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**The FESPA Foundation thanks supporting Partners and calls for donations from the print community as it prepares to start additional new projects at educational facilities**

The FESPA Foundation is extending its gratitude to its growing network of Partners, who have kindly stepped forward to support its important initiative. It is also calling on visitors FESPA 2025, taking place at the Messe Berlin, Germany, from 6 – 9 May, to support and donate, as it looks ahead to future projects.

The FESPA Foundation would like to formally highlight and thank its confirmed partners for their ongoing assistance, support and donations: AD Communications, Aristo, Brett Martin, Brother, Canon, DSV Logistics, Durst Group, Fujifilm, George & Otto Friedrich, HP, Kingsley Holgate Foundation, Kongsberg Precision Cutting Systems, Kornit Digital, MH&P Technology, Mimaki, Print Equipment, Roland DG, STAHLS’ Europe, Practical Publishing International, Midcomp, Chemosol, and Titan-Jet.

These Partners have enabled the FESPA Foundation to continue its mission of demonstrating Print For Good by producing educational, printed resources, which are then distributed to facilities in underserved communities around the world – helping to change the lives of students in need.

The FESPA Foundation recently highlighted the success of its first project: the transformation of Evane Intermediate School, a rural school serving 90 children in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. The project was overseen by FESPA Foundation associate Steve Thobela ka Mdlalose in South Africa, and involved renovations of the classrooms and toilet blocks, as well the distribution of donated resources to the school – all to enhance the students’ learning experience. [[Watch the video here](https://youtu.be/0x2FIeIgutM?si=ayrxRU7BULGDH1sT)].

**What’s next?**

The FESPA Foundation's next initiative is to collect printed materials and in-kind (including monetary) donations at FESPA 2025 (6 – 9 May, Messe Berlin, Germany), which will then be distributed to projects at four educational facilities in southern Africa (Malekapane School; Pitseng Ya Thuto School; Madisei Primary School; and Batau Primary School).

As part of this next step, the FESPA Foundation’s exhibitor Partners are producing printed applications at FESPA 2025 – including educational posters, maps, student clothing, and more. In addition, the FESPA Foundation is calling on visitors to the show to donate money and items, such as reading glasses, notebooks, pens and school supplies. The printed materials and donations collected in Berlin will then be transported to South Africa, free-of-charge, by FESPA’s global logistics partner DSV. At the selected educational facilities, in addition to distributing the donated items, the FESPA Foundation will also carry out necessary renovations and repairs – just as it did at Evane Intermediate School.

Looking forward, the FESPA Foundation also intends to replicate this activity in other regions. For example, diverting printed materials from FESPA events in Mexico and Brazil to communities in need, in their respective regions, and funding outreach initiatives in Asia.

**Visit the FESPA Foundation stand at FESPA 2025**

Located in the South Entrance of the Messe Berlin, the FESPA Foundation stand aims to promote the newly launched organisation, and raise essential funds through monetary donations for the next projects in South Africa. At the stand you can watch the uplifting video on the Evane Intermediate School transformation and learn more about schools the FESPA Foundation seeks to support.

Neil Felton, CEO of FESPA and founder of the FESPA Foundation, comments: “We are incredibly grateful to our Partners for their commitment to our mission. Their support not only fuels life-changing, education-focused projects around the world, it also reflects the generosity and spirit of collaboration that defines our global print community.”

He continues: “As we kickstart FESPA Global Print Expo 2025 in Berlin, we invite others to support us by donating and also by using the hashtag #BringItToBerlin. Together, we can continue to demonstrate Print For Good.”

*To donate or partner with the Foundation, visit:* [www.fespafoundation.com](http://www.fespafoundation.com)

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