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# Introduction

From fifteen to twenty millions of leprosy patients all over the world, whose only three millions are actually being treated: these are the worrying data always kept in our mind, that show how the solution of this problem is still far away.

The present situation is undoubtedly caused by lack of funds which would allow to deal with this big problem in a different and more inclusive way. But it's dangerous to think that, after funds supplying, the problem is automatically resolved.

The lack of specialized staff on leprosy treatment is one of the big problems in the worldwide campaign against leprosy. In fact, whenever we set about to start a work in order to carry out a leprosy control Programme or when there is the need to provide the replacement of some doctors or medical staff, the problem about finding specialized staff, always rises. Those who have understood the main characteristics of the leprosy problem in the world, know that in this health field there is a "great hunger which hasn't yet been satisfied" for health specialized staff, in the leprosy treatment, at any level. For this reason, since many years, all ILEP Associations had been doing great efforts in order to encourage people wishing to attend training courses on Leprosy and obtain a specific knowledge about this matter.

The Italian Association also, devotes itself to this problem. Besides, according to the great importance of this problem and to the increasing need of specialized staff, it has decided to increase its efforts and "set up" officially this engagement. Therefore, the Italian Association has decided to found a

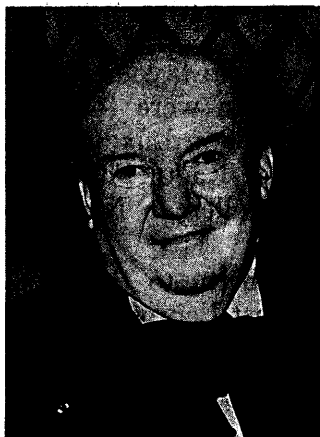
"permanent special fund" in order to help the persons wishing to work in favour of the leprosy patients with a specific knowledge about this matter.

As our Association is the Representative of Raoul Follereau Institution in Italy, we have dedicated our Special Fund to his name. Raoul Follereau himself, informed about this Fund by us, has well appreciated our initiative. In fact, on 1st November 1976, at the occasion of the VIII "Amici dei Lebbrosi Groups Meeting", he signed the Regulation including directions for Education Grants Assignments. From now, Raoul Follereau Fund for Education Grants will be at the disposal of the persons wishing to work in the Leprosy Field (as doctors, medical and social workers, physiotherapists, and so on) and anxious to obtain a specific knowledge on Leprosy Treatment in order to carry on their work in the best way, in favour of the leprosy patients.

THE PRESIDENT

of National Association Amici dei Lebbrosi  
O.C.S.I.

# Raoul Follereau



Born on August 17th, 1903, at Nevers (France), Raoul Follereau was first of all a poet. And he remained such. At the age of 23, he was billed for the first time at the "Comédie Française". Some of his plays reached a thousand performances.

But since his youth, all his work is dedicated to fight against misery, social injustice and any form of fanaticism.

Incessantly he gives rise to new initiatives; the best known are: "The Hour for the Poor", "Fight against Leprosy" and "A Day of War for Peace".

## THE HOUR FOR THE POOR

In 1942 he launched this initiative from a small village in France, where he had taken refuge.

The Hour of the Poor asks everybody to devote at least one hour a year of his salary, income or profit, to the relief of the unfortunate.

During the first ten years of its existence, the Hour for the Poor has distributed 250 million francs to more than 500 organizations.

## **THE "FIGHT AGAINST LEPROSY"**

In the service of those whom he calls "the most suffering oppressed minority in the world", Raoul Follereau has travelled 32 times around the world, visiting 102 countries.

In 1952, he addressed a petition to the United Nations Organization to ask for the elaboration of an international statute for lepers and the transformation of leper-prisons into Centers for treatment.

In 1954 he founded the **WORLD LEPROSY DAY**, which is today observed in 127 countries of the world.

In order to secure the continuity of his work in favour of the lepers of all the world, under his patronage were founded Raoul Follereau Foundations in France, Belgium, Luxemburg, Italy, Holland, Spain and Canada (now the Raoul Follereau Foundations are 14, and 7 are the Raoul Follereau National Committees).

These Associations took part, in 1966 at Bern, to the establishment of the European Federation Against Leprosy (today ILEP) of which Raoul Follereau is the Honorary President.

## **A DAY OF WAR FOR PEACE**

Since his first letter to President **ROOSEVELT** in 1944, "Continue the war for another day", Raoul Follereau has multiplied his appeals and propositions to "convert weapons of death into works of life".

In 1954 he wrote to the Two Big Ones: "Give me, each of you, one of your bombers, and we can treat all the lepers in the world".

In 1955, in 1959, in 1962, he renews his appeals and his warning.

Finally, on September 1st, 1964, he wrote to **U THANT** in order to ask "that all nations represented at UN decide that every year, on the occasion of a World Day for Peace, they will levy, out of their respective budgets, the cost of one day's

armament and pool it to fight against starvation, slums, epidemics, that take a heavy toll of human life”.

**THREE MILLION OF YOUNG PEOPLE**, from 125 countries, signed the declaration to the UN; on December 5th, 1969, the UN passed this resolution by 92 votes and 7 abstentions.

Raoul Follereau has served his ideal of universal love by his action, his example, his work and by his works, too. He has published 44 books or booklets.

Among his work, the most diffused is “The Book of Love”, which is published at present in 29 languages; his printing has reached 8.000.000 of copies.



# Rule

## for educations grants in Leprologie

### Art. 1

The National Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi" Italian Foundation "Raoul FOLLEREAU", an Organization for the International Sanitary Cooperation, in order to pursue the struggle against leprosy and every kind of leprosy in compliance with Raoul Follereau's attitude offers

#### AN ANNUAL FUND FOR EDUCATION GRANTS

for people interested for a collaboration in the leprosy field, in Italy and all over the world.

### REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

#### Art. 2

Can apply for the education grants:

- doctors
- nurses
- physioterapists
- lab. technicians
- helping staff

that desire to work in the framework of a Nursing-Centre or in a Sanitary Program for the control of leprosy.

## REQUIREMENTS

### Art. 3

Can take advantage of education grants the people:

- aged not above 18
- belonging to any nationality.

The whole amount of the education grants allotted to foreign people will be of a maximum equal to 50% of the available fund.

### Art. 4

The National Association will take into consideration only the proposals of those applicants who show that:

- a) they give their collaboration according to the own qualification in a Sanitary Program for the control of leprosy, for a period of 2 years at least;
- b) this Program is operative in one of the zones of a certain interest for the National Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi";
- c) they will begin to work in this Program within 12 months from the end of the course of specialization;
- d) the Program is run by:
  - a Government Body
  - an Association or an Organism of International solidarity
  - Religious Institute
  - Organism of voluntary service;
- e) the Program has the approbation of the local Authorities.

Everything said above must be confirmed by the Institute, Organism, Association or Body from whom the Plan depends.

### Art. 5

The requests, in order to obtain the education grants, must be presented by the applicant and confirmed by the Institute, Organism, Body or Association to which the applicant belongs.

## **Art. 6**

It will even take into consideration requests of autonomous volunteers if there is a chance to put it in a Sanitary Program or in a Nurse-Centre run by the National Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi", or by a Sister-Association of the ILEP.

## **Art. 7**

In the request must be specified the Sanitary Program, Centre or zone in which the applicant will work.

## **Art. 8**

To the request must be enclosed:

- a) the original or the certified copy of qualification paper issued by the school in which it was achieved;
- b) diploma or certificate of eventual courses of specialization to which the applicant took part;
- c) statement proving the eventual participation of the applicant to previous Sanitary Programs;
- d) a certificate issued by the Institute, Body, Association or Organism from which depends the Centre or the Plan in which the applicant will cooperate, proving that the applicant after having enjoyed an education grant, will participate in this Centre or Plan for a period of two years at least;
- e) questionnaire, prepared by the Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi" filled in any part;
- f) curriculum-vitae.

## **CENTRES FOR COURSES OF SPECIALIZATION**

## **Art. 9**

Education grants can be issued for the different types of specialization obtainable in the different Centres recognized by the Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi" and the ILEP.

### **Art. 10**

The Centre of the course should be taken into consideration between the applicant and the Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi".

## **AMOUNT OF THE EDUCATION GRANTS**

### **Art. 11**

The education grants may include:

- a) inscription to the course;
- b) a return ticket to and from the Centre in which the course is carried;
- c) the stay;
- d) books and every things concerning the course;
- e) a daily contribution for personal expenses.

### **Art. 12**

The amount of every education grants will be fixed every time by the Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi", according to the estimate of the expenses.

The valuation will be made according to:

- kind of specialization;
- Centre of the course;
- duration of the course;
- needs proved by the applicant.

### **Art. 13**

The applicant receiving the education grant:

- a) must send to the Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi", at least once in a year, an informative documentation about the activity he is doing in the framework of the Sanitary Program or the Centre in which he works;

b) he will receive a full documentation on:

- the work and the personality of Mr. Raoul FOLLE-  
REAU;
- the National Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi";
- the Raoul Follereau Foundations;
- the ILEP;
- possible adjournments.

#### **Art. 14**

The applicant names of the winners of the education grants will be made known to the International Association of Raoul Follereau Foundations.

**By request, in order to present application for education grants, the questionnaire mentioned by art. 8, paragraphe "e", will be sent.**

# The National Association Amici dei Lebbrosi

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- The National Association Amici dei Lebbrosi keeps as its aim the redemption of the leprosy patient from the disease that afflicts him, from the prejudices that surround him and also from the social segregation in which he has lived up to now.  
For this aim, in the common policy of ILEP, the National Association Amici dei Lebbrosi finances sanitary programs for the leprosy control and projects of scientific research, and gives contributions to persons who want to specialize on leprosy.
- The National Association Amici dei Lebbrosi profits by the advices of a special Medical Commission for the elaboration and the estimate of its leprosy programs.
- The National Association Amici dei Lebbrosi works according to the financial programs co-ordinated among all the ILEP Associations.

# ILEP

**International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations  
Amiens - 4 Rue St. Geoffroy (France).**

**Its aims:**

- to co-ordinate and to program all over the world the aids to the centers of treatment for leprosy patients;
- to encourage a deep interest about leprosy-problem all over the world;
- to incite and to finance the scientific research on leprosy;
- to support the treatment of the leprosy patients in the framework of the general health services of the local governments.

The ILEP brings together 24 National Associations all over the world, one of them is the National Association "Amici dei Lebbrosi" Bologna, which in 1966 was a Founder-Member. In 1976 the ILEP gave to leprosy programs 25.500.000 US \$.

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