

Annual report  
2021

# Integrating ecological and social concerns

# Crisis and the “world after”

2021 for the Foundation started in the context of a Covid crisis that just would not go away. A health crisis in the South, with initiatives to support health systems in India and Brazil.

The economic and social consequences in the North for the most disadvantaged, their fragility compounded by successive lockdowns; here, the Foundation wanted in particular to support students by facilitating their return to school and social life and an escape from their precarious situations. In 2021, the EDF Group Foundation also set a new goal to support initiatives from civil society linked to all the aspects of its mission: the environment, inclusion and education. Firstly, the environment and inclusion, with a determination to reconcile the solutions proposed for two too-often conflicting major issues: reducing social inequality and preserving the planet. Whether it is restoring mangroves in Indonesia and Senegal, or bringing nature back to a city in Benin by planting trees and creating horticultural spaces on former brownfields, the EDF Group Foundation has focused on projects that both create activities and jobs while generating environmental benefits.

This combination is crucial, both in France and internationally: the success of the ecological transition – of which IPCC reports continue to stress the urgency – is conditioned by reducing its economic and social impact on the most vulnerable populations. Always with sustained efforts for education, for the benefit of those who will build the “world after,” i.e. the youth from rural areas and priority action city neighbourhoods (QPV\*), because geographic and social determinism must also be fought for greater equality and justice. Education again when the final highlight of the year was to transform our cultural space in Paris, originally dedicated to contemporary art, and now given over to exhibitions on subjects of concern to society. This space is resolutely turned towards education for citizenship and an understanding of the contemporary world and is also visible in the territories thanks to its touring exhibitions.

One example is *Fake News*, a landmark event in 2021 that questioned the proliferation of fake news and that has had great success outside the capital. Current events, which have shown that the virtuous use of digital technology to prevent the excesses of a hyper-connected world is of great relevance, have made us even more determined to pursue this path.

**Laurence Lamy**

Delegate General  
of the EDF Group Foundation

\* QPV: priority action city neighbourhoods

# Identify local, innovative and emerging players

In 2021, the governance of the Foundation saw a marked increase in the engagement of the territories in the regions and countries where the Group operates. These local relays have strengthened their ability to detect innovative initiatives at the source in our three areas of action: the environment, inclusion and education.

This momentum is reflected in the calls for projects by the regions seeking solutions to combat global warming, one example being the Hauts-de-France region. This approach favours the coming together of new organizations, which extend and consolidate the network of associations and NGOs supported by the Foundation.

## Structure and competence

The governance of the Foundation is a guarantee of autonomy, representativeness and the direction its actions take to promote the public interest. It is structured into five decision-making bodies. The Board of Directors, the selection committee, the France territorial committee and the international territorial committee are concerned with project sponsorship programmes. Their competence is defined according to the amount of support granted to the associations and the location of the projects. As for the culture committee it decides on cultural programming and exhibitions.

## Sustainable values

The Foundation's Code of Ethics respects the principles and fundamental rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the United Nations Global Compact and the United Nations Convention against Corruption. The Foundation monitors the integrity of its partners and the associations it supports and contributes to the prevention of fraud and corruption.

## The Board of Directors

### Chairman

**Jean-Bernard Lévy**

Chairman and Managing Director of the EDF Group and Chairman of the EDF Group Foundation.



### Missions

Oversee major programmes

Adopt the budget and ensure it is correctly managed

Define the Foundation's policy orientations and its operating principles

### Budget

**€40** Millions  
For the 2020-2023 mandate

### Composition

**5** founding members

- EDF SA
- EDF Renewables
- Dalkia
- Enedis
- Citelum

**21** members, including **10** representatives of the founding members, **4** EDF group employee representatives and **7** qualified personalities from civil society

# 2021

## RESULTS IN FIGURES

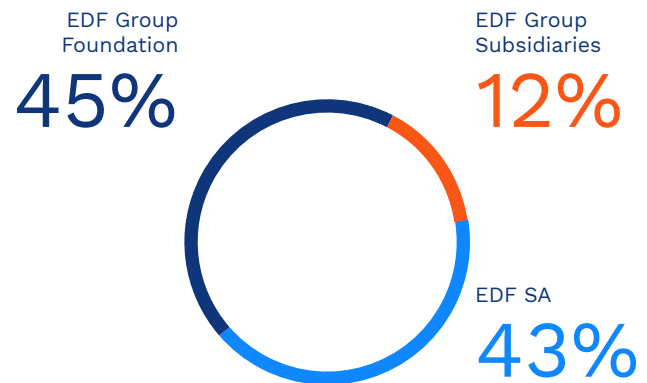
With an annual budget of ten million euros, the Foundation supports structures of public interest in France and internationally. It supports participation by the Group's employees in patronage and volunteering actions and puts hybrid cultural structures in place to inform present and future societal issues.

### Favour all forms of resilience

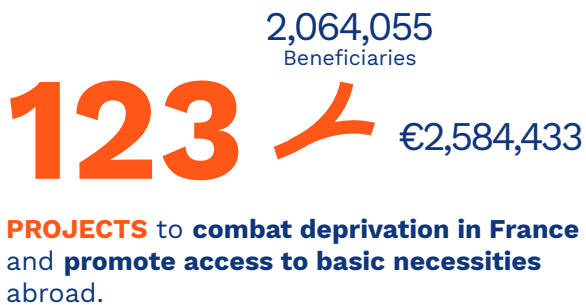
#### Environment



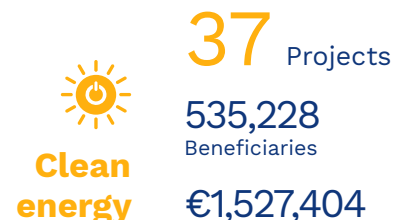
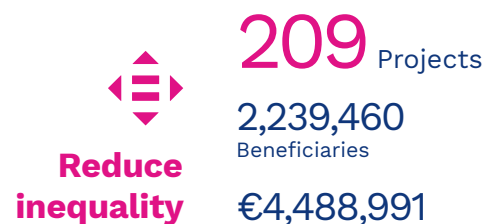
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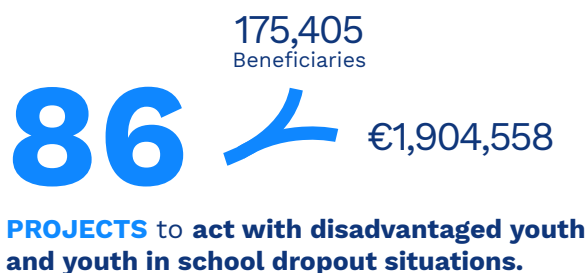
#### Inclusion



### Contribute to sustainable development goals



#### Education



## Patronage in France



## International patronage



## Create sustainable jobs through the FAPE\*

EDF's FAPE is a solidarity initiative by EDF Group companies, trade union organizations and the Foundation and supports more than 300 projects each year focused on integration through economic activity and the creation of individual businesses by job-seekers, leading to the creation of about 3,500 jobs.

\* FAPE: Foundation to promote employment

## EMPLOYEE COMMITMENT

# Embody the public interest

The very strong commitment by EDF employees to the public interest as seen during the pandemic has continued as strong as ever even as the Covid crisis started to decline. Thanks to the wide range of actions proposed by the Foundation, everyone was able to express their generosity to the full by offering their time, talent, expertise or donations.

## 1,500

volunteers

## 537

employees engaged in Solidarity Team Building

## 25

volunteers in the field as part of skill patronage missions abroad

## 106

days of scientific and technical skill patronage missions

## €47,352

collected by the

## 2,453

participants in the Vietnam Water Walk including

## 705

Group employees.

## €878,355

collected and

## €257,016

of hours donated in the 2021 Telethon

Twice

## €100,000

allocated by the Emergency Fund to help India and Brazil's healthcare systems

## CITIZENSHIP CULTURE

# Have a critical mind

Emblematic of the new position of the EDF Foundation on subjects of concern to society and of its ambition to contribute to the citizenship culture, the exhibition Fake News: Art, Fiction, Lies was also the subject of a partnership with the world of education. Digital and touring versions were developed, and it was supplemented by a multidisciplinary support file and a training webinar. The success of this event dedicated to the deciphering of false news is driving the industrialization of these various experimental modes in upcoming projects.



## 46,615

visitors including

## 3,759

in school groups