Motto:

„If a human heart is too far from nature, it becomes hard. If a person does not have enough respect for things that grow, things that are living, then he will soon not have enough respect for people either. “

(Luther Standing Bear, Lakota tribe)
What have we been doing in Arnika through the previous long year of 2009? There was a lot to do and in the next chapters you will find out more about our most important activities.

Most of us devoted ourselves to the priority campaign “Save the Trees” which is managed by the Centre for Public Support. The trees vanishing from the cities, villages and the landscape affect a lot of people; the campaign has an outstanding response among the public. Strong public support was helpful for our effort, even when we struggled for a law amendment or tried to change the mind of the representatives, public officers or communication administrators. Same applies to other Centre’s campaign which strove against pointless changes in the ground plan of the capital. More and more people also became aware of the fact that Arnika represents a medicine for “environmental diseases” in places which they like. The ways of treatment differ. Small pains go off during one session, chronic diseases require long-term cure by active citizens together with advisors from Arnika. We know that our work could not be so effective without public support and active cooperation.

Experts from Nature Protection Programme grappled with water logging meadows and floodplain forests, marshes as well as mires and all information related to the question why these places are so vital for life and for operation of modern society. The proverb “Better to see once than hear a hundred times” applies likewise here. We focused on local politicians and officers, watercourse managers and fishermen, students and public as whole. Tens of them now already know that money invested in reversion of natural riverbed to brooks and rivers or restoration of wetland is not money vainly drown in a marsh. Further we advocated for areas of European “Natura 2000” network. We aspired to better management of some of these areas and legal protection for those which are endangered by particular development project.

Colleagues from “Toxic Materials and Waste Programme” strove for limitation of persistent organic pollutant use or entire abolishment of usage of these non-biodegradable toxins. They notably contributed to adoption of international convention on the limitation of mercury use and emissions. When installations in Pakistan can operate without mercury, hopefully, our chemical plants may do so as well. We have enriched traditional charts of the biggest polluters by appreciation of enterprise investments with extensive decrease in emissions of harmful substances into air, water and soil. A similar statement stands behind the project aimed at the way we can protect environment better in our everyday life. Atmosphere in Ostrava repletes with toxicants enough to harm children’s as well as adults’ health. Even the sperms of policemen do not survive. Therefore the campaign for better air in Ostrava region became our new concern.

The days, when activities of Arnika have not been discussed on the radio, TV or have not been reported in the newspapers, can we count on one hand.

“I understand that you have to draw attention to yourselves so it seems, that you are doing something,” officer of regional authority told me gloomily after Jan Žižka from Trocnov had just left his office. No, we really do not have to do so, mournful Mister.

Anyway…you can judge it for yourselves.

Jana Vitnerová,
Chairwoman of Arnika in the second half of 2009
Toxic Materials and Waste Programme

The long-term objective of this programme is to limit the amount of dangerous materials that escape into the environment, to decrease the amount of waste produced and better waste management. We advocate for legislation which will protect our environment and health in a better way. We promote citizens’ right to access information about toxic substances in the environment. We seek to solve these problems in the Czech Republic as well as in European and international context. Arnika is a prominent and active member of international networks of non-governmental organizations with similar aims and we host secretariats of two Working Groups of International POPs Elimination Network (IPEN).
Toxic Materials and Waste Programme in 2009

Within the project “Chemical Safety of Europeans” we released the results of analysis of PVC packaging which confirmed the presence of bisphenol A, a substance known as an endocrine disruptor. We published translation of “Friends of the Earth’s” study of this issue, called “Blissfully Unaware of Bisphenol A” with annex concerned about the situation in the Czech Republic.

We organized a number of seminars on topic related to chemical substances in households.

We have announced a photo competition on various themes such as “Toys Safe and Unsafe”, “Eco-household” or “My Industrial Neighbour”.

In “Toxic Free Future” campaign we have pronounced a list of the biggest polluters in particular regions in 2008 elaborated according to statistic results from the Integrated Pollution Register. Every year our lists contribute to reduction of toxic substances leakage and motivate pollution producers to rectification.

We released a negative opinion on regional authority’s decision on approval of the request by Termizo, corp. the company operating waste incinerator in Liberec, for annulment of obligation to purify flue ash from dioxin filters coming from dioxins. Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic has partially agreed with our appeal and annulled regional authority’s decision. Termizo, corp. has lodged an appeal to a decision before court. The result of the court proceeding is still unknown.

We drew attention to the intention of Spolchemie in Ústí nad Labem to postpone a replacement of mercury electrolysis from 2012 to 2015 and we participated in IPPC-decision revision process which was stopped the by regional authority in Ústecký Region at the beginning of 2010 with the result that even the authority has allowed to postpone a final date of mercury elimination, resulting from chlorine production, a year later but in any case for three years as chemical factory had requested. This can be considered as a small satisfaction for us.

We have objected to the environmental impact assessment of incinerator modernization project in Pardubice. We requested from the Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic to give a negative statement regarding this project at the end of EIA process which became true at the outset of 2010. Hence we facilitated environmental protection in Pardubice.

In an open letter addressed to Jaroslav Palas, a president of the Moravian-Silesian Region, we have called for not amending the regional authority’s decision about ecological measures intended to set stricter limits for the biggest polluters. In response to our open letter, deputy regional president confirmed that they cannot and are not going to mitigate the conditions as they are already set by the so-called IPPC decision for particular polluters. Within our “Better Environment for the Ostrava Region Campaign” we sought to solve enormous level of atmospheric pollution in Ostrava through other additional activities, such as a seminar organized in May 2009 where fruitful exchange of expert views was promoted.

We have launched the campaign called “Healthy Planet for Healthy Children” aimed at responsible consumption. This involved themes such as eco-friendly and non-hazardous health toys, bio-waste composting, decrease in the amount of waste, sustainable tourism and other topics. Before Christmas we presented basic tips how to choose toys not harmful for children and the environment.

We were involved in the preparation process of background papers for the study referring to the presence of mercury in fish released by Zero Mercury International Working Group. We let ourselves elaborate an analysis of presence of mercury in wild fish and retail fish samples. This particular activity was prepared as a part of a broader campaign launched by NGOs worldwide intended to persuade government representatives to vote for adoption of new global convention on regulation of environmental pollution caused by mercury at the UNEP (United Nation Environment Programme) Governing Council Conference held in Nairobi in February (2009).

We drew attention to the shortcomings of the proposal for amendment of Waste Management Act which might consequently lead to contamination of environment with toxic polychlorinated biphenyls and result in enormous expenses for environment decontamination in future. We lost this struggle with this MPs proposal for amendment in legislation accommodating for large companies like ČEZ. The amendment passed through the Chamber of Deputies as well as the Senate.

Programme Director: RNDr. Jindřich Petrlík (1st half of 2009)
Deputy Programme Director: Ing. Miroslava Jopková (2nd half of 2009)
Centre for Public Support

Our mission is to help people who want to be involved in decision-making process concerning environment where they live. We provide free consultations to individuals, non-governmental organizations, as well as municipalities. We focus particularly on greenery, ground plan and city environment, water and watercourse protection, toxic substances and waste. We push ahead with citizens’ right to access information and public participation in decision-making process. Our services go beyond classic legal advices, we provide expert assistance in solving problems, supporting new civic associations’ establishment and planning their activity, we present serious cases in the media.

In the photograph, first coating of an alley nearby Žižkovo Pole is taking place, sixty trees were coated with white colour. Paint coat increases road safety and at the same time can protect the trees against unnecessary cutting. Photo: Jan Losenický
In 2009 we provided 1252 free-consultations mainly concerning cutting of the trees and Prague ground plan. Likewise we dealt with questions related to health protection against toxic substances, nature protection, waste or public participation in administrative hearings. Fourteen advisers from Prague branch as well as from our branches in Jihlava, Ostrava, Děčín and České Budějovice supported individuals, civic associations and municipalities. Since November we provide consultation services concerning greenery protection also in Olomouc and Zlín Region. Most frequently we were solving single consultations, in a fifth of the cases we provided a long-term and systematic support – by protection of a tree alley in Čelakovice, conservation of a nature area “Na Plachtě”, remediation of a hazardous waste dump in Vyskytná, ecological corridor protection in Písnice (Prague) or a case related to the filling of a lake with rare species in Mikulovice.

We coordinated submission of objections of tens of citizens’ initiatives against Prague ground plan joined by more than 17 thousand citizens of Prague and drew up our own substantive and systematic objections.

We brought an action to administrative court and filed a complaint against the Ministry of the Interior where we sought to prevent municipal council from prohibiting the citizens to speak out at its meetings and amendments of rules of procedure contrary to law in future. We continued with the promotion of the petition for better greenery protection in the capital city of Prague: “Prague – a City for Life”. In connection with the considered ground plan, we arranged 3 main happenings. We organized 4 public discussions dealing with changes of Prague railway stations, future of Trojmezí and Roztyly, and enlargement of dump in Dáblice before the referendum. We were constantly criticising the planned construction of sky-scrappers in Pankrác. Through informal coalition we cooperate with other NGOs and undertake legal measures that lead to a standstill of preparation of the sky-scrappers construction. We became a member of a preparatory committee for holding a referendum on Olympic Games in Prague. In June 2009, after we had obtained over 5 thousand signatures for holding a referendum, the municipal council itself dismissed the project.

Together with other NGOs, experts and other partners succeeded in persuading MPs to pay proper attention to alley destruction and therefore to pass an amendment of Nature Protection Act aimed at a better alley protection. We delivered the petition “Save the Trees” and similar petition of an incentive “Our Trees” with more than 30 thousand signatures to MPs and regional presidents. Thanks to the local citizens’ initiative we managed protection of alleys against cutting for instance in Krupka, trees on Střelecký Island in Prague, in Čelakovice, or alley nearby Žižkovo pole in Vysočina Region. Alleys nearby Třešť, Hostomice or nearby Žižkovo pole in Vysočina Region received a protective coating, where we advocated for designation of listed protection. We brought an action against the decision of regional authority confirming a permit to cut the alley in Komenský Park in Ostrava. The exhibition called “Do Not Leave Your Tree Unattended – Otherwise It Disappears!” highlighted 12 stories about efforts to preserve greenery in Prague. Another exhibition – “Save the Trees” – together with the quiz “What Do You Know about Trees?” visited 17 cities of Czech Republic. During the festival Holidays in Telč, we arranged a bikeride through alleys. We published a study of greenery decrease in Prague called “The State and Development of Greenery in Prague”.

Together with students from the Wageningen University (the Netherlands) we cooperated on research of transformation of some Prague railway stations by the project “Brownfields in the Centre of Prague – Sustainable Development Criteria”. Our work, with approximately 30 students from 17 countries, resulted in the study with concrete recommendations for preparation of a new ground plan.

In 2009, we became a member of an Eco-Counselling Network (STEP), where we, as partner, participate in a pilot project “Counselling – Methods, Examples, Certification” aimed at the increase in quality and efficiency of counselling service provided by NGOs in Czech Republic.

Centre’s director: Martin Skalský
The Nature Protection Programme is aimed mainly at the conservation of waterways and wetlands, which are the richest ecosystems in the central Europe. It researches and promotes alternative ways of managing and exploiting waterways to collate nature conservation with flood prevention and commercial use of waterways and land around them. The conservation of endangered species in their original biotopes and the maintenance of natural balance in the landscape is other important activity of the Nature Protection Programme.
Also this year we observed matters concerning constructions planned for better canalization of downstream of the Elbe River. We drew attention to the obligations of construction projectors to observe laws related to nature protection. By participation in International Commission for the Protection of the Elbe River (MKOL) we pay attention to natural part of Elbe’s riverbed. We advocate for decrease in water pollution and improvement of conditions for life of the species in the whole Elbe river basin. We notified laic and expert public about the possibility to comment important documents concerned Elbe river basin – International Waterway Plan of the Elbe River and Flood Protection Action Plan in the Elbe River Basin.

Within the common project with German NGO “Green League” (Grüne Liga), we organized two-day field excursions to see successful revitalization of watercourses. In spring, we visited revitalization of smaller watercourses in the Czech Republic, in autumn, extensive reconstructions of waterway of Isara and Wümme in South Bavaria. In November, seminar on topic “Ecosystem services for nature-like floodplain” introduced economic benefits of healthy floodplain ecosystem for flood prevention, source protection and water purification or fishery. One evening, a discussion was focused on watercourse revitalization and their protection.

Arnika, Nature Protection Programme, is a founding member of “Coalition of NGOs for Natura 2000”. Through joint project we support introduction of effective management of selected Natura 2000 sites in the Czech Republic. Together we warned European Commission about the preference of economic interests before expert knowledge in case of designation of sites as sites of Community importance (Natura 2000 network) in the Czech Republic. We commented considered amendments of ground plan concerning European Natura 2000 site Milovice-Mladá. A proposed amendment postulated a shift in the territory of protected area and golf course construction. Local public opposed the project and amendment proposal was dismissed.

We gave notice of rareness and uniqueness of the nature site in former military training area which was acquired by Rančířov by Jihlava. Local council of this municipality considered utilisation of this locality for build-up area and afforestation. We alerted about the negative effects of human interference with unique biotopes. We negotiated and bargained a contract between the municipality, land users and experts on nature protection.

Programme Director:
Ing. Jana Vitnerová
Arnika in České Budějovice

In the autumn after a year’s pause, the branch renewed its activities. The main activities were concerned with the project “Healthy planet for healthy children – a guide through sustainable consumption and production for mothers and public” that was supported from SFŽP ČR (Czech State Environmental Fund) resources. The aim of this project is to introduce the topic of sustainable consumption and production to the public based on concrete examples from everyday life, to mothers with young children in particular. Within the project’s framework we set off an intensive collaboration with Maternal center “Máj” (May) in České Budějovice. Máj joined in the pilot project of sustainable service of maternal centers and began its work in audit based on which we can recommend measures leading to economical paperwork in the office, ecologically accountable cleaning, water and energy savings on the premises of the center. We agreed with Máj on realization of a series of five lectures for mothers and the center’s personnel. In September, we participated with an informational stall at the “Day without Cars” where we presented the main Arnika’s campaign and petition “Zachraňme stromy” (Let’s save the trees). In October, an exhibition of the same name reached the College of Education of the University of South Bohemia and instructed the students and visitors at the open day of this institution about the meaning of alleys in the landscape and the means how to prevent the felling of these trees. We began with regular publishing in the electronical periodical “Ďáblek” with an article that granted the readers a manual how an ecologically conscious consumer buys toilet-paper. The article was followed by instructions for parents how to buy quality toys for children. We took part in the preparation of texts for Arnika’s publication concerned with sustainable development, especially with the topics of textile and clothing, and food.

At the end of the year 2009 we executed a research in main hypermarkets and drug stores in České Budějovice which monitored the possibilities of the buyers to favour the toilet-paper from recycled material. We chose this pro-
duct on which no high demands for quality are given as an ideal example of sustainable consumption.

Head of the branch:
Bc. Jitka Straková

Arnika in Děčín

Our branch is spatially closest to the problems of planned constructions on the downstream of Labe: designers of these buildings were warned about their duty to comply with the environmental protection laws. We informed the laic and the expert public about the possibility to make prompts about the International plan of Labe’s watershed and the Action plan of the flood protection in Labe’s watershed. We initiated a new project called “Healthy planet for healthy children” by a research that stated whether there are enough possibilities to prefer the ecological variant while buying the toilet-paper. We observed the situation around the leak of toxical materials from Knauf Insulation factory in Krupka in Teplický region. We published our viewpoint on the confusing report about the company’s ecological philosophy. We coordinated petition actions “Let’s save the trees” in the area around Děčín. We provided counselling services to local inhabitants concerned with environment and participation of the public in decision-making. We presented the campaign “Let’s save the trees” at the Litoměřický kořen festival. During the festival, the visitors could stop by at the informational Arnika stall to subscribe to the petition “For better paragraphs to protect greenery”, to try an epistemic quiz and to view other Arnika’s materials. Within the framework of “The Week of the Earth...in the treetops” we organized a lecture “What the trees can do, or how is the life in the landscape with or without the trees”, that explained what the trees give and what meaning they have for humans in the times of strong pollution of the environment.

Head of the branch:
Kamil Repeš

Arnika in Děčín together with protected landscape area (CHKO) Labské pískovce prepared for the students of elementary schools a combined programme about trees “A tree, a human’s friend”. Head of the Arnika in Děčín Kamil Repeš explains to students how important the trees in cities in the times of strong pollution are.

Photo: Jan Šmucar
We arranged an agreement between the town Rančírov u Jihlavy, the users of the estates and experts for environmental protection, about ways to use the space of an unique natural location in the former tank training area so, that the conditions for further life of precious shellfish were sustained.

Head of the branch:
Ing. Jana Vitnerová

Arnika in Ostrava

As well as in the previous year we were concerning ourselves with the perils to city’s greenery at various spots in Ostrava and in the Moravskoslezský region. In the cooperation with local associations we are trying to vow for conservation of the parks and alleys in the urban conservation area in Ostrava-Poruba. We expressed a negative stance to the effort to cut down the alley in Kopeckého street in Ostrava’s quarter Poruba. We lodged two complaints for cancelling of two regional decisions with which the decisions about cutting down 153 trees in Ostrava-Poruba by the magistrate of Ostrava were acknowledged.

We made an appeal against the felling of a four-row alley in Komenský sady in Ostrava. Against the felling of a four-row lime alley, the inhabitants of the city have already radically protested, they signed a petition with more than 2.600 signatures for conservation of this alley. We gave a symbolic tree seedlings with the petition “Let’s save the trees” to the leader of Moravskoslezský region, more than 18 thousand people supported the requirements of the petition.

In December, the citizens of Ostrava could visit the “Let’s save the trees” exhibition that contained 12 panels about the meaning of greenery and how to protect it. Through an open letter we asked the leader of Moravskoslezský region not to allow the lowering of already strengthened emission limits for the biggest polluters. In the autumn, we published the charts of the biggest polluters – among the biggest polluters of Moravskoslezský region, according to the dates from the Integrated registry of pollution, remained, as in the last year, metallurgical and chemical industry.

We informed the citizens about the possibility to make themselves familiar on the webpages of the regional authority with the new actualization of the Program for lowering emissions in the Moravskoslezský region or with the project of Regional integrated center for using of communal waste that is supposed to be created in Karviná. We made prompts to this aim in the framework of the EIA process. In the campaign “Cleaner air for the Ostrava region”, we organized a lecture for the public on the topic “Air and our health”. We concentrated on the risks that arise from the pollution of Ostrava’s air and on possi-
ble solutions in the seminar “Ostrava’s air – healthy risks?” as well. The aim of the campaign is making the state of the air in this location better. During the April’s celebrations of “The Day of the Earth” in Ostrava, the children drew how they see the polluted air and how to make it better. There were various competitions prepared for them at the Arnika stall. On the last day of May, we gave information to the visitors of the shopping centre IKEA on how to choose children’s toys and furnishing of the children’s room so, that they minimize the risk of toxical substances. In September, the people could find out during the event “Save the energy too” how they can save energy, environment and their money as well, thanks to the saving lightbulbs.

In the autumn, we initiated a photo competition “Ostravská clona” in which the competitors were supposed to capture the polluted air in the Ostrava region.

The result was almost sixty competition pictures from which the best three were chosen and the authors of these were honoured with prizes. At the end of the year, we published a flyer “Cleaner air for Ostrava region” that offers information to the citizens about the problems of polluted air and gives advice how they can help to make the situation better. We distributed the flyers for free through municipal councils and at various events as well.

Head of the branch:
Mgr. Vendula Krčmářová

**Arnika in Praha**

In the framework of “Chemical safety of the European citizens” project we prepared a photo competition on the topic “Safe and unsafe toys”. It’s aim was to raise the interest of the people about what toys are safe for children and what can harm them.

At the end of May, we launched a new internet website of Arnika with the goal to offer well-accessible and necessary information about our activities and problems that we concern ourselves with. With the exhibition “Don’t leave your tree unattended – or it disappears!” with the subtitle “Stories of trees, parks and the people that protect them” we presented 12 stories about human effort to keep the greenery in Prague during the last decade.

A part of the exhibition is a quiz concentrated on recognizing the trees and their functions that had its first winners already at the end of the year.

We organized a summer travelling of the exhibition “Let’s save the trees” through cultural events, we visited the festival of Unijazz “Babí léto” in Bohnice, festival “Trnkobraní” in Vizovice, the music festival Open Air Trutnov, “Prázdniny v Telči” (Holidays in Telč), festival Mighty Sounds, Boskovice, Rock for People and “Litoměřický kořen”. During the year we organized large events for the support of trees and alleys under the petition “Let’s save the trees” we gathered more than 26.000 signatures and we handed them over to the members of the parliament and senators.

We organized a series of petition stalls in the campaign “Prague – a city for life” where we asked for conservation of the space for the greenery and the green estates in the new ground plan, the people could join with their signature to the prompts to the concept of the new Prague ground estate plan.

We celebrated “The Day of the Trees” and “The Day of the Earth” in Toulcův dvůr and presented the campaign “Prague – a city for life” through an informational stall. The visitors of Toulcův dvůr could have signed the petition, fill in the quiz about trees or find interesting information from the field of tree protection. Other informational stalls were place for instance in the shopping centre IKEA, during the street festival “Experience the city differently” organized in the framework of the European week of mobility, at the NGO Market organized by the Foundations Forum 2000 in La Fabrika or at the Ekofestival. We organized 8 discussions and lectures for the public that concerned themselves e.g. with the meaning and protection of the trees, safe home without toxical substances, connections between sustainable consumption and advertisement and other.

Head of the branch:
Eva Brožová

**Team “Bořena”**

The Team “Bořena” is a territorial group of Arnika that takes care of a few locations in the western part of České Středohoří. It concerns areas that generally don’t enjoy the special status of environmental protection, but have precious plants growing on them.

We have been conserving these locations regularly for several years and we’ve been trying to preserve natural conditions of occurrence of these plants.

This year, we celebrated thirty years of existence of the Team “Bořena” whose aim is to preserve the richness of kinds of the landscape that was stigmatised by many years of coal mining and other insensitive human interference as is the immoderate development, estate desiccation or stone mining. The territorial group, now part of the Environmental Protection Programme, have since the year 1983 moved endangered plant species from Radověsické valley at the river Bílina, today’s Dolní Bílina to new habitats where eight of the nine replaced endangered species flourish. This way we managed to conserve for example the western border of occurrence of the precious yellow flix. The team now devotes itself mainly
Almost thirty volunteers have participated in the weekend camp of Team Bořena that by grasscutting on the meadows and clearance of the self-seeding woody species helped to keep the conditions for the life of precious plants. *Photo: Katka Hryzáková*

to three locations – to the so-called white hillsides at Kaňkov and under the Lipský mountain and to the damp meadows under the peak Holíbka by Razice.

In June, we organized a discussion about the history of the Bořena group and vegetation of white hillsides, we shared practical experience with natural protection on the spot and informed about the reasons of disappearance of the species diversity in České středohoří. We organized an annual weekend camp and together with German volunteers, we executed autumn maintenance of locations with occurrence of protected and endangered plant species at the so-called white hillsides. We presented the autumn-coloured landscape of České středohoří and its typical vegetation to the volunteers on the trip around the surroundings.

Head of the team:  
Ing. Jana Vítnerová
Catalogue of Products for Eco-friendly Paperwork

This catalogue, aimed at saving time when you search for eco-friendly products for your office, is designed for schools, offices and small-scale companies as well as for the whole public. In the catalogue, you will find a list of products from waste paper – bond paper, notebooks, writing pads, envelopes etc. The products in the catalogue are sorted by particular types. The catalogue contains an overview of concrete trademarks. Together with products you will find information on contacts to the manufacturers and if an eco-label “Environmental Friendly Product” has been granted to this product. You can find the catalogue on this website: http://www.odpady.arnika.org/katalog-vyrobbu. The catalogue is available for a free download in the PDF format.

The Stories about Prague Trees and Parks and People Who Protect Them

Do not leave your tree unattended...otherwise it disappears! The publication summarizes 12 stories which took place in Prague in the recent decade. They narrate how people from various parts of Prague tried to protect trees, parks and other green areas especially against commercial construction. Sometimes they succeeded, sometimes they did not, and some stories are still waiting for their conclusion...This publication goes along with the photo exhibition bearing the same title. The author of the photographs is Alexandr Hudeček and Zora Kasiková is the author of text.

The State and Development of Greenery in Prague

Does the greenery in Prague diminish or does it grow? It is not easy to find an answer in public available information resources. This brochure sums up data published in the environmental yearbooks and other documents of the City Hall, and evaluates questionnaire research done between 22 municipal parts. It deals with matters concerning giving information to the public and citizens’ participation in the decision-making process, and formulates recommendations for further greenery management and its follow-up.

Important Trees in Central Bohemia and Prague

A colourful map of 1: 200 000 scale contains a selection of listed trees and other important trees which have not yet been designated as listed. It was impossible to chart all the important and listed trees in Prague and Central Bohemia Region because of the lack of space. The map comprises of 666 items selected by species, location and importance to include as various scale of listed and important trees as possible. You can preview this map also in an interactive form available on the internet.
## Arnika – overall budget

### Income 2009
- Donations from members and individuals: 617,546 (6.7%)
- Donations from corporations: 67,872 (0.7%)
- State subsidies: 1,491,851 (16.3%)
- EU subsidies: 2,198,955 (24.0%)
- Grants from Czech funds: 391,688 (4.3%)
- Grants from foreign funds: 2,619,165 (28.6%)
- Bank charges: 12,236 (0.1%)
- Own activities: 672,915 (7.3%)
- Income 2010: 1,083,111 (11.8%)

**TOTAL INCOME:** 9,155,439 (100.0%)

### Expenditure 2009
- Personal costs: 4,159,293 (44.2%)
- Consultations and expert services: 1,260,641 (13.4%)
- Communications costs: 427,005 (4.5%)
- Publications costs: 308,674 (3.3%)
- Materials used: 457,704 (4.9%)
- Transport costs: 304,476 (3.2%)
- Rent: 631,188 (6.7%)
- Per diem and representation: 48,311 (0.5%)
- Promotion: 201,874 (2.1%)
- Other costs: 1,614,448 (17.2%)

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE:** 9,413,614 (100.0%)

**Economic balance:** -258,175

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**BUDGET ON THE DATE 31-12-2009**

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Arnika’s Mayor Donors

Donations from members and individuals 6.7%

- EEA Grants, via NROS: 2 198 955
- IPEN (International POPs Elimination Network): 1 020 643
- Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic: 900 000
- BMU (German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety): 719 320
- Global Greengrants Foundations: 570 000
- Prague City Hall: 320 000
- State Environmental Fund of the Czech Republic: 234 651
- Environmental Partnership – Czech Environmental Partnership Foundation: 193 000
- EEB (European Environmental Bureau): 152 148

The Structure of Profits

- Income 2010 11.8%
  - Own activities 7.3%
  - Grants from foreign funds 28.6%
  - Grants from Czech funds 4.3%
  - EU subsidies 24%
  - State subsidies 16.3%
  - Bank charges 0.1%
  - Donations from members and individuals 6.7%
  - Donations from corporations 0.7%

- Total Income: 1 083 111
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  - Bank charges: 12 236
  - Donations from members and individuals: 617 546
  - Donations from corporations: 67 872
  - State subsidies: 1 491 851
  - EU subsidies: 2 198 955
  - Grants from Czech funds: 391 688
In accordance with its Statute, Arnika establishes own organizational units with regional or thematic scope of powers. All units are governed by the same Statute, registered at the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic under number: VS/1-1/48279/01-R, date 16.10.2001 as amended according to last amendments approved on 6th November, 2007.

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Autumn trip of Arnika in surroundings of Javorový Peak nearby Třinec. On regular session, which takes place twice a year, we coach together; evaluate our activity in the passed period and plan new activities and campaigns. In the picture standing, sitting or kneeling: Jana Vitnerová, Mirka Jopková, Jitka Straková, Dobruška (the dog), Zora Kasiková, Vendula Krčmářová, Vít Vebr, Lukáš Matějka, Linda Klvaňová, Lenka Lukáčková, Jan Šamánek, Kateřina Režná, Kamil Repčeš, Jakub Esterka, Anežka Hradilková and Milan Havel. Thanks for the help and support in 2009, Yours Arnika.

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