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Dear Friends,

It is our pleasure to share with you our 2010 annual report that you will find on the following link, <http://www.pistoriofoundation.org/report/year2010.html>, and that is posted on our website.

2010 has marked five years since the founding of the Pistorio Foundation. As our motto describes "On the way to school, on the way to life", our journey has been one of changing lives of hundreds of underprivileged children by giving them access to education, as well as basic nutrition and health care that are prerequisites to succeed in school.

Looking back, we are pleased with the achievements made over the past five years. We have been able to reach out to over 1600 underprivileged children in five countries, providing them with long-term education. We accompany each child we support up to professional school, so that they will be qualified to obtain a job and effectively be able to break their families' cycle of poverty. We have developed a Village Model Approach whereby village by village we provide education to children, we improve and build necessary school infrastructures, and we provide clean drinking water and primary health care. The next step is to improve the income earning possibilities of parents. We have started successful agriculture programs in Thailand involving parents and students in two villages where the village schools are now self-sufficient in the supply of fruits, vegetables, and cereals. We currently are exploring also income generating activities via agriculture in a pilot project that is being launched in 2011.

In the past five years, we have also completed numerous school infrastructure projects in three countries where we are present: Burkina Faso, (Tibet) China, and Thailand.

We have been able to devote every dollar donated to the projects on location, by working on a volunteer basis and in close partnership with selected local NGOs. We have created strong ties and collaborations with our local partners, and are very pleased with the choices we have made.

Our vision is to reach 10,000 children. We do not want to spread ourselves thin and disperse our resources in too many countries or projects, but rather make a lasting impact on the villages and regions we are present and start new projects in only a few more countries in the medium term. Our challenge is now to bring the Foundation to the next level by scaling up our efforts and implementing our village model for lasting change to more and more villages. The goal is to bring each village to self-sustainability and be able to move on to other needy villages.

We would like to thank our long-time supporters and friends who have sustained our cause over the years, to our Board Members and volunteers for their contributions and time and skills, and hope that you will all continue to support our cause to champion children's rights and improve the living conditions of underprivileged children. We also hope that many more will join us in this endeavour and that you will help in spreading the word.

Best Regards,

Pistorio Foundation

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Singapore Chapter Springtime Lunch 2011

A heartfelt thank you to Diego Chiarini and Stéphane Colleoni of OSO Ristorante, host and Sponsor of the Pistorio Foundation Springtime Lunch 2011. 100% of ticket sales and auction sales have gone directly to support our Chiang Rai Village Project in Thailand. We have been able to raise over S\$ 43,000 which will fund the renovation of a preschool in the village of Pakia, including the construction of a canteen, kitchen, and sanitation facilities (for a total budget of S\$ 10,000), and sponsor year-long scholarships for over 100 underprivileged children that will cover their education, daily meals and basic health care. Thank you to our Media Partner, Harper's Bazaar, which will feature the event in its September issue, to our fantastic MC Amy Azyza and exuberant auctioneer Gianluca Lionetto, and to our live and silent auction donors - Passion, Lotus on Water, Small Luxury Hotels of the World, Bruno Gallery, Caran d'Ache, Gaia restaurant, Bluebellgroup, Emilio Pucci, Furla, Carolyn Stover and Havoc, The Frame Society, Georgie Ohlsson, Kaffe & Te, Nestlé, Moschino Cheap and Chic, Carrot Banana Peach, Crabtree & Evelyn, Sportsac, The AVL Sound. We would also like to thank our passionate and selfless volunteers who continue to contribute precious time, skills, and resources for our Singapore Chapter Events.



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An article by Pasquale Pistorio on Corporate Social Responsibility and the Founding of the Pistorio Foundation was published by Humanity Magazine in Singapore in June, and is available on our website, <http://www.pistoriofoundation.org/press/105.pdf>.

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