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**We uphold our support and recognition
of Batang Pinangga at the occasion of 18th foundation day 2018
in the sense of our beloved late Helga Range.
She loved Batang Pinangga and died on September 6, 2014**

The preamble of the UN CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD states

- that the child, for the full and harmonious development of his or her personality, should grow up in a family environment, in an atmosphere of happiness and love
- that the child should be fully prepared to live an individual life in society, and brought up in the spirit of the ideals proclaimed in the Charter of the United Nations, and in particular in the spirit of peace, dignity, tolerance, freedom, equality and solidarity

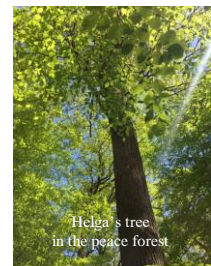
We know after the many years of cooperation that formerly abandoned and neglected children in Batang Pinangga come to life again and enjoy this atmosphere of love, happiness and "pinangga", thus ensuring the formation of mentally sound personalities. This is due to the personal devotion of the house-mothers and the other caring personnel and the engaged direction. We are therefore happy to enable this important role of the house-mothers by a continuing financial support. We are very happy and proud that we could help Batang Pinangga survive seventeen years ago. Now we appreciate deeply that you succeeded to sustain this important home for abandoned and abused children in your own responsibility and with the help of many sponsors, thus fulfilling our main principle of help for self-help.

We like to continue our enjoyable cooperation in form of special projects you propose. One of the necessary sustainable projects is a secure water supply which we would also like to support if you find a solution for this. A further promising project for the future now is the halfway-house that gives a chance of improved education for the elder children. We decided to support this project and scholarships for active children deserving a higher education by the "Helga Range Memorial Fund" as Helga's legacy.

The most important wisdom the children can win in life is expressed in Helga's most beloved book "Ang Munting Principe" by the fox: *"Napakasimple nito: sa pamamagitan lamang ng puso makakakitang mabuti. Hindi kita ng mata ang pinakapuso ng mga bagay."* (German: Es ist ganz einfach: Man sieht nur mit dem Herzen gut. Das Wesentliche ist für die Augen unsichtbar).

In friendship and solidarity

Helga is among us



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