

The concept of Tartu Environmental Education Centre

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Tartu Nature House

Tartu Nature House 1953



Tartu Nature House 2013



Mission

Our mission is to promote sustainable mindset and lifestyle through nature education.



Target groups

Children



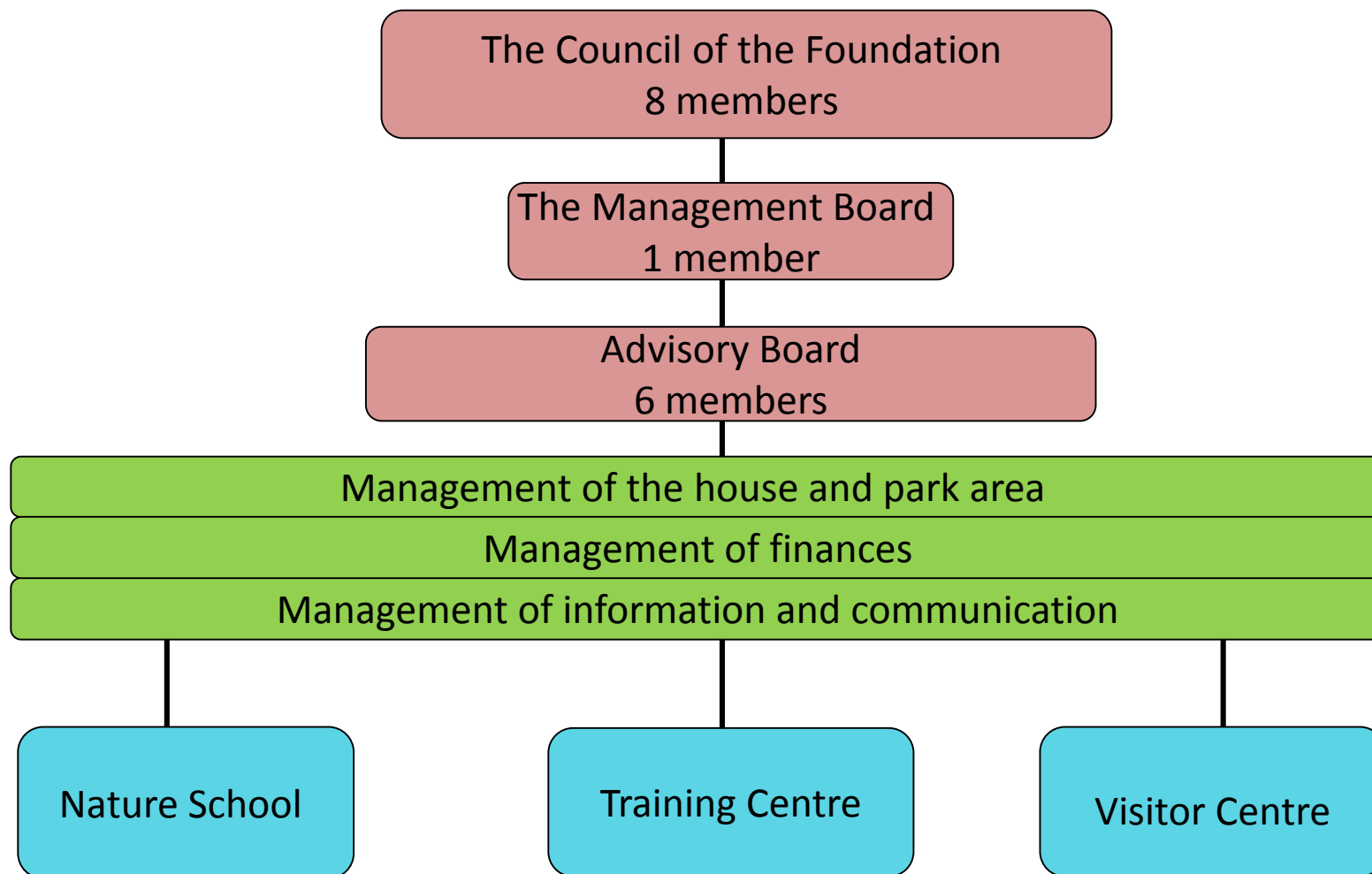
Parents and families



Teachers

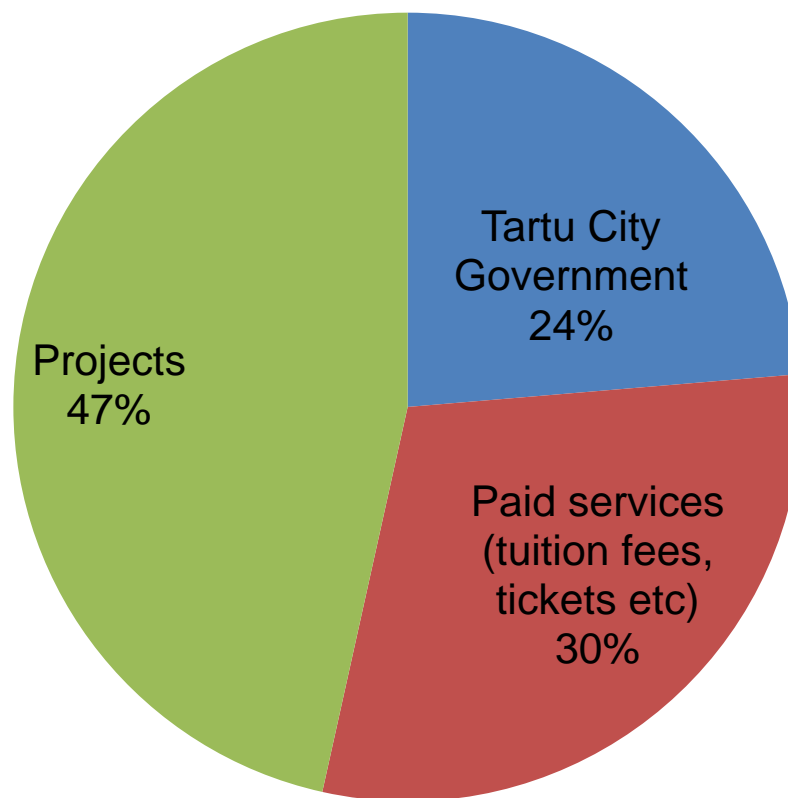


Structure

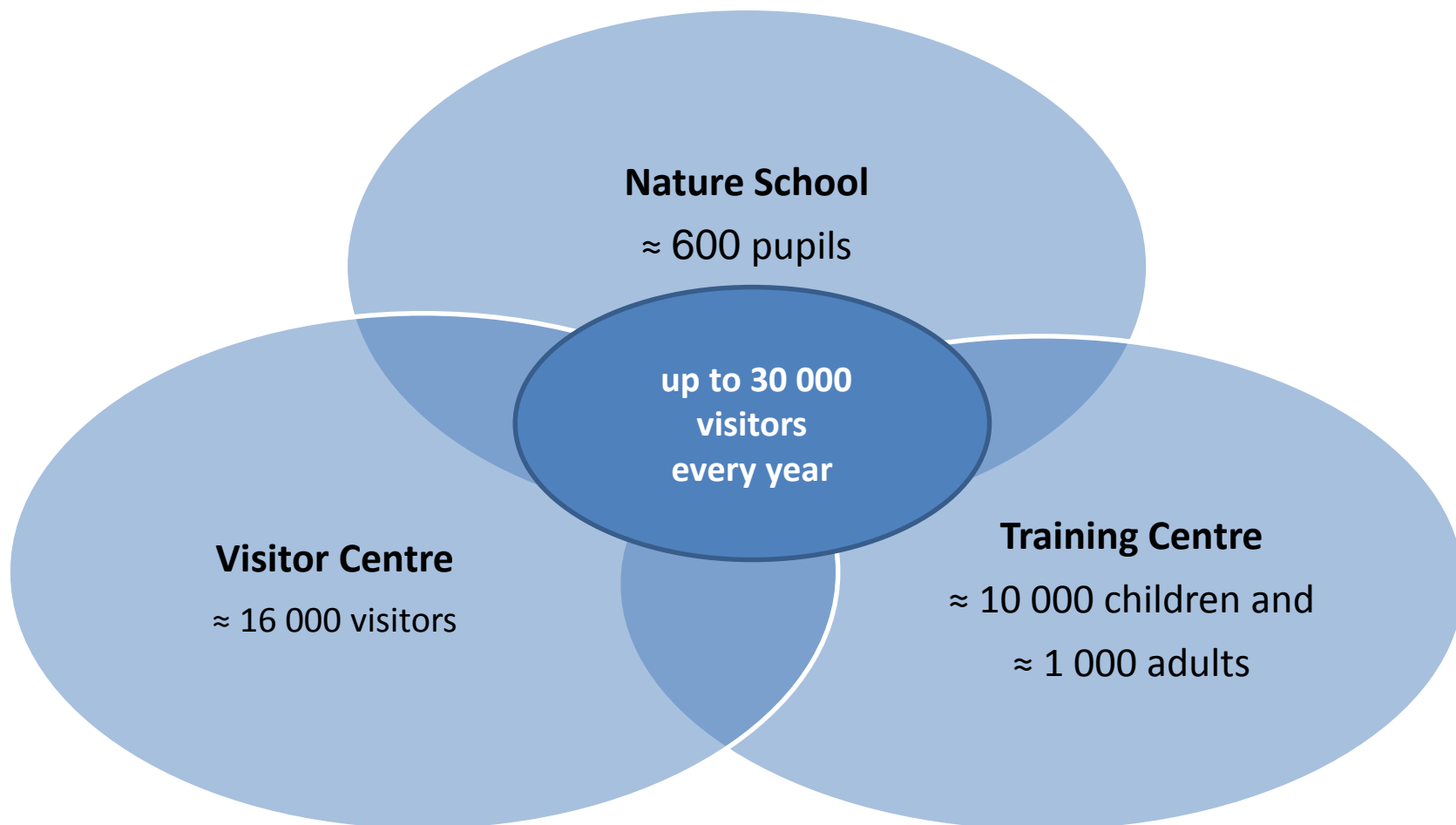


Finances

**The budget of 2018
800 000 EUR**



Tartu Nature House in numbers



Activities

For Kindergartens

- Nature and environmental education programmes in the Nature House
- Outdoor programmes in the nature trail or in the yard by the kindergarten
- Lending the games and educational tools

For Schools

- Active learning programmes on environmental topics
- Nature education programmes at school or in schoolyard
- Outdoor programmes on nature trail, by the river, in the forest
- Lending the games and educational tools



For Families

- Community and family days with hands on activities about sustainability and nature observation
- Nature film nights and Green Tea Evenings
- Exhibitions
- Birthday parties on sustainable way

For Children

- Hobby groups for pre-school children
- Hobby groups for schoolchildren
- Nature camps for hobby groups
- Fieldwork training and instruction for research
- Fishing, hiking and survival in the nature
- Science Theatre Events and Conferences

Nature education programme for kindergartens



Outdoor programmes for schoolclasses



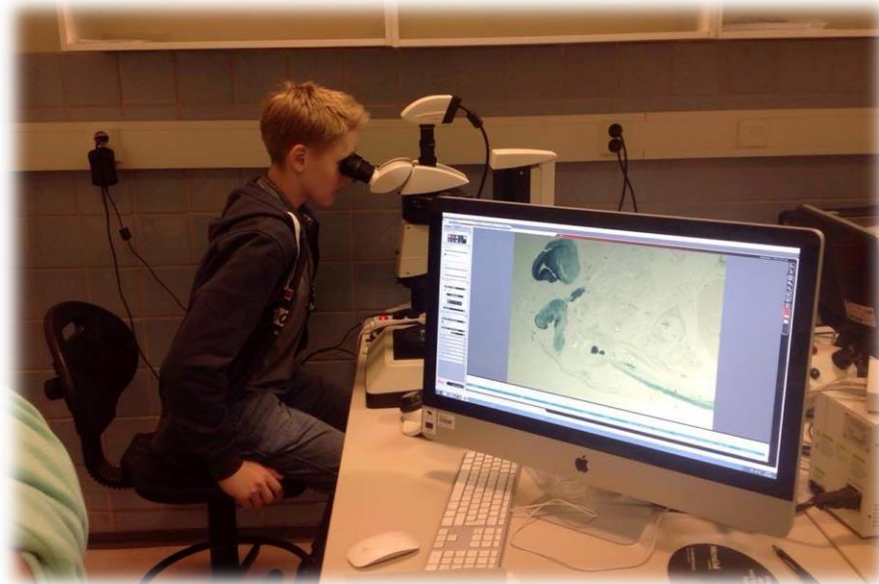
Special events for families



Community event: Celebrating Father's Day

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=etvLACeY2YA>

Hobby groups for children



Samples of regular group activities at Tartu Nature School

Grade / age	Name of the Group
Preschool / 4-6 years	Nature and creativity
Grade 1-3 / 7-10 years	Young Nature Explorers
	Animal friends
	Nature in Art
Grade 4-6 / 11-13 years	Zoology
	Geology
	Ornithology
	Water world
	Biodiversity and photography
Grade 7-12 / 14-19 years	Food and Science
	Environmental monitoring and digital solutions

Nature and creativity

Preschool / 4-6 years



Animal's Friends

Grade 1-3 / 7-10 years



Ornithology

Grade 4-6 / 11-13 years



Environmental monitoring

Grade 7-12 / 14-19 years



Things are moving in nature, lets keep an eye on them



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