

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **10 years of Gide Pro Bono: 20,000 hours of legal support to over 100 charities**

**Ten years after the formalisation of its Gide Pro Bono programme, Gide draws a positive analysis of the support already given to general interest projects and actions in France and abroad.**

Gide's Pro Bono policy was born in 2012 of the desire to bring together under a single umbrella programme all the individual initiatives already conducted by members of the firm, and give them a common framework.

It is today implemented by the dedicated Pro Bono Commission, and is guided by three driving themes: access to law and justice, access to education, and solidarity with those most in need - a strong commitment that today resonates with national and international current affairs.

This policy is organised into two types of sponsorship: financial sponsorship via our Gide Pro Bono endowment fund, and the volunteer commitment of the members of the firm via skills sponsorship.

Since 2012,

- the endowment fund, with EUR 250,000 paid into it by all the partners of the firm, has granted EUR 2.5 million to some 100 charities ;
- over 500 lawyers and employees of the firm have committed to assisting charities in France and abroad through skills sponsorship, representing over 20,000 hours of work.

**Carole Malinvaud, chair of Gide's Pro Bono Commission, is delighted:**

*"Ever since its creation, we have chosen to make our Pro Bono activity long term, thereby enabling the charities we support to concentrate on their project. In 10 years, through the combined action of individual lawyers, we are pleased to have supported fundamental projects that have had a real impact on society. We would like to commend the investment and commitment of all our lawyers and employees!"*

**Beneficiaries of Gide Pro Bono's action include:**

Apprentis d'Auteuil, Article 1, ATD Quart Monde, Droits d'Urgence, InitiaDROIT, JRS France, Linkee, Lire pour en sortir, Plan international France, Proximité, Singa, Alliance des Avocats pour les Droits de l'Homme, Young Lives vs Cancer, Réseau Môm'artre, Care France, Asmae, Kif Kif Vivre Ensemble, Led By HER, Institut Imagine, and many more besides!

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*Gide Pro Bono celebrates 10 years: watch our video [here](#)*

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## About Gide

Gide is a leading international law firm and the first to have originated in France. Founded in Paris in 1920, the firm now operates from 11 offices throughout the world. It has 500 lawyers, drawn from 35 different nationalities. Gide offers some of the most respected specialists in each of the various sectors of national and international business law.

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