds are raised for the start of the project and a partnership with the NGO Action Contre la Faim is being developed on drainage and other sanitation issues. A local coordinator and an expatriate officer are being recruited to take office in May and in July respectively.



#### STORY OF SHERYL LUCERO, BENEFICIARY IN THE PHILIPPINES

*"It is hard for us to fetch water because the source of water is very far from our house. The price is also very expensive. We wake up at 5 o'clock and it takes us 3 hours to get water. Now we only wash our dirty clothes once a week with it.*

*Indeed, when [Eau et Vie] came, our life became more comfortable. Now, we can use water anytime we want and we have a lot of time to run other errands. Ever since, we use [Eau et Vie] water for drinking and cooking. No need to buy filtered water anymore."*



### NEXT TIME...

**An innovative project of latrines management** started in Bhashantek. The first surveys to determine the toilet to rehabilitate and the real needs of the populations were carried out. Work should start this summer.

You can help us by making a donation!

### HOW WILL YOUR DONATION BE USED?

Your donation shows your solidarity with the poorest families:

- 10 € You allow a child to participate in a hygiene awareness session
- 30 € You participate in the organization of a "clean-up day" in a slum
- 45 € You train and equip a volunteer firefighter
- 90 € You connect a family to a drinking water network
- 200 € You contribute to equip a school with a community wash-hand basin
- 500 € You permit the installation of a fire hydrant

You can also share our actions with your friends and networks to help us in our fund-raising or new recruitments!



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