The Human Act Foundation aims to end extreme poverty and inequality in the world. Headquartered in Copenhagen, the organization is growing, and it is now also present in Nepal, the United States, Iran and Uganda.

Human Act was founded in 2016 by Djaffar Shalchi and his wife Ané Maro, who together are determined to fight global inequality. Since 2016, it has established partnerships with numerous other organizations, including the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network, Action Aid, Oxfam and Global Citizen.
Move Humanity

Move Humanity is a new global initiative by the Human Act Foundation and the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN). Move Humanity aims to exploit the power and the potential held by the world’s wealthiest individuals through a tax or donation of just 1% of their wealth each year to address this century’s most pressing challenges. The initiative is based on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations.

The SDGs are the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. They address the global challenges we face, including those related to poverty, inequality, climate, environmental degradation, prosperity, and peace and justice. The Move Humanity initiative aims to help close the SDG financing gap in low-income countries (LICs) by mobilizing greater private funding for basic health and education, critical infrastructure, and environmental conservation priorities.

Move Humanity’s mission is to mobilize at least 1% of the wealth of the world’s wealthiest individuals each year to help end extreme poverty and achieve the SDGs.

Achieving the SDGs will require the rapid mobilization of financial resources from all sectors of the global economy. Today, an estimated wealth of more than USD 125 trillion is owned by a mere 1% of the population. A tax on the 1% of this population would ensure there is more than sufficient funding to meet all 17 SDGs by 2030.
School and Orphanage in Uganda

In 2017, Human Act initiated the process of establishing an institution for orphans, **combining a private school with the orphanage**.

The institution is being built in northern Uganda with a legacy from Anna Marie Olet, a local visionary who took into her care orphans and neglected children.

Following the tragic death of Anna Marie in 2003, her family decided to extend her legacy by donating land with a value of USD 100,000 to the local branch of Human Act.

The Olet family also donated two existing houses for use as orphanages.

Humanity for Palestine

Human Act is a firm believer in freedom, justice and equality for all. One of our projects is to support the freedom of the Palestinian people, who have been under military occupation for decades.

In 2018, Human Act founded its new project, dubbed Humanity for Palestine, with the intention to create the biggest solidarity march ever from Europe to Palestine. The project is dedicated to bringing together the world to support the Palestinian people living in the blockade and under occupation. The project is ongoing and will entail multiple Palestine-focused projects focusing on fighting inequality in the region.
Supporting Women’s Rights in Afghanistan

Human Act is supporting the ConnectHER project for women and girls in Herat.

ConnectHER, the Afghan Ministry of Women’s Affairs (MoWA) and its Human Rights Commission (HRC) are working with the Afghan Institute of Learning (AIL) on a legal clinic for women and girls in Herat. There are five dedicated female lawyers to assist women referred by the MoWA and HRC. The lawyers are also ready to help women who hear about the project on the radio or through other channels.

Staff lawyers work on a variety of cases affecting women, including child custody battles, protecting property or inheritance rights, and securing justice in matters related to child marriage, marriage without the consent of the woman, and abuse.
The United States

Inspired by ConnectHER’s ability to communicate worldwide some of the most pressing issues related to extreme poverty, Human Act sponsored the ‘Girls Impact The World’ Film Festival in 2018 and Human Act will be continuing its support in 2019. The film festival is an annual event that focuses on issues facing women and girls around the world.

Schools and Orphanage in Iran

Since November 2018, Human Act has also been present in the city of Mashhad, where we run our Iran branch. Our local office aims to establish a self-running foundation that will eventually become 100% independent.

With our firm belief in pushing for education and equality for all, we are currently running two projects in Iran focusing on education and orphans. Children in Iran end up in orphanages for many reasons, not only because they have lost parents but also because of family problems such as poverty.

In our support for the orphanages in Iran, we prioritize the importance of the children being cared for by competent carers in homely surroundings. The long-term goal is to secure the children’s health to the best of our ability and to provide safety, love and education to give them a fair chance to establish their narrative as adults. Human Act has also supported several local schools with building materials, books, sports utilities and renovation projects.
On 25 April and 12 May 2015, Nepal suffered two devastating earthquakes, killing nearly 9,000 people and injuring approximately 22,000. The Dolakha district of Nepal was hit particularly heavily, with hundreds of thousands of people made homeless and extensive damage to the district’s schools.

So far, we have rebuilt three schools for one-third of the price of other NGOs, while maintaining the same quality of construction. Ongoing work by other foreign NGOs to reconstruct schools in Dolakha is costing approximately USD 500-600 per square metre. By creating cost-effective solutions, our reconstruction projects have cost little as USD 200-300 per square metre.

We want to build low-cost and earthquake-resistant school buildings in remote areas. The schools we support often do not even have connecting road access. Ten schools have been designated in the Dolakha district to be rebuilt by Human Act.
Poverty is not an accident. Like slavery and apartheid, it is man-made and can be removed by the actions of human beings.

*Nelson Mandela*

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**Our Values**

Human Act’s 10 values represent the ethical stance of our organization put into words. These values guide our movement and frame our path towards achieving our goal:

1. Love
2. Nonviolence
3. Belief in change
4. Humility
5. Courage
6. Generosity
7. Empathy
8. Forgiveness
9. Joy
10. Transparency

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