# The Hunger Project (THP) - Switzerland

## Benefit Theater Night «Krabat» with Mona Petri: November 10, 2015, 8 pm, please save the date!

Place:
Theater Rigiblick,
Germaniastrasse 99,
Zürich,
8 to 9 pm,
theater-bar open
from 7 pm

Enjoy a narrative theater, rich in imagery, which our Hunger Project ambassador, the well-known actress Mona Petri, enacted together with director Laura Huonker. The play is based upon the gripping and powerful coming of age novel «Krabat» by Otfried Preussler: a timeless and universal legend, in which human conflicts arising from isolation and fear are revealed but can be resolved by solidarity and love.

## Rethinking What's Possible-Workshop in Geneva, November 24, 2015, 7 pm, please save the date!

We cordially invite you to our workshop Rethinking What's Possible, which will be held in English by our member of the board Dorna Revie. This workshop will offer you a two-hour experience bringing the village classroom to you, enabling you to realize the impact of The Hunger Project. The impressive and touching stories of our partners in the villages will give you an insight into the newest knowledge about leadership. We are looking forward to your attendance. Please recommend this inspiring event to your friends and sign on at alexandra.koch@hungerprojekt.ch or phone 044 586 68 34.

Place: Geneva Hostel Rue Rothschild 28, Geneva November 24, 2015, 7 to 9 pm

#### The Hunger Project with new members of the board



Anne Céline Bonnier President THP Switzerland

On June 20, the general meeting took place in Zürich at the Helferei Grossmünster. The 15 attending members confirmed Pascal Köppel and Daniel Heini as members of the board for three more years and elected two new members of the board: Manuela Stiffler and Victoria Stolpe. Victoria Stolpe was active for THP Sweden in the last few years and has already helped at several events of THP Switzerland. She will be responsible for fundraising corporate. Manuela Stiffler will be responsible for the department project controlling of THP Switzerland. Thanks to her work experience with a number of aid organizations and her post-graduate studies in economic cooperation and development (NADEL) she has acquired expert knowledge in the field of development assistance. Pascal Köppel resigns from the office of president for personal reasons. We are happy to announce that Anne Céline Bonnier will take over this office. We wish all the members of the board a lot of pleasure and success in their volunteer work, which is highly appreciated.





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#### Interview with our volunteer Jean-François Kong

Jean-François Kong is 30 years old; he lives in Lyon und Strasbourg. At present, he concerns himself professionally with the coordination of the national network of robot infrastructure in France.

#### How did you get to know THP?

A friend of mine, Anne Céline Bonnier, a member of the board of The Hunger Project Switzerland, called my attention to The Hunger Project towards the end of 2014, since she knew that I was interested in public welfare. She told me about the approach of The Hunger Project to fight chronic hunger by empowering women.



## What appealed to you when you learned about The Hunger Project?

I saw that The Hunger Project is playing a leading role in fighting chronic hunger, and this made me invest some of my time for this association. Unlike other organizations that are fighting hunger, The Hunger Project has never handed out alms and therefore never created dependencies with underprivileged people. The Hunger Project empowers people by means of education and development (structural, social, economical) with the aim to make them independent, all that without any ulterior religious motives.

#### What do you do for THP?

I have various tasks. In a «dashboard», which is made available to the members of the board every month, I bring together the information collected by the managing director. This "dashboard" contains information about the monthly fundraising, the to-do list of the managing director as well as interna-

tional information and reports of The Hunger Project. It serves as an efficient tool for the board by informing its members promptly about current issues thus enabling them to make competent decisions. Furthermore, I am responsible for the fundraising in the communities of the Romandie. So far, I have sent more than 400 petitions to those communities by e-mail. I have also been able to process some special grant applications.

#### What is your personal benefit of this work?

This volunteer work is very interesting from a professional and a personal perspective. It allows me to make use of my academic training and my professional knowledge and it helps me to get to know the Swiss work environment. I hope that I will be able to achieve good results for The Hunger Project and that my work will be an enrichment for the management team of THP Switzerland.

Please contact Alexandra Koch for further information concerning volunteer work.

# Partner Story from Ghana

«My name is Dina Amartey; I am 34 years old and live in Koni village, Matsekope Epicenter. I am married with three children and work as a farmer and business woman. I came into contact with The Hunger Project in 2006 when a community Vision, Commitment and Action Workshop was organized in my community, educating people about self-reliance, women's empowerment, HIV and so on. I decided to train as a Women's Empowerment Program animator. Since my training as an animator, and my participation in The Hunger Project meetings and activities, my eyes have opened. It led to my full understanding of life. I began to plan for my family and my future. The fact that I have three children currently was due to my experience with The Hunger Project; I would have had more.»

