

# Presentation to RC Genève Internationale



# Origin of mine-ex and FSD

## **Fondation mine-ex**

- Origin: ICRC Surgeon Stirnimann
- Started in 1995 as “a project of Swiss Governors”
- “mine-ex Stiftung Rotary District 1980, 1990 and 2000” in 2005
- Aim: Mine Victim Assistance

## **Fondation Suisse de Déminage (FSD)**

- Origin: Several of the founders ex-ICRC (including myself)
- Started in 1997 as an association
- 2003 transformed into a Foundation
- Aim: Mine Action (includes Mine Victim Assistance)

# Donor vs. Operational foundation

## **Mine-ex**

- This is a DONOR foundation
- Supports ICRC in Cambodia and Afghanistan with CHF 800K / yr.
- Raises funds through Swiss Rotary network: 1.5 million in 2016, 1.5 million in 2017
- 2017: 20K for FSD “as a one time only donation”

## **FSD**

- This is an OPERATIONAL foundation
- Mine Action operations in Tajikistan, Afghanistan, the Philippines, Ukraine, Colombia, Iraq, Chad, CAR
- Raises 10 million / year, mainly from govts. / institutional donors

# Public communication and transparency

## Mine-ex

- Web: <http://www.mine-ex.ch>
- Does not publish financial accounts
- Not ZEWO certified
- Not ISO certified

## FSD

- Web: <http://www.fsd.ch>
- Publishes detailed accounts as per Swiss GAAP RPC 21
- ZEWO certified
- ISO 9001:2018 certified

# Rotary representation

## **Mine-ex**

- Board of Swiss Rotary Governors has one representative on the board
- No matching funds from Rotary International

## **FSD**

- 3 Rotarians on FSD board
- No funding from Rotary

# Discussion

## **Mine-ex**

- 1990 did not contribute 2018. Is support by Rotary Districts waning?
- Why is ICRC with 2 billion budget the only partner?
- What is mine victims assistance?
- Could mine-ex work with RI?

## **FSD**

- Could FSD get mine-ex funding?
- Could mine-ex funds be combined with RI for global grants?
- Could FSD become a project of the Rotary Districts?

# Thanks!

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