

**November 11, 2009**  
**Moscow**

## **Citi Mobilizes around 40,000 Volunteers across 90 Countries for the Fourth Global Community Day**

### **450 employees of Citi Russia & CIS participate in 22 social projects**

On November 7th, around 450 volunteers from Citi Russia & CIS joined over 40,000 Citi volunteers across 90 countries of the world for the company's fourth Global Community Day.

Zdenek Turek, President of ZAO Citibank, Head of Citi Russia & CIS said: "It is the fourth consecutive year that Citi has organized this unique volunteer campaign all around the world. I would like to cordially thank our volunteers for participation in this project and for their hard work and enthusiasm. Volunteerism is deeply embedded in Citibank's culture and our example inspires others in Russia and all over the world"

This year, the employees were given a chance to develop their own projects, as well as to choose the NGOs they wanted to support. A special competition was arranged whose winners formed their teams and independently supervised the implementation of the project and budget allocation. As a result, in Moscow the volunteers visited the elderly, worked with handicapped children in orphanages and boarding schools, and volunteered at the shelters for homeless animals.

Other cities had their projects too. In Ufa (Republic of Bashkortostan) and Almaty (Kazakhstan), Citi employees organized the Green Street initiative where they planted trees in parks, together with children from orphanages. In Volgograd, volunteers arranged a class in horse riding for kids from the Stupeni rehabilitation centre. Volunteer events also took place in St. Petersburg, Yekaterinburg, Samara, Nizhny Novgorod, Rostov on Don, Ryazan, Novosibirsk and Kazan.

Citi has a 200 year proven track record of volunteerism and supports volunteer activities of its employees. In 2006, the first Citi Global Community Day took place in over 100 countries across the world, including Russia. Its success and positive feedback from Citi staff resulted in making this initiative an annual event. Citi employees participate in volunteer projects throughout the year, and in November they celebrate their accomplishments and results of their work aimed at improving the life of their communities.

Among the NGOs that benefited from the Citi Russia Global Volunteer Day are as follows:

#### **Moscow**

- Boarding School in Kolychevo
- Shelter for Homeless Animals "Laskovy Zver"
- Art-Therapy Children's Center start!
- Way to the World Foundation
- Ramensky House of Veterans
- Charitable Foundation "Sozidanie"
- Boarding School for Children with Speaking and Hearing Disorders
- Health School in the Woods of the Kovcheg Inclusive Education Institution No. 1321

#### **St. Petersburg**

- Social orphanage Child in Danger
- Leningrad Zoo
- Special (corrective) boarding school No. 37

#### **Ryazan**

- Sototchino Boarding School for orphans

#### **Kazan**

- Social and Rehabilitation Center for Children with Deviant Behaviour

**Samara**

- Special (corrective) boarding school No. 158 for orphans

**Rostov on Don**

- Special Corrective Orphanage No. 4 for children with behavioral disorders

**Volgograd**

- Rehabilitation Center Stupeni

**Yekaterinburg**

- Family for Children Foundation
- Zoozaschita Foundation
- Sverdlov Regional Youth Organization "Druzhina"

**Ufa**

- Specialized Orphanage No. 2 for kids with psychic disorders

**Nizhny Novgorod**

- Kids Hospital No. 17

**Novosibirsk**

- Orphanage No. 9