

The Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa announces its funding programme for environmental and development charities in 2016

LONDON (2016) – Following its annual Meeting of Trustees on 20 July 2016, the Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa (MCFEA) has announced a programme of £299,494 in new grants.

The 2016 funding programme will give support to: BirdLife International's 'Spring Alive Project' which promotes children's interest in nature conservation through the tracking of bird migration; Earthwatch Institute's 'Public Events & Conferences Programme' which aims to raise public awareness about environmental conservation; SolarAid's 'Lighting up Uganda Project' which aims to distribute solar lights to give 37,000 people access to clear and affordable energy; Renewable World's 'Renewable Energy Hubs Project', to continue its work to provide renewable energy systems to off-grid communities to more communities around; Springboard Entrepreneurship Development Initiative's 'Entrepreneurship Training for Unemployed Youth Project' to build on its work providing farming and entrepreneurship training to young people in Nigeria; Sustainable Fisheries Partnership's 'Improving Sustainability of Small Pelagic Fisheries Project' to further support its work promoting solution-based approaches to fisheries improvement in Morocco, Mauritania and Senegal; Concern Universal's (now United Purpose) 'Conserving Shea Trees for Sustainable Lives Project' which aims to protect the Shea tree by strengthening education and helping their conservaton and giving communities in Ghana access to markets and fair prices; and IUCN's 'Valuing Natural Capital Project' which aims to educate farmers, businesses and local authorities on valuing their resources to help develop sustainable agricultural production into the future.

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About the Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa

The Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa (MCFEA) is a charitable foundation established in 1992 by Mitsubishi Corporation and its UK-based subsidiary Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc. Over a period spanning more than two decades, the MCEFA has been engaging with a wide variety of partner organisations throughout Europe and Africa, supporting innovative projects that align with its central aims of: the promotion of environmental conservation; the support of environmental education and research; and the alleviation of poverty.

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