



**Cambodia Trust (Exceed) Ireland
Annual Report 2015**



Cambodia Trust Ireland (now called Exceed Ireland) supports people with disabilities living in poverty by providing free prosthetic and orthotic services in South East Asia. It does this through our affiliation with Exceed Worldwide (formerly known as The Cambodia Trust) by:

- Equipping:** Training of prosthetic and orthotic (P&O) students to international standards at one of five P&O schools. At rehabilitation clinics linked to these schools, the Prosthetists make and fit artificial limbs (prosthesis) and supports (orthotics) for those least able to pay for these life changing services.
- Enabling:** Training P&Os to enable them to provide prosthesis and orthotics to people with disabilities so that they gain or regain mobility and a pathway to opportunity and independence.
- Empowering:** With growing confidence, increased independence and self-esteem, the people we support often become role models and advocates for people with disabilities and their rights.

Our AGM was held on the 7th of January 2016. During the year we initiated moves to change the company name (CTI) so that it is more aligned with the new name (Exceed Worldwide) adopted in 2014 by The Cambodia Trust (the parent organisation). It was agreed that this significant change would be progressed in early 2016 and CTI will be renamed 'Exceed Ireland; Equip, Enable, Empower'.

The priority for 2015 was the recruitment of additional Directors and Members. We have identified a number of people who will join the Board in 2016.

It was agreed that the priority for any funds raised by Cambodia Trust Ireland will be used to sponsor a Cambodian student to undertake training in Prosthetics and Orthotics in Cambodia. The full cost of funding a student amounts to €10,000 per year.

Fundraising & Events:

On 28th of April we ran a very successful '**Ceol for Cambodia**' musical evening in the Ark, Temple Bar. Music was provided by Ellen Cranitch, Helen Montague, Kevin Doherty and Susannah de Wrixon, all of whom volunteered their time and expertise. The music was followed by a most enjoyable wine and cheese reception. Thanks were also extended to the staff of the Ark for their support and assistance and to John Comiskey for overseeing and managing the event. This was the main fund raiser for CTI during the year.

In addition to fundraising, CTI remained involved in awareness raising activities during 2015.

Cricket match in Sri Lanka

An awareness-raising event took place with the help of the Irish under 21 cricket team who were competing in Sri Lanka. The Irish team took the opportunity to visit Ragama Rehabilitation Hospital and to see the essential work that is being done there in providing limbs for amputees. During the Irish team's stay in Sri Lanka, they accepted a challenge from their hosts (a team of keen amateur cricketers at the Sri Lankan School of Prosthetics and Orthotics), many of them amputees and clients of SLSPPO. Following the match, the players met with the SLSPPO team to find out more about

the work done at both the School and the clinic at Ragama Rehabilitation Hospital. They developed an understanding of the challenges facing amputees and gained an insight into the importance of Prosthetic & Orthotic services in Sri Lanka. Thanks were expressed to Brian O'Rourke for facilitating this match.



Treasurer:

The account balance stands at €5413.50.

Ceol for Cambodia raised €661

There were no disbursements in 2015.

The accounts for 2014-15 have been audited and approved

AOB: The new Companies Act came into effect on 1st June 2015. Registration with the new Charities Regulatory Authority will be required in 2016.

Note:

Exceed Worldwide is the world's largest provider of training in prosthetics and orthotics (P&O) – the making and fitting of artificial limbs, splints and braces. It educates P&O students in five countries in South/South East Asia: Cambodia, the Philippines, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Myanmar with students coming from many Asian countries.

In 2014 the Cambodia Trust was renamed Exceed Worldwide to reflect its expanded geographical remit which has now extended to five countries.

Cambodia Trust Ireland (now renamed Exceed Ireland), is the Irish branch of Exceed

