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## ACRONYMS

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**ADAFO** Antenne de Développement de l'Afrique Francophone Occidentale

**AGIDAE** Associazione Gestori Istituti Dipendenti dall'Autorità Ecclesiastica

**AICS** Agenzia Italiana per la Cooperazione allo Sviluppo

**ASVIS** Alleanza Italiana per lo Sviluppo Sostenibile

**CCP** Peace corps volunteers

**CDBNG** Centre des Jeunes Don Bosco Ngangi

**CDN** Cooperation and Development Network

**CEFA** Comitato Europeo per la Formazione e l'Agricoltura Onlus

**CEI** Conferenza Episcopale Italiana

**CERD** Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

**CIDU** Comitato Interministeriale Diritti Umani

**CINI** Coordinamento Italiano Network Internazionali

**CNOS FAP** Centro Nazionale Opere Salesiane- Formazione Aggiornamento Professionale

**CRC** Convention on the Rights of the Child

**CSOs** Civil Society Organizations

**DBI** Don Bosco International

**DBN** Don Bosco Network

**DPCM** Decreto del Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri (Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers)

**DRC** Democratic Republic of Congo

**EASO** European Asylum Support Office

**EC** European Commission

**ECHO** European Commission's Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection Department

**ECG** Global citizenship education

**ECOSOC** Economic and Social Council

**EPDB** Escuelas Populare Don Bosco

**ICCPR** International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

**IECD** Institut Européen de Coopération et de Développement

**INAC** Instituto Nacional da Criança

**EU** European Union

**FAMI** Fondo Asilo Migrazione e Integrazione (Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund)

**FATOUD** Fund for Agriculture and Tourism Development

**FIS** Fondo Integrazione Salariale (Fund for salary integration)

**FRA** Fundamental Rights Agency

**FRP** Fundamental Rights Platform

**GC** General Comment

**GCE** Global Campaign for Education

**GI** Potential of Geographical Indications

**ICT** Information and Communications Technology

**IECD** Institut Européen de Coopération et de Développement

**IGAs** Income generating activities

**IUSVE** Istituto Universitario Salesiano di Venezia

**IMADR** International Movement Against All Forms of Discrimination and Racism

**LA**s Local Authorities

**LDF** Local Development Funds

**LRRD** Linking Relief and Rehabilitation to Development

**MAECI** Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Italian Foreign Ministry)

**MASFAMU** Ministry of Social Action, Family and Woman's Promotion

**MDB** Missioni Don Bosco

**MICAD** Master's in Development Cooperation

**MIUR** Ministero dell'Istruzione, dell'Università e della Ricerca (vecchia denominazione) (Italian Education Ministry – old denomination)

**MGAPS** Master's in governance and administration in the public sector

**NEET** Neither in Employment or in Education or Training

**NGO** nongovernmental organization

**NHRI** national human rights institution

**ONLUS** Organizzazione Non Lucrativa di Utilità Sociale

**PDO** Planning/Project and Development Office

**PGS** Pastorale Giovanile Salesiana (Salesian Youth Pastoral)

**RVA** Voluntary Assisted Country-Reinsertion

**SaD** Long-distance sponsorship

**SaM** Support to missions

**SaV** Support to volunteers

**SDB** Salesians of Don Bosco

**SNNP** Southern Nations, Nationalities and People

**SP** Strategic Plan

**TVET** Technical Vocational Education and Training

**UN** United Nations

**UNDP** United Nations Development Programme

**UNHCR** United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

**UPR** Universal Periodic Review

**UPS** Università Pontificia Salesiana

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## INFORMATION AND DATA RELATED TO 2020

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MAIN OFFICES	3 (Rome HQ and operational offices in Brescia and Mestre- VE)
MEMBERS	3
PARTICIPANT VOLUNTEERS	75 (67 physical persons)
VIS TERRITORIAL PRESIDIA	7
ACTIVE DONORS	1.845
SaD DONORS	279
DEVELOPMENT OPERATORS	39
INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERS	3
CIVIL SERVICE VOLUNTEERS	4
PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS	2
PERMANENT EMPLOYEES (total in the year)	22
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS <sup>1</sup>	78
EMERGENCY PROJECTS <sup>1</sup>	22
COUNTRIES WITH DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS	18
COUNTRIES WITH EMERGENCY PROJECTS	12
COUNTRIES INVOLVED IN SaD ACTIONS	12
COUNTRIES INVOLVED IN SaM ACTIONS	20
ECG PROJECTS/ITALY	7
ONLINE COURSE PARTICIPANTS	400
IN PRESENCE TRAINING COURSES PARTICIPANTS	25
ADVANCED TRAINING COURSES PARTICIPANTS	65
TOTAL INCOME	10.488.109 €

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<sup>1</sup> The figure also includes the completed projects whose activities continued with residual funds and which, therefore, produced operating effects in 2020 as well.

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# 1. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT VIS

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## 1.1 VIS AT GLANCE

VIS - *Volontariato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo (International Voluntary Service for Development)* is an association recognized established in 1986, a nongovernmental organization enrolled in the Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) register of the Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development (AICS), an “ONLUS” (no profit organisation under Italian law) enrolled in the register of non-profit organizations (Onlus) of the Direzione Regionale del Lazio of the Revenue Agency and is in the process of registering in the Registro Unico of the Third Sector, as soon as this will become operative in the section “Altri enti del terzo settore”.

VIS is engaged in development cooperation and international solidarity inspired by the charisma of San Giovanni Bosco; an educational agency promoting and organizing awareness raising, education, training for development and global citizenship activities: it implements a consistent advocacy networking with other stakeholders to impact on those identified as *decision maker* and Foster a medium and long-range social change.

VIS holds special Consultative Status at the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and is accredited by ECHO- Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations of the European Commission (*partnership* renewed in 2020 following an *ex-ante assessment* obtaining the *Certificate EU HUMANITARIAN PARTNERSHIP 2021-2027*).

VIS operates in Europe, Africa, Latin America, Middle East.

“Insieme, per un mondo possibile” indicates the intention of networking in Italy, in Europe and the rest of the world to improve the living conditions of girls, boys, young people in vulnerable situation and their communities, believing that the causes of extreme poverty can be tackled at their root through education and training.

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## 1.2 VALUES AND PURPOSE

**VISION - “A world where every person can fully enjoy their rights and participate with dignity and actively in the life of the community, promoting its development”.**

The Christian anthropological vision expressed in the social doctrine of the Church is combined, on the one hand, with the vision of the human being as a rights holder, anticipated in many ways by San Giovanni Bosco and expressed at international level in the conventions of the United Nations and, by 'other, with Amartya Sen's, the Nobel Prize for Economics, vision of human development, where development is "of the people, through people and for people": a development that is such only if it is integral, universal and sustainable in the social, economic, political and environmental sense, as set by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations 2030 Agenda

In our vision of development there are both *empowerment* and *ownership*<sup>2</sup> on behalf of those for whom and with whom we work.

Vision and fundamental values inspiring VIS action have brought the organization to adopt a methodological approach towards broadening the individual and social capabilities with the double perspective of contributing to building and strengthening *rights-holders* 'capacities to claim for their human rights enjoyment (*capacities for empowerment*), as well as the capabilities of the corresponding *duty bearers* in the fulfilment of their duties (*capacities for accountability*).

**MISSION - "Foster the development and broadening of each person 's capacities of - as individual and member of a community - paying particular attention to the most disadvantaged and vulnerable girls, boys and young people, providing them with educational, training, and social-vocational insertion opportunities, as well as tools for the promotion and protection of their human rights".**

### 1.3 CONTEXT OF REFERENCE

2020 has been the year of SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, an event that has characterized every area of living in Italy and around the world and which, at the date of drafting this Activities Summary Report, has not yet ceased its consequences. In this sense, what happened in 2020 will not only maintain its effects in the following years but, as noted by various analysts, will impose substantial and strategic changes in social and economic policies, in the approaches and methodologies adopted in different fields of human knowledge and , as regards the identity and focus of VIS action, also in international relations, development cooperation policies, national and trans-national human mobility as well as on the various conditions and perspectives of its target groups.

By their very nature, the poorest and developing countries are particularly vulnerable to shocks and, therefore, the pandemic has had and is producing extremely high impacts not only from a health and humanitarian point of view, but also from a social and economic point of view. Low levels of economic growth and high inequalities, lack of internal financial resources, high levels of debt and the fragility of health systems are the most pressing challenges. But what emerged immediately as a health crisis has already had far-reaching consequences on education, human rights, food security and economic development in the medium and long term, as well as on the continuation and outbreak of new internal and regional conflicts. As the pandemic impacts are emerging and advanced economies herald expansive and large-scale economic interventions and strengthening national health systems, it is imperative that the international community does not neglect the responsibility of supporting vulnerable countries with an integrated approach on at least two guidelines:

- provide useful resources to stop the spread of Covid-19, rapidly develop resilience and capacity to curb the epidemic and to alleviate its effects;
- take action to avoid economic collapse and restore economic growth basic conditions.

During 2020, immediately after the pandemic outbreak, in line with the appeal made by Pope Francis to the entire Church, the Salesian world has also launched many initiatives in most of the countries of the world where Don Bosco's establishments are present: distribution of food and basic necessities, hygienic-sanitary support, water supply, realization and distribution of safety devices, remote education and pastoral support, making available centers and structures for assistance and shelter activities managed by the local institutions, etc. The collaboration established with the governmental structures of various countries, companies, associations, NGOs, and community organizations have allowed the Salesian Family to respond immediately to the basic needs of the most vulnerable people, and VIS has not pulled back (as can be seen from the following in-depth information sheets).

The worldwide commitment of the Salesian Family to counter the consequences of the pandemic has been and will constitute in the long run for our NGO the fundamental reference framework for developing the meaning and impact of its humanitarian and cooperation action in response to an emergency that has taken on dimensions and characteristics never known since the end of the Second World War. In this sense, while

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<sup>2</sup> The term empowerment indicates a growth process, both individual and of the group, based on increasing self-esteem, self-efficacy, and self-determination to bring out latent resources and lead the individual to consciously appropriate her/his own potential. Ownership refers to "feeling the results as one's own", as the result of one's own empowerment process and that of one's own group/country of origin.

focusing on the sectors and operational areas typical and prior for its mission, VIS has started and will increasingly develop the identification and preparation of integrated and articulated programs, to be implemented in the medium and long term, directed towards countering the dramatic socio-economic consequences of the pandemic for the poorest countries, the most vulnerable communities, and social groups.

Last year, the pandemic resulted in two different situations in terms of public and private donors' behaviours:

- programs financed by institutions, being supported by multi-year financial resources already allocated and contractually committed for their implementation, have not undergone cuts or postponements due to payments or disbursements being blocked. On the contrary, some donors (including AICS) have not only allowed the reshaping of operational schedules, a certain management flexibility and the adoption of specific measures to combat the spread of the pandemic but have also allocated additional funds for ongoing initiatives (for development and emergency) to cope with the higher costs incurred by the executing organizations and the reduction of resources from other donors destined for co-financing. On the other hand, at least in this phase, the definition of the projections for effective commitment in the next few years by the same institutional donors remains uncertain, given that the priority character in the political agendas, in the public expenditure and investments that interventions and development cooperation programs in poor countries will enjoy is not yet identifiable;
- resources donated by private donors for development cooperation and humanitarian aid have suffered a general decline due, on the one hand, to the economic crisis and the priority of addressing the national health and social emergency and, on the other hand, of the perpetuation of the consequences determined by the instrumental attacks on the NGO sector perpetrated in recent years. As can be seen from the balance sheet, these elements also characterized some segments of VIS fundraising in the previous year. The in-depth analysis - also in perspective - of the context which our organization must face, considering the global impact of the pandemic, forms the basis for the redefinition and elaboration of VIS Strategic Plan for the coming years. As terms of reference, in addition to the areas of critical importance (People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace and Partnership) identified by the 2030 Agenda and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), it will have to consider the fundamental guidelines that the Magisterium of Pope Francis is producing on integral ecology, education, dignity of work and inalienable and inviolable rights of the person.

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## 2. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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### 2.1 PRIORITIES, OBJECTIVES AND RESULTS

VIS, in line with the 2018-2020 Strategic Plan<sup>3</sup> (SP 2018-20) approved by the Members Assembly of 04/11/2017, intends to achieve the objectives of its mission in an increasingly integrated and innovative way in the context of a world continuously changing. The main institutional purpose, which can be deduced from VIS Bylaws and confirmed in the annual program, remains the promotion of a human and sustainable development and the growth of each person's and community capacities, placing a particular focus on the most disadvantaged and vulnerable girls, boys, and young people.

On this point, it is noted that presently the revision of the Bylaws of the organization is being implemented, the text and original content of which date back to 1986 (year of VIS creation), in order to make it not only consistent with the terms and provisions established by the reform introduced by Legislative Decree 117/2017 (Third Sector Code), but also in line with the most recent standards and principles of development cooperation and international solidarity; the new Bylaws will undergo the approval of the Extraordinary VIS Members Assembly scheduled for 16/06/2021.

The SP 2018-20 illustrates the strategic objectives, the theme-sector priorities, and the fundamental feature of VIS action. The scope of the human and sustainable development is pursued setting some strategic objective (defined through a human rights-based vision) and operating primarily in the context of six areas / sectors:

1. education;
2. training and socio-professional integration;
3. strengthening of local CSO actors (first of all of our partners);
4. vulnerable child and youth protection;
5. programmatic enhancement of the link between migration and development;
6. environment safeguarding, as a cross-cutting theme of all VIS actions.

In addition, it considers functional to the programmatic action strengthening the institutional and operational synergy with the other Salesian solidarity actors in Italy (Missioni Don Bosco), develop the rooting of the organization in the national territory through the Presidia and the volunteer participants and the implementation of an organization structure and an improved management system in terms of accountability and effectiveness.

From a geographical point of view, the SP 2018-20 confirms the trend of concentrating interventions characterizing VIS action in the last 10 years, establishing some partner countries as priority, i.e. Where to invest with programs financed by the main institutional donors, country offices with expatriate staff and develop specific programme strategies.

It should be noted that the multi-year SP will also undergo re-elaboration and approval during 2021 and become effective in its new version starting from 01/01/2022.

The 2020 operational and financial programme has confirmed the thematic-sectorial priorities identified by the SP 2018-20, requiring the increase above all of integrated interventions aimed at preventing undocumented migration and the local development, the use of innovative tools and methods to make financial, technical and know-how resources accessible for the target groups, as well as strengthening psycho-social protection and support actions for girls and boys and for the most vulnerable communities. Regarding emergency interventions, based as usual on an LRRD approach, the 2020 programme considered as a priority the areas of Western and Eastern Africa and Palestine, in which to conduct livelihood support actions, strengthening of resilience and educational activities in emergency contexts, as well as activities to support refugee communities and to prevent undocumented migration.

The spread of the Covid-19 pandemic worldwide and its consequences on the health and socio-economic level, as well as on international and national mobility, did not lead to substantial changes in the objectives and planned priority actions, but caused a redefinition of their implementation timing (with a generalized

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<sup>3</sup> See: <http://www.volint.it/vis/sites/default/files/pianificazione-strategica-201820low.pdf>

lengthening) and of the implementation methodologies (with widespread smart working, reduction of events and activities in presence, etc.), as well as the integration in the planned programs of specific activities aimed at prevention and containment of contagion risks and mitigation of socio-economic effects on the most vulnerable groups. Different, as will be specified below, has been the evolution of institutional activities in Italy, which have instead been strongly affected by the general lockdown and which have been reprogrammed and redefined compared to what had been previously estimated.

**In partner countries**, the final balance of activities implemented in 2020 is, net of the specific actions to fight the pandemic, in line not only with the Bylaws purposes and activities, but also with those predefined by the SP 2018-20 and Annual Program. This is evident above all because the initiatives implemented during the year and those presented and approved by the main public and private donors reflect guidelines, objectives and expected results. Leaving the in-depth analysis of the specific records below listed, it appears here appropriate to highlight:

- consolidation and development of project actions linked to the theme migration-development in Ethiopia, Eritrea, Senegal, Gambia, Ghana, Mali and Nigeria;
- introduction and implementation in Ghana and Senegal of the project design expertise already gained over the years in Albania through the establishment and operation of development funds for both individual and community employment/assets;
- continuation of development projects in Palestine and Albania with a specific focus on local socio-economic development, also in rural and marginal areas;
- development of psycho-social protection and support both for girls and boys in Angola and Palestine, and for vulnerable groups and communities in Ethiopia and Eritrea.

The most significant changes to the operational strategies envisaged in the program and performed in 2020 certainly concerned the remedial activities and the project remodelling in an anti-pandemic key and, from last 4th November, the total holdup of activities in Tigray (Ethiopia) due to of the outbreak of the conflict between regional forces and the federal government, with the resulting launch of the connected emergency still in progress.

The gradual downsizing of VIS presence and commitment has continued in Bolivia and Haiti, countries initially considered priorities for VIS, and where activities will be concluded by 2021.

VIS presence and engagement in Syria and Lebanon have still not started, due to delays and the strategic action features so far assumed by the the local partners (the Salesians of the Middle East Province), as well as program synergy difficulties with Don Bosco Tech Africa, the Salesian organization for the continental coordination of vocational training. Also, follow-up and development activities of the PDO strengthening program in Africa and Latin America have not yet been started due to the pandemic and lack of endorsement *ab origine* on behalf of the Salesian Congregation.

The summary is presented below, followed by the countries, divided by geographical areas, in which the VIS was active with development projects in 2020.

Here below follows a summary by countries and listed by geographical areas, of where VIS was active with development projects in 2020.

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS	YEAR 2020		
	No. COUNTRIES	No. PROJECTS	EXPENDITURES
Africa	12	47	4.461.047
Latin America	2	5	161.468
Middle East	2	9	438.674
Europe and Italy	2	17	827.929
<b>TOTAL COUNTRIES WITH ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>5.889.118</b>

The following summary by countries and listed by geographical areas, shows where VIS was active with emergency and reconstruction projects in 2020.

EMERGENCY AND RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS	YEAR 2020		
AREA	No. COUNTRIES	No. PROJECTS	EXPENDITURES
Africa	7	12	1.578.709
Latin America	1	2	88.890
Middle East	2	6	455.391
Europe and Italy	2	2	456.621
<b>TOTAL COUNTRIES WITH ACTIVE EMERGENCY PROJECTS</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2.579.611</b>

**In Italy**, the year 2020 has been particular because of the pandemic which has above all upset the working methods and intensity (with the adoption of smart working and the FIS. Despite this, the three main objectives for activities in Italy had been set, these were achieved, thanks to the capability to quickly convert and adapt the main project activities to the new situation.

The 2020 goals for the Area Italy can be summarized in three key words: innovation, education, visibility. With reference to innovation, the main activities concerned the web platform for online training and VIS institutional website. The renewal of the e-learning platform has made it possible not only to create a more comfortable and functional virtual environment for the student's community, but also to renew the teaching methodologies, increasingly favouring the participation and collaboration components of the courses. The new VIS institutional website has been redesigned by rethinking the navigation and the graphical interface (so-called User Experience - UX) to enhance the activities in the field and bring internet users closer to the stories of the on-site beneficiaries. Contents such as "Stories from the field" and "News", which describe experiences from the countries, have found a new narrative path, the navigation of content aimed at cooperation professionals as well as has been improved by integrating a vacancies section with the training one. All this has allowed greater interaction with customers and users of the site.

With respect to education, during 2020 VIS had to change its operational strategies, due to the pandemic. The attention was almost exclusively addressed to primary school students forced to stay at home and teachers to support them in the new experience of distance learning, through the launch of the resto@ttivo campaign, which allowed the school to have more tools to face the difficult moment

With reference to the third keyword, visibility, communication initiatives were mainly focused on VIS response to the pandemic in Italy and partner countries, a strategy that has also contributed to the growth of the organization positioning.

Finally, the three guidelines found a substantial synthesis in the implementation of the program to fight pandemic consequences in Italy, financed through the NGO Salesian Missions of New Rochelle by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), of which a detailed presentation is bellow illustrated.

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## 2.2 INTERVENTIONS IN AFRICA

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# ANGOLA

**Capital:** Luanda

**Population:** 44.800.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,581 (148th out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 6.104 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 1991

**Year of official recognition:** 2001

**Expat operators in2020:** 4 (2 M, 2 F)

**Civil service volunteers:** 1 (F)

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 318.631 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- *Child and Youth Protection*
- Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors
- Emergency

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENSES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
<i>Vamos Juntos: integrated participation and inclusion interventions of CSOs and right-holders in child promotion and protection policies</i>	181.798	EC
<i>O Futuro nas Nossas Mãos: nós jovens protagonistas do desenvolvimento de Angola</i>	46.794	EC
<i>Todos para Todos! Acção integrada socio-sanitária de prevenção ao Covid-19 para crianças vulneráveis, jovens mulheres e comunidades locais</i>	5.255	EC
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
<i>Vamos Juntos! Let's go together</i>	67.620	Private donors
Support to the shelter <i>Casa Rifugio</i> for children in street situation in Luanda	6.142	Private donors
EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
Health is in our hands! Protection and prevention to Covid-19 in Angola	9.817	CEI 8x1000

## VIS IN ANGOLA: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

In 2009 VIS together with the Salesians launched the program "*La Strada per la Vita*" with the aim of recovery, support and social and family reintegration of children, adolescents, and young people in street situation and/or most vulnerable in Luanda. In 2020 the 3rd phase of the program was continued thanks to the project "*Vamos Juntos*", co-financed by the EC, including capacity building actions for local institutions and civil society organizations (CSOs), promoting dialogue, participation, and inclusion of Angolan CSOs and rights holders in national policies and programs for the protection of children in street situation.

The project is carried out in partnership with the Salesians of Don Bosco, the Institute of Religious Studies in Angola and the NGO SamuSocial International and foresees the involvement of 28 associated realities. A special attention is given to girls in street situation a highly innovative action for VIS and the Salesian counterpart.

In 2020 a project was launched for the active participation of young people in the country development with the project "*O Futuro nas Nossas Mãos: nós jovens protagonistas do desenvolvimento de Angola*", co-funded by the EC. Direct partners of the project are the Salesians of Don Bosco and the Institute of Religious Sciences

as well as 22 associated realities, including 3 youth associations. The project will be carried out in Luanda and in 4 other provinces in the country.

In response to the Covid-19 emergency, the project "*Todos para Todos*" was launched, co-funded by the EC in collaboration with the Salesians of Don Bosco, to mitigate the effects of the pandemic within the most vulnerable and exposed communities.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Continue to strengthen the experience in <i>Child and Youth Protection</i> , capitalizing on good practices and ongoing innovations, also in relation to the application of the GC <sup>4</sup> n. 21 of 2017 on children in street situation.	Objective fully achieved
Concretely strengthen the ways for collaborating with the SDBs, using the EU project submitted waiting for its full approval.	Objective partially achieved Objective partially achieved VIS new project proposals are continuously shared with the Salesians who are always constructive and open. However, for all components under the direct responsibility of the PDO there is still a low level of mutuality.
Given the undisputed capacity for dialogue and collaboration with the EU Delegation in Angola and the strong positioning within the same, it will be necessary to expand the network of local donors, also to draw on the necessary co-financing.	Objective fully achieved. VIS strong with the EU Delegation is confirmed. Strengthened the relationship with ENI Angola that has made additional funds available for our co-financing also for the year 2021. Relations have been established with new local donors e.g., World Vision and the Camões Institute (Portuguese cooperation)

### Main intervention implemented in 2020

- continuation of technical assistance to high-level Angolan institutions by strengthening the advocacy mechanisms and the exchange of best practices, which involved the State Secretary of MASFAMU and the National Direction of INAC;
- launch of new community child protection actions in response to Covid pandemic, the main target of which have been children in a situation of malnutrition;
- implementation of protective and preventive actions and services for children in street situations during the lockdown;
- alignment of the criteria for assessing the vulnerability of households for the disbursement of the family grants of the CGFAF;
- continuation of technical support for *Casa Anuarite* for the reception of former children in street situation;
- start-up of technical support collaborations with reference social actors e.g. the national NGO ADRA for networking activities;
- implementation, in the training and institutional spaces activated, of awareness-raising and training actions in line with the UN GC no. 21 concerning children in street situation;
- strengthening of the media and web VIS projects visibility also through high-level visits (head of the European Union Delegation of Luanda);
- communication activities on the web site through news and a social campaign which had a coverage of 5,270 visitors on Facebook with 258 interactions.

The conditions due to the pandemic, which particularly limited the start-up of the project on youth participation, the reduced presence of expatriate personnel and the lack of openness on behalf of the

<sup>4</sup> The UN Committee on the Rights of the Child regularly provides its interpretation of the contents of the human rights indications under the form of General Comments on particular issues.

Salesians of Don Bosco for the methodological accompaniment to the *Casa Anuarite* were among the factors that hindered the effectiveness of the actions.

**Interventions in response to Covid emergency:**

- within the project “*Vamos Juntos*” the activities of the street multidisciplinary team have been reoriented to support the protection of children in the first phase of their reintegration program through the creation of two shelter homes;
- 2 project proposals financed by CEI and World Vision for mitigating COVID effects in reception centers;
- 1 new project financed by the EU Delegation in Angola on prevention and mitigation of Covid effects on the communities and aid to mother-child healthcare;
- Staff awareness raising about anti Covid rules and regulations, providing them with prevention systems and products, dispensing at risk personnel, reducing the presence in the workplaces, and organizing shifts according to the rules foreseen *in loco*.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b><i>Child and Youth Protection and Emergency</i></b>
198 children and adolescents 7-18 years old reached by the street first aid and socio-educational support services
13 children and adolescents 7-14 years old reintegrated into the family and 80 new families accompanied by the family accompanying team
191 adolescents and young people 14-21 years old participating in listening forum for former children in street situation
2.500 people aware through campaigns on Facebook and Instagram
115 new social workers have acquired socio-educational skills
Approximately 2,520 young people participated in the initiatives (debates, events, cinema cycles) and voluntary actions
<b>Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors</b>
27 LA and 30 CSOs strengthened their capacity in child protection through <i>capacity building (workshop for strategic planning)</i> and 7 coordination meetings of the Thematic Group on Child Protection
80 girls in street situation 12-18 years old have had access to various accompanying services
27 CSOs and LA engaged in child protection have participated in the Thematic Group “Children in street situation”
The CGFAF continued to be active, and 88 families have been supported with training scholarships, food baskets and devices against Covid

**PROSPECTS 2021**

- Strengthen VIS experience in *Child and Youth Protection*, also in relation to the application of the GC n. 21 of 2017 on children in street situation.
- Start a new way for the collaboration with the Salesians of Don Bosco.
- Start and consolidate operations in the provinces involved in the project “*O Futuro nas Nossas Mãos*”.
- Support and consolidate the family reintegration within the CSOs and LA network active in the protection of the rights of the children in street situation.
- Start relationships and partnerships with governmental reference institutions in the field of *youth protection*.
- Evaluate the inclusion of topics such as environment/climate change and gender in project design.

# BURUNDI

**Capital:** Bujumbura

**Population:** 15.800.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,433 (185<sup>th</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 754 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2004

**Year of official recognition:** 2017

**Expat operators in2020:** 2 (M)

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 179.841 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
Training intervention for the qualitative improvement of health services in mother-child healthcare in Burundi	33.442	Fondazione Museke
Awareness raising, prevention, diagnosis and first treatment of cervical cancer in Burundi	31.345	Fondazione Museke
<b>SaM PROJECTS</b>		
Works for the realization of the <i>Centro educativo mariano</i>	113.662	Private donors

## VIS IN BURUNDI: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

During 2020 there were changes aimed at promoting VIS placement in the country. In January 2020 VIS office was transferred to the Salesian center in Buterere, to optimize resources and allow greater collaboration with the Salesian school and, in general, a consolidation of VIS experience in the TVET sector.

A second shift concerns the intervention sector area. In fact, 2020 was also characterized by the launch of interventions in the health sector thanks to the partnership with the Museke Foundation. Since January 2020, two projects were started focusing on mother-child health care and cervical cancer prevention as a pilot intervention - the latter in collaboration with the local association Buraca. The first project aims at strengthening the capacity of 15 health centers located in Bujumbura rural suburbs in the field of mother-child health care, with particular attention to new-born and childcare, to reduce morbidity and mortality linked to diseases, more frequent in the 0-5 age group. The second intervention instead aims at contributing to the reduction of cervical cancer cases in the population of the Northern District of the Bujumbura Province by upgrading the skills of health workers. The intervention has a purely pilot character; in fact, the dissemination of the project outputs will serve to extend and possibly replicate the project, as well as to make the data known to the main donors and key players active in the country. Both interventions were started in the second half of 2020; however, only the preliminary and preparatory activities were carried out as the Ministry of Health delayed signing of both executive agreements.

Regarding the TVET sector, the project "*Bâtir l'avenir*", which ended in December 2019, has allowed VIS to become a key actor in this sector and during 2020 this experience has continued to be consolidated also through the development of a map of the TVET centers in the country, in preparation for the development of new interventions planned for 2021.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Contribute to the improvement of the health conditions of the population of the province of Bujumbura	Objective not yet achieved due to the difficulty of obtaining an agreement with the Ministry of Health
Improve the skills of operators in the gyno/obstetrical sector	Objective not yet achieved due to the difficulty of obtaining an agreement with the Ministry of Health
Increase qualitative and quantitative access for the prevention and diagnosis of cervical cancer	Objective not yet achieved due to the difficulty of obtaining an agreement with the Ministry of Health

### Main interventions implemented in 2020:

- Identification and selection of partner health centers for the mother-child health care project located in Bujumbura Northern District, in collaboration with the local offices of the Ministry of Health. In parallel, through a careful analysis the following health center to be involved in the cervical cancer prevention and treatment initiative were identified: three decentralized health structures, a clinic and the public hospital of Bujumbura Northern Health District;
- defined the agreement with the local partner Buraca which will be the main actor involved in the cancer prevention project;
- continued thematic meetings with other NGOs and key players in the TVET sector to consolidate VIS position VIS in this area.

Weaknesses can be highlighted in the complex situation that involved VIS new registration phase in the country, uncertainty of available funds in the country and of the calls provided for by the most important donors together with the widespread political uncertainty, which has not allowed the implementation of medium-long term strategies.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b>Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration</b>
Design of a cartography of the VTCs present in the country
<b>Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors</b>
16 health centers identified for the mother-child health care component
5 health structures identified for the uterine cancer component

### PROSPECTS 2021

- Strengthen TVET project design, above all in studying and organizing dual pathways related to basic services key for local development (e.g. agriculture as a pilot sector which is the sector which takes up most of the manpower and renewable energy. Within this context, the possibility of involving as target the refugees in camps and/or local women's associations will also be evaluated.
- Strengthen the operative *partnership* with Fondazione Museke above all in the health sector.
- Consolidate the work of promoting VIS placement in the country especially in the TVET sector to capitalize on experience - a strategy that had to be already implemented during 2020, but which unfortunately suffered a severe slowdown mainly due to the deferral of many activities due to Covid-19 pandemic as well as to the security instability of the country.

# CONGO (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)

**Capital:** Kinshasa

**Population:** 120.000.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,480 (175<sup>th</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 1.063 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2002

**Year of official recognition:** 2010

**Expat operators in2020:** 1 (F)

**Volunteers:** 1 (F)

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 286.291 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- *Child and Youth Protection*
- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors
- Emergency

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
Promotion of pathways to eliminate inequalities and discrimination against women in vulnerable situation in the city of Goma	19.411	Private donors
Support to education activities in Mbuji-Mayi	13.009	VIS Presidium Il Nodo sulle Ali del Mondo
<b>EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS</b>		
Covid-19 emergency – Share knowledge, create solidarity against Covid-19	10.000	CEI 8x1000
<i>Hutabaki kamwe peke yako!</i> Protection in favour of children in street situation, children in conflict with the law and girls victims of violence and marginalized in the city of Goma	14.161	Private donors
<b>SaD PROJECTS</b>		
Support to children of <i>Centre des Jeunes Don Bosco Ngangi</i> in Goma Support to children of <i>Centro Don Bosco Muetu</i> in Mbuji Mayi From street and prisons to a better future	24.718	Private donors
<b>SaM PROJECTS</b>		
Support to missionary activities of don Piero Gavioli Support to missionary activities of don J.M. Rubakare Support to missionary activities in DRC from MDB	156.755	Private donors
<b>Other expenses</b>	6.673	Private donors

## VIS IN RDC: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

VIS is present in the DRC since 2003, almost only in the Eastern regions and in 2010 it has obtained the recognition from the Ministère du Plan as organization eligible to operate in the social domain. VIS works thanks to private funds and the institutional support funds provided by – MAECI and EU – and collaborates mainly with the Salesians of Don Bosco and many other local CSOs. In 2013 VIS has broadened its field of intervention also to Eastern Kasai, more precisely in Mbuji-Mayi, supporting the local Salesian community in the Center *Don Bosco Muetu*.

The year 2020 has been for VIS in DRC a difficult year, however, at the same time it has been crucial with respect to its orientation as VIS has decided not to follow emergencies but rather to continue along the path

of development, therefore, to propose interventions in such direction. In 2020 VIS recognition in North Kivu as credible and reliable actor collaborating with the *Centre des Jeunes Don Bosco Ngangi* CDBNG with its specific and clear functional and management independence has continued to be consolidated. The areas in which VIS added value has been mainly recognized have been vocational training- especially considering the work implemented with the girls of *Casa Mamma Margherita*, also through interventions connected with gender discrimination- and child protection in a context remaining a conflict one.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Awareness raising of the community on hygiene rules for Covid-19 prevention	Objective achieved
Strengthen capacity of young women in vulnerable situation, as right-holders to enter the socio-labour market. Foster community awareness about gender equality	Objective partially achieved The project is still in progress
Set up a local system for the promotion of the protection of minor girls in vulnerable and marginalized situation	Objective not achieved The project started only in November 2020

#### Main interventions implemented in 2020:

- 110 girls and women of *Casa Mamma Margherita* and *Anuarite* have participated in short TVET courses and 50 have received a kit for job placement;
- 300 pupils (38% girls) participated in awareness raising days on gender discrimination issues;
- 75 women and girls participated in *workshop/exchanged*;
- 28 girls admitted in *Casa Mamma Margherita*.

Nord Kivu- being the scene of wars, epidemics, and widespread insecurity – nowadays is still focused on emergency interventions, while the VIS-DRC is more focused on development projects: this for the first part of the year has created a slowdown in the project design activity.

#### Interventions in response to Covid emergency:

- The community aware of Covid-19 prevention hygiene rules also through the distribution of masks;
- Operators of 15 health centers trained on prevention measures, management, and protection of medical staff in case of Covid-19 disease.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b><i>Child and Youth Protection</i></b>
28 girls admitted in <i>Casa Mamma Margherita</i> and taken care of at 100%
<b>Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors</b>
(Initiatives in the process of starting up)
<b>Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration</b>
110 vulnerable girls and women aged 12-25 have accessed TVET services
Materials provided to <i>Casa Mamma Margherita</i> and <i>Anuarite</i>
Kits for job placement provided
<b>Emergency</b>
2.000 persons aware of Covid-19 prevention hygiene rules
3.000 masks distributed
Operators trained in 15 health centers

#### PROSPECTS 2021

- Maintain in the country VIS position orientated towards sustainable development.
- Continue VIS networking in the field of *Child and Youth Protection*, above all as for what concerns the minor girls in vulnerable situation (e.g. girls victims of violence and abuses and single mothers).
- Take care of the TVET sector through the competence approach as subject and strong point for future projects
- Increase the project design with private and public donors and broaden the network of local donors.

# ERITREA

**Capital:** Asmara

**Population:** 4.200.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,459 (180<sup>th</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 2.793 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2000

**Expat operators in2020:** 0

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 381.915 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Environment

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
Vocational competence training in Eritrea	9.997	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
TVET in carpentry and metallurgy for <i>dropouts</i>	60.731	GIZ
Upgrading the quality of education in Eritrea	6.326	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
<b>DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS</b>		
Vocational competence development in Eritrea	88.232	Private donors
<b>EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS</b>		
Upgrading water access and WASH conditions in a village in Asetah	134.411	AICS
<b>SaM projects</b>		
Support to the mission in Eritrea	77.380	Private donors

## VIS IN ERITREA: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

During 2020 in Eritrea the joint planning with the Salesians started in 2018 has continued, after a long period of inactivity due to the socio-political conditions of the country. Although it is not yet possible to register as NGO, VIS has nevertheless managed to continue the planned activities, in particular the projects financed by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation. In fact, in July 2020 the first support intervention for the Dekhmere school ended – however extended due to the Covid-19 pandemic which slowed down activities but made it impossible to send expat teachers for the courses (therefore this has been side-stepped by organizing pedagogical and non-technical courses employing local staff). Thanks to the consolidated partnership with the Swiss cooperation, a new three-year project began in October 2020 with a particular focus on updating the skills of teachers and teaching and non-teaching staff, to improve the quality of secondary vocational education. Furthermore, the collaboration with the only other Italian NGOs active in the country (Nexus, Prosud and Iscos), attached to the Eritrean trade union (NCEW), has been consolidated, with the prospect of a positive synergy between different skills: VIS more oriented towards " technical assistance focusing on adapting curricula to the skills required by the market and other NGOs more oriented towards job placement in the difficult context of the local labour market. Thanks to the collaboration, in 2020, in addition to starting the project "Dialogue, train, negotiate: work as a means of peace" (funded by AICS with NEXUS as lead partner), the project "Women's Councils: models, skills and voice for a just society in Eritrea", funded by the EU with Iscos as leader organization.

In addition, within the WASH sector, the project "Improving access to water and sanitation conditions in the village of Asetah, Eritrea" has continued in collaboration with the Acqua per la Vita Onlus association. During

2020, the well was excavated and the procedures for the purchase and dispatch of materials for its construction were completed – intervention to be completed in 2021, as activities were stopped due to the pandemic.

The main lines of action common to all projects in the training sector carried out in Eritrea are support for the definition of curricula in line with market needs, teacher training as lifelong learning, improvement of the quality of education through the supply of materials and equipment in line with the most advanced technology, organization of trainings for students and the start of school-to-work transition pilot courses, despite the static context of the Eritrean labour market.

VIS strength points in Eritrea are the operational partnerships both with the Salesians of Don Bosco and with the local association of the trade unions, which allow to carry out timely and highly relevant interventions to the real needs of the population, focused on training and the increase of job opportunities to improve the conditions of vulnerability in which most of the young people belonging to the age group in which the recipients of our interventions fall (15-29 years).

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Foster opportunities and favourable conditions for <i>lifelong learning</i> and for work for disadvantaged and vulnerable youth	Objective fully achieved. Marginalized and out of the formal educational cycle young people have benefitted of short courses in line with the carpentry, metallurgy, and basic computer science market.
Foster an educational environment oriented towards the human integral development	Objective fully achieved. Both the technical school of Dekemhare and the informal school of Barentu have been partially refurbished to make them more functional and have been equipped with innovative equipment for the context, to deliver courses in line with the needs of the market.

#### Main interventions implemented in 2020

- Organization of short courses in car mechanics, construction, general mechanics, electricity and solar energy at the Salesian school of Dekhmere;
- Refurbishing of girl dorms of the school of Dekhmere to increase school access for vulnerable girls;
- Curricula drafting of the short courses for the Salesian schools;
- Organization of Summer courses of trainers pedagogical and didactic training of the Salesian school at Dekemhare;
- Coordination of Italian NGOs active in Eritrea, partner of the local trade union;
- Well excavation and dispatch of all its construction materials part of the emergency project in WASH sector at the village of Asetah, near Dekhmere.

The country has a high degree of operational difficulty, regarding the operations of the local SDB partner due to the limitations imposed by the Government, and the impracticality of having formal recognition and therefore the presence of own operators, both local and expats. In addition, during 2020, it has been impossible to carry out a monitoring mission because of Covid-19 pandemic as the country closed its frontiers and the access to foreigners. Nevertheless, the *performance* was in general good, considering the limits deriving from the absence of VIS expat staff and the difficult communication (due to the lack of internet connections) – thanks to the good level of the local staff of the partner.

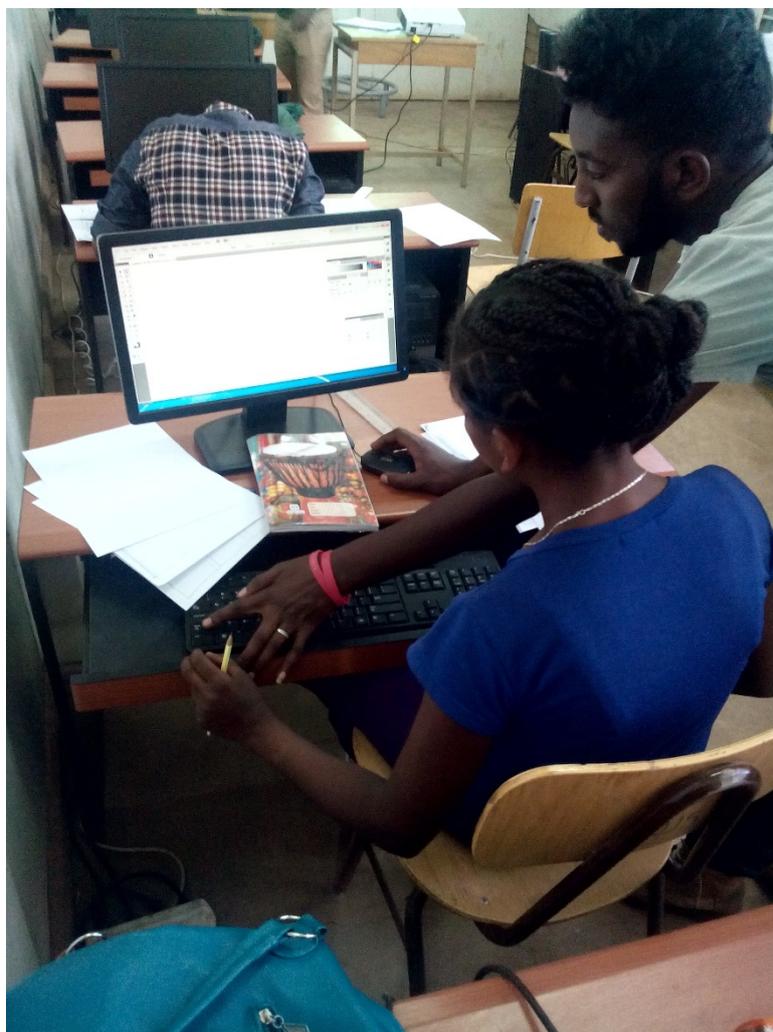
#### Interventions in response to Covid emergency:

have not been developed as it was prohibited legally for the NGOs to implement COVID prevention action in the country.

<b>RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR</b>
<b>Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration</b>
358 students have completed their study path (of which 151 girls)
50 teachers trained in pedagogy at the school of Dekhmer

#### PROSPECTS 2021

- Continue to enhance VIS projects in Eritrea in vocational training and access to labour market.
- Continue joint activities with Italian NGOs active in Eritrea in *partnership* with local trade unions with an exchange and integration approach of different competences, as per what concerns revision of teaching curricula and training of teachers and tutors.
- Enhance training activities extended to governmental schools with the aim of collaborating with the public structures of the Government.
- Continue activities connected with emergency projects in the WASH sector in Dekemhare region.



# etiopia

**Capital:** Addis Abeba

**Population:** 144.900.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,485 (173rd out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 2.207 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 1998

**Year of official recognition:** 2005

**Expat operators in2020:** 7 (5 M, 2 F)

**Volunteers:** 2 (1 M, 1 F)

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 2.529.232 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Environment
- *Child and Youth Protection*
- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Migration and development
- Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors
- Emergency

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
<i>DEAL</i> : Development of innovative schemes oriented towards labour and marking measures to offer work opportunities to youth and vulnerable women and at risk of undocumented migration in Tigray	738.462	EC
Improvement of productivity and dignified employment for youth and women in the textile sector in Tigray	163.107	AICS/MAECI
Intervention to contrast water emergency in the region of Afar	85.410	Tavola Valdese
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
Creation of work opportunities for potential migrants in Addis Abeba	70.656	PIN (EC funds)
<i>S.M.A.R.T.</i> – Integrated intervention on <i>Sanitation, Marketing Agriculture, Rural Development and Transformation</i> in the region of Gambella	143.101	AMREF (AICS funds)
<i>Melkam Sera</i> , good work: training and job placement for young people in Tigray and Addis Abeba	64.772	Private donors
<i>Enhancing Job Opportunities and Employability for Youth and Women (ENJOY) Project</i>	126.349	Private donors
Tigray well	11.300	Private donors
Somali Region project	19.613	Fondazione Elena Trevisanato
EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS		
<i>Resilience Over Drought II</i> – Strengthening resilience systems in the Somali Region	53.841	AICS/MAECI
Resilience and integration in favour of Eritrean refugees and of the hosting communities of the Shire area	708.851	AICS/MAECI
EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
Mitigation of primary causes of undocumented migration in the regions of Oromia, Tigray, Amhara	76.920	CISP (AICS funds)

Improvement of the life conditions of South Sudan refugees and of the resident communities: integrated interventions in the camps of the regional State of Gambella and Benishangul – Gumuz	137.609	CISP (AICS funds)
<b>SaM projects</b>		
Support to missionary activities of Gambella Diocese Support to missionary activities in Addis Abeba – Center <i>Don Bosco Children</i> Support to missionary activities in Addis Abeba – Cesare Bullo	66.550	Private donors
<b>Other expenditures for country management</b>	42.400	Private donors

## VIS IN ETHIOPIA: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

2020 has been characterized by was characterized by a consolidation of ongoing projects, which slowed down due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Despite this slowdown, most of the planned activities were carried out in the historical implementation areas of the interventions, namely Addis Ababa, Tigray, Gambella and Somali Region. In 2020, the SNNP (Southern Nations, Nationalities and People) region was added to these regions, where VIS has opened an office to better implement the "ENJOY" project funded by the EU as part of the Trust Fund Africa, led by Caritas Switzerland. Between Summer and September 2020, important development projects were completed, including the Trust Funds belonging to the SINCE program for the prevention of undocumented migration (one in Addis Ababa with PIN leader organization and one in Tigray with VIS leader organization), as well as an important emergency project funded by AICS and carried out in the refugee camps of Shire.

The commitment in the Gambella region also continued in favour of South Sudanese refugees and host communities, aimed at strengthening the socio-economic resilience of both categories, promoting greater integration between them.

From a thematic point of view, the main axis continues to be vocational training and job placement, as a measure to fight undocumented migration. At the base there is the re-evaluation of vocational training (meant as short courses in line with market needs, immediately expendable in the company or as self-employment) linked to job placement declined in a different way according to specific local characteristics: e.g. it can favour self-employment in rural contexts, rather than in company employment (through public/private partnerships) in urban contexts.

In November 2020, a conflict between regional forces and the central government broke out in Tigray, resulting in a high number of internally displaced persons and an increase in food insecurity, as well as a situation of chronic insecurity and a high level of vulnerability for the entire population, especially for the weakest groups, such as women and minors. VIS immediately engaged with the Salesian communities present in Tigray- thanks to the support of MDB in first place- to respond to the very first emergency, through food distributions that began at the end of 2020.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Foster conditions in which every person can freely enjoy their human rights	Objective fully achieved. WASH interventions in the regions of Gambella and Somali have been made that have allowed to improve access to water both in qualitative and quantitative terms
Foster a quality, inclusive, fair, and free education	Objective partially achieved Even if different interventions have been implemented to favour education and job placement of disadvantaged categories such as refugees and women (to contrast gender stereotypes in training and production environments) it was not possible to implement the originally planned inclusive education program in favour of people with disabilities
Foster an educational environment oriented towards the human integral development	Objective fully achieved. The cross-cutting skills of trainers, teachers and students have been increased and an education and recreation structure has been realized within

	the refugee camp of Nguenyiel. The education structure building in the camp of Jewi was started.
Foster opportunities and favourable conditions for <i>lifelong learning</i> and labour for disadvantaged and vulnerable youth	Objective fully achieved. Short courses in line with the needs of the market have been organized and pilot transition school/labour paths have been designed to increase the paid employment and strengthen the cooperation school/companies through public/private <i>partnerships</i> . The self-employment in individual form and in cooperative in urban areas has been promoted.
Foster educational and labour opportunities in crisis and emergency situations for migrants and refugees	Objective fully achieved. Short courses in line with the needs of the market have been organized for the Eritrean refugees of the Shire camps and for the South Sudan refugees of the Gambella camps and income generating activities to improve their socio-economic condition have been promoted.
Foster partnership strengthening and capacity development of operators, CSOs and institutions	Objective fully achieved. Public/private platforms have been created and made operative of governmental actors, training centers, companies, and private actors to strengthen the public/private <i>partnerships</i> aimed at improving the labour opportunities in the regions of Tigray and Addis Abeba

### Main interventions implemented in 2020:

- Inclusion in the labour market of potential migrants, return migrants and refugees in the regions of Tigray and Addis Abeba, through short trainings in line with the market and transition paths school/labour aimed at increasing the skills required by the companies and facilitating their employment. More specifically pilot innovative paths of *work-based learning* have been started with the aim of improving the cooperation between school and companies to increase the work opportunities of vulnerable youth;
- Establishment of urban cooperatives in the metallurgy and building sectors to favour the urban employment of the most vulnerable segments of the population;
- Promotion of sustainable and lasting public/private *partnerships* aimed at improving the local sector governance in the region of Tigray, to increase the dignified employment of youth and women particularly vulnerable;
- Implementation of decent job placement paths for vulnerable young people, through the establishment of cooperatives and individual income-generating activities;
- Improving the training offer in qualitative and quantitative terms of the technical Salesian and public schools, above all for what concerns the organization of short courses in line with the market and the administrative management of the institutes;
- Implementation for short training paths and sport and recreation activities for young refugees present in the refugee camp of Nguenyiel in the region of Gambella;
- Building of a center for extensive agriculture in Karmi, in favour of the hosting local community of the refugee center of Jewi, in the region of Gambella;
- Start of operations in the region SNNP through the implementation of the first assessment activities and the research connected with the project “ENJOY”.

It must be highlighted how working in emergency/conflict area where it is not possible to travel makes difficult monitoring of interventions. Due to the dimension of the ongoing interventions, it would be necessary to enhance coordination.

### Interventions in response to Covid emergency:

The two projects on which intervention was concentrated:

- *Since Deal* in Tigray: 58 cooperatives in urban area have become central to the awareness raising campaign in promotion of safe and dignified labour respecting all Covid precaution measure; more specifically all have received a kit including alcohol, gloves, masks and hand sanitizer in addition to *ad hoc* funding to face the crisis;
- With the project “ENJOY”, Swiss Caritas as lead organization, food, and individual protection devices/hygiene kits especially in favour of the young people mostly hit by the economic consequences of

the pandemic were distributed. Through the microenterprises of the territory 5.000 washable masks were produced and distributed to 800 recipients among unemployed youth, women, and internally displaced persons. For 400 of them, considered among the most vulnerable, the support also included food supply (flour, rice, oil). Furthermore, 10,000 surgical masks were provided to the local health units belonging to the two districts to support the health workers mostly exposed in the fight against the spread of the virus.

<b>RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR</b>	
<b>Environment</b>	
11 Water schemes made	
20 interventions to diminish climate change	
3.011 persons have improved their access to water ( in qualitative and quantitative terms)	
<b>Migration and development</b>	
5.730 potential migrants, return migrants and refugees accessed the labour market in Tigray and Addis Abeba	
14 interventions to contrast undocumented migration and <i>capacity building</i>	
<b>Education, vocational training and socio-professional integration</b>	
7.262 beneficiaries trained through formal and non-formal TVET courses	
2 interventions for strengthening of employment services	
<b><i>Child and Youth Protection</i></b>	
2.960 persons aware of the issues	

#### **PROSPECTS 2021**

- Consolidate the management capability of the local staff to improve the technical quality of interventions through tighter monitoring.
- Consolidate the collaboration strategy with the other organizations revolving around the main local partner, the Ethiopian Catholic Church (under which the Salesians operate), more specifically the International Caritas establishments for what concerns the management of complex interventions such as the *Trust Fund* and the realization of emergency interventions.
- Continue the promotion of innovative public/private *partnerships* aimed at improving the *governance* of the local economic development.
- Continue the promotion of innovative self-entrepreneurship and/or paid employment paths through school/work transition schemes to increase decent work opportunities for young people and women.
- Foster school inclusion.
- Continue the promotion of training and labour paths for young refugees and return migrants.

# GAMBIA

**Capital:** Banjul

**Population:** 3.200.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,496 (172<sup>nd</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 2.168 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2019

**Year of official recognition:** 2019

**Expat operators in2020:** 0

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 137.440 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Migration and development

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
<i>Free to leave, free to remain</i>	137.567	CEI 8x1000

## VIS IN GAMBIA: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

VIS is present in Gambia since April 2019 thanks to the project funded by the CEI “*Liberi di partire, liberi di restare (Free to leave, free to remain)*”. The presence of the activities promoted by VIS in Gambia is justified by the high percentage of migration from this country. Through a better and increased offer in TVET and access to the labour market the hope is to make Gambia more attractive for the young people and therefore contribute to fighting undocumented migration. During 2020 focus was centred on the implementation of the ongoing activities which have become more complex than what foreseen due to the general uncertainty situation linked to the pandemic and the turnover in the local project manager who ended his collaboration a few months after the beginning of the mandate. The health crisis has caused a general decrease of the activities for some months the TVET centres have remained closed, and the activities implemented from remote, with a lot of difficulties due to the lack of technological means and internet connection of the students. During 2020, therefore, there has not been the opportunity to proceed expanding in the country as foreseen.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Foster opportunities and favourable <i>lifelong learning</i> conditions e work for disadvantaged and vulnerable youth	Objective partially achieved. The health crisis has obliged the VTCs to be closed together with limitation of movements in the country

## Main interventions implemented in 2020:

- During the first months of the year VIS registration procedure in the country has been completed;
- Equipment of the 3 TVET centers has been renewed in collaboration with the local partners;
- 15 young people included in apprenticeship paths.

However, the limited knowledge of the context due to VIS and the Salesians recent presence in the country, aggravated by the activities management from remote without VIS staff *in loco* and partners with whom there was no previous experience in the field must be highlighted. In addition, also the distance of the *target* areas of intervention of the newly born SDB community in the country have represented a limitation that must be considered.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b>Education, vocational training and socio-professional integration</b>
15 students recipients of apprenticeship interventions

3 centers equipped
<b>Migration and development</b>
(results not received because of Covid)

### PROSPECTS 2021

- During 2021 frequent missions will be organized to analyse the needs of the Salesian community and of the areas of intervention in general. From a strategic point of view these missions will be organized in collaboration with ADAFO for a joint definition of priorities.
- Ensure a more constant presence of VIS coordination from remote and in loco missions to coordinate and monitor the partners in the implementation of the activities, to create new opportunities for partnerships and organize meetings and interviews to define future planning.



# GHANA

**Capital:** Accra

**Population:** 37.800.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,611 (138<sup>th</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 5.269 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2015

**Year of official recognition:** 2016

**Expat operators in2020:** 2 (1 M, 1 F)

**Civil service volunteers<sup>2</sup> (F)**

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 327.916 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Environment
- Migration and development

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
LEEWYV - <i>Local Economic Empowerment for Women, Youth and Vulnerable groups through CSOs and LAs concerted action in Ghana</i>	154.862	EC
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
Ghana! Program to support the local development to fight against undocumented migration arriving from Western Africa	160.227	CEI 8x1000
EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
Fight against Corona virus in Ghana	9.991	CEI 8x1000

## VIS IN GHANA: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

Notwithstanding the negative conditions due to the pandemic, it has been possible to complete various project activities and implement a specific project for fighting the spread of Covid-19, through awareness raising activities via the radio.

Vocational training has remained the focus of the projects together the job placement for vulnerable youth, potential migrants and return migrants through the labour service offices and a development fund. The issue of undocumented migration remains today important in Ghana also considering the pandemic; in fact, some rights of migrants are seriously compromised such as the right to liberty of movement (art. 12 ICCPR). The collaboration with the *University of Ghana Business School* within a marketing course implemented for the project *LEEWYV* has been extremely interesting which has been the first step to start the production of black soap with 48 women association. This organic soap is widespread used in Ghana. More than 1.300 vulnerable women have been trained in the production of this biological soap and the marketing course has offered the possibility to set up an effective system for its management and production, while the training in organic agriculture have seen 103 vulnerable young people involved who have been able to learn these new techniques in the 10 educational farms set up by VIS. The innovative means utilized in the course is the *greenhouse* entirely built with the local materials and designed by the *Don Bosco Technical School* of Sunyani. However, the awareness raising campaign to fights undocumented migration could not be carried out as the schools and the youth centers were mostly shut down because of the anti-Covid-19 provisions ordered by the Ghanaian government.

Regarding the volunteers, VIS Ghana remains a very active *hub* for the building experience for volunteers and/or interns and for their future growth and eventual placement in VIS projects. This year, even if with the difficulties due to the pandemic, the civil service girls have continued to follow the projects once back in Italy for safety reasons.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Foster the conditions in which each person enjoy their rights	Objective achieved Training and assistance support to the <i>Boys Home</i> , the Salesian center for youth in street situation in Sunyani has been constant and fruitful
Foster an education of quality, inclusive, fair, and free	Objective achieved Two trainings of trainers held: one in organic agriculture and one on the approach based on the competence to teaching
Foster opportunities and favourable conditions for <i>lifelong learning</i> and work for disadvantaged and vulnerable youth	Objective not achieved The courses for vulnerable young people and return migrants could not be held because of the difficulties encountered in the establishment of educational farms
Foster education and work opportunities both in crisis and emergency situations for migrants and refugees	Objective achieved 11 Higher schools, oratories and youth centers have become aware about the issue of young undocumented migrants
Foster strengthening of partnerships and the development of skills	Objective achieved 2 committees established including CSOs and LAs for the promotion of sustainable development

#### Main interventions implemented in 2020

- Implementation of an organic agriculture course for 103 vulnerable young people and potential migrants;
- Implementation of a course to produce biological soap, *black soap*, for 1.360 women;
- Construction of 4 new *greenhouses* using local materials.

#### Interventions in response to Covid emergency:

VIS Ghana has faced the Covid emergency setting up the appropriate safety measures in the offices and in the missions in the field. In addition, an awareness raising/information campaign on prevention methods and COVID contrast was carried out.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b>Environment e Migration and development</b>
152 institutions between CSOs and LAs are active in the promotion of sustainable development in the Brong Ahafo Region, some have been directly upgraded by the actions implemented
15 small farmer entrepreneurs have started their activity of agricultural/livestock production
59 girls found work in the field of catering after attending the course at the Don Bosco hotel school
4 local <i>greenhouses</i> have been made to Foster organic agriculture and increase crops collection

#### PROSPECTS 2021

For 2021 VIS presence must be strengthened and potentiated as well as some activities and programs coherently with the sectors and actions presently ongoing. In particular:

- Bring up to speed the development fund FATOUD.
- Start a process of conception and creation of the agricultural supply chain starting from the 10 educational farms.
- Develop a specific project design for child protection and fight against child labour.

# MALI

**Capital:** Bamako

**Population:** 27.100.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,434 (184<sup>th</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 2.269 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2018

**Expat operators in2020:** 0

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 409.059 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Migration and development

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
<i>Free to leave, free to remain</i>	409.059	CEI 8x1000

## VIS IN MALI: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

Notwithstanding the instability situation of the country, the present unsafety, and the dramatic occurrences of the year, in 2020 the expected results of the CEI project have been partially attained. The project continues to be managed directly by the ADAFO Salesian partner while the Salesian centers and Caritas take care of the implementation of field activities.

The research that has been implemented regarding the link between vocational training and migration has allowed to understand better the migration phenomenon in the areas of intervention and has confirmed the tight link existing between the lack of training opportunities and employment and migration.

The methodology applied is above all based on strengthening the local actors in the vocational training area and in job placement in synergy with the fight against undocumented migration as the target are young potential migrants and return migrants.

The motivation of VIS presence in the country remains strong due to the existing problems and hence the importance of interventions in the above-mentioned sectors (fight against undocumented migration, creation of opportunities for the most vulnerable in the rural areas, etc.), all within the program “*Stop Tratta*”. However, the operational and strategic framework is lacking for achieving new partnerships and projects, hence, to expand the mission.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Promote an educational environment oriented towards human integral development	Objective partially achieved A longer period of implementation of the foreseen is needed due to the difficulties linked with the pandemic and the political uncertainty/insecurity of the country
Improve the offer of training and socio-professional re-inclusion services	Objective partially achieved A longer period of implementation of the foreseen is needed due to the difficulties linked with the pandemic and the political uncertainty/insecurity of the country
Increase the awareness of the population about the link existing between regular migration and the risks of undocumented migration	Objective partially achieved A longer period of implementation of the foreseen is needed due to the difficulties linked with the pandemic and the political uncertainty/insecurity of the country

### Main interventions implemented in 2020:

- Training of 60 young people in biological agriculture;
- The Don Bosco TVET centers are supported through scholarships for vulnerable youth, purchase of teaching materials and equipment for the trainings, support to the labour offices and to upgrading the management of the centers;
- Training of trainers of the Don Bosco TVET centers on the competency approach and revision of training *curricula*;
- Establishment of a digital library for the students of the partner centers;
- Implementation of pedagogical visits for TVET center students to the enterprises;
- Funding of income generating activities to support entrepreneurship of young people and women in the intervention area.

Among the factors that have hampered the efficacy of interventions the growing insecurity, the coup d'état of August 2020 and the deriving political and institutional uncertainty, the lack of VIS staff in the country and the tardiness in implementing the activities must be evidenced.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b>Education, vocational training and socio-professional integration and Migration and development</b>
The training in technical and vocational sector has been strengthened and adapted in favour of people at risk of undocumented migration, migrants and return migrants
4 TVET centers have improved their structures or the training offer
45 teachers/trainers have improved their skills
439 young people have accessed quality training pathways
Increased access to the labour market and upgraded noticeably life and working conditions of the vulnerable categories
8 young people included in the labour market (wage work + IGAs)
228 young people have participated in pedagogical visits and internships in the companies present in the project implementation areas

### PROSPECTS 2021

- Start a shared planning with the local partner for the year 2021 to guarantee a continuation of VIS presence in the country for the future.

# Nigeria

**Capital:** Abuja

**Population:** 263.000.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,539 (161<sup>st</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 4.910 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2018

**Expat operators in2020:** 1 (M)

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 439.839 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Migration and development

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
Training pathways pre-leaving to facilitate social and work integration of regular migrants to Italy	18.853	Ministero degli Interni
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
<i>Free to leave, free to remain</i>	290.878	CEI 8x1000
<i>UNO – A new opportunity*</i>	124.104	CEFA (fondi Ministero degli Interni)
EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
Project COVID emergency	9.997	CEI 8x1000
*Note: Project <i>UNO</i> is implemented at the same time in Nigeria and Senegal, but the description of the initiative has been included only in this Nigeria country breakdown.		

## VIS IN NIGERIA: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

VIS has started working in Nigeria together with the Salesians in 2018 with the aim of fighting the undocumented migration flow, an endemic problem in Nigeria, with the project “*Free to leave, free to remain*” funded by the CEI. In 2019 the project *UNO*, funded by the CEFA with funds of the Ministero degli Interni has been added to promote the socio-economic reintegration of voluntary return migrants in Nigeria and Senegal, for their permanent reintegration in society through the purchase of goods/services for their economic activities and/or support to their training. In November 2020 the *FAMI* project started with the aim of providing a basic training to regular migrants who have requested family reunification.

The year 2020 has been characterized by the COVID pandemic which has had a strong impact on the activities delaying them. For operative opportunity reasons it has been decided not to start the registration procedures in the country.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Foster an educational environment oriented towards the human integral development	Objective partially achieved The training cycle had as its main objective the creation of a group of trainers of trainers capable of spreading the competency based approach in Salesian centers. The ban on gatherings due to Covid meant that only part of the training was provided
Foster opportunities and favourable conditions for <i>lifelong learning</i> and work for disadvantaged and vulnerable youth	Objective partially achieved In addition to bureaucratic delays and slowness in selection, the explosion of the Covid epidemic delayed the completion of the construction of the Ijebu Ode center, postponing it to 2021. Although the center is not fully completed, some courses have been started

Foster strengthening of partnerships and development of the capabilities of operators, CSOs and institutions	Objective almost totally achieved. PDO has been upgraded through a <i>Life Skills Long Learning</i> training program on various issues including: improvement of the socio-labour inclusion, <i>networking</i> with companies, labour organization and planning. Not all training could be provided due to the Covid pandemic-
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**Main interventions implemented in 2020:**

- Continue building the Salesian center of Ijebu Ode;
- Strengthen teachers’ skills and of the PDO through training cycles on *competence-based approach* (teachers) and *Life Skills Learning* (PDO Nigeria and Ghana);
- Start of sustainable activities for return migrants.

Among the factors which have hampered the efficacy of interventions the tardiness in purchases due to the high risk of frauds (in the country fraud is the second crime more done after drug trafficking) and underpowered staff compared to their commitments.

**Interventions in response to Covid emergency:**

- Design of a project for awareness raising of COVID emergency through radio programs and awareness raising activities for the communities thanks to the CEI 8x1000 funds.

<b>RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR</b>
<b>Migration and development</b>
374 young people trained in the technical-vocational field
The job placement rate of the Ondo and Onitsha centers has reached 80%
Established 1 labour office at national level and 2 offices at local level
<b>Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors</b>
Strengthened skills of 8 PDO staff members (Nigeria and Ghana)
Strengthened interaction capability with the entrepreneur structures through trainings

**PROSPECTS 2021**

- Support the reintegration pathway of return migrants within the *FAMI* project.
- Complete the construction of the Ijebu Ode center.
- Support and consolidate the training pathway of the group of trainers of trainers to improve the quality of teaching in the TVET centers.
- Strengthen the PDO through ad hoc training.
- Initiate Italian language courses to train for family reunion applicants.

# SENEGAL

**Capital:** Dakar

**Population:** 21.600.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,512 (168<sup>th</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 3.309 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2016

**Year of official recognition:** 2017

**Expat operators in2020:** 7 (2 M, 5 F)

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 989.676 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Migration and development
- Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
<i>Vivre et réussir chez moi</i> - Local development and territorialization of migration policies in Senegal	495.717	AICS/MAECI
Support to vocational training and work inclusion of vulnerable youth and women in the regions of Kaolack and Tambacounda	36.362	Regione Lazio
<b>DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS*</b>		
<i>Free to leave, free to stay</i> Support to vocational training and work inclusion of vulnerable youth and women in the regions of Kaolack and Tambacounda	44.483	CEI 8x1000
<b>EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS</b>		
<i>Invest on the Future</i> – protection, training and labour of return migrants, potential migrants and unaccompanied minor migrants Senegal, Gambia, and Guinea Bissau	403.112	AICS/MAECI
<b>EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS</b>		
Senegal: community training for proximity prevention in the Kaolack and Tambacounda regions	10.000	CEI 8x1000
*Note: Project <i>UNO</i> is implemented at the same time in Nigeria and Senegal, but the description of the initiative has been included only in Nigeria country breakdown.		

## VIS IN SENEGAL: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

VIS action in Senegal is expanding. In 2020, besides the activities already ongoing since 2018, the AICS project Emergency in the region of Tambacounda and the *FAMI* project in favour of regular migration have been started. Thanks to the activities implemented it has been possible to promote with the Senegalese authorities actions in the areas of migration, vocational training and socio-labour placement for vulnerable youth and potential migrants. The interventions of the projects are in line with the “*Stop Tratta*” campaign and reflect a clear merging of intentions and actions in the field. The knowledge of the local context, of the political and institutional dynamics and of the same institutions has increased and this makes the relationship with the institutions quite fruitful. The start up of the Emergency AICS project has allowed a range of activities directly involving the young people of the area (scholarships and trainings). To provide an answer to the health crisis linked with Covid, CEI has funded an awareness raising and upgrading of the skills of medical staff and community agents project in the regions of Tambacounda, Kaolack, Thies and Dakar. In terms of planning VIS continues to operate in the migration and development areas as well as in the TVET and job placement

sectors. The issue of undocumented migration remains at the center of most of the strategies of partners and donors.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Promote opportunities and favourable conditions for <i>lifelong learning</i> and work for disadvantaged and vulnerable young people	Objective partially achieved The closure of schools and the slowdown of activities due to the health crisis have not allowed to set off all foreseen scholarships for education and labour
Promote education and job opportunities in situations of crisis and emergency and for migrants and refugees	Objective partially achieved The closure of schools and the slowdown of activities due to the health crisis have not allowed the implementation of regular vocational courses. Pathways to strengthen the skills of medical staff and community operators have been set of on COVID prevention and management of the positive cases.
Promote strengthening of partnership and development of the capabilities of operators, CSOs and institutions	Objective partially achieved Due to the health crisis it has not been possible to organize support session in presence to the skills of the local actors

### Main interventions implemented in 2020:

- Mapping and analysis of the existing entrepreneurship situation at local level finalized in the regions of Tambacounda and Kaolack, in the domain of the research on migration and development of the CIRMiB;
- Support sessions to the skills of the members of two coordination regional tables on local management of migration implemented;
- Awareness raising activities within the campaign “*Stop Tratta*” carried on through *focus group*, home visits, public events to sensitize youth about the risks linked with undocumented migration and opportunities of training and job placement present in the territory;
- Provided scholarships to vulnerable boys of the TVET Don Bosco centers ;
- Purchase of educational material and equipment for trainings, support to labour offices and upgrading the TVET Don Bosco centers management;
- Finalized the rehabilitation works of the training center for master craftsmen of the region of Tambacounda;
- Two local development funds for Tambacounda and Kaolack activated which have permitted funding to support youth, women and community’s entrepreneurship through funds for activities of interest of the community (building and/or rehabilitation of wells and water systems above all);
- Organized training sessions for young people, women and return migrants in the region of Tambacounda on job search and entrepreneurship technique.

### Interventions in response to Covid emergency:

- Organization of radio and video awareness raising campaigns: men and women, adolescents at risk of the target zones are informed and aware about stigmatization of a sick or alleged patient, individual and collective prevention, ways of transmission of the virus;
- Training of health staff and community agents of the region of Tambacounda, Kaolack, Thies, Dakar: 100 persons trained on dressing and undressing techniques, on how to carry out the swab and on taking charge of the positive patient;
- Distribution of protection devices: masks and soap for 450 minors and adolescents.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b>Education, vocational training and socio-professional integration</b>
1.294 beneficiaries (450 in Tambacounda, 838 in Thies, 6 in Dakar) trained through formal and non-formal TVET courses
1.860 young people supported in their income generating activities thanks to the funding received through the Local Development Funds (LDF)
3 Training centers (Thies, Tambacounda, Kaolack) have refurbished their structure and/or the training curricula

480 young people participated in basic and lifelong training modules in line with the needs of the enterprises of the region of Kaolack
297 young people trained in entrepreneurship and enterprise management in the region of Tambacounda
112 young people trained in research techniques for employment and personal development in the region of Tambacounda
<b>Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors</b>
4 <i>capacity building</i> pathways for LAs developed
<b>Migration and development</b>
6 migrants beneficiaries of the program of integrated AVRR
9.585 young people informed and aware of the risks of undocumented migration
5.330 persons informed about community development projects and LDF

#### PROSPECTS 2021

- Include the topic integral ecology and ecological transition in the various migration, training, and professional inclusion programs.
- Broaden the child protection activities above all through improving access to education and supporting informal education pathways.
- Start collaborations with Italian and Senegalese universities.

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2.3 INTERVENTIONS IN LATIN AMERICA

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# BOLIVIA

**Capital:** La Paz

**Population:** 13.200.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,718 (107th out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 8.554 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2003

**Year of official recognition:** 2013

**Expat operators in 2020:** 4 (3 M, 1 F)

**Expenses incurred in 2020:** 189.207 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- *Child and Youth Protection*
- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
<i>Every family a school of life 2</i> – Promotion of the right of each child/adolescent living in a shelter to live within the family through strengthening the Pluri-national system for child protection	86.425	UNICEF Bolivia
<b>DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS</b>		
Strategies of inclusion in socio-health and school services. Operational models to accompany the child with disability in Bolivia	29.119	Fondazione Don Carlo Gnocchi (AICS funds)
<b>SaD projects</b>		
Support to the “ <i>Progetto Don Bosco</i> ” in Santa Cruz de la Sierra	5.220	Private donors
<b>SaM projects</b>		
Support to the mission of Father Pasquale Cerchi in Cochabamba Support to the mission of Father Serafino Chiesa in Kami Support to missionary activities in Bolivia from MDB	44.478	Private donors
<b>SaV – SUPPORT TO VOLUNTEERS</b>	23.647	Private donors

## VIS IN BOLIVIA: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

During 2020, VIS continued intervening in Bolivia in child protection through two specific projects. The first, born out of the historical collaboration with the local Salesian Province is focused on supporting children and adolescents in street situation who are directed towards the Salesian shelter “*Tetto Pinardi*” in Santa Cruz de la Sierra, where they have been constantly accompanied within a targeted growth and social re-inclusion program. The second is framed within the project funded by UNICEF Bolivia based on the child right to live within a family. In this context the high-level training action has been strengthened in this respect for public officers and social operators of the Pluri-national child protection system of the regions of La Paz, Cochabamba, and Santa Cruz, through the continuation and conclusion of a masters and the establishment of three short courses in collaboration with the Salesian University of Bolivia. Furthermore, the family re-integration and/or definition of the legal situation of minors residing in the shelters Cochabamba and Santa Cruz have continued. Finally, due to the spread of Coronavirus in Bolivia, a set of actions have been implemented for the protection of the minors involved in the project. During 2020, VIS has carried out the intervention to support children with disability together with the local partner EPDB, within the three-year project co-funded by AICS, with the Fondazione Don Gnocchi as lead organization. In particular, the intervention was focused on concluding the refurbishing of the school buildings to knock down the existing architectural barriers and on continuing the training sessions for directors and teachers together with

awareness raising spaces for students and families in 4 schools near Cochabamba on school and social inclusion of children with disability or learning difficulties. In 2021 it is foreseen to complete this last project (the only one still ongoing) and proceed with closing VIS presence in the country.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Foster the right of the institutionalized child to live within the family	Objective achieved. The project, funded by UNICEF Bolivia, was broadened against the spreading of Covid-19 and then completed. The number of beneficiaries is higher than expected
Foster school inclusion (to the lower-middle level of instruction) of children with disability or learning difficulty coming from poor families	Objective partially achieved Intervention reduced due to Covid-19, with the transition to virtual training (moreover not accessible to many students) and the early closure of the school year. The number of beneficiaries (students and families) was lower than expected
Improve the violence prevention interventions in school and family	Objective not achieved Spreading of Covid-19 in Bolivia has not permitted to implement any intervention in this area
Foster youth volunteering in Bolivia, partnering with the Pastorale Giovanile Salesiana (PGS) in the implementation of an <i>ad hoc</i> initiative and including Italian volunteers	Objective not achieved Spreading of Covid-19 in Bolivia has not permitted to implement the foreseen activities nor the arrival in the country of volunteers from abroad

### Main interventions implemented in 2020

- Guide former young people in street situation, living in the Salesian shelter “*Tetto Pinardi*” (one of the “*Progetto Don Bosco*” centers) in Santa Cruz de la Sierra;
- Higher level training on the rights of the child to live within the family for operators of the Child protection system of the regions of La Paz, Cochabamba and Santa Cruz, through the implementation of a masters and three short courses;
- Boost and support family reintegration processes and the definition of the legal situation of minors residing in shelters in the regions of Cochabamba and Santa Cruz;
- Completing the dismantling of architectural barriers in school buildings in Cochabamba to ensure access and school inclusion of children with disability;
- Awareness raising on disability and socio-educational issues for teachers, parents, and students with the support of audio-visual materials and in telematic mode.

### Interventions in response to Covid emergency:

From the end of March to the end of October 2020, in coordination with UNICEF Bolivia, VIS has implemented the following interventions in response to the emergency:

- Purchase and distribution of food packs to 40 vulnerable families involved in minors’ reintegration processes in the regions of Cochabamba and Santa Cruz;
- Purchase and distribution of food and medicines to 26 shelters (in which 528 minors are hosted) and individual safety devices to 10 public institutions in charge of child protection in the region of Santa Cruz.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<i>Child and Youth Protection</i>
205 institutionalized children and adolescents involved in family reintegration processes or in definition of the socio-legal situation
239 Public officers and social operators of the Pluri-national child protection system of La Paz, Cochabamba and Santa Cruz trained through a masters and three short courses
1 online seminar on child protection during the Covid-19 was held with the participation of 100 public officers and social operators of the Child protection system of Bolivia and of other 4 Latin America countries

5 regional <i>roadmaps</i> concerning child protection and family reintegration processes presented to the public in synergy with the <i>Regional inter-institutional table for the rights of the child to live within the family</i> of the Cochabamba region
<b>Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration</b>
2 schools dismantled architectural barriers to ensure access to the educational facilities to students with disability
900 students of the 4 lower-medium school continued their awareness raising program on disability and school inclusion
600 parents continued the awareness raising program on disability and family-social inclusion of children with disability or learning difficulty
60 teachers continued their training program to ensure access to appropriate education to children with disability or learning difficulty

#### PROSPECTS 2021

- Complete the socio-education inclusion process of children with disability or learning difficulty within the lower-middle school and their families.
- Following the gradual disengagement in the country, foreseen by VIS strategic planning due to the changed international cooperation policy for Latin America, proceed with the close-up procedures of VIS presence in Bolivia, implementing all the necessary actions to fulfil this.

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## 2.4 INTERVENTIONS IN MIDDLE EAST

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# EGYPT

**Capital:** Cairo

**Population:** 120.800.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,707 (116th out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 11.466 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 2009

**Expat operators in 2020:** 1 (M)

**Expenses incurred in 2020:** 84.801 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors
- Migration and development

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
<i>Youth employment promotion in Egypt through training, innovation, and synergy with the market</i>	38.977	Private donors
<i>Youth and labour in Egypt: for new training and professional inclusion opportunities</i>	40.405	Private donors
<b>SaV – SUPPORT TO VOLUNTEERS</b>	5.419	Private donors

## VIS IN EGYPT: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

In 2020 two project initiatives have been evaluated positively by VIS. The continuation of the project *“Youth and labour in Egypt: for new training and professional inclusion opportunities”* received the approval in March with the title *“Youth employment promotion in Egypt through training, innovation and synergy with the market”* (Fondo di beneficenza Intesa S. Paolo). This initiative will allow to continue supporting the innovation process already initiated through the first project in support of two technical and vocational Salesian schools in Cairo and Alexandria. Moreover, the approval of the *FAMI* project (Min. Interno e Lavoro italiani) has allowed to open a new area in migration and development at the Salesian establishment in Cairo. The interventions have been started respectively in September and October 2020.

VIS role within the PDO, through the presence of its expat staff (coordinator and *focal point* for the abovementioned projects) has continued to provide support in attaining a development vision and upgrading the capability of project design and management. This has allowed to explore new opportunities for development and to define new project proposals both in continuation of the interventions already implemented in the training sector and in the migration sector. In addition, a strengthening process of the network of contacts with donors and partners (UNHCR, IECD, Caritas Alessandria) has been initiated.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Launch of the project <i>“Youth employment promotion in Egypt through training, innovation, and synergy with the market”</i>	Objective fully achieved. Project started September 1, 2020
Launch of the <i>FAMI</i> project	Objective fully achieved. Project started October 1, 2020

## Main interventions implemented in 2020:

The following are highlighted:

- New studies carried out (*needs assessment* and analysis of the conditions of the Salesian schools in Cairo and Alexandria) which have evidenced major capability to identify the needs of two Salesian schools with translation of the needs into project proposals;

- Creation of network a local level with international institutions such as UNHCR, IECD and Caritas Alexandria and major coordination among the two institutions.

Weaknesses of the intervention in the country are linked to the delays in start of VIS registration process in Egypt with deriving limited possibilities of receiving funds, delay in decision making processes and data collection from the Salesian partners.

#### **RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR**

As projects have been started at the end of the year 2020, results will be evidenced starting from next year.

#### **PROSPECTS 2021**

- Strengthen VIS position through new projects in favour of the upgrading of two technical-vocational schools of Cairo and Alexandria.
- Consolidation of VIS presence and distribution of the workload through a new support position for expat staff.
- Evaluation of starting the registration process for VIS in Egypt.

# PALESTINE

**Capital:** East Jerusalem and Ramallah

**Population:** 4.900.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,690 (119<sup>th</sup> out of 189 countries)<sup>5</sup>

**Income per capita:** 5.314 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 1987

**Year of official recognition:** 2010 in Palestine, 2009 in Israel

**Expat operators in2020:** 4 (3 M, 1 F): 2

**Peace corps volunteers:** 2

**Civil service volunteers:** 1

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 744.713 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Environment
- *Child and Youth Protection*
- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
NUR ( <i>New Urban Resources</i> ). Renewable energy for Bethlehem	29.342	Municipality of Torino
Management and control system of the urban growth for the development of the heritage and life improvement of Bethlehem	8.435	Municipality of Pavia
<i>Start Your Business!</i> Creation of <i>start-ups</i> , development of technical skills and socio-economic promotion of vulnerable young people and women in Palestine	218.138	AICS/MAECI
<b>DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS</b>		
Organization and start of the MGAPS at the University of Palestine	35.028	CEI 8x1000
Promotion of the vulnerable communities in the area H2 through the refurbishing of schools and the implementation of extra curricula activities	17.671	Private donors
<b>EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS</b>		
<i>Child Friendly Schools</i> : emergency project the protection of children of the vulnerable communities of the C area and H2 (West Bank), through the refurbishing and adjustment of school buildings and interventions of psycho-social support	370.034	AICS Jerusalem
<b>EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS</b>		
EmergencyCovid-19 <i>Augusta Victoria Hospital</i>	29.205	CEI 8x1000
Emergency Covid-19 <i>Holy Family Hospital</i>	29.992	CEI 8x1000

## VIS IN PALESTINE: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

VIS is present in Palestine since more than 30 years. During this long period which has been characterized by many changes in the political, social, economic and institutional scenarios, VIS has grown a lot. It has adjusted

<sup>5</sup> UNDP 2019 data. 2020 data not available.

its work to the changed needs of the Palestinian population, together with whom it has never stopped operating.

The sectors in which VIS presently is engaged are many: technical-vocational training and job start, socio-economic development, *capacity building* of local institutions. Projects are implemented together with different local partners, starting from the Salesians of Don Bosco first partner in the country, the University of Bethlehem, the local authorities, Italian and international NGOs, Italian Universities, and companies, etc.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Carry out a study on the potential of developing innovative training course targeted also to women at the Salesian TVET center of Bethlehem	Objective fully achieved. The study has been completed with success and three new training courses are being set up
Increase the employability of low skilled Palestinian youth and women through strengthening of technical and vocational training and the introduction of “ <i>Start your business training</i> ” – and the offer of qualifying training course in the leading sectors of the local market	Objective partially achieved The Covid-19 emergency has not allowed to implement the activities as originally planned
Facilitated the development of new <i>start-ups</i> /commercial and social enterprises and increased dissemination of <i>social business</i> , through the offer of specific training, incubation, and acceleration services	Objective fully achieved. The Covid-19 emergency has created difficulties; however, it has been possible to initiate the incubation process of 29 <i>start-ups</i>
Create a new master’s in public administration management	Objective fully achieved. License obtained from the Palestinian Ministry for Education and Higher Education and new curriculum finalized
Consolidate VIS presence in C area through emergency and extended in time crisis interventions in favour of the most vulnerable children	Objective partially achieved Some activities have been cancelled because the schools have remained closed for month and classes have been held only online

#### Main interventions implemented in 2020:

- Information meetings, training courses in entrepreneurship and a *business plan competition* accomplished with the participation of 230 persons;
- Incubation process for 29 *start-ups* initiated;
- Project in C area and H2 (Hebron historical center) implemented which has implied the refurbishing of 5 schools and the purchase of computers for the teachers to facilitate remote teaching;
- MoU signature with the Ministry for Education in the TVET field and implementation of course on entrepreneurship for technical schools; strengthening of the relationship with the Municipality of Bethlehem thanks to the implementation of the projects that have the Municipalities of Torino and Pavia as lead organizations; column *social* #FalafelDiNotizie published on VIS Facebook for 25 episodes registering 71.425 views.

It must be highlighted that the activities for year 2020 have been strongly squeezed due to the Covid-19 emergency. For the same reason many calls have been postponed (including the emergency call and the LRRD of AICS Jerusalem).

#### Interventions in response to Covid emergency:

- Two hospitals supported thanks to the extraordinary funds for the purchase of individual protection devices.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b>Environment</b>
Start of incubation process for 7 <i>start-ups</i> linked to the renewable energies
Contribution to the installation of two new photovoltaic systems on public utility buildings in Bethlehem
Contribution in disseminating and promoting a new energy plan in Bethlehem
<b>Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration</b>
Implementation of a new project in which 495 students and vulnerable persons will be beneficiaries
Design of a curriculum for a new master’s in public administration management

Production of a study on the development of innovative training sectors targeted also to women at the TVET center of Bethlehem
700 youth, women and NEET have participated in events for the promotion and start-up of micro and small commercial and social enterprises
59 young NEET reached by training
1 secondary and vocational schoolteacher involved in the training on entrepreneurship
308 youth, women and NEET have benefitted of targeted vocational orientation services carried out by specialised staff
23.000 persons reached through advocacy/campaign on social business
<b>Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors</b>
A training on social business pathway implemented for 9 teachers of the Public Administration Faculty of the University of Bethlehem
Start-up of three research projects on social enterprises and <i>social business</i> in Palestine in collaboration with the Universities of Florence and Bethlehem
A new project to Foster the socio-economic integration of the Christian minorities in the Holy Land through the protection of the artistic, food and environmental heritage initiated
<b><i>Child and Youth Protection</i></b>
Implementation of school rehabilitation in new intervention areas: three new villages in West Bank C area and in H2 and remote teaching support thanks to the purchase of portable computers for the teachers
8.010 children aware of environment and school care and of hygiene
9 public schools of C area and H2 can provide psycho-social support
75 children report a more positive classroom climate and a better relationship with teachers
24 teachers have consolidated the learnt new teaching methods

## PROSPECTS 2021

- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration: initiate vocational training courses open to girls in the Salesian centers, integrated with trainings in *entrepreneurial skills e management*; strengthen VIS position on *gender mainstream*.
- Strengthening of CSOs: continue to support the local economic development/empowerment through the creation of traditional enterprises and *social business*.
- Strengthening of CSOs: initiate a first official accredited edition of the MGAPS with the University of Bethlem; renew and upgrade MICAD.
- *Child and Youth Protection*: focus on psycho-social support/*education in emergency*: Foster, together with the partner Istituto Europeo di Psico-traumatologia, a research project to identify mental pathologies in Palestine and eventually the scientific definition for *Palestinian Syndrome*.

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## 2.5 INTERVENTIONS IN EUROPE

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# ALBANIA

**Capital:** Tirana

**Population:** 2.800.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,795 (69th out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 13.997 \$

**Year start up activities in the country:** 1994

**Year of official recognition:** 2002

**Expat operators in 2020:** 4 (2 M, 2 F)

**Expenses incurred in 2020:** 828.235 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Environment
- Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration
- Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors
- Emergency

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
<i>Zana e Maleve – Youth and territory: roots of a community moving towards the European integration</i>	440.533	AICS/MAECI
<i>FoRuM: Focussing on Rural Mobilisation in Malesi e Madhe</i>	99.262	EC
<i>Green Lands</i>	134.731	EC
<i>Promoting the consumption of organic, traditional, and GI food products of Albania</i>	15.196	FAO
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
<i>Connecting Rural Youth across Borders</i>	7.497	RYCO
Project microcredit rural areas	100.000	Private donors
Community- Projects	14.356	Private donors
EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS		
Post-earthquake support to the families of Bubq e Mallkuq (Municipality of Kruja)	13.069	Caritas italiana

## VIS IN ALBANIA: MAIN INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED

VIS in Albania is active from 1994 and from 2009 is implementing development and support interventions for rural and mountain communities in the North. This engagement started since more than ten years, characterized by three important three-year projects funded by the Italian cooperation and two by the EU in the territory of Malësi e Madhe, contributed to affirming VIS as important referral in rural development and confirmed its geographic grounding in the North of the country. Such width of action has confirmed and broadened the collaboration and role within the national and international *networks*. In addition, thanks to the present ongoing intervention, *Zana e Maleve – Youth and territory*, VIS is expanding its focus also to young people and the social sector and to the services for the communities.

2020 has moreover marked two new important confirmations in the environment protection, with 3 new projects focused on it and the consolidation of the relationship with Caritas Italia and Caritas Albania both in the start-up of a new project for young people in Klos, and in supporting the families hit by the earthquake of the end of November 2019.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Broaden the promotion of opportunities and favourable conditions for the <i>lifelong learning and for the labour of disadvantaged and vulnerable youth</i>	Objective fully achieved. At local level, scholarships oriented to the work and the grants appeared to be of particular interest to the community of Malësi e Madhe . At national level the importance and visibility given to the role of local development agent was confirmed.
Foster strengthening of partnerships and the development of the capabilities of operators, CSOs and institutions	Objective fully achieved. During 2020 the activities with the Forum of the CSOs of Malësi e Madhe and the committee for the management of the fund (of which in this case the public administration is an integral part) were continued. The support to national <i>networks</i> was continued involving also the young <i>Slow Food Youth Network</i> (SFYN) in activities linked with the <i>Albanian Network for Rural Development</i>
Foster good practices in the environmental domain, stimulating the participation of the community and the private world in activating opportunities for the care of the environment also without the support of the public administration	Objective fully achieved. Besides the awareness raising activities for the citizens and schools of Malësi e Madhe, 8 ecological islands and 2,000 bins were distributed to families for waste sorting were complete. In addition, awareness raising and care activities for the lake of Scutari have been started.
Foster exchanges and education towards human and community development	Objective fully achieved. Numerous exchange occasions have been organized with a continuous and high participation of the beneficiaries (youth, schools, local CSOs) and the organization of the week of the volunteer in August 2020 was continued.
Define eventual new topics to focus on connected with the strategic planning of the Salesians	Objective partially achieved A first positive contact was established with Don Bosco of Scutari for planning the civil service, the profitable collaboration with IUSVE and contacts were established for collaborating with the day-time centre of the Salesian community of Lushnje. Waiting for the appropriate funds and calls to concretise the partnership in Lushnje

#### Main interventions implemented in 2020:

- Training of 22 local development agents in all the country;
- Diversification of training offer of Malësi e Madhe;
- Vocational training of young people, *start-ups* and tourism operators;
- Registration of two products with **Potential of Geographical Indications (GI)** (Mishavinë cheese, formerly a Slow Food presidium and wild blueberries from Kelmend- currently being evaluated);
- assignment of 21 work grants for disadvantaged young people;
- Exchanges of experiences and *know-how* among various development actors;
- Technical assistance for farmers and producers (with particular attention to the ethical brand of AICS "*Made with Italy*");
- Active microcredits: 269 (settore agricolo, zootecnico, pastorale e turistico) e 14 *migrants*;
- Implementation of 28 initiatives with impact on the community;
- Established communication platform for the CSOs;
- Implementation of an awareness raising campaign for citizens and schools on waste sorting and fire prevention;

- *Capacity building* for local institutions (including information pathways for fire prevention);
- Purchase and distribution of equipment for the municipality 2,000 120-liter bins, 90 1,200-liter bins, collection vehicle, 8 ecological islands, 10 sets for waste sorting in the schools of Malësi e Madhe);
- Study forest and water resources management in Shkrel park;
- Improvement of tourist signposting of the park and construction of the information point in Shkrel;
- Implementation of *housing assistance* and recreation of the Bubq families hit by the earthquake.

In addition, the social section #ViaggioinAlbania was created with 80 visits to the news on the website and coverage of 10,333 on Facebook with 1,002 interactions.

The factors that hindered the effectiveness of the interventions are mainly the slow response capacity on behalf of the local LAs on operational issues, in particular the regularization of land ownership and the closure of universities due to Covid, which prevented the start of the course for local development agent.

#### **Interventions in response to Covid emergency:**

- Distribution of food packs to more than 80 families in Malësi e Madhe;
- Distribution of anti-contagion devices to 301 beneficiaries.
- Petrol refuelling and logistical support to the local police during lockdown.

<b>RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR</b>
<b>Education, vocational training, and socio-professional integration</b>
1.140 volunteers involved in 15 youth awareness raising meetings/events
1.436 Malësi e Madhe students and teachers have access to an upgraded school infrastructure and to a more innovative teaching offer
Malësi e Madhe youth and teachers strengthened awareness about the added value of subjects connected to the territory valorisation and environment protection (organization of 4 <i>trainings</i> , 3 presentations in the school and a photo contest)
<i>Baseline</i> approved on the certification of local development agent of the University of Agriculture of Tirana and 22 local development agents involved
21 disadvantaged young people have had access to the component of scholarships for work and are keeping their job
36 tourism operators trained with the certificate for HACCP
<b>Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors</b>
Analysis and management capabilities upgraded of 21 local CSOs through <i>capacity building</i>
3.154 young people and adults involved in awareness raising activities, exchanges of experience and <i>know-how</i> with other interest groups in Albania and Kosovo
185 economic operators access direct financial support mechanisms (304 since project start up)
85 economic operators and farmers have had access to the technical assistance services offered
28 primary services activated following the consultation of the local communities
Visibility and promotion of the target territories improved (including finalizing the telecast of <i>Geo &amp; Geo</i> on Kelmend)
<b>Environment</b>
6 common green initiatives between Malësi e Madhe and Berane (Montenegro)
4.087 persons involved in the awareness raising campaign for waste sorting in Malësi e Madhe
306 Civil society and public administration representatives trained in fire prevention
New solid waste management models introduced at institutional and community levels (concept of recycling and waste sorting)
<b>Emergency</b>
34 families heavily hit by the earthquake supported with <i>housing assistance</i> and animation in the administrative unit of Bubq

#### **PROSPECTS 2021**

- Strengthen VIS engagement in the social sector, taking care of the start-up and sustainability of the youth center in Koplik and volunteer training for young Albanians.
- Start a collaboration with the center *Don Bosco* in Scutari and Lushnje.
- Start a collaboration with new donors such as GIZ and SIDA.

- Finalize the course for local development agent and evaluate future project possibilities in this area with IUSVE and the University of Agriculture of Tirana.
- Start a path to support the regularization of land ownership.
- Support the planning of specific initiatives for the protected area of the Scutari Lake.
- Finalize the tourism association of Malësi e Madhe.
- Foster the app and web site supported by the project *Zana e Maleve*.
- Broaden the territory and theme horizon.



# italy – COVID emergency

**Population:** 59.000.000 inhabitants

**Human Development Index (HDI):** 0,892 (29<sup>th</sup> out of 189 countries)

**Income per capita:** 42.776 \$

**Expenses incurred in2020:** 443.552 euro

## PROJECT AREAS

- Emergency

EMERGENCY PROJECTS FUNDED BY PUBLIC DONORS	EXPENDITURES INCURRED (IN €)	DONORS
VIS, Salesiani per il Sociale Aps and CNOS FAP answer to Covid-19 emergency in Italy	443.552	USAID

## OPERATIONAL CONTEXT

Italy was one of the first countries hit by the Covid-19 pandemic. Since the end of February to the beginning of October 2020 more than 300 thousand cases of contagion have been confirmed and 35.875 persons lost their lives. In addition to the seriousness of the health emergency, there are the consequences on an economic, social, and educational level that have generated a huge impact especially on the most vulnerable segments of the population. For this reason, the project *“The answer of VIS, the Salesiani per il Sociale Aps and CNOS FAP to the Covid-19 emergency in Italy”* was launched. Thanks to an integrated strategy, the project aims at reaching some of the most vulnerable and more hit by the consequences of the pandemic categories of people and at the same time to Foster the values of international cooperation, social cohesion, and the solidarity among the States, in particular the USA toward Italy. 24.480 are the direct beneficiaries of the project including teachers, students, families, young people, children, migrants, and refugees with interventions involving 16 Italian regions for 15 months.

The project foresaw different training activities aimed at supporting the period of distance learning that all Italian school had to deal with and provide means for reflection and analysis of the socio-health situation and its consequences above all for the young people. The activities planned – *web talks*, online courses, digital devices, an educational kit and a competition for the schools – have allowed students, teachers and families to face the difficult moment with innovative and original educational tools aimed at facilitating the contextualization and understanding of the complex situation lived in.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Foster training, awareness raising and learning pathways for families and teachers	Objective achieved Creation and dissemination of digital resources is constant and fruitful. Online free Web talks and training courses have been held.
Foster digital learning pathways for vulnerable students	Objective achieved 550 ICT kits distributed to vulnerable students
Provide basic services for vulnerable categories	Objective achieved Distribution of individual protection devices has been concluded. Le preparatory activities for the implementation of other support activities have been concluded with success.

### Main interventions implemented in 2020

- Design of a digital didactic kit (contents and graphics);
- The competition MIUR-VIS 2020-2021 “#restiamoattivi – Didactic proposals and food for thought in the Covid-19 emergency era” has been launched;
- 6 stories excerpted from the book “Orizzonte alle spalle” registered and uploaded to the portal VIS;
- 5 *web talk* on issues related to international cooperation during the Covid-19 pandemic have been organized;
- Two online free training courses on international cooperation and intercultural education have been organized;
- ICT kit (PC, tablet and internet connections) in collaboration with CNOS FAP and Salesiani per il Sociale Aps have been distributed;
- 53.100 surgical masks, 12.170 FFP2 masks, 162.000 gloves and 19.400 litres of sanitizing gel have been distributed in 30 youth centers;
- the first reception service for migrants and refugees has been started in collaboration with the association Don Bosco 2000.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR
<b>Emergency</b>
550 ICT kit (PC, tablet, and internet connection) distributed
30 youth centres provided with protection devices: surgical masks, gloves, and sanitizing gel
248 persons participated in online free training courses
3 beneficiaries sheltered in the first reception centre for migrants and refugees

### PROSPECTS 2021

- Successfully conclude the project and set up a monitoring and *follow-up* of the initiative based on innovative tools.
- Give value to the collaboration and synergy in the joint response of the Salesian world to a crisis of such dimension.

# GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION AND CAMPAIGNING

During 2020 VIS awareness raising and *campaigning* actions have been mainly concentrated on the campaign *resto@attivo*. The other planned campaigns, ongoing since years, due to the pandemic have been suspended or have undergone a strong delay. Among these *Territori di Vini* (events wine-solidarity to raise awareness on VIS activities in Palestine or on other relevant projects), *No Wall in Palestine* (on the issue of occupation in Palestine and on the separation wall) and *Stop Tratta* (on non-discrimination and fight against trafficking in human beings issues) must be recalled.

The pandemic has not allowed any type of education initiative in the schools nor events in the territories. In 2020 a detailed and participated strategic planning however has been made to relaunch the coordination and the activities of VIS presidia on the national territory. Some of them have actively participated in *resto@ttivo* organizing *web talks* and *webinars*.

At strategic partnerships level related to the actions of this sector, a gradual strengthening of the *partnership* with some structures of the Salesian Family can be highlighted, more specifically with MDB and Don Bosco 2000. With MDB some coordinated fund raising campaigns have been implemented (Angola, Christmas), followed by – in November – the start-up of the process for designing the Tigray emergency campaign in Ethiopia. Together with Don Bosco 2000 two events have been held in Catania for awareness raising and launch of the brand “Beteyà”, a Sicilian *start up* specialized in textile production of garments and clothing accessories with the aim through an ambitious and responsible project to put forward social development and back lawfulness in the Sicilian territory. The events planned for 2020 together with Don Bosco 2000 had to be 5 but due to the pandemic it has been possible to organize only 2 in Catania, in which altogether around 300 persons participated.

## ***Un Mondo Possibile***

*Un Mondo Possibile* is VIS magazine, the communication, education and update means of all activities implemented by the organization. This is sent free in paper or digital form to more than 13 thousand subscribers. In 2020, different from the previous years, due to the operative slowdown caused by the pandemic, only 3 out of the foreseen 4 issues were published.

## ***Twinnings***

Twinnings foresee an exchange of different materials (messages, photos, documents, and videos) thanks to which teachers and students of North and South of the world can become acquainted with “different” realities and face topics such as intercultural education, based on a concrete experience. VIS facilitates such exchange between teachers and students offering a virtual space for this sharing within its own website [www.volint.it/vis/raccontiamoci](http://www.volint.it/vis/raccontiamoci). As what has happened for the activities on the territory implemented by VIS presidia, due to the international *lockdown* also twinning typical activities have undergone consistent delays compared to the previous years.

## SPECIALIST AND UNIVERSITY EDUCATION

Coherently with its scope related to the “promotion and organization of training and education initiatives and activities, connected with the promotion of volunteering, international cooperation and promotion and protection of human rights” VIS since several years has launched the Scuola di Alta Formazione (Higher Education School) offering online and in presence courses for young people and citizens interested in development cooperation and international volunteering.

The pandemic situation in 2020 has in different cases implied changes in the training planned activities. In particular it was decided to:

- Propose increased and diverse online training proposals during the *lockdown* to reach the audience on the net which due to the changed context has certainly increased and therefore satisfy the request, likewise increased, for trainings from remote;
- Implement and activities aimed at disseminating VIS activities which has allowed to reach a broader audience (about 80% of those enrolled in the courses are new) and therefore to have a net increase of enrolments per course.

In detail it was agreed to:

- Offer a larger number of editions of some course already planned (Administer development, Intercultural education);
- Reconvert online some course that had been designed to be held in presence (Administer development, Activities Summary Report, *Concept Note*);
- Offer free participation in *smart trainings* to all the staff on Headquarters and expats as internal training. The same participants have been involved also in the training;
- Propose free *web talks* with the aim of giving visibility to the Scuola di Alta Formazione and disseminate topics important for the public during the *lockdown* within the *resto@ttivo* campaign.

ACTIVITIES	BENEFICIARIES
26 online courses	400
13 <i>web talk</i>	700
1 face-to-face courses	25
3 master and university courses	65

Regarding higher education, VIS has strengthened its role within the Cooperation and Development Network (CDN), contributing more strongly to the teaching of the Master of Pavia. The partnership with the Master of LUISS regarding teaching, offer, internship management and teaching strategic planning was also confirmed for the second year. With a view to increasing VIS presence within university institutions, the design and teaching of the course "International Cooperation for Development" was conducted at the Faculty of Social Sciences of the Pontifical University of San Tommaso D'Aquino.

Still in relation to training and education objectives, in 2020 - during the months of lockdown - through the *resto@ttivo* campaign, VIS offered various tools for the schools to deal with the new circumstances: a digital didactic kit to propose new ways of reading one's own internal relationship, between oneself and others (especially parental relationship) and between oneself and the surrounding reality, in particular the domestic environment. The kit allowed teachers to have an extra tool to deal with the new complicated pandemic situation and for students to be able to use it even in family relationships. At the end of the first national lockdown and after the summer break, in continuation with this campaign, VIS launched *resto@ttivo nel mondo*, a communication and fundraising campaign to support recovery and involvement of national public opinion in the project activities carried out in the partner countries.

# HUMAN RIGHTS & ADVOCACY

VIS implements advocacy actions directly and through networking with the aim of awareness raising and influencing the institutions that at various levels (national, European, and international) with their actions and decisions can impact on the following specific areas: quantity, quality and effectiveness of international cooperation and fight against poverty, promotion, and protection of the rights of children and quality of education.

Advocacy is carried out taking advantage of the cleavages offered to CSOs by the international systems (UN, Council of Europe, EU) to operate within the institutions to Foster and contribute to the political and social change at national and local levels. VIS, also to fulfil its commitment with its special consultative status ECOSOC with the United Nations, participates in conferences, fora, world summits, prepares supplementary reports to the UN Treaty with particular attention to the new mechanisms set up by the UN Human Rights Council including the UPR – *Universal Periodic Review*, the Agenda 2030 for sustainable development and the connected mechanisms, and the international campaigns.

GOALS 2020	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL
Active participation and strengthening VIS engagement in the networks in which it is present	Objective fully achieved. Strengthened /confirmed engagement with CRC, FRA, DBN, DBI, CIDU, <i>EU Civil Society Platform against Trafficking in human beings</i> , EASO, GCE, ASVIS, CINI, Comitato per la promozione e protezione dei diritti umani, <i>Networking INGOs</i>
Strengthening the engagement in the drafting of national/international documents	Objective fully achieved. Participation in the 11th Monitoring Report of the CRC in Italy, in drafting the Child rights Guidelines, of VIS/Comitato per la promozione e protezione dei diritti umani contribution and VIS contribution to the CERD session considering Italy, Joint Annual Report to EASO, revision of VIS protocols in the field of human rights and child rights
Upgrading of training proposals in the field of advocacy and human rights	Objective fully achieved. Upgrading of syllabus for the course Advocacy and human rights and start-up of a new course on Human rights and education (both online courses)
drafting of VIS internal <i>policy/position papers</i>	Objective partially achieved Participation in working groups and collected <i>inputs</i> for the drafting of documents for the <i>Global Compact on Education</i> for preparation of the paragraphs on Human dignity and rights

Here below is illustrated advocacy activities as per intervention areas with results obtained in 2020.

RESULTS ATTAINED PER INTERVENTION SECTOR		
SETTORE	PRINCIPALE ATTIVITÀ	RISULTATI OTTENUTI
Child and Youth Protection	Preparation of 11th Monitoring report to CRC- <i>Convention on the Rights of the Child</i>	Drafting of the paragraphs Global Citizenship Education and Engagement for child rights in cooperation
	Participation in FRA ( <i>European Union Agency for fundamental rights</i> )	Collaboration in drafting the questionnaires for migration and projects <i>in loco</i> connected with circular migration
	Child rights Guide Lines for MAECI- Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale	Drafting of the paragraphs Children in street situation and the Right to education
	Participation in DBN ( <i>Don Bosco Network</i> )	Participation in the advocacy table with the role of <i>Rapporteur</i> . Drafting of documents/strategies

	Participation in DBI	Participation in experts' group for the Salesians
Migration and development	Participation in the <i>EU Civil Society Platform against Trafficking in Human Beings</i>	<i>Networking</i> /development of networks. Relaunch of policies and budget lines of this area. Advocacy towards the Italian Government about equal opportunities. Analysis of <i>position papers</i> /reports on Italy for the EU
	Participation in EASO	Participation in the <i>10th Edition of the Consultative Forum Plenary Meeting</i> and drafting of materials and surveys
Strengthening of CSOs and other development actors	Participation in ASVIS	Festival dello sviluppo sostenibile. Advocacy on the Italian Government to Foster sustainable development
	UN ECOSOC	Italian translation of the <i>UPR</i> and <i>Treaty bodies</i> recommendations. Coordination of 102 NGOs members of the Comitato per la promozione e la protezione dei diritti umani. Participation in consultations of various institutions (OSCE, etc.). Drafting of VIS inputs to <i>CERD List of Themes and Submission of Information</i>
	<i>Networking INGOs</i>	Regular exchanges with IMADR - <i>The International Movement Against All Forms of Discrimination and Racism</i> and other international networks
	Participation in <i>Forum of Catholic Inspired NGOs</i>	Participation in the Italian NGO table connected with the Permanent Representative of the Vatican to FAO
	Participation in the Comitato per la promozione e protezione dei diritti umani	Institutional meetings and elaboration of documents and analysis for the establishment of a NHRI. Monitoring of the engagements of the Italian Government in the field of human rights in preparation of the next UPR. Contribution to the <i>CERD List of Themes and Submission of Information</i> .
	Participation in CIDU (Comitato interministeriale diritti umani)	Participation in the thematic tables. <i>Networking</i> with organizations active in the field of human rights promotion. Participation to MAECI and CSOs negotiations in the field of human rights.
Training and education	Trainings within VIS Scuola di Alta Formazione	Two courses: Advocacy and human rights and Human rights education in which 50 participants attended. Ad hoc training in human rights and in advocacy.

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## 3. ECONOMIC DIMENSION

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In this chapter of the Activities Summary Report the most important elements that make up VIS income statement for the year 2020 are provided compared with the previous year. These data are excerpt from the 2020 final balance sheet reviewed by the auditing company BDO Italia, as well as by the Board of Auditors during the statutory activity provided for. Further information about the Financial Statement including the Notes to the accounts is on VIS website <http://www.volint.it/vis/bilancio>

Below is a synthetic overview of VIS Income Statement, with the list and the composition of the budget lines and the corresponding previous year values.

### 3.1 OVERALL FRAMEWORK

During the 2020 financial year, VIS recorded a total income of € 10.488.109, while in 2019 the total income was € 11.351.746, with a decrease of € 863.637; expenditures recorded a total of € 10.486.028, while in the previous year it was of € 11.349.502, a decrease of € 863.474. The result for the year 2020, equals € 2.081, in line with the one of the previous year equalling € 2.244. At the end of the year, the Association began an internal reorganization process, after having carried out an assessment of the critical issues that emerged from the application of the organizational model introduced at the end of 2016. This process, at the time of writing these Notes to the Accounts is still in progress, and the results of which will be brought to the attention of the Executive Committee by October 2021.

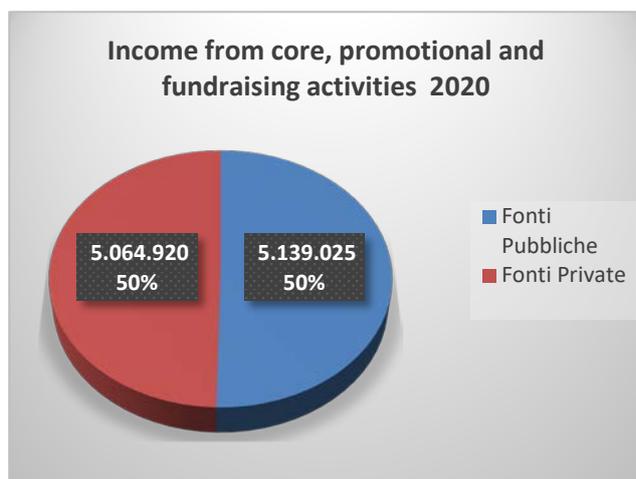
For a more detailed analysis of the figures, and of the income trends, reference should be made to the paragraph on “Reclassification of income based on the sources” in these Notes.



INCOME STATEMENT IN SYNTHETIC FORM	YEAR 2020	YEAR 2019
<b>CORE OPERATIONS</b>		
<b>TYPICAL OPERATIONS</b>		
INCOME CORE OPERATIONS	8.187.437	8.267.608
EXPENDITURES CORE OPERATIONS	-8.318.672	-8.368.591
<i>BALANCE CORE OPERATIONS</i>	-131.235	-100.984
<b>PROMOTIONAL &amp; FUNDRAISING OPERATIONS</b>		
INCOME PROMOTIONAL & FUNDRAISING OPERATIONS	2.002.209	2.723.993
EXPENDITURES PROMOTIONAL & FUNDRAISING OPERATIONS	-1.288.694	-1.956.741
<i>BALANCE PROMOTION &amp; FUNDRAISING OPERATIONS</i>	713.515	767.252
<i>BALANCE TYPICAL MANAGEMENT</i>	<b>582.280</b>	<b>666.269</b>
<b>COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS</b>		
INCOME COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS	94.009	17.331
EXPENDITURES COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS	-75.457	-18.545
<i>BALANCE COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS</i>	<b>18.552</b>	<b>-1.214</b>
<b>ANCILLARY OPERATIONS</b>		
INCOME ANCILLARY OPERATIONS	144.157	287.756
EXPENDITURES ANCILLARY OPERATIONS	-152.043	-295.267
<i>BALANCE ANCILLARY OPERATIONS</i>	<b>-7.886</b>	<b>-7.511</b>
<b>FINANCIAL &amp; ASSET OPERATIONS</b>		
INCOME FINANCIAL & ASSET OPERATIONS	22.678	4.573
EXPENDITURES FINANCIAL & ASSET OPERATIONS	-9.884	-10.976
<i>BALANCE FINANCIAL &amp; ASSETS OPERATIONS</i>	<b>12.793</b>	<b>-6.403</b>
<b>EXTRAORDINARY OPERATIONS</b>		
INCOME EXTRAORDINARY OPERATIONS	37.619	50.485
EXPENDITURES EXTRAORDINARY OPERATIONS	-49.657	-30.074
<i>BALANCE EXTRAORDINARY OPERATIONS</i>	<b>-12.038</b>	<b>20.411</b>
<b>GENERAL SUPPORT EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>-561.126</b>	<b>-627.154</b>
<b>OPERATING TAXES</b>	<b>-30.494</b>	<b>-42.153</b>
<b>OPERATING RESULT</b>	<b>2.081</b>	<b>2.244</b>

### 3.2 INCOME SOURCES

As emerges from the following graphic, income from private sources equal those from public funding for the year 2020.



Regarding the trend of the main institutional donors for the year 2020 the following can be highlighted:

- income from the AICS has confirmed an increase determined by the continuation of ongoing projects fostered in Albania, Senegal and Palestine, the implementation of emergency interventions and assigned *in loco*, e.g. ongoing projects in Ethiopia, Palestine, Albania and Senegal; in addition also the trend is confirmed concerning income from projects funded by AICS to partner project leader organizations, which are evidenced under budget line "Different private donors (foundations, partners, *network*, etc.)";
- income from the EC for the year 2020 have decreased because of the conclusion of some multi-year projects, while some interventions in Angola, Albania and Ghana are continuing; noteworthy is the approval by the EC donor of projects with a lead partner NGO in Ethiopia.
- the trend in decrease of income from governmental 5x1000, 8x1000 and international organizations and other cooperation agencies deriving from the conclusion of interventions implemented in Eritrea is confirmed; slightly increasing are funds provided by the territory entities (decentred cooperation);
- there are prospects of increase in funding for the following year in contributions from international organizations and other cooperation agencies, including national and international partners.

As per funds from private donors, in 2020 an absolute decrease in total income compared to the previous year is evidenced, mainly due to the drop in donations and contributions caused by the pandemic and its consequences on fundraising and on some donors. In particular, the decrease involved the budget lines "Other development projects and interventions", "Support for missionary activities" (SaM) and "Corporate fund-raising" (for which the project has been closed).

Also, the funds deriving from 8x1000 of the CEI, have decreased for the closure of various projects in Africa and Latin America; however, recently this donor has approved new interventions (in DRC and Angola) which will produce economic results in the following year.

It is highlighted that contributions received by public donors have all a specific destination and predefined obligations in terms of use and reporting. In the case of the major donors (e.g. AICS and EU), the procedures establish also that each report must undergo an *audit* carried out by third-party auditing companies for the purpose of greater transparency in the use of the funds received.

INCOME FROM CORE, PROMOTIONAL, FUND RAISING AND ANCILLARY FUNDS: DETAIL OF DONORS				
SOURCES	Donor & use	2020	2019	Varition
PUBLIC DONORS (core operations)	AICS - Agenzia Italiana per la Cooperazione allo Sviluppo	3.234.327	2.291.933	942.394
	European Commission	1.294.568	1.919.622	-625.054
	Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri 8x1000	93.084	138.356	-45.273
	Ministero dell'Interno (FAMI)	18.853	-	18.853
	Different public donors (decentred cooperation)	91.954	48.854	43.101
	Cooperation Agencies of other States and international organizations	318.057	678.408	-360.351
	Ministero del Lavoro e delle Politiche sociali 5x1000	88.182	97.792	-9.610
<b>Total PUBLIC DONORS (core operations)</b>		<b>5.139.025</b>	<b>5.174.964</b>	<b>-35.939</b>
PRIVATE DONORS (Core operations, promotional and fund- raising activities)	Conferenza Episcopale Italiana	1.290.724	1.694.457	-403.733
	Caritas italiana	63.235	3.702	59.533
	Different private donors (foundations, network, etc.)	1.653.537	1.336.656	316.881
	Long distance sponsorship (SaD)	95.921	129.448	-33.526
	Emergency, rehabilitation, and reconstruction projects	0	265	-265
	Other interventions	852.041	1.096.335	-244.294
	Other institutional activities in Italy and in developing countries	155.218	172.664	-17.446
	Support to mission activities in developing countries-VIS	383.226	828.097	-444.871
	Support to mission activities in developing countries – Missioni Don Bosco	477.166	296.048	181.119
	Support to volunteers and cooperation operators in developing countries for VIS activities	65.626	90.855	-25.229

	School twinings	300	800	-500
	Specific fund raising campains	1.599	5.892	-4.292
	Contributions for educational, training and planning activities in Italy	-	35.511	-35.511
	Corporate project	8.847	126.530	-117.683
	Membership fees	3.000	3.000	0
	Networking activities	10.333	14.000	-3.667
	Seconded staff	4.145	-	4.145
<b>Total PRIVATE DONORS (core operations, promotional and fund-raising activities)</b>		<b>5.064.920</b>	<b>5.834.260</b>	<b>-769.340</b>
<b>PRIVATE DONORS (Commercial, ancillary, and financial activities, extraordinary income)</b>	Commercial activities	94.009	17.331	76.678
	Support to volunteers and cooperation operators in developing countries for activities of other organizations	124.996	248.418	-123.422
	Insurance refunds	553	1.415	-862
	Contributions for posting		19.800	-19.800
	Income from financial activities and assets	22.678	4.573	18.105
	Extraordinary income	37.619	50.485	-12.866
	Refunds and network contributions	4.310	500	3.810
<b>Total PRIVATE DONORS (Commercial, ancillary and financial activities, extraordinary income)</b>		<b>284.165</b>	<b>342.522</b>	<b>-58.357</b>
<b>GENERAL TOTAL</b>		<b>10.488.109</b>	<b>11.351.745</b>	<b>-863.636</b>

### 3.3 RESOURCE ALLOCATION

Regarding the expenditures from core activities, the following tables provide an overview of the costs incurred both by geographical distribution and by type of action.

EXPENDITURES FROM CORE ACTIVITIES PER GEOGRAPHICAL AREA							
Area	Year 2020			Year 2019			Variation
	Incurring expenditures 2020	% on total 2020	No. countries 2020	Incurring expenditures 2019	% on total 2019	No. countries 2019	
Africa	6.924.927	70,67%	15	7.735.530	75,07%	15	-10,48%
Latin America	361.246	3,69%	7	562.802	5,46%	11	-35,81%
Asia	34.955	0,36%	4	81.169	0,79%	6	-56,94%
Europe	1.573.800	16,06%	2	1.229.059	11,93%	2	28,05%
Middle East	903.392	9,22%	4	696.457	6,76%	3	29,71%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.798.320</b>	<b>100,00%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>10.305.017</b>	<b>100,00%</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>-45,47%</b>

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