

*SUPPORT FOR
VIETNAMESE
CHILDREN WITH
SEVERE SPECIAL NEEDS*



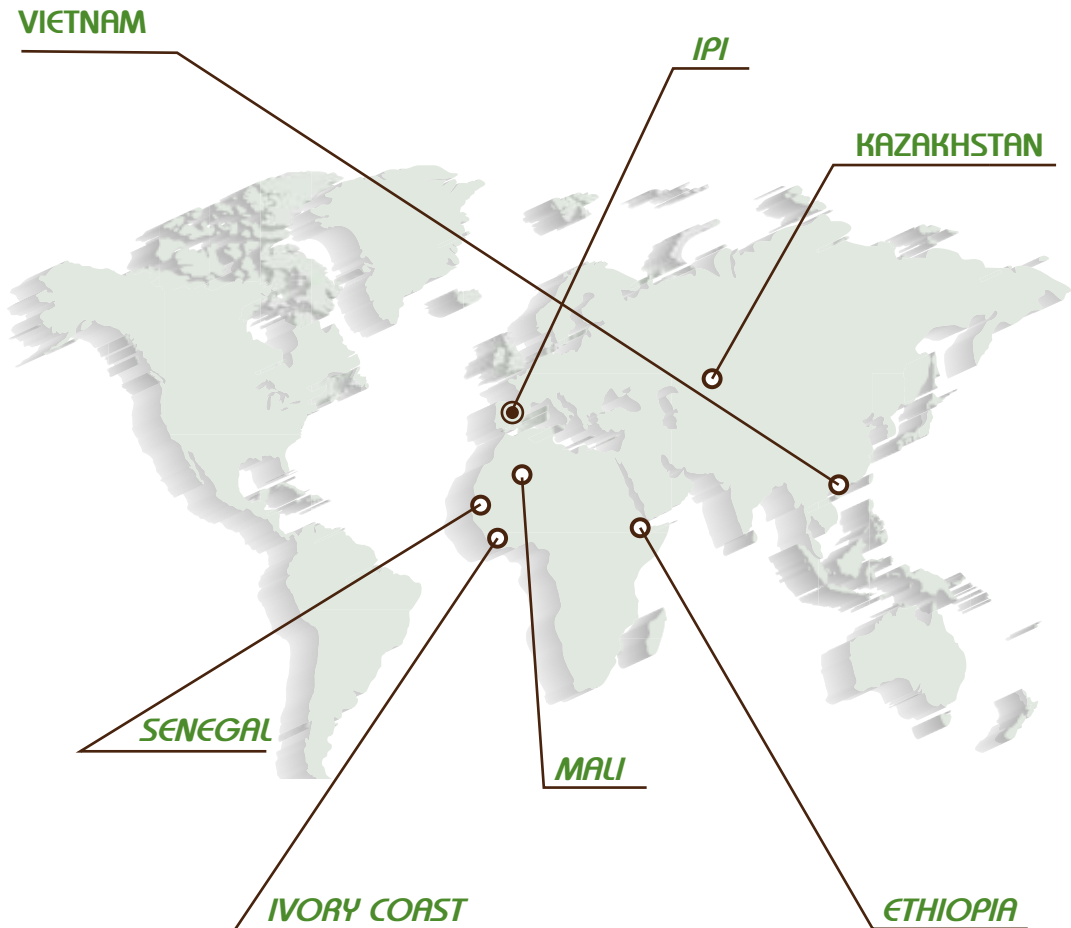
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WHAT IS IPI?

IPI is a nonprofit organization originated in 2000 and headquartered in Barcelona, Spain. IPI's main goal is child protection including the promotion and defense of civil, social and individual rights; social assistance to minors and families; and the intervention in international adoption, among others.

IPI is a Licensed International Adoption Agency by the Catalan Government and by the local authority on adoption, the Catalan Institute of Adoption and Foster care, in order to carry out our activity in the countries where we work (Ethiopia, Mali, Ivory Coast, Senegal, Kazakhstan and Vietnam) with transparency and accountability.

The purpose of the NGO is to develop projects focused on the most disadvantaged children and young people in Africa and Asia, especially in fields such as education and health.





WHAT IS FISIOS MUNDI?

Fisios Mundi is a non governmental and nonprofit organization born in 1997.

It aims to bring knowledge, help and therapy in the field of physiotherapy to the most vulnerable societies and people, especially children, youth and women in developing countries and most deprived areas. In order to do so we believe in training and education to empower workers and professionals. This task is carried out without regard to race, sex, religion or politics.

Fisios Mundi also aims to educate and sensitize the population of western countries on the problems of disabled people in other areas of the world.

Its main project is with the Fundación Vicente Ferrer as a partner in India, in the rural area of Anantapur.



In Vietnam there are many children with severe physical, mental or sensory special needs living in shelters. Children with severe special needs who don't have a family to look after them must fight three great stigmas: abandonment, social marginalisation and disability.

IPI has launched a cooperation project to support these very vulnerable children through a number of actions aimed at improving their quality of life and independence.

The project includes:

- ✓ Assessing the needs of each centre
- ✓ Increasing awareness among local players
- ✓ Specific training for the centres' caregivers and social workers
- ✓ Provision of adequate equipment and materials
- ✓ Monitoring and tracking of the project

MARIA BOIX IBARS



I am a person of challenges and persevering in what I think.

Degrees and trainings: *Bachelor's degree of Physiotherapy (finished in 2011) and currently studying Bachelor's degree of Nurse.*

Experience: *I worked in the pediatric and geriatric field in Barcelona, but my most rewarding experience has been in international cooperation.*

Countries I have worked in: *Spain, Italy, Nicaragua, Nepal, and Vietnam.*

Interests: *Travel and exchange knowledge with people from other places and cultures.*

PATRICIA JOVELLAR



Degrees and trainings: *BSc Physiotherapy and BSc Occupational Therapy. Neuro Developmental Pediatric Treatment Therapist (NDT-Bobath) and training in Sensory Integration Therapy.*

Experience: *More than 8 years working in the field of child development and pediatric rehabilitation. Currently I'm working at the Association for Research in Physical Disability (AIDIMO) and at the University San Jorge. I actively participated in international cooperation projects.*

Countries she has worked in: *Spain, Poland, Argentina, Nicaragua and India.*

Interests: *child development, provide assistance to people in need, travel, share experiences and know different cultures.*



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