

30 years

mine-ex

help for mine victims

■ since 1995 ■



The largest and longest-running Rotary project in Switzerland.

A project that has been changing local society and still is doing so.

An enormous humanitarian success ■ Provide mobility assistance
■ Enable victims to have a dignified future ■ Finance apprenticeship and training for victims ■ Integrate in work and sport ■ Train young professionals to provide quality healthcare

First information visit from PDG Walter Limacher in 1997



Because humanitarian aid for victims helps to change society and is important for peace as the victims know what the results of war are.



Because we give people the gift of mobility again, integrating them back into society. This is the basis for health, social, and economic integration.



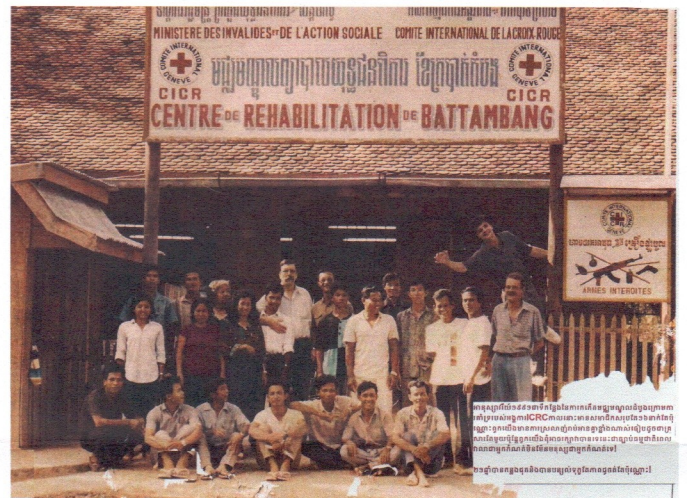
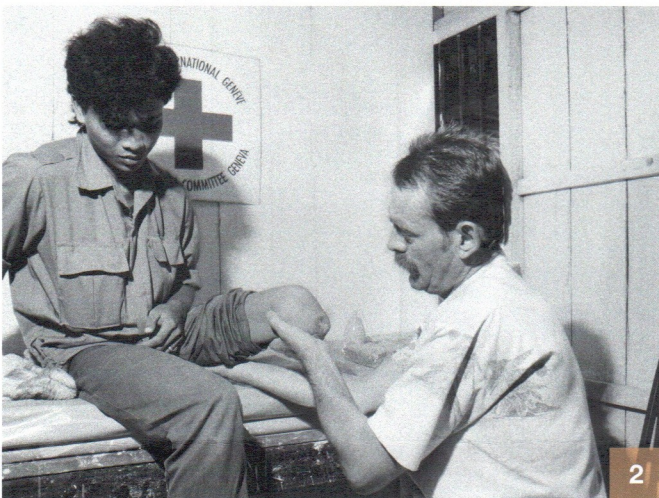
Because we enable young people to train in orthopaedic technology and physiotherapy. To make this possible, we train them in English.



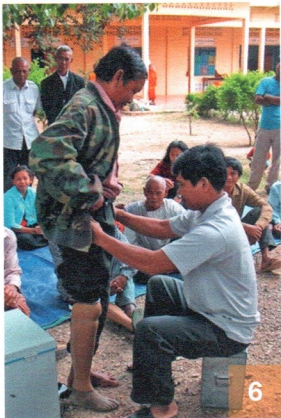
Because we finance apprenticeships and start-ups, thereby optimizing the integration of handicapped people in their communities.

To give land**mine** victims a dignified **existence** –
that is the core purpose of **mine-ex**

30 years of work and achievements by mine-ex



1. **1995** Officially founded by RC Burgdorf as a Club project.
2. **1995** Impressions from Battambang
3. **1996** First mine-ex-sponsored prosthetic devices in Cambodia
4. **1999** Rotary Clubs organize several mine-ex benefit events; Ottawa Mine Ban Treaty is implemented
5. **2000** The RC Burgdorf project becomes a Rotary Switzerland foundation
6. **2003** Donations to mine-ex have enabled thousands of people to live in dignity
7. **2004** The board grows
8. **2007** Medal of Honor given to Hans Stirnemann by the Minister of Social affairs, Veterans and Youth. (MoSVY)
9. **2014** mine-ex enhancing the socio-economic reintegration aspects of its aid programs
10. **2015 and 2016** Implementation of the outreach program in remote villages. Start of the Micro Economic Initiative (MEI).
11. Rotary Clubs organize mine-ex benefit events



Successes of Rotary's impact through mine-ex

CHF 23'412'500 Donations collected from 1996 to 2024



- CHF 12'000'000 for victims in Cambodia (rounded)
- CHF 8'000'000 for victims in Afghanistan (rounded)
- CHF 1'000'000 for education of orthopedic technicians
- CHF 120'000 for education for physio therapists
- CHF 34'000 for support of the women wheelchair basketball teams
- CHF 20'000 for a special project in demining with FSD (Fondation Suisse de Deminage)
- CHF 30'000 for tests of the find mine drone (Urs Endress foundation)

Highlights per Year

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| 1995 | Officially founded, RC Burgdorf, District 1990 |
| 1996 | First mine-ex-sponsored prosthetic devices in Cambodia |
| 1997 | First information visit / Ottawa Convention signed |
| 1998 | First benefit concert in the Valais. German RC offer support |
| 1999 | Rotary Clubs organize mine-ex benefit events Ottawa Mine Ban Treaty entering into force |
| 2000 | The RC Burgdorf project becomes a Rotary Switzerland foundation |
| 2001 | Continued Growth Amid Global Focus |
| 2002 | Laying Groundwork for Afghanistan Assistance |
| 2003 | Expansion to Afghanistan |
| 2004 | A blend of long-running activities and new campaigns were executed. |
| 2005 | the inaugural "mine-ex Vélothron". In September |
| 2006 | Transition to New Leadership |
| 2007 | broad base of club support (Events, fundraising) |
| 2009 | mine-ex had firmly established itself as a respected player in humanitarian mine action |
| 2012 | mine-ex launched a special "Kampagne 2012" fundraising drive to ensure sufficient resources |
| 2013 | mine-ex encouraged each club in their districts to appoint a "mine-ex delegate" |
| 2014 | mine-ex started supporting the Micro-Economic Initiative (MEI) project |
| 2016 | Rotary Day on 10 September 2016 with an impressive donation of over CHF 1.4 million. |
| 2022 | For the postponed 25th anniversary four clubs collaborated to organize benefit concerts featuring the Swiss Army Band. |

Through mine-ex over

30'000 victims of landmines have got prosthetics, wheelchairs, physiotherapy.

Over **300 victims**

have got micro economic support with vocational training and start up financing.

The board of mine-ex has

335 years of commitment

47'000 hours of engagement

CHF 560'000

privately paid travel costs

CHF 3'200'000 value of pro bono services provided by the Foundation Board