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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 integralpart 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, Southeast Asia and East Africa 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.

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#### **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
- 403 district associations
- 3.435 local associations

The AWO in Germany is carried by:

- 312,625 members
- 82,790 volunteers
- 237,721 employees

The AWO maintains in all federal states in Germany over 18,000 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.





CENTRAL AMERICA · EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, MEXICO, NICARAGUA

# INCLUSIVE DISASTER RELIEF OPERATION IN GUATEMALA

Guatemala is one of the countries most vulnerable to natural disasters, ranking 8th in the World Risk Report 2019. Earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, floods, landslides as well as drought are almost part of everyday life for Guatemalans. However, disaster preparedness is still a little known concept in the Central American country, something that is especially dangerous for people with disabilities. Over the course of a four-year project at Lake Atitlán, we were able to successfully establish inclusive disaster management with the support of Aktion Deutschland Hilft.

The villages around Lake Atitlán are particularly vulnerable to natural disasters. They are partially located at the foot of a volcano and are repeatedly affected by severe landslides after long periods of rain. Our partner organisation, ACOPEDIS, is an association run by and for people with disabilities, which links up 15 grassroots organisations in several villages. Therapies and workshops for people with disabilities are offered there.

## First project phase: Training for project partners

In January 2015, we began training employees at local non-governmental organisations and special schools. It quickly became clear that inclusive risk management was a previously unknown topic in Guatemala. Even the special schools did not tend to have a detailed emergency or evacuation plan. Over the two years of the first project phase, teachers and employees at social associations were

given an intensive introduction to the topic. They learned to recognise possible dangers, to identify safe places, to behave correctly in an emergency and to support those in need of help.

## Second project phase: individual emergency plans

In the second phase of the project, which ran from mid-2017 to early 2018, our work focused on families who had relatives with physical or mental disabilities. ACOPEDIS employees visited nearly 200 families around Lake Atitlán to train them in disaster management. Working together with the experts, individual emergency plans were drawn up for them. In this way, they were able to learn how to respond in the event of a natural disaster and how to care for relatives with physical or mental handicaps. In addition, a stronger focus was placed on lobbying work so that local and regional governments became more aware of the

relevance of our project. As a result, a greater number of families decided to take the plunge and attend the local council to stand up for the rights of people with disabilities.

## Third project phase: from theory to practice

In the final project phase, which took place between 2018 and mid-2019, the focus was on the communities and the local population. In the four model communities of Sololá, Panajachel, San Lucas Tolimán and San Pedro La Laguna, we produced maps to survey households with disabled persons. Local disaster preparedness organisations were always involved so that they can consider these households in the event of an emergency. Community leaders, volunteers and engaged neighbours were also informed about the inclusive crisis management and were trained in first aid. We also renovated emergency accommodation in communities where necessary, in order to ensure an environment that was welcoming and practical for people with disabilities. To ensure that the families were prepared in practice, an emergency scenario was simulated at regular intervals.

At the end of the project, AWO International and ACOPEDIS organised a final event in Panajachel in July 2019, together with the families and other stakeholders. "In the past, when there was an earthquake or something similar, everyone would run out of the house and sometimes forget me and leave me alone in a dangerous situation," explained Manuel Yojcom, who is in a wheelchair and partially paralysed. In the meantime, his family members have learned how to act in an emergency situation. Now they have clearly assigned roles – everyone knows what to do in an emergency.

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## OUR WORK IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND MEXICO

Safe migration, prevention of violence and poverty reduction are the focal points of our work in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and Nicaragua. In the 2019 reporting year we have carried out

8 development projects and

**5** humanitarian action projects,

worked with **9** partners,

and directly reached out to **28,376** people.



SOUTHEAST ASIA · PHILIPPINES, INDONESIA, MALAYSIA

## STRENGTHENING LOCAL FISHING COMMUNITIES AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The year 2019 started with a celebration: after a two-year construction phase, the new office in Makati, in the Philippines, was opened in January in the presence of numerous guests. While this may have meant our physical surroundings changed, the issues we care about have stayed the same. AWO International works to stop human trafficking and supports low-income population groups, including Philippine fishermen.

The Philippines comprises over 7,000 islands and thousands of kilometres of coastline. About one third of the working population is employed in fishing and agriculture. However, fishermen are among the most poorly educated and lowest income workers in the Philippines. They are at risk from dangerous working conditions and a lack of occupational health and safety, as well as low income and inadequate social protection. Most of the legal regulations for the protection and security of fishery workers are not put into practice. Most people are unaware of their rights, and decision-makers often ignore them. Without protection, fishermen's families are themselves at high risk of becoming victims of rights violations, forced labour and human trafficking.

More than 99 percent of the people in the fishing industry are employed in municipal fishing as individual small-scale fishermen. The impact of climate change, centrally planned infrastructure projects and illegal activities of commercial fishing companies in coastal waters not only reduce the number of fish, a natural resource, but also limit small coastal fishermen's access to them. Mangroves,

which are important for the conservation and regeneration of fish stocks, are declining and other breeding areas such as reefs are being destroyed by unsustainable practices. Factories near the coast are polluting the waters, and a new coastal road that restricts direct access to the coast has forced fishing communities to resettle elsewhere. Fishing those waters near the coast that can be safely reached by the small boats of coastal fishermen has resulted in ever lower yields.

To ensure their family's income, many fishermen go further and further out to sea or get taken on by large companies in the local fishing industry. Despite existing legal provisions, the operators often deny them employee rights and social security. Industrial health and safety regulations and safety standards are not observed. Payment is predominantly made on a commission basis and it is difficult for fishermen to be able to check whether the wages they have been paid actually corresponds to the agreed share. One particularly worrying aspect is the use of local fishermen on fishing vessels that operate in international waters, meaning fishermen are often left in the dark about

their destination. This means they have neither valid identity papers nor an entry permit for the country of destination. If the vessels are seized by the coast guard, the Philippine fishermen end up in prison for breaking the law, whereupon they are left penniless and without legal aid by the operators of the vessels. Their families who are left behind in the Philippines remain without financial support.

The Mindanao-based organisation OND HESED Foundation has been instrumental in supporting the repatriation of 600 fishermen imprisoned in Indonesia; they had been taken into Indonesian waters in 2016 by commercial operators without having the valid paperwork authorising them to fish. AWO International started working with this partner organisation in 2018. The main concerns of the NGO are: how to strengthen marginalised indigenous population groups and the rights of women and children; the promotion of microcredits in accordance with the approach adopted by Grameen Bank; income generation in conflict areas; promotion of peace; literacy; the fight against human trafficking.

The joint project lobbies government representatives, security authorities and businesses, encouraging them to enforce the implementation of legal rights and protective regulations for fishermen. Fishermen and their relatives are provided with information, formed into action groups, and given training so that they can competently stand up for their rights. With the help of the project, the fishermen operate a municipal coastguard service to protect their waters from illegal fishing. Women's self-help groups receive information and access to government aid programmes, as well as support for income-generating activities. The afforestation of mangrove areas and the management of waste are measures requiring ecological coastal protection.

COUNTRY	NGO-PARTNER	PROJECT	DIRECT BENEFI- CIARIES	PROJECT EXPENSES in thousand €
INDONESIA	РРК	Emergency relief after the earthquake in North Lombok	4,285	31.83
	ADBMI	Emergency relief after the earthquake in North Lombok	1,153	5.19
	РРК	Promoting safe migration	1,455	65.12
	ADBMI	Combating human trafficking	7,541	50.12
INDONESIA, MALAYSIA	INFEST	Promoting safe migration	89,473	45.86
INDONESIA, PHILIPPINES	ECOWEB	Disaster prevention and improvement of living conditions after Typhoon Vinta	3,300	77.07
PHILIPPINES	CONCERN	Disaster risk reduction	1,825	42.99
	ECOWEB	Disaster risk reduction	2,857	43.33
	CAM	Prevention of child trafficking and child prostitution	4,945	62.86
	MMCEAI	Promoting safe migration	832	42.42
	TALIKALA	Prevention of child trafficking and child prostitution	3,414	82.87
	СМА	Promoting safe migration	1,022	75.00
	OND HESED	Combating human trafficking	1,428	49.08



## OUR WORK IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

Combating the trafficking of people and promoting safe migration are the main focus of our work in Southeast Asia. In the 2019 reporting year we have carried out

**8** development projects and

**5** humanitarian action projects,

worked with **11** partners,

and directly reached out to **123,530** people.



**SOUTH ASIA · NEPAL, INDIA, BANGLADESH** 

# SAFE MIGRATION TO STRENGTHEN MIGRANT WORKERS

On 6 September 2019, the Regional Office for South Asia, based in Kathmandu, Nepal, celebrated 10 years since its establishment. Throughout a decade of cooperation on sustainable development and humanitarian aid, AWO International has implemented various projects together with its partners – the current focus is primarily on safe migration and the fight against human trafficking.

Nepal, India and Bangladesh all have extremely high numbers of outgoing migrant workers. Most people in South Asia who travel abroad do so from India, with an average of 805,000 people travelling each year. This is followed by Pakistan and Nepal with an average of 500,000 people per year. The number of undetected cases is, however, much higher as the process is not precisely documented and controlled. Low-skilled workers and people who live in rural areas in particular often see travelling abroad as the only way to feed their families. The destination for most South Asian migrants remains the Gulf States of Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Malaysia. However, the journey abroad is dangerous: jobseekers often end up in contact with dubious placement agencies where there is a lack of preparation and regulation. Many of the migrants are women, who find themselves particularly vulnerable along the migration routes. Discrimination, exploitation and violence are not uncommon. A lack of knowledge also makes migrant women easy victims for human traffickers. In this way, an estimated 10,000 to 15,000 girls and women are trafficked from Nepal to other countries each year for sex work and forced labour.

We are therefore committed to safe migration, fighting the trafficking of humans and strengthening social reintegration for returnees. Together with our partner organisations, we also support projects that identify the prospects of permanent residence for people, and which make it happen. Especially in the districts of Doti and Kanchanpur in the far west of Nepal, home to most of the country's migrant workers, there are people who need support.

Since 2015, AWO International has been cooperating with the National Environment and Equity Development Society (NEEDS for short), which was founded in Kanchanpur in 1999. NEEDS focuses on the promotion of safe labour migration, the improvement of living conditions for migrants, and the prevention of human trafficking through extensive educational measures. Rescue operations and the socio-economic reintegration of returning migrants and survivors of trafficking, for example, through income-generating activities, also form part of the organisation's tasks. The Women Skill Creation Centre, or WOSCC for short, was founded in 1992 in Hetauda in the Bagmati Province. It pursues similar goals and is particularly active in representing the interests of women. As one of the lead-

ing human rights organisations in Ilam in Eastern Nepal, the Human Rights Forum Nepal, or HURF Nepal (founded in 1998), is focussing on strengthening self-determined migration decisions and on educational measures through the mobilisation of youth groups in its new project phase.

In addition to the long-standing cooperation to promote food security with the Madhyam Foundation in Odisha (BMZ-SEWOH-financed), AWO International is also working with new partners in India to promote social structure. In the neighbouring state of West Bengal, Kolkata Sanved, which was founded in Calcutta in 2004, works in the metropolitan region with survivors of human trafficking against various forms of gender-specific violence. In contrast to traditional rehabilitation approaches, dance and movement therapy is used here as a central means of coping with trauma. Since it was established, Kolkata Sanved has worked with more than 30 organisations throughout South Asia, including community organisations, civil society networks, rights groups and government institutions. Two further cooperations with Sanjog and South Kolkata Hamari Muskan (SKHM) in the Calcutta metropolitan region are currently being set up. In addition to cross-border human trafficking, the project also focuses on working with victims from the red light district in the Bowbazaar area. The focus here is on second and third generations, i.e., girls and boys who grow up directly in the red light district and are confronted with prostitution and sex work on a daily basis. It is a challenging and important job to ensure that future generations have the chance to live in dignity.

COUNTRY	NGO-PARTNER	PROJECT	DIRECT BENEFI- CIARIES	PROJECT EXPENSES in thousand €
BANGLADESH	GUK	Emergency Relief for Rohingya refugees	9,190	32.26
	WARBE	Promoting safe migration	15,000	29.37
INDIA	Madhyam	Emergency relief for the victims of Cyclone Fani	4,325	19.69
	Madhyam	women empowerment	4,800	64.92
	Madhyam	Improving living conditions for marginalised tribal popula- tions and migrant workers	6,000	43.86
	AFARM	Poverty reduction and promotion of food security	3,035	43.86
NEPAL	BEE Group	strengthening the resilience of communities through economic development and capacity building	3,611	50.00
	KVS	Emergency relief after the monsoon flooding	1,282	27.33
	VCN	Emergency relief after storm Bara	100	Stocks
	POURAKHI	Promoting safe migration	53,698	76.37
	Maiti Nepal	Combating human trafficking	16,700	55.99
	NEEDS	Promoting safe migration	22,100	51.40
	WOSCC	Promoting safe migration	17,216	74.90
	HURF	Promoting safe migration	41,000	75.82



## OUR WORK IN SOUTH ASIA

Combating the trafficking of people and promoting safe migration are the main focus of our work in South Asia. In the 2019 reporting year we have carried out

**9** development projects and

**5** humanitarian action projects,

worked with **12** partners,

and directly reached out to **198,057** people.



**EAST AFRICA** • UGANDA

# A SUCCESSFUL START WITH OX CARTS

In the anniversary year of AWO, the time had finally come for AWO International to expand its involvement in East Africa and open its fourth foreign office in Kampala, Uganda. Together with four partner organisations, we are involved in cooperation projects in four refugee camps, the main aim of which is to improve the food situation, promote gender equality and stop human trafficking.

No other African country took in as many displaced persons as Uganda: more than 1.3 million people, mainly from South Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo, have already found refuge in the East African state. This is despite the fact that more than 40% of the population suffer from malnutrition and undernourishment in Uganda.

With our partner AFARD, we work in Bidibidi, Africa's largest refugee camp. It is located in the south-west of Uganda on the border with South Sudan and has now developed into a city in its own right with a population of more than 270,000. We provide support by founding savings and farmers' associations in order to increase the average income of refugees and neighbouring community members alike. In addition to the distribution of seeds, we focus on using teams of oxen and establishing a poultry farm. Those households who take part receive working animals and equipment, as well as training to be able to use

the team of oxen correctly and effectively. This not only increases their own production, but also allows households to use their teams of oxen to generate income for other households. The approach is complemented by the establishment of a poultry farm. Risks, such as poultry diseases, are minimised by linking up with universities and veterinary offices. By collaborating to form farmers' groups and savings groups, the negotiating position on the regional market is also strengthened and social cohesion between the refugees and the host communities is bolstered.

Our partner organisation COVOID focuses on a balanced diet. Households receive seeds and support to create their own kitchen gardens. This enables them to not only meet their own needs, but also to sell the surplus at the market. Furthermore, the nutrient-rich harvests promote a balanced diet and prevent malnutrition, which is widespread in Uganda. According to the Global Nutrition Report, for

example, the proportion of malnourished infants in Uganda in 2016 was above the average figure of 25% for developing countries. Almost one third of all women of childbearing age suffered from anaemia. The target group therefore learns how to correctly handle agricultural products to preserve nutrients at cooking galas.

A third aspect is highlighted by the project work undertaken by our partner UCOBAC in the north of Uganda. The focus here is on family planning, gender equality and sexual and reproductive health. On average, every Ugandan woman has five children; a quarter of the women have their first child between the ages of 15 and 19. This makes the financial situation even more difficult for many families. In looking at social change, UCOBAC relies on male actors who specifically question the traditional role model in order to gradually trigger a change, in particular among men. Women, however, also need to be strengthened in terms of how they perceive themselves. They are specifically encouraged to take up management positions, for example, in the joint credit and savings groups. This strengthens their own self-confidence and the respect they receive from the community.

Due to the conservative distribution of roles and extreme poverty, our fourth project region of Karamoja, in northwest Uganda, has developed into a centre for Ugandan human trafficking. Children and young people are lured here by street hawkers offering supposedly easy earning opportunities, with the journey often ending in Kenya or Arab regions. Our partner organisation ECO is working to stop human trafficking. The project team has set up local committees in Karamoja to combat human trafficking, provided them with information and educational material, and also plans to involve local transport companies. The aim is to raise awareness among the population, to establish contact points for victims, and to refer them to family planning advice in order to take preventive action.

These projects are still very much in their early days, and so we are therefore very grateful for the great support received from our friends, members and donors.

COUNTRY	NGO-PARTNER	PROJECT	DIRECT BENEFI- CIARIES	PROJECT EXPENSES in thousand €
UGANDA	RTP	Food security and promotion of hygiene	•	89.32
	AFARD	Food security and promotion of livelihood	150	23.18
	COVOID	Food security	610	50.81
	UCOBAC		225	50.26
	AFARD	Promotion of livelihood	2,115	89.19
	COVOID	Promotion of livelihood	2,700	58.19
	ECO	Combating human trafficking		
	UCOBAC	Food security	2,243	54.54



## OUR WORK IN EAST AFRICA

Food security and the fight against human trafficking are the focal points of our work in East Africa. In the 2019 reporting year we have carried out

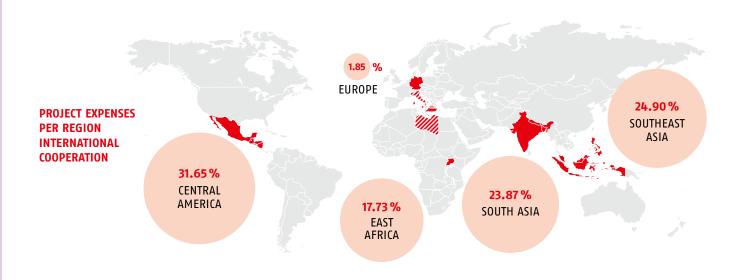
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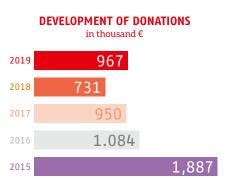
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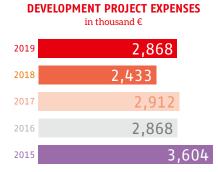
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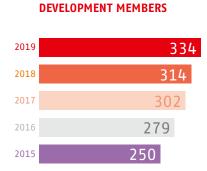
and directly reached out to **47,037** people.

## **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.





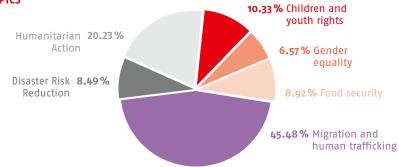


## PROJECT EXPENSES WORKING AREAS



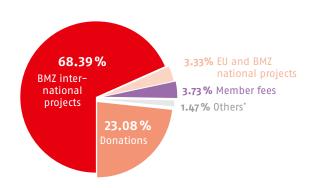
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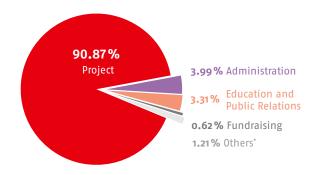
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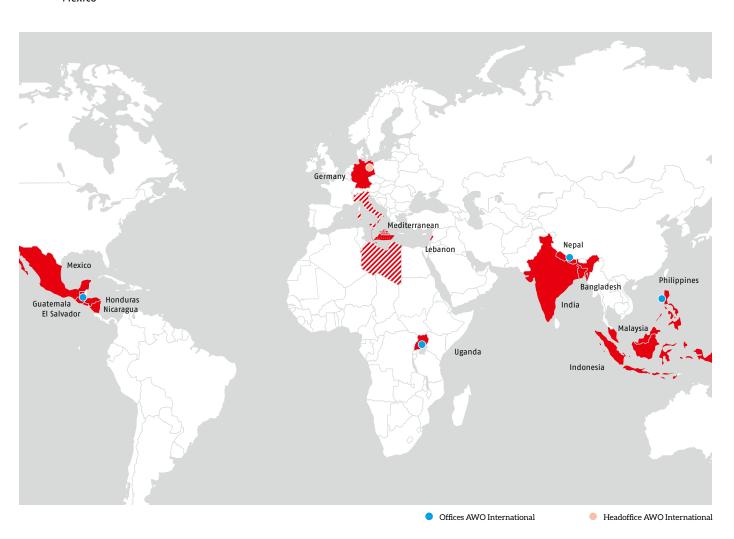
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