



Annual Report 2018 Summary



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TOGETHER FOR A JUST WORLD

AWO International was founded in 1998 as a professional association for development cooperation and humanitarian action within the framework of the German welfare organization "Arbeiterwohlfahrt" (AWO). AWO International draws on the expertise and experience of Arbeiterwohlfahrt (AWO) in Germany. In the past 100 years, AWO has been an integral part of the German welfare state. Solidarity, tolerance, freedom, justice and equality – our basic values apply across borders.

In close cooperation with national non-governmental organizations, AWO International is working to ensure that disadvantaged people can sustainably improve their living conditions. In the event of disasters and crisis situations, AWO International is engaged in humanitarian relief and reconstruction. In Germany, AWO International looks at the challenges and opportunities of globalization and provides impulses for value-oriented, sustainable action. AWO International campaigns for fair trade and offers fair traded and ecologically produced products.

Fighting poverty and strengthening civil society

As part of its development cooperation, AWO International promotes projects in Central America, South Asia and Southeast Asia and collaborates with local non-governmental organizations working closely with the affected population. These projects aim to improve the social participation of disadvantaged social groups such as children and adolescents, women, migrants, indigenous people and elderly or sick people. We support people to develop their own life perspectives, to gain access to necessary resources and services. The aim is to strengthen the social structures in which people act at different levels so that they actively participate in political and social processes. In our work, we consistently proceed from a human rights approach.

Humanitarian action

AWO International is involved in humanitarian relief and reconstruction. In cooperation with local partner organizations we provide fast and effective help for the affected population. These include measures such as the distribution of food, shelter and water and hygiene promotion. We promote reconstruction projects and are involved in disaster risk reduction. Our aim is to contribute to the

restoration of everyday civilian life in disaster and crisis areas. AWO International is a member of Aktion Deutschland Hilft e. V., the alliance of German relief organizations, which join forces in the event of a catastrophe in order to provide assistance quickly and effectively.

Global Education & Agenda 2030

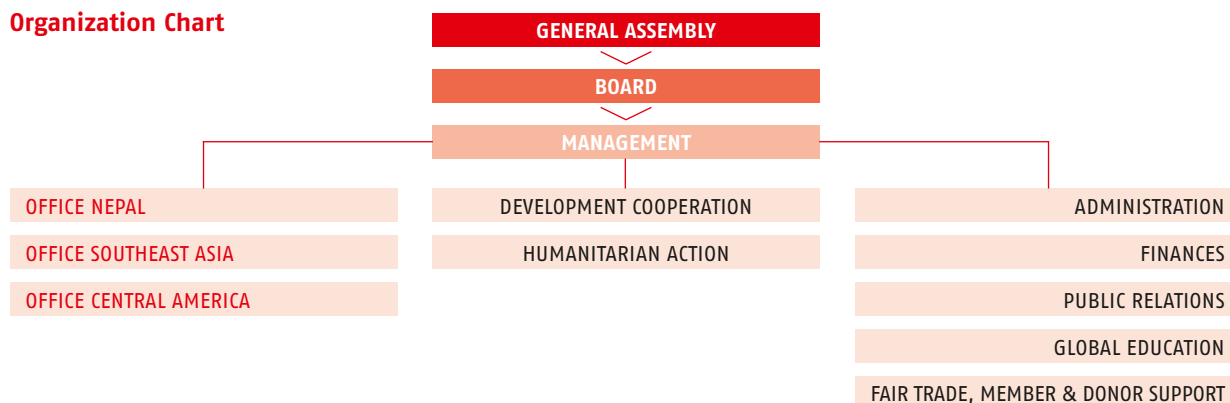
Also in Germany we are committed to raise the issues of solidarity and justice in the consciousness of the people. Our global education program focuses on the challenges and opportunities of globalization and provides impulses for value-oriented action. We draw attention to the Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations and opportunities for participation and engage ourselves with our own products for fair trade. Global education raises awareness about global dependencies, relationships and encourages thinking about globally responsible and sustainable ways of living and acting. Our workshop, material and further education offers are aimed especially at organizations of volunteer services and at extracurricular youth work.

In 2015, the "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" was adopted by the 193 member states of the United Nations (UN), including Germany. With the help of the Agenda, the world community wants to tackle global challenges such as poverty, hunger and climate change. Together with several partner organizations, we will draw attention to the 2030 Agenda in the coming years.

Fair Trade

AWO International campaigns for fair trade and sells its own fair trade and ecologically produced products. Consumers who buy fair trade products which are produced ecologically, act in solidarity and contribute to change. With this initiative, the association sends out a clear signal for justice and poverty reduction as well as for a sustainable and environmentally friendly economy in the countries of the global South. Because the purchase of fair products has a direct impact on the smallholders in the producing countries: fair trade helps them to achieve decent working and living conditions by paying fair prices, practising equal and long-term trade relations and promoting an environmentally friendly cultivation.

Organization Chart



AWO in Germany

Arbeiterwohlfahrt (AWO) is a decentralised German welfare association and one of the top six associations of the public welfare in Germany. AWO was founded in 1919 by Marie Juchacz. Due to its history and its socio-political understanding, it is a charitable organization with a special character: Women and men have come together as members and as volunteers and employees to participate in our society in dealing with social problems and to realize the democratic, social state of law. Guiding principles and a mission statement are the basis for action in the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.

The AWO in Germany is divided into:

- 30 state associations
- 411 district associations
- 3,514 local associations

The AWO in Germany is carried by:

- 333,121 members
- 65,629 volunteers
- 211,727 employees

The AWO maintains in all federal states in Germany over 13,000 facilities and services, including:

- Homes (e.g. nursing, older people, people with disabilities, women shelters, migrants, children and adolescents etc.)
- Day care centres (e.g. for children, adolescents and for elderly people)
- Information and advice centres (e.g. for migrants and foreigners, the unemployed, families, pregnant women, the elderly, the disabled, adolescents)
- Outpatient services (e.g. for elderly people)
- Counselling agencies
- Day care facilities
- Education institutions

As part of the AWO there are also over 3,500 self-help groups being active in civil society engagement, including:

- senior groups
- youth welfare and youth work
- for the chronically ill and disabled
- health self-help and contact groups
- Voluntary Agencies
- Helper groups for people in special emergencies (such as unemployment self-help, women's self-help)
- family help

More than 800 independent institutions, initiatives and organizations have joined the AWO at all levels as corporate members. The Arbeiterwohlfahrt has an independent youth organisation (AWO-Jugendwerk).

About our founder Marie Juchacz

Marie Juchacz is a very important woman in German history. She founded the Arbeiterwohlfahrt (AWO) in 1919 and was its chairwoman until 1933. She was among women in Germany who campaigned vehemently for women's voting rights. Marie Juchacz was a member of the SPD (Social Democrat Party) executive and head of the SPD women's office from 1917 to 1933. From 1919 to 1933 she was a member of the Weimar National Assembly and the Reichstag. On 19th February 1919 she was the first woman to give a speech in an elected parliament in Germany.

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Echt AWO. Seit 1919.
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OUR WORK 2018

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Countries we worked in 2018

50

Projects in development cooperation and humanitarian action implemented with 38 partner organisations in 2018

292,932

Direct beneficiaries supported with our projects in 2018



SOUTH ASIA • NEPAL • INDIA • BANGLADESH

POVERTY REDUCTION, SAFE MIGRATION AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING

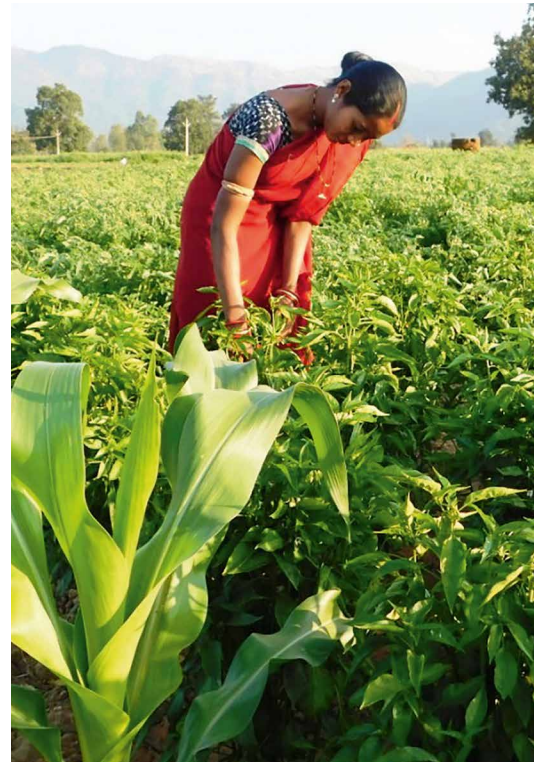
The regional program of AWO International Nepal Office and its Monitoring Desk to South Asia is implemented by Partner NGOs in Nepal, India and Bangladesh with financial support of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). Main objective is the improvement of livelihoods of small farmers, landless, underprivileged communities and returning labour migrants and their families. This is achieved by promotion of household incomes, empowerment of women, youth and marginalized communities and by promotion of access to public services, rights and resources. The program also aims to provide information for outgoing labour migrants in order to prepare them the living and working conditions in their respective destination countries.

One of our main working approaches which is characteristic for all cooperation projects is to support and empower social structures (e.g. Saving & Credit Cooperatives, Women Groups, Grain Bank Committees, Local Resource Persons, etc.). Promotion of gender equality, the empowerment of women and a focus on youth as agents for change are overall crosscutting issues. All projects are using a multi stakeholder approach incl. lobbying and advocacy. We are also engaged in capacity and organizational development such as promotion of peer learning between partner organizations. We use a rights based livelihood approach and results-based project management. Further, we strive

to train the target groups in on- and off-farm trainings and enhance their practical skills.

Main Intervention Areas

- Poverty reduction, promotion of food security and increase of household incomes by promoting access to governmental services and programs, income generating activities, capacity development, establishment of better market linkages and access to finances.
- Reduction of vulnerabilities (e.g. in context of food security) and of dependencies from middle men by pro-



motoring organic agriculture and LEISA (Low External Input Sustainable Agriculture) techniques.

- Promotion of safe migration on various levels including policy dialogue, provision of information, capacity development and counselling of potential and returning migrants such as close relatives of migrants abroad, promotion of development friendly utilization of remittances, social and economic reintegration of returning migrants.
- Prevention of human trafficking, support for interception of potential victims and rescue operations, first aid and socio-economic re-integration of survivors such as support for repatriation and prosecution of human traffickers.
- Promotion of gender equality and improvement of social protection (e.g. access to insurances, reduction of social inequalities, combating domestic violence against women).

| COUNTRY | NGO-PARTNER | PROJECT | DIRECT BENEFICIARIES | PROJECT EXPENSES in thousand € |
|------------|----------------|---|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| BANGLADESH | WARBE | Promoting safe migration | 662 | 36.14 |
| | Rights Jessore | Combating human trafficking | 8,879 | 2.20 |
| INDIA | AFARM | Food security in Maharashtra | 531 | 58.41 |
| | MADHYAM | Women empowerment and livelihood security | 5,247 | 83.12 |
| | MADHYAM | Food security in Odisha | 2,170 | 43.86 |
| NEPAL | POURAKHI | Combating human trafficking | 53,698 | 137.35 |
| | MAITI | Combating human trafficking | 16,647 | 74.59 |
| | NEEDS | Promoting safe Migration | 22,100 | 109.76 |



AWO INTERNATIONAL IN SOUTH ASIA

Safe migration, fight against human trafficking and food security are our main work areas in Nepal, India and Bangladesh.

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Development projects with 7 partner organizations implemented in 2018

109,934

Direct beneficiaries supported in 2018



CENTRAL AMERICA • EL SALVADOR • GUATEMALA • HONDURAS • NICARAGUA • MEXICO

YOUTH PROMOTION, PREVENTION OF VIOLENCE AND SAFE MIGRATION

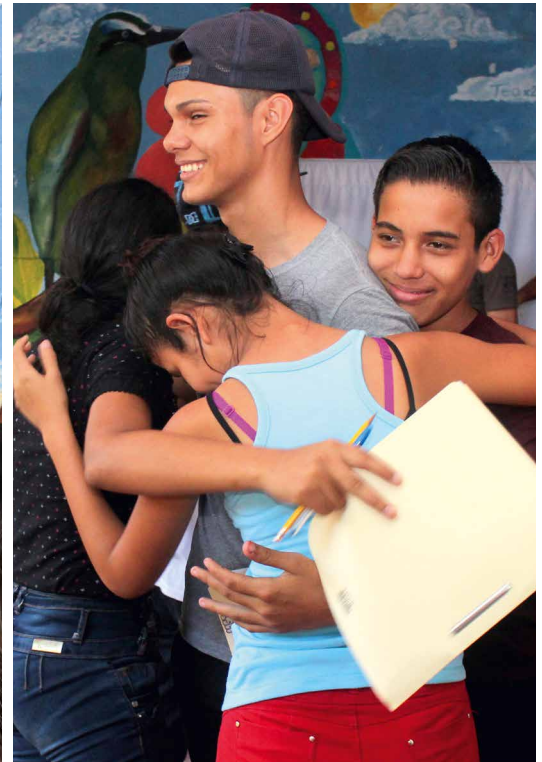
After twelve years of successful cooperation with local partner organizations, our regional program for youth development and violence prevention in Central America and Mexico ended in 2018. The experiences and insights gained in the course of knowledge management and knowledge transfer were processed in a final workshop. The partner organisations of the new programme on migration and development were also present. A successful transition.

In many Central American countries, up to 60 percent of the population are younger than 25 years. This shows how important children and adolescents are for the future development of societies. However, their life reality is often characterized by poverty, lack of perspective and violence. Since 2007, we have been running a program for youth promotion and violence prevention. Together with our partner organizations, we support young people in claiming their rights and advocating their interests. With success: Since 2007 we reached more than 400,000 people with our projects. Our aim: strengthening the rights of young people and to improve their participation in social processes.

Together with our partner organizations we have developed a three-component program strategy. The first consists of developing processes of awareness, training and

multiplication in social and political issues, especially in the rights of children and youth Rights. The second component is to strengthen the organizational base of young people and to promote joint processes of groups and networks. The third component is the capacity development of youth and related actors to positively influence the political, social and economic conditions for youth development and for the integral promotion of their rights

The programme concluded with a workshop on impacts, knowledge management and knowledge transfer, in which all partner organisations have participated. The objective was to reflect on the results and successes, but also to pass the lessons learned over to the partners of the new programme, which were also invited. Our work in Central America and Mexico will continue in 2019 with some new partners and with focus on "Migration and Development".



We will continue to promote that migration will become safer, support measures that help people to an alternative to migration, and strengthen the social and integration of migrants and fugitives. Topics, which in particular also affect young people.

| COUNTRY | NGO-PARTNER | PROJECT | DIRECT BENEFICIARIES | PROJECT EXPENSES in thousand € |
|-------------|-------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| EL SALVADOR | ACISAM national | Youth promotion, regional video school ECC | 3,986 | 45.48 |
| | ACISAM regional | Violence prevention and youth rights | 120 | 43.43 |
| | IMU | Prevention of violence against women | 2,874 | 36.54 |
| GUATEMALA | SODEJU | Promotion of young people | 351 | 4.72 |
| | ACCSS | Promotion of safe migration | 3,238 | 40.63 |
| | ECAP | Promotion of safe migration | 19,226 | 38.64 |
| | ADISA | Support people with disabilities | 17 | 0.50 |
| MEXICO | CJGD | Prevention of sexual violence | 1,364 | 26.48 |
| | IMUMI | Promoting safe migration | 2,662 | 37.28 |
| NICARAGUA | ADM | Promotion of young people | 5,823 | 47.40 |
| | CANTERA | Prevention of violence | 2,650 | 39.40 |
| HONDURAS | OCDIH | Promoting safe migration | 9,426 | 42.13 |
| | OCDIH | Promotion of young people | 645 | 65.79 |
| REGIONAL | Local youth initiatives | Promotion of youth projects | 860 | 1.10 |

AWO INTERNATIONAL IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND MEXICO

Youth promotion, violence prevention and safe migration are our main work areas in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico und Nicaragua.

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Development projects with 11 partner organizations implemented and 2 youth initiatives promoted in 2018

52,242

Direct beneficiaries supported in 2018



SOUTHEAST ASIA • PHILIPPINES • INDONESIA

FIGHTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND PROMOTING SAFE MIGRATION

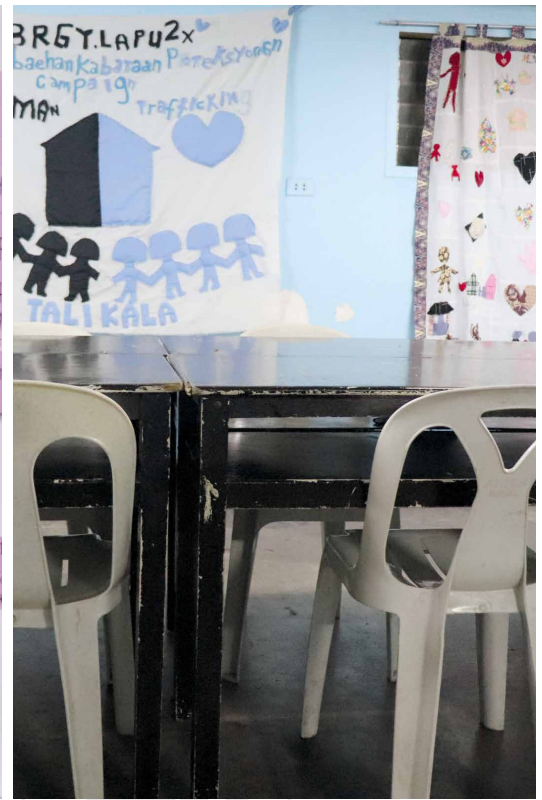
Despite rapid economic growth in Southeast Asia, the situation has hardly improved for many people living in poverty. The chance to earn more abroad and hope for a better life entice potential migrant workers to grab work opportunities abroad, making them susceptible to all forms of human trafficking, such as forced labor and sexual exploitation. Together with our partner organizations, we campaign for safe migration and fight against human trafficking.

In 2018 AWO International cooperated with 8 local partner organizations in Southeast Asia. They implemented 6 development projects in the Philippines and 3 in Indonesia. Human trafficking is one of the biggest social problems in the area and can take many forms. Girls and women in rural regions are in danger of becoming victims of human trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation in urban areas. This is aggravated by the horrendous trend of online sexual abuse. In coastal communities, fishers and their families are pushed further into poverty as fish stocks deplete. With limited income, fishers are prone to accept dubious job offers in the fishing industry. Our partner projects in the Philippines tackle a variety of issues in the fields of trafficking and labor migration. The partner organization Talikala focuses on fighting sexual abuse and exploitation of girls and women. Child Alert Mindanao is fighting child

trafficking in Mindanao. OND Hesed concentrates on the protection of fisher communities from trafficking in person, while MMCEAI (Mindanao Migrants Center for Empowering Actions) aims to protect female migrant workers from Mindanao. Our partner organization in Metro Manila, Center for Migrant Advocacy, focuses on reducing the vulnerability of migrant domestic workers, who are especially vulnerable to exploitation and abuse.

Protecting migrant workers from Indonesia

AWO International cooperates with three organizations in Indonesia promoting safe labor migration. The organizations are Perkumpulan Panca Karsa (PPK) in North Lombok, Advokasi Buruh Migran Indonesia (ADBMI) in East Lombok and Institute for Education Development, Social, Religious, and Cultural Studies (INFEST) in Java. Dire domestic condi-



tions push residents of Lombok and East Java with low educational attainment to seek economic opportunities abroad where often they are taken advantage of. The problems that migrant workers face range from illegal recruitment agencies, exorbitant fees and contract substitution to physical abuse and exploitation, among others. Our work in Indonesia aims for migrant workers to assert their rights and to have an improved access to justice. This includes lobby activities on district, provincial and village level. We ensure that policies for the protection of migrant workers are implemented by the crafting and passing of village regulations. At the same time, community-based groups are established and empowered to advocate for their own rights.



| COUNTRY | NGO-PARTNER | PROJECT | DIRECT BENEFICIARIES | PROJECT EXPENSES in thousand € |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| INDONESIA | ADBMI | Combating human trafficking | 3,586 | 83.45 |
| | INFEST | Promoting safe migration | 27,958 | 96.19 |
| | PPK | Promoting safe migration | 1,182 | 75.60 |
| PHILIPPINES | Child Alert | Prevention of child trafficking | 3,319 | 93.82 |
| | Talikala | Prevention of child trafficking | 1,255 | 91.80 |
| | CMA | Promoting safe migration | 1,418 | 92.90 |
| | MMCEAI | Promoting safe migration | 569 | 72.85 |
| | OND Hesed | Combating human trafficking | 2,632 | 51.47 |
| | Talikala | Shelter for children | 11 | 5.52 |

AWO INTERNATIONAL IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

Prevention of violence and strengthening the rights of women and children are the main focus of our work in the Philippines and Indonesia.

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Development projects with 8 partner organizations implemented in 2018

41,930

Direct beneficiaries supported in 2018



WORLD WIDE

HUMANITARIAN ACTION 2018

In crisis situations, AWO International provides humanitarian aid to the affected population and supports the rehabilitation and reconstruction process. Our aim is to contribute to the restoration of everyday civilian life in crisis areas and to strengthen the resilience of the affected communities. These include measures such as the distribution of food and hygiene items, medical care projects. AWO International is also engaged in disaster risk reduction.

In 2018 we conducted 18 humanitarian projects including 5 disaster risk projects and supported more than 88,000 people in need directly. Emergency relief after the earthquake in Lombok, Indonesia, rescue missions on the Mediterranean Sea and food security projects in Uganda were three of our projects in 2018.

Indonesia: After the earthquake

Even months after a series of severe earthquakes the people on the island Lombok in Indonesia have not yet completely recovered. The shock is deep, the loss of relatives and the basis of life. Traumatized many people. Also after the immediate emergency phase, in which we supported 1360 families with food and hygiene articles we stand at the side of the affected people and contribute with our partner organisations to improve their living conditions.

Mediterranean: Rescue operations

Since 2015, AWO International has supported rescue operations on the Mediterranean Sea. Our partner organiza-

tion SOS MEDITERRANEE has saved about 30,000 refugees. The initiative was founded by European citizens in May 2015 in response to the deaths in the Mediterranean and the failure of the European Union to prevent these deaths. The rescue ship MS Aquarius has been in service since February 2016 in the Mediterranean between Libya and Italy.

Uganda: Food security in refugee camps and schools

Uganda has received more than a million refugees in recent years, especially from Southern Sudan, where a cruel civil war is forcing people to flee. The drought and hunger crisis in 2017 aggravated the situation. We support refugee children and young people in the north of Uganda near the Southern Sudanese border with school meals and training in basic hygiene and health promotion. In 2018, we decided to expand our project work in Uganda. After an exploratory trip and meetings with several civil society organisations we selected new part-



ner organizations. In addition to a project extension with the partner organization RIGHT TO PLAY, projects with four new partners* were launched which will be implemented from 2019. Main focus will food security and the socio economic integration of refugees.



| COUNTRY | NGO-PARTNER | PROJECT | DIRECT BENEFICIARIES | PROJECT EXPENSES in thousand € |
|-------------------|------------------|--|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| BANGLADESH | Agrajatra | Emergency relief Rohingya | 8,289 | 6.73 |
| | GUK | WASH for refugees | 9,190 | 40.00 |
| NEPAL | SARBODAYA | Disaster risk reduction | 3,604 | 81.15 |
| INDONESIA | PPK | Emergency relief after earthquake in Lombok (2 projects) | 5,876 | 49.51 |
| | ADBMI | Emergency relief after earthquake in Lombok | 1,050 | 28.00 |
| PHILIPPINES | CONCERN | Disaster risk reduction | 992 | 52.77 |
| | ECOWEB | Disaster risk reduction | 1,395 | 39.44 |
| GUATEMALA | ACCSS | Emergency relief El Fuego | 1,955 | 18.00 |
| | ACOPEDIS | Inclusive DRR (2 projects) | 659 | 75.35 |
| | ECAP | Emergency relief El Fuego | 1,000 | 18.00 |
| MEXICO | IMUMI | Emergency relief after earthquake | 42 | 3.36 |
| HAITI | ASB | Restoration of drinking water supply | 9,576 | 17.34 |
| UGANDA | RTP | Food security and hygiene in refugee camps | 27,880 | 111.00 |
| | AFARD | Food security for refugees and host communities | 1,270 | 25.00 |
| MEDITERRANEAN SEA | SOS MEDITERRANEE | Rescue operations in the Mediterranean (2 projects) | 16,045 | 55.59 |

AWO INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN ACTION 2018

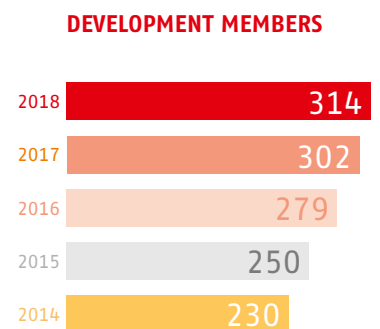
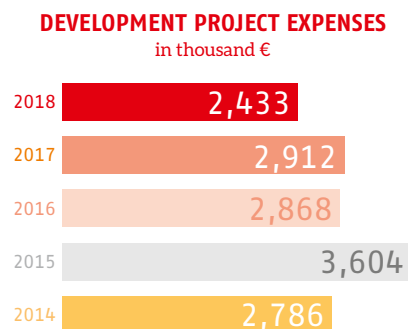
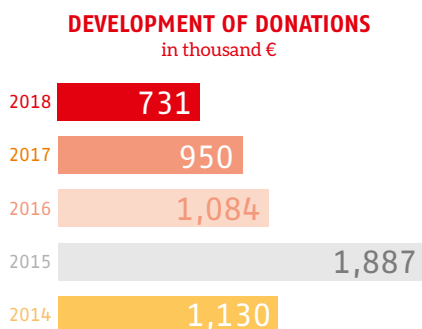
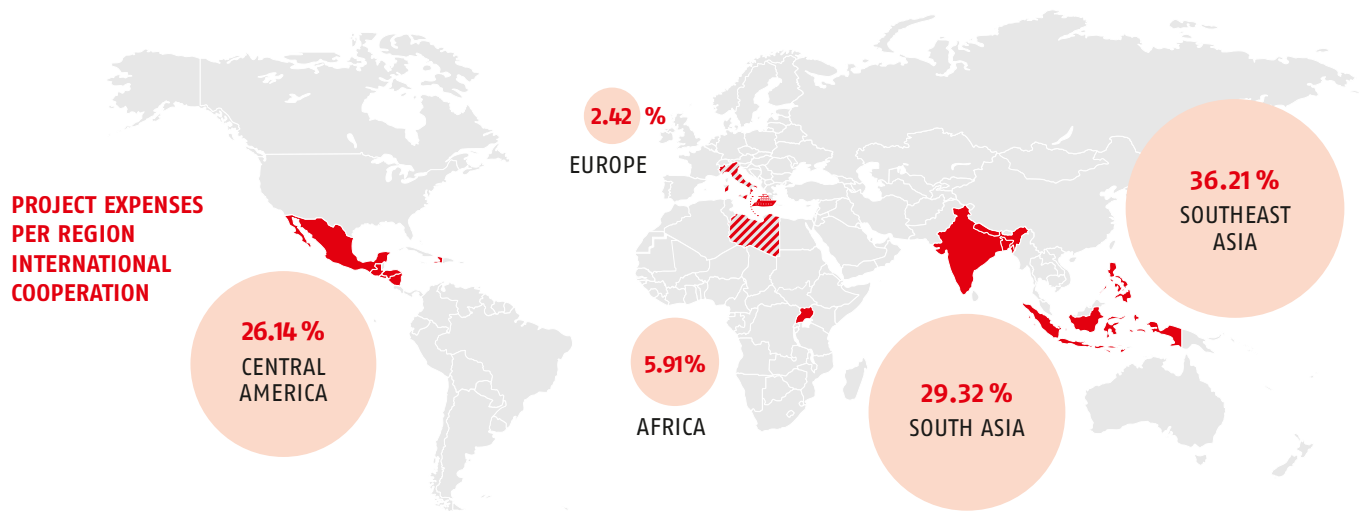
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Humanitarian Aid projects, among them 5 disaster risk reduction projects, were implemented in 2018

88,826

Direct beneficiaries supported in 2018

FACTS AND FIGURES



Transparency

The transparent handling of donations and public funds is important to us. We use the funds made available to us efficiently and report regularly about our work. Each year, we voluntarily undergo an external audit. AWO International has signed the commitment of the Transparent Civil Society Initiative. An overview according to the 10 points we published on our web-

site. AWO International is a member of the "Deutscher Spendenrat" (German Donations Council). We are committed to disclose structures, activities, projects and finances as part of an annual report, and to review our finances. The result is published annually. AWO International was additionally awarded the donation certificate of the "Deutscher Spendenrat" in 2018.



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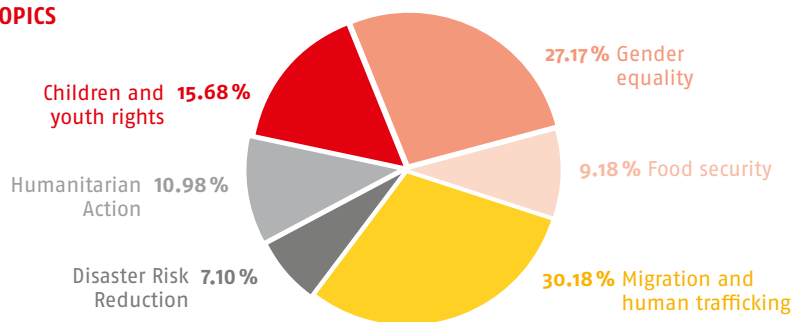
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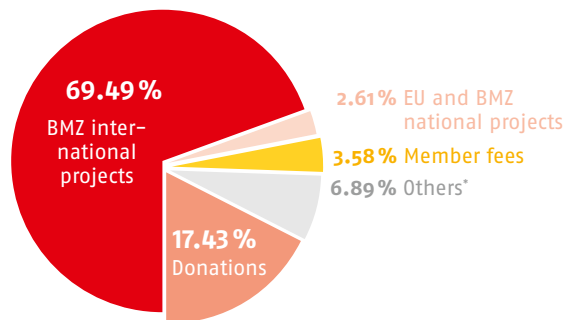
PROJECT EXPENSES WORKING AREAS



PROJECT EXPENSES TOPICS

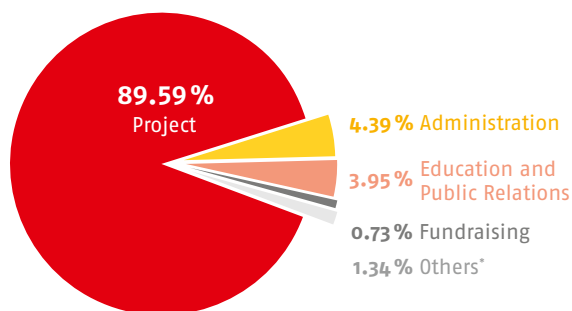


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*Revenues fair trade

USE OF EXPENSES



*Expenditure fair trade

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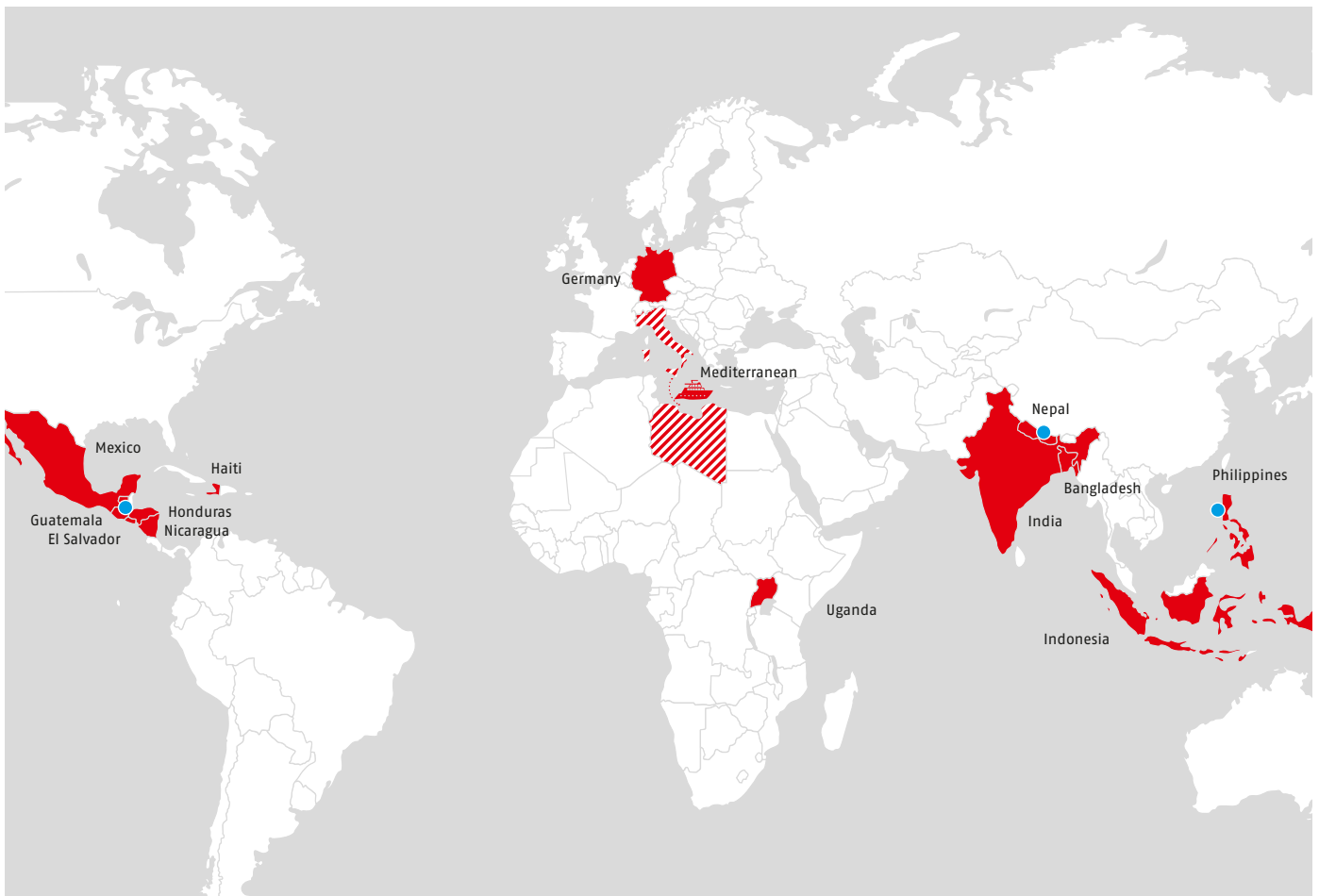
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