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TRANSAID BENEFITS FROM DHL SUPPLY CHAIN'S PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

DHL Supply Chain has put into motion a programme of activities to support Transaid for the next six months, starting with the two week secondment of Senior Driver Trainer Chris Brook who has recently returned from the charity's Professional Driver Training Programme in Malawi.

Corporate member DHL Supply Chain has worked closely with Transaid as part of its Driver Training Consortium since 2010, to directly bolster the project with funding, resources and expertise. The company is also planning to send an additional professional volunteer to Tanzania to conduct a forklift truck 'training of trainers' course in October.

Gary Forster, CEO of Transaid, says: "DHL Supply Chain's proactive commitment over the years has been incredible. Chris' contribution, together with the company's dedication to supporting our road safety projects, is helping us deliver UK-standard training to even more people. It's helping us to raise the bar of professional driving in Africa."

As part of the initiative, DHL Supply Chain hosted a joint seminar with Transaid at logistics and supply chain event IMHX in September, on the topic of 'combining employee volunteering and driver training experience to improve safety'.

The company will also be holding its second 'Big Dinner' event in November, where members of its in-house law team will cook and serve a menu created by a well-known Michelin starred chef. Previously the event raised £10,000, split between two beneficiary charities, one of which was Transaid.

"We continue to be astounded with the creativity and passion corporate members like DHL Supply Chain devote to fundraising activities and finding unique ways of supporting Transaid," adds Forster.

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Graham Inglis, Chief Development Officer at DHL Supply Chain, commented: “DHL’s contribution to the driver training programme is extremely important to us as a business as well as to our employees, who get so much back from sharing their skills to help others live and work safely.

“The work we do with Transaid, which is a brilliant organisation, is part of a wider commitment to utilising the skills within our business for the benefit of others. As part of our Living Responsibility commitment, we have streams of voluntary activity including Go Help, in which we work with the UN on international logistics challenges and Go Teach which sees our employees volunteer to provide education for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds.”

DHL Supply Chain, part of the Deutsche Post DHL Group, provides Transaid with an annual financial contribution, giving access to vital unrestricted funds towards the testing and implementation of new projects.

For more information and to find out how you can support Transaid visit www.transaid.org.

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Note to Editor:

Transaid (www.transaid.org) is an international development organisation that aims to improve people’s quality of life in the developing world by making transport more available and affordable. It was founded by Save the Children and the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (UK) and works by sharing skills and knowledge with local people to enable them to put in place and manage efficient transport systems.

Transaid’s core work includes creating transport management systems for the public sector and assisting with the provision of professional driving qualification development and the training of driver trainers. It also assists with teaching preventive vehicle maintenance management and introducing local, low cost transport solutions including its innovative bicycle ambulance. Transaid also helps promote road safety awareness and shares its specialist knowledge with the humanitarian aid sector.

Transaid enjoys strong backing from the transport and logistics industry and the active involvement of its patron, HRH The Princess Royal.



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