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**ACAV** is an NGO established in Trento in 1985, officially recognized by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

It operates in Africa. We promote the culture of brotherhood, building solidarity bridges with Africa.

ACAV's strong opinion is that the dignity and the happiness of each human being are fundamental values.

# ABOUT US

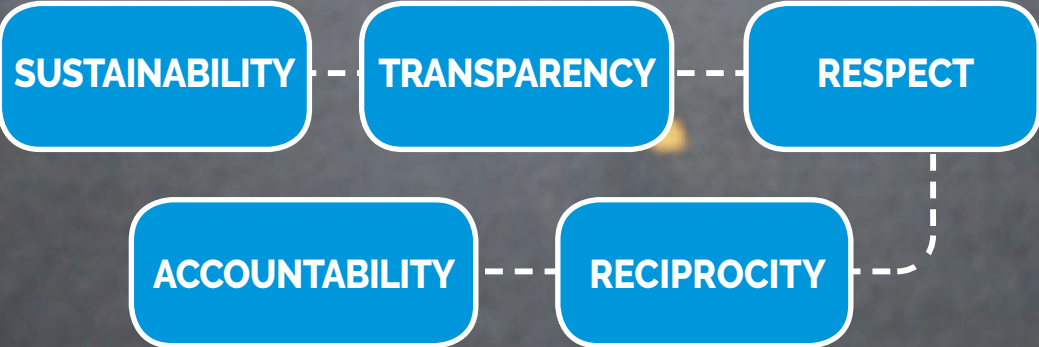


# OUR VALUES

We realize sustainable and shared projects with transparency and respect for the environment, recognizing the value of cultural exchange and mutual enrichment.

Reciprocity is the principle through which we promote development in the reliability of the programs, in the transparency of the methods and in the respect for the contexts in which we operate.

## KEY WORDS





# OUR WORKING METHOD

The methodological choice of ACAV relies on the analysis and reflection on past experiences. It is based on a development paradigm that takes into account the social, cultural and economic dynamics of the area of intervention.

**The key words for ACAV are:**



**TO ENHANCE** Local human resources, also in strategic positions, sharing procedures and logic of intervention, monitoring and reporting, with implementation dynamics that aim to guarantee sustainability over time in human, managerial and economic resources.

We realised that the presence of expatriates in cooperation programs must be strongly reduced and only limited to functions which concern strategy, representation and supervision. This is intended to allow the local staff to carry out all other tasks, thus nurturing the growth of prepared and competent mid- to high-level managers.



**TO SHARE** Objectives and methods with local partners, starting from their proposals and implementing the programs in a shared way.



**TO MAKE GROW** The community and civil society because they are protagonists in the choices and in the construction of their future. Each intervention sets in motion complex social and tribal dynamics which must be seen as positive aspects of growth and the construction of a possible future.



**SUSTAINABILITY** We give priority to sustainable, high impact and replicable interventions which are adequate to the economical, human and management resources of the African communities.









# OUR HISTORY

1980's

In **1985**, ACAV was born in Trento as a structured organization to give an answer to the help requests coming from developing countries.

Until then, there were desultory groups in Trentino supporting the activities of missionaries, which assured a very limited operation. For this reason, the founders of ACAV wanted to create a non-religious structure to support and develop more complex and incisive projects.

In **1986**, ACAV was recognized as a "legal entity" and in **1987** it was included in the list of the recognized NGOs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Uganda is the country where the association has constantly operated since the beginning.

1990's

During these years, ACAV implemented a project in a vast agricultural area in the North of Tunisia (Beja Province), various water interventions, and other projects to support "street children" in Mozambique.

2000's

ACAV moved to Rwanda to support the re-activation of the Nyamata hospital and school buildings in the Busegera region.

Kenya also benefited from ACAV's action thanks to the upgrading of the Mombasa Professional Technical Institute.

Over the years, ACAV has been characterised by a very strong commitment to provide potable water to the civilian population. Alongside sanitation interventions, ACAV has also intervened more and more often in agricultural development and in the field of education.

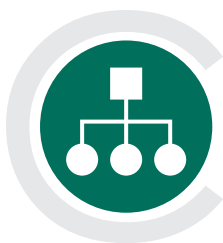
ACAV has operated in different parts of Uganda through the years, including Teso region (Soroti, Kumi and Katakwi). Since 2008, ACAV's activities have focused on Koboko district bordering the Democratic Republic of the Congo and South Sudan.



## 2010's

In **2011**, ACAV started a water project in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, more precisely in the North-East of the country in the Chefferie des Kakwa. Two years later (2013), ACAV also began working in South Sudan, more precisely in Morobo and Yei Counties in Central Equatoria State. On the 4th of April **2016**, thanks to the decree 2016/337/000104/3, ACAV was recognized as a Civil Society Organization by the Italian Development Cooperation Agency (AICS).

In the most recent years, in addition to the interventions in development contexts, ACAV has also been able to intervene in emergency response. The South Sudanese and Congolese refugee crises that have exploded in Uganda especially West Nile have increased the level of emergency activities. Since **2016**, ACAV has been operating in Rhino Camp in the Arua district, the fourth largest refugee camp in Uganda which counted more than 120.000 refugees by the end of 2017.




# ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

ACAV is administered by a Governing Council whose members are elected every three years by the Shareholders' Meeting. The Governing Council prepares the general operational programs, which is submitted to the Shareholders' Meeting, and rules on the ordinary management of the NGO. It is chaired by a President, who has the legal representation of the Association.

## GOVERNING COUNCIL

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 **PRESIDENT**  
**Giorgio Boneccher**

 **MEMBERS**  
Ivan Alberti • Carlo Basani  
Barbara Franchini • Cristian Maines  
Claudio Pellegrini • Alex Rigotti

 **VICE PRESIDENT**  
**Renzo Franceschini**

## SUPERVISORY BOARD

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Pasquale Lauriola  
Stefano Tomazzoni  
Giovanni Zanoni

## HONORARY MEMBERS

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Fulvio Micheli





## ORGANIZATION CHART



ACAV Staff in Koboko (Development programmes)

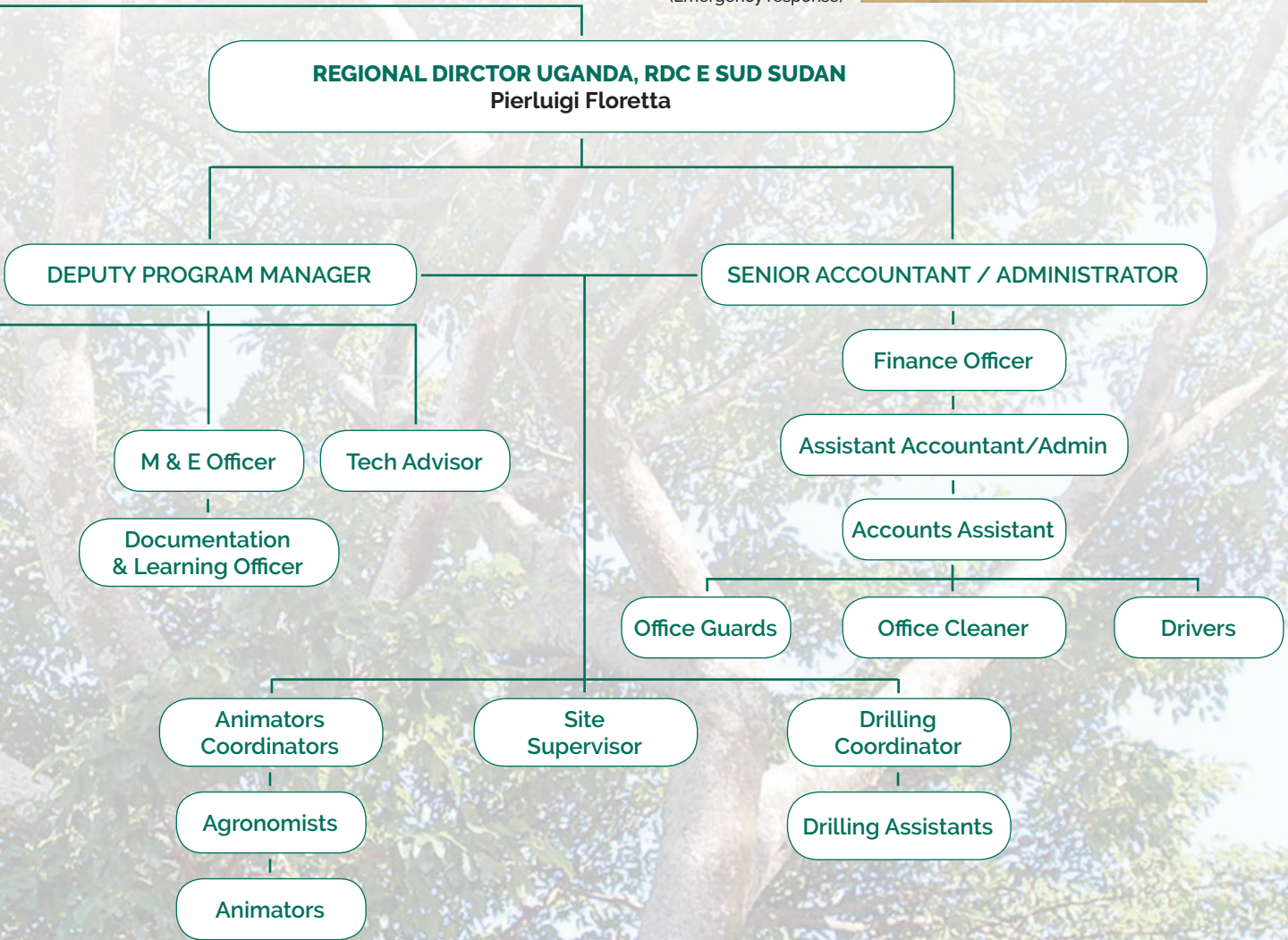




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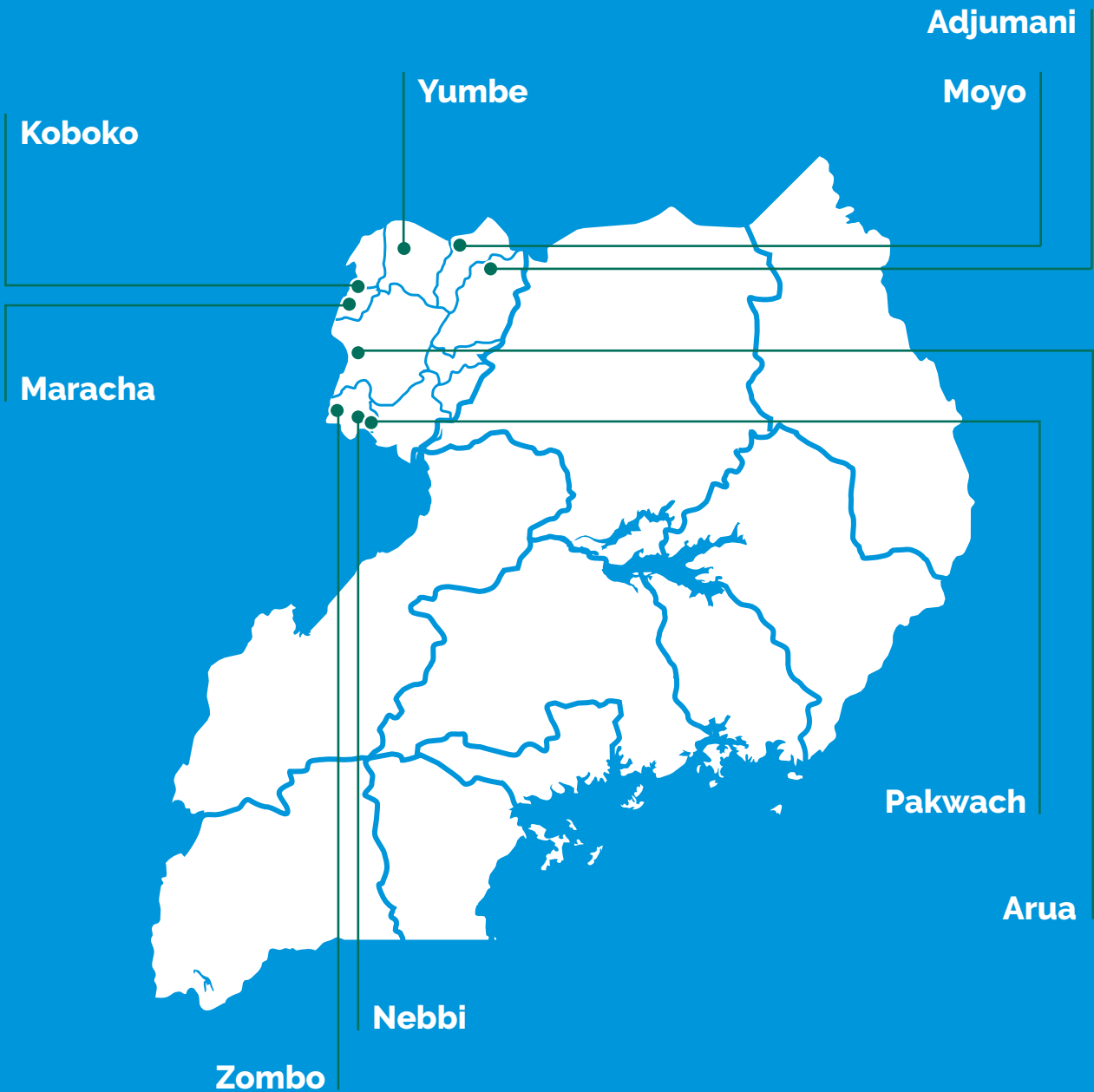
ACAV Staff at Rhino Camp  
(Emergency response)





# UGANDA

<b>Inhabitants:</b> 41.5 million
<b>Life expectancy:</b> 56 years
<b>Human Development Index:</b> 163/188 (2016)







# CONTEXT

Since the first half of the 2000s, Uganda has a relatively stable political situation with a population of some 40 million people. 20% of the population lives below the poverty line and for this reason Uganda stands out from the other countries of the Great Lakes region.

The geographical location of Uganda is strategic in providing assistance to refugees. In fact, over the past 20 years, Uganda has experienced a huge influx of refugees from neighbouring countries (Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Kenya and South Sudan). 85% of people who arrived in Uganda are women and children under the age of 18.

Since the South Sudanese crisis broke out in mid-December 2013, the situation in West Nile has continued to be difficult. To date, more than 1 million South Sudanese refugees have arrived in West Nile. Despite the huge influx, the country has developed a generous refugee policy: they benefit from freedom of movement, the right to work, access to the education system and health services.

The high presence of refugees puts pressure on the available resources for the host communities and it creates a pressing challenge to ensure the protection of new arrivals. At the same time, Uganda is dealing with post-conflict recovery in the Northern region which had been hit by the insurgency of the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) until 2007.

Whereas Uganda achieved the goal of halving poverty levels from 47% in 2005 to 21% in 2014, West Nile poverty levels have remained high at 42.3% second to Karamoja sub-region at 74.2% (Uganda Poverty Status Report 2014). Apart from the presence of refugees, West Nile has an impoverished population who survives on subsistence farming and still fails to adequately meet primary needs such as health, education, sanitation and good infrastructures' network.



# DEVELOPMENT GOALS

## ACAV'S ACTION IN RELATION TO THE 17 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS)

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ACAV's work contributes to the achievement of the following 2030 Sustainable development goals:

1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere.
2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture.
4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.
5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.
6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.
8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.
13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts by regulating emissions and promoting developments in renewable energy.
16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.



# **IL 2018 IN FIGURES**







**34**

**YEARS OF  
ACTIVITY**

**87**

**LOCAL  
STAFF**

**1**

**EXPATRIATE  
STAFF**

**3**

**STAFF  
IN ITALY**

**1.579.299,31 €**

**BUDGET**

**17**

**LOCAL  
PARTNERS**

**530**

**MEMBERS**

**642**

**FOLLOWERS ON  
FACEBOOK**

**WE WORK  
TOGETHER  
WITH:**

Koboko district • Moyo District • Maracha District • Yumbe District • Arua District • Office of the Prime Minister • Minister of Civil Protection • Caritas MADDO • Kolping • UNHCR • Koboko Municipality • Abi ZARDI • AVSI • ICAM • 46th Parallel • UISP • Amref • Volunteer Group of S. Prospero • Sella Art



**17**  
PROJECTS  
IMPLEMENTED

**194.257**  
DIRECT  
BENEFICIARIES

**4**  
SECTORS OF  
INTERVENTION

**1**  
COUNTRY OF  
OPERATION

**147**  
FOLLOWERS ON  
TWITTER

**103**  
FOLLOWERS ON  
INSTAGRAM

**238**  
SUBSCRIBERS  
TO OUR  
NEWSLETTER

**2.079**  
READERS OF  
ACAVINFORMA  
MAGAZINE

**WE  
COLLABORATE  
WITH:**

Tavolo tutto pace • Edmund Mach Foundation • Circoscrizione S. Giuseppe S. Chiara • Filmwork • Federazione provinciale Scuole Materne • Scuola dell'infanzia Virginia de Panizza • Associazione Amici Fondazione Giovanni Paolo II • Istituto Pavoniano Artigianelli • Koboko Technical Institute (KTI); • Moyo Technical Institute (MTI) • Omugo Technical School (OTS) • Lodonga Polytechnic School (LPTS); • Obutava Community Vocational School (OCVS) • St. Lawrence Technical School, Anyivu (STLVTCA).







**ACAV works in several interconnected sectors with a development vision which aims to produce collective social repercussions.**

## **AREAS OF INTERVENTION**







# WATER AND SANITATION





## WATER

	2018
People have had access to drinking water	<b>132.253</b>
Wells drilled and installed	<b>21</b>
Non-functioning wells have been rehabilitated	<b>95</b>
Water user committees	<b>116</b>

Interventions in water and sanitation: ACAV provides safe and potable water by drilling wells and training users to maintain them. Moreover, ACAV realizes works of rehabilitation of no longer functioning wells, supports the creation of water user committees and implements awareness activities.

# 1

## WATER AND SANITATION WATER FOR SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEES IN THE DISTRICTS OF ARUA, YUMBE AND MOYO, WEST NILE, UGANDA

finished  
in 2018

In 2016/17, the civil war in South Sudan caused a mass exodus from the conflict-affected areas to Uganda. With this project ended in May 2018, we wanted to improve the living conditions of refugees and host communities with particular attention to the most vulnerable groups. We specifically, responded to the needs in the water and sanitation sector so as to improve the serious water and sanitation situation of the refugees present in the Districts of Moyo, Yumbe and Arua and the respective host communities. We drilled 10 new wells, while awareness and information activities were carried out on the importance of using clean drinking water and properly managing water sources.



### TESTIMONY OF

**ANUKOLI YUMA AKOLI**, "The situation was very complicated before as we had to walk two kilometers every time we needed water, but we are good now. This new borehole gives us clean water and we managed it through a water management committee composed of 9 people. 120 households benefit from the borehole."

Period: **2017/2018**

Project budget: **€ 75.300,00**

Financing donor: **8x1000 of the Waldensian Church (€ 60.000,00)**

# 2

## WATER AND SANITATION WATER FOR SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEES IN KOBOKO, MARACHA, YUMBE AND MOYO DISTRICTS, WEST NILE UGANDA

finished  
in 2018



The project, finished in August 2018, responded to the serious situation that had arisen in West Nile Region following the arrival of thousands of refugees who had escaped from the war in South Sudan. With this project, we rehabilitated 20 water wells that were not operational in the Koboko, Maracha, Yumbe and Moyo District. 20.000 people directly benefited from this project, mostly women and children, both from Ugandan local communities and refugees from South Sudan.

Period: **2018**

Project budget: **€ 80.160,00**

Financing donor: **Trentino Alto Adige Region (€ 60.000,00)**

# 3

## WATER AND SANITATION EMERGENCY PROJECT – WATER FOR REFUGEES AND HOST COMMUNITIES, ARUA DISTRICT, WEST NILE

*finished  
in 2018*

With this project, we rehabilitated 25 non-functioning wells in Arua District, where more than 120.00 refugees had arrived over the last years. We increased water availability as a way to avoid the likelihood of conflicts between refugees and host communities.

In addition, awareness and information activities were carried out on the importance of using clean drinking water and properly managing the rehabilitated wells.



### TESTIMONY OF

**ISAAC AMANI**, "I am Amani Isaac, I have two children and I live in this village in the district of Arua, where so many South Sudanese refugees have arrived. WATER is an important resource and we do not have enough. Now with this well which was rehabilitated by ACAV we have no more this problem. We thank ACAV."

Period: **2018**

Project budget: **€ 122.000,00**

Financing donor: **Autonomous Province of Trento (€ 109.800,00)**



# 4

## WATER AND SANITATION SURE - SUPPORT AND RESPONSE TO THE HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY OF SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEES IN RHINO CAMP, ARUA DISTRICT, UGANDA

finished  
in 2018



In partnership with AVSI, ACAV operated in the refugee camp of Rhino Camp in Arua district to bring water to South Sudanese refugees and implement agricultural trainings. Regarding the intervention in the water-sanitation field, we rehabilitated 20 wells and drilled 6 new ones (4 wells now have a foot pump and another 2 wells were equipped with a solar-powered mechanized pump). Awareness and information activities were carried out about the importance of using clean drinking water and properly managing water sources. As far as the agricultural sector is concerned, short vocational training interventions were carried out to enhance horticulture. They were accompanied by seeds distribution, thus allowing refugees to contribute to the overall food needs in the Camp.

Period: **2017/2018**

Project budget: **€ 522.221,00**

Financing donor: **Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS)**  
(€ 522.221,00)

# 5

## WATER AND SANITATION R.I.S.E – INTEGRATED RESPONSE TO THE REFUGEES AND HOST COMMUNITIES EMERGENCY IN RHINO CAMP, ARUA DISTRICT UGANDA

ongoing  
in 2018



The project, lasting 15 months, is implemented in partnership with AVSI and AMREF Uganda. Providing continuity to the previous initiative, it intends to respond to the humanitarian emergency in the areas of Ofua and Omugo, in Rhino Camp.

This is a multisectoral intervention integrating the competences and experiences of the different partners in order to respond to the needs of refugees and host communities in terms of health and nutrition, food security, and water sanitation (WaSH). Particular attention is given to the most vulnerable groups, such as minors and women.

ACAV is committed to the WaSH component of the project. In 2018, we rehabilitated 30 non-functioning wells and drilled two new ones, installing pumps and panels and establishing a distribution system with tanks and turrets. 32 well management committees were formed.



### TESTIMONY OF

**BENSON BERNANRD**, "I am the head of the water management committee of a well rehabilitated by ACAV. At first, I asked the district to rehabilitate it because the water was dirty. We had done some tests that confirmed the presence of bacteria. Now, thanks to ACAV, the water is very good, it serves our community, which is composed of more than 800 people, as well as a secondary school that is nearby."

Period: **2018/2019**

Project budget: **€ 1.116.991,55**

Financing donor: **Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS)**  
(€ 990.716,55)

# 6

## WATER AND SANITATION WATER ACCESS: A NETWORK FOR REFUGEES AND HOST COMMUNITIES

started  
in 2018

ACAV is committed to improve water access in the area of Ofua IV at Rhino Camp, where a primary school (Amuru Primary School, see AFRICARE project) was set up and where about 400 people live. The area does not have a clean water source, so during the dry season the inhabitants travel about 3 kilometers to access the nearest one.

This project is the continuation of other interventions that ACAV has carried out to respond to the water and sanitary emergency in the area. In 2017, thanks to the contribution of the Autonomous Province of Trento, a well with a good flow rate (i.e. 3.000 liters of water per hour) was drilled. With this project we want to establish a water distribution system which connects this well to a solar system that brings water to different access points, particularly in the school and in the vicinity of the community that lives in that area.



Period: **2018**

Project budget: **€ 27.000,00**

Financing donor: **Trento Municipality (€ 11.000,00)**





# AGRICULTURE



## AGRICULTURE

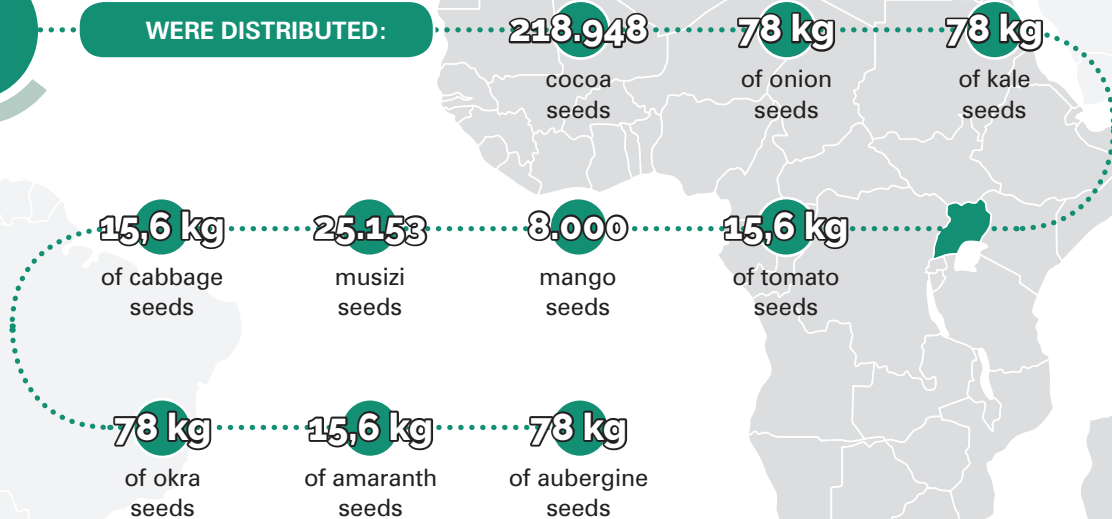
	2018
Farmers who received an agricultural training	1.960
Distributed kits	1.650

Rural development initiatives: These focus on the training of farmers in the agricultural, fish and forestry sector. We provide help and technical support aimed at adopting the most efficient and productive methods of cultivation in order to allow farmers to solve the problem of food for their daily needs and to also produce goods for the local market.



### AGRICULTURE AND FORESTATION

WERE DISTRIBUTED:





## AGRICULTURE

# PROJECT OF EDUCATIONAL AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE AGRICULTURAL CENTER OF JABARA

*finished  
in 2018*

The Jabara Agricultural and Vocational Institute (JAVIK) is now part of the Ugandan system and continues to provide short-term informal courses and a two-year training programme recognized by the Ugandan Ministry of Education. On March 16th, 2018, the handover ceremony of the center took place at the presence of Domenico Fornara (Italian Ambassador to Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi), Hillary Onek (Minister for Civil Protection and Refugee Assistance), Members of Parliament James Baba and Margaret Baba Diri, and the local authorities.

This intervention demonstrates the possibility to pursue sustainable results as well as the full involvement of local communities and authorities at regional and national level.

Today the school structure has:

- A building with 4 furnished classrooms, used for academic curriculum programs. One room was dedicated to a computer room with 9 computers available to students.
- A dining room equipped with furniture and kitchen (financed thanks to another donor - UNHCR).
- A female and a male dormitory with 100 beds.
- 2 sets of 5-room latrines each.
- 2 sets of showers (male and female).

Period: **2014/2018**

Project budget: **€ 337.500,00**

Financing donor: **Autonomous Province of Trento (€ 270.000,00)**





#### TESTIMONY OF

#### **ON. HASSAN NGINYA SAID / PRESIDENT OF KOBOKO DISTRICT**

"The agricultural vocational institute of Jabara, in Koboko (JAVIK) is a milestone in the partnership between ACAV and the Koboko District. It is the result of the programming of ACAV from the moment of its arrival in the district in 2008, its strategy for the promotion of agriculture as a tool for food security. Our vision on the Jabara school is to offer agricultural trainings with nationally recognizable qualifications. The non-formal learning program and peasant training are crucial to change community habits and transform agriculture while abandoning ineffective methods. By increasing productivity, this institution will offer opportunities for employment in the agricultural sector, especially in the added value and marketing of products."



# 2


## AGRICULTURE SAFEGUARDING THE ENVIRONMENT THROUGH AFFORESTATION (S.E.T.A PROJECT)

ongoing  
in 2018



The project started at the end of 2017 and will end in April 2019. The primary scope of this intervention is to reduce the impact of environmental degradation following the influx of South Sudanese and Congolese refugees in West Nile, Uganda. It contributes to the preservation and improvement of the afforestation status of the Districts of Arua, Maracha, Koboko and Yumbe as well as the promotion of agroforestry among 400 smallholder farmers and an additional 20 nursery groups of 300 farmers in the same districts. This intervention is also intended to provide economic benefits by establishing income generating activities not only through agroforestry but also fruit growing in order to support the overall development of West Nile region. The 400 farmers have followed a course at the agricultural school of Jabara and received a kit for starting nurseries and seeds. A total of 218.948 cocoa beans and 25.153 seeds of Musizi and 8.000 grafted mangoes were distributed. This project involves a partnership with ICAM Cioccolato, regarding the distribution of seeds, technical assistance and the sale of cocoa.

### TESTIMONY OF



**JOHN EDEDRIA** "I am John Ededria, I am a farmer, I am 41 years old and I live in the village of Tebi, sub-county of Dranya, Koboko District. I mainly cultivate cassava, corn and peanuts. I also deal with fish farming. Now my interest is also in the cultivation of cocoa. Last year I was selected among the beneficiaries of the SETA project, thanks to which I received 450 cocoa seedlings, 20 mango seedlings and 20 Musizi that I planted in my garden. Of the cocoa seedlings I planted only 20 failed to grow, but the remaining 430 survived. I expect a good harvest after three years: after this time the cocoa plants start to bear fruit and I hope I can earn more than forty million UGX (about 9,500 euros) because my plants are growing very well and quickly. This year I plan to extend the cocoa field to at least 3 acres where I will plant more cocoa to have a total of 1000 plants. With the help of my wife and children, we are working hard to reach my dream of becoming the leading cocoa supplier in the area. "

Period: **2017/2018**

Project budget: **€ 125.000,00**

Financing donor: **Autonomous Province of Trento (€ 100.000,00)**

# 3

## AGRICULTURE A BETTER FUTURE FOR REFUGEES IN AFRICA 1/2

ongoing  
in 2018



The project started in June 2017 and it will last 3 years. Its overall goal is to improve the living conditions of refugees in Rhino Camp (Ofua zone) by focusing on education and livelihoods. The livelihood component of the project has the objective of supporting 4.000 refugees from the six clusters of Ofua zone by improving their knowledge, skills and farm inputs for vegetable production. In 2018, 1.560 farmers (1.320 South Sudanese and 240 Ugandan) received an agricultural training as well as vegetables and seeds. At the end of the course, they were also provided with agricultural tools to prepare the nursery and vegetable garden (a watering can, a hoe, a forked hoe, a panga knife, a spray pump and gumboots) as well as seeds (red onions, tomatoes, aubergines, okra, Sukuma, amaranth). Most of the beneficiaries were women (i.e. 877 out of 1.560 beneficiaries).

### TESTIMONY OF

**AWILE CASTO** is a South Sudanese refugee who is originally from Yei County and arrived in Uganda in 2016. He settled in Ofua 1, one of the six zones of Rhino Camp. In 2017, he was selected to participate in the training on vegetables cultivation organized by ACAV by the end of which he received a tool kit and seeds to start farming his own piece of land.

"I attended a training on how to cultivate vegetables, manage a vegetable garden and the crops. After the course I received a tool kit and various seeds. When the sowing season arrived, I planted onions: I harvested five buckets of them and I sold them. With what I earned I have supported my family and paid the school fees of my children. I would like now to rent some land to expand my garden. When I was in South Sudan, I had a small garden but few skills, so the crop was poor. Thanks to ACAV I now have the knowledge and I want to open a business to sell my vegetables. I would like to plant cabbages, onions and tomato to then sell them."

Although unreliable rainfalls are a serious challenge, Awile is determined to plant his vegetables and he hopes to expand his garden of an acre at least. He thanks ACAV for the support he received and would like to participate to other trainings in the future.

Period: **2017/2019**

Project budget: **€ 354.250,00**

Financing donor: **Autonomous Province of Trento (€ 318.825,00)**



# 4

## AGRICULTURE WEALTH CREATION THROUGH FRUIT GROWING IN EASTERN AND WESTERN WEST NILE

ongoing  
in 2018

With this three-year project, ACAV wants to promote fruit growing and cooperativism in all districts of the West Nile region. In 2017, thanks to the help of ACAV, local authorities reactivated the association that gathers them together. This association is called West Nile Development Association (WEN-DA) and it aims to promote the development of the region. WENDA is the local partner of this project which wants to encourage the modernization of agriculture through the transition from subsistence to income-generating farming by introducing multi-year crops and building the capacity of local governments in service delivering.

1.500 small farmers will receive trainings on the basics of planting and raising fruit trees and how to create a nursery. The farmers who have successfully participated in the courses and prepared the land will each receive 25 fruit plants raised in nurseries in the area. 88 sub-county technicians will be trained in a 2-week course thanks to the collaboration of Abi Farm and the JAVIK school. We will support the activities of WENDA for the consolidation of regional synergies by fostering coordination between partners and project actors.



Period: **2018/2020**

Project budget: **€ 675.910,00**

Financing donor: **Autonomous Province of Trento (€ 540.727,00)**

# 5

## AGRICULTURE LIVELIHOODS SUSTAINABILITY FOR REFUGEES AND HOSTING COMMUNITIES

ongoing  
in 2018

This two-year project aims to provide a development perspective to the South Sudanese refugees hosted at Rhino Camp, in the Ugandan West Nile region and to strengthen the resilience capacities of both refugees and host communities. By increasing the food security of the people living in Rhino Camp and in the nearby areas, we want to ensure peaceful coexistence between the new arrivals and the local population that shares the already scarce resources.

The 400 farmers who are beneficiaries of the project, after following an agricultural training, will receive improved cassava cuttings and selected bean seeds, with which they will be able to cultivate an acre of land each, together with the farmers living in the area. ACAV provides technical assistance both in the gardens of individual farmers and in a 4-acre demonstration field made available by the host community.



Period: **2019/2020**

Project budget: **€ 93.753,00**

Financing donor: **Gerda Henkel Foundation (€ 93.753,00)**

# 6

## AGRICULTURE CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION EUREGIO UGANDA - TANZANIA

*in corso  
nel 2018*

With resolution of the Provincial Council no. 1062 dated 30th June 2017 - the Autonomous Province of Trento has entrusted ACAV with the management of the Euregio Program, implemented with the Province of Bolzano and the Tyrol.



ACAV is responsible for the administrative part and for the relations both among the promoters of the project – the three territories of Euregio – and with the local partners. The political and programmatic direction continues to be in charge of the Province.

The project contributes to the realization of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It promotes the improvement in the lifestyle of rural communities in East Africa by strengthening family production and income generation within the beneficiary communities, increasing participation of key stakeholders in the management and protection of natural resources, and improving social services in urban centres in the area of intervention.

In 2018, important activities were implemented with regard to the training of farmers, support to the formation of cooperatives, increase of the productivity of the dairy, support for environmental committees, construction of a community center, formation of nurseries, and distribution of seeds and livestock of improved variety and breed.

A collaboration agreement was signed with the MuSe for a rapid assessment of the biodiversity and conservation status of the Minziro nature reserve in Tanzania which ended in December 2018.

Period: **2017/2019**

Project budget: **€ 370.013,00**

Financing donor: **Autonomous Province of Trento (€ 370.013,00)**









# EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING



## EDUCATION

	2018
Young people successfully completed the vocational training course followed by a period of two months apprenticeship	613
Young people received start up tool kits	613
Children and young people who go to ACAV built schools	1.635
Teachers trained	26

Education: ACAV supports local institutions to provide vocational education and training to young people as a way to improve their living condition. In addition to organizing professional training courses, ACAV provides its beneficiaries with basic start-up tool kits which are relevant to their socio-economic integration in the local labour market and communities. Besides, ACAV is involved in the construction of primary schools to benefit children and youth among refugee and host communities.



# 1

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION **WE BUILD THE FUTURE**

*finished  
in 2018*



With this project, finished in May 2018, ACAV wanted to improve the quality of vocational education for young people from Koboko District and for those from other territories attending studies at Koboko Technical Institute. We constructed a classroom block for office and educational use to ameliorate the infrastructure situation of the institute and ensure that the students can attend classes in dedicated rooms. This intervention was prompted by the increase of enrolment in recent years as a consequence of the influx of thousands of people fleeing the South Sudan war.

Period: **2017/2018**

Project budget: **€ 21.598,81,00**

Financing donor: **Trento Municipality (€ 15.000,00)**

# 2

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION EXPANDING ACCESS TO SKILLS AND LABOUR MARKET FOR YOUTH BY STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITIES OF LOCAL ACTORS IN WEST NILE, UGANDA

finished  
in 2018



It was a 3-year project whose general objective was to strengthen the organizational capacity of local authorities as well as the responsiveness of vocational training institutions in West Nile in order to expand access to social and economic opportunities for disadvantaged youth. The beneficiaries were 1.519 disadvantaged youth aged between 14 and 19 who were out of the school system. We ensured them access to vocational skills training courses by also providing them with a start-up kit to put into practice what they had learnt. In 2018, 521 disadvantaged young people were selected and enrolled in six vocational training institutions, while 518 completed the entire training cycle. All youth who had been trained completed a two-month apprenticeship period in local workshops and were supported with start-up tool kits. Each beneficiary developed an individual business plan to forecast his/her income generating activities in a sustainable way.

### TESTIMONY OF



**ALUMAI PETER** lives in the village of Besia, in the District of Moyo. He is 19 years old, fourth of 10 children and fatherless. He grew up with his mother who didn't work to look after her children. When his father died, he had to leave school to help his mother. At that time, he was 13 years old. "I heard on the radio that ACAV was selecting vulnerable boys to attend a professional course. They called me for an interview and they selected me for the course on repairing motorcycles. From May to August I attended this course at the Koboko Technical Institute, and I'm now doing the apprenticeship in a workshop in the city of Koboko. Now I am able to repair the motor of a motorcycle, work on the electrical system and repair the external parts. This can make me earn about 30.000 UGX shillings a day (about 8 euro). I hope to be able to open my workshop one day." Peter told us that he would like to have his own workshop in Moyo, in his District, specialize and become an expert in repairing motorcycle models. His dreams go beyond this as he would like to be a professional in all mechanics to control the market. He explained that before ACAV offered him the chance to take the course, he was able to repair bicycles. "Thanks to ACAV I will fulfil my dream of being an all-round mechanic", he said.

Period: **2016/2018**

Project budget: **€ 999.992,70**

Financing donor: **European Union, Autonomous Province of Trento and San Zeno Foundation**

# 3

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION A BETTER FUTURE FOR REFUGEES IN AFRICA 2/2

ongoing  
in 2018



The project started in June 2017 and it will last 3 years. Its overall goal is to improve the living conditions of refugees in Rhino Camp (Ofua zone) by focusing on education and livelihoods. With regards to the education component of the project, 300 vulnerable girls between 14 and 19 years of age will receive non-formal skills training to start income-generating activities in Rhino Camp. In 2018 – the second year of activities, 102 refugee girls were selected on the basis of their economic and social vulnerability (out-of-school, HIV positive, psychological fragility and disability, etc.). The presence of single and unaccompanied girls and the type of course chosen in the request format was also evaluated. The beneficiary girls were enrolled in 3 vocational institutes in Koboko, Yumbe and Moyo to attend the following courses: tailoring (56 participants), catering and hotel management (15 participants), hairdresser (18 participants), weaving (12 participants), and motorcycle mechanics (1 participant). Following their training, they undertook an apprenticeship period at local businesses. At the end of this, they received a start-up tool kit.

### TESTIMONY OF

**SCOVIA ITUTU** is a 19-year-old girl. Before her arrival at Rhino Camp in 2016, she lived in Morobo County. Scovia is an orphan and lives with the uncles who could not pay the fee to enrol her in school. When she heard about the ACAV project and the possibility of applying to a vocational training, she tried her luck and was selected for the course in weaving. She undertook the training, the apprenticeship period, and in November 2018 she received the start-up kit which contained a knitting machine. With the help of her aunt, she received a loan of 100.000 UGX with which she bought wool to make sweaters for sale. Now she has her own shop at the Amuru market within the camp, and that is where she knits the shirts. She is very happy with her work, her life has changed, she is increasingly economically independent from her uncles and provides for her own needs.

Period: **2017/2019**

Project budget: **€ 354.250,00**

Financing donor: **Autonomous Province of Trento (€ 318.825,00)**



# 4

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION AFRICARE

ongoing  
in 2018



This three-year project began in March 2018. Due to the population's increase caused by the arrival of more than one million South Sudanese refugees, public services have suffered serious in West Nile. The pressure on basic services such as schooling have resulted into conflicts between host communities and refugees. Thanks to the support of San Zeno Foundation, ACAV built the "Amuru Primary School" in Rhino Camp. Whereas the school was initially intended to host 800 children, at the end of December 2018 they were 1.285. Acav constructed 4 blocks of 4 furnished classrooms each plus an office, 2 sets of 4-room latrines each (one for male and one for female) and 1 set of two-room latrines for school staff. 16 teachers and 8 assistants as well as a principal and a vice-principal were hired and participated in a refresher course held by specialized staff of the Aga Khan Foundation. School material was purchased for pupils and teachers, while a parent-teacher association and a school management committee were established. In the coming years of the project, vocational courses will be organized for young boys who have abandoned the school system.

### TESTIMONY OF

**GLADYS AJIKO**, (Teacher of the school of Amuru)

"I have been working as a teacher for 4 years. Here in Amuru's school I feel good, better than in the other schools where I worked before. Here there is cooperation between teachers, we work well together. Before the construction of the Amuru school, there were so many children who stayed at home, they did not have an education. Now the whole community knows that there is a school here and that the level of education is good in here. The number of children coming is always greater. The biggest problem at the moment is the lack of food as children often arrive to school without having eaten, because the ration the parents received is not enough. Children come to school tired and often fall asleep due to hunger."

Period: **2018/2020**

Project budget: **€ 483.826,00**


Financing donor: **San Zeno Foundation (€ 483.826,00)**



# STRENGTHENING GOVERNANCE





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- ACAV supports the communities in which it operates by facilitating meetings between local authorities and through capacity building activities for local administrations. This is because good governance is one of the crucial factors for promoting socio-economic development on a sustainable basis.
  - **HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY RESPONSE** to support populations in difficult situations due to natural disasters or wars.





# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

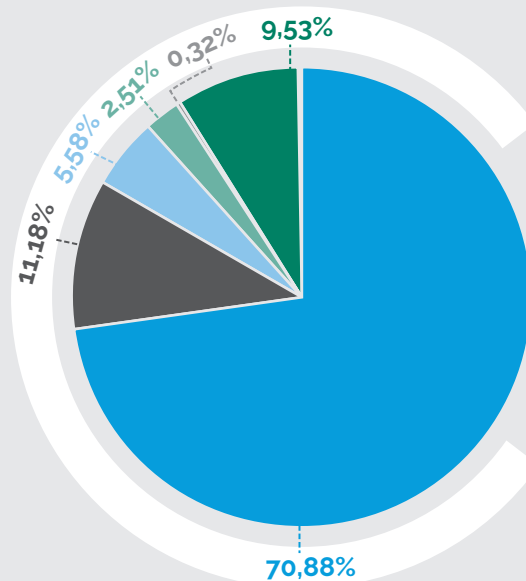


# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## PROCEEDS

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- LEGAL PERSONS
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- ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

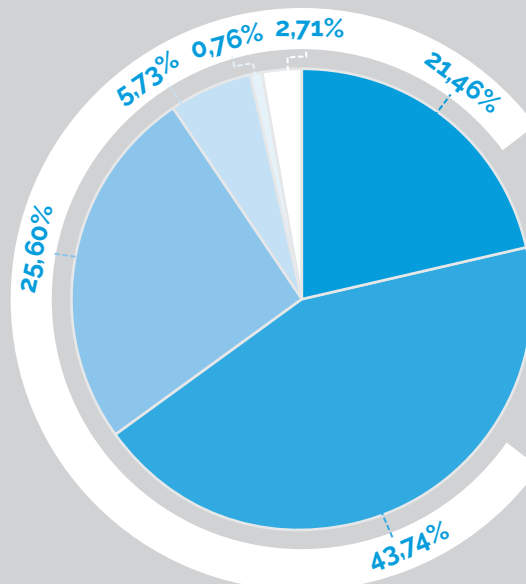
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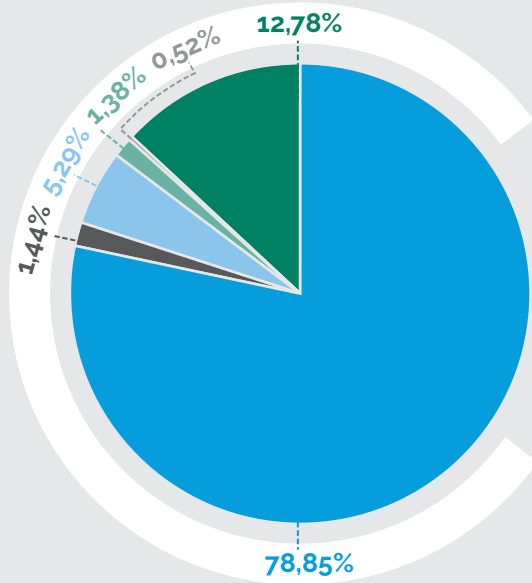
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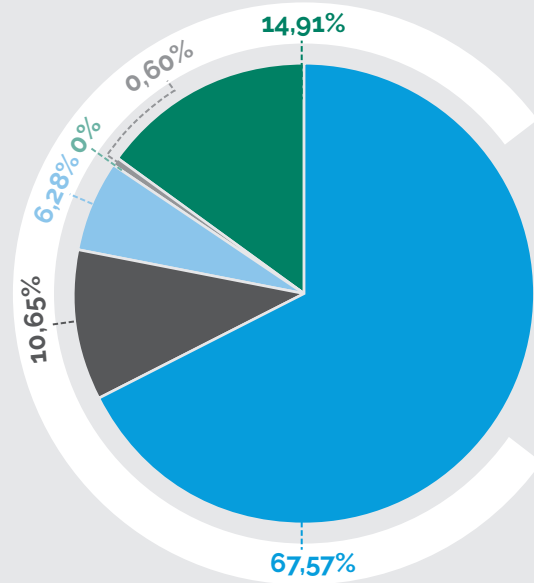




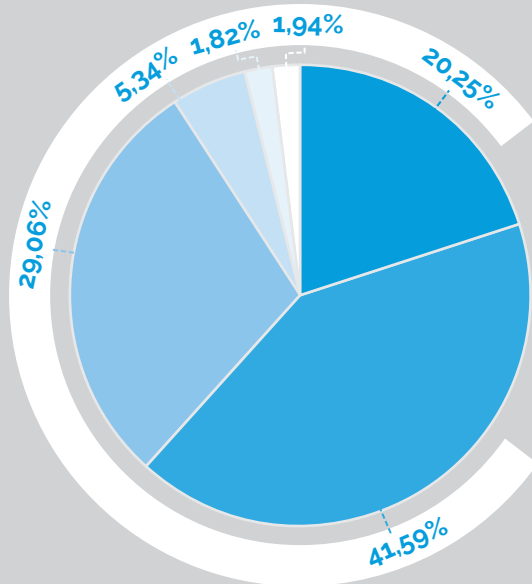
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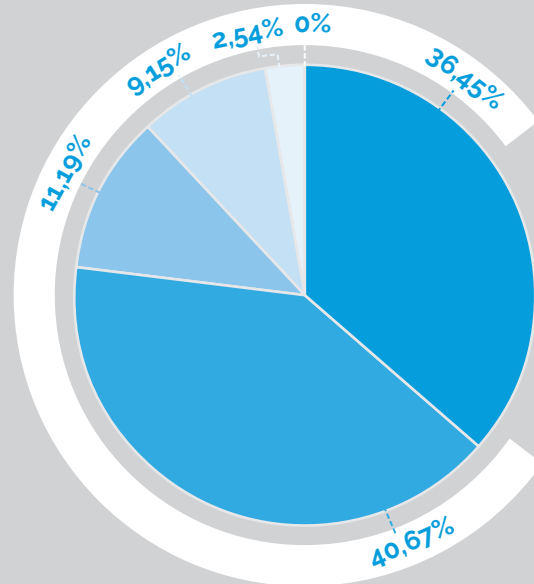
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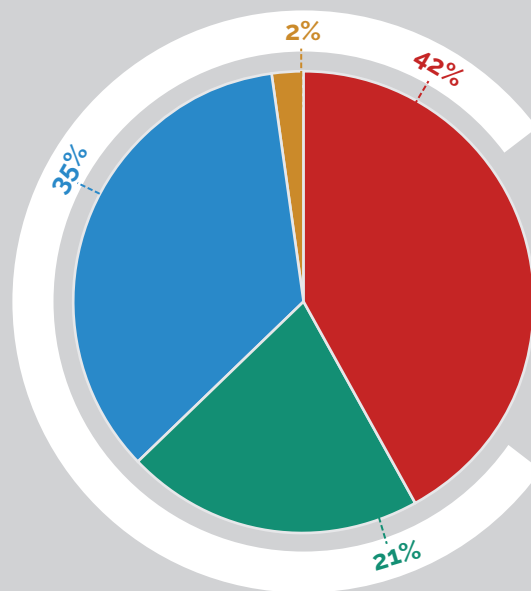
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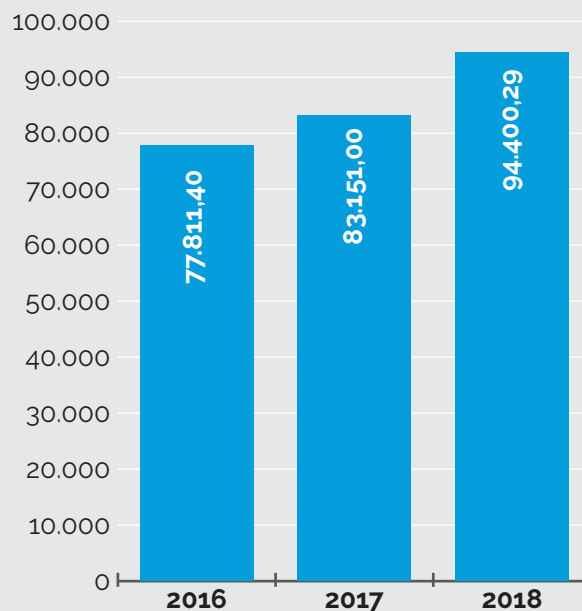
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RESOURCES ALLOCATED BY SECTOR 2018



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DONATIONS TREND BY PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS





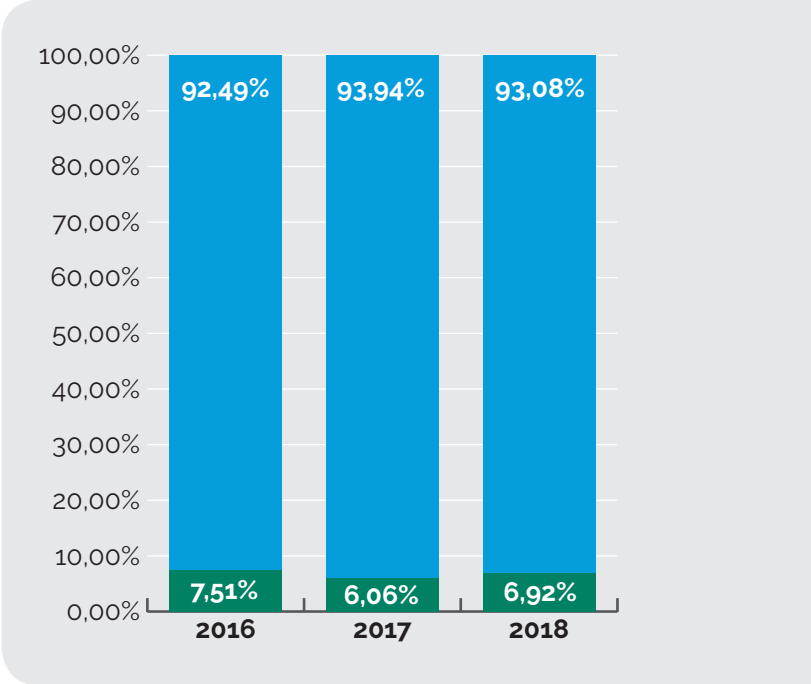
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HOW WE USED YOUR MONEY  
IN 2018:



**6,92 cents**  
structure costs:  
personal salaries  
in Italy, office rent,  
communication, etc.

**93,08 cents**  
for projects in Africa





## BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS			*
ASSETS		277.235,60	13,27%
TANGILE ASSETS	276.249,68		
INTANGIBLE ASSETS	985,92		
ASSETS AMORTIZATION FUND		235.114,92	11,23%
NET ASSETS		42.120,68	26,17%
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		267.493,00	-6,97%
CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE RECEIVED FOR PROJECTS:			
FROM EU: VOCATION TRAINING PROJECT	74.999,53		
FROM PAT: VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT	25.000,00		
FROM FSZ: VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT	5.000,00		
FROM AICS: EMERGENCY PROJECT 2017	8.028,63		
FROM PAT: JABARA SCHOOL PROJECT	45.000,00		
FROM PAT: AFFORESTATION PROJECT	10.667,54		
FROM PAT: THE FUTURE OF AFRICA, IN AFRICA	13.529,93		
FROM PAT: EUREGIO PROJECT	31.316,53		
FROM PAT: WASH EMERGENCY PROJECT 2018	27.450,00		
FROM PAT: GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP 2017-2018	23.627,77		
TOTAL OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE RECEIVED	264.619,93		
SECURITY DEPOSITS	1.348,99		
OTHER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	1.524,08		
BANK AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		222.544,87	33,13%
BANKS IN ITALY	145.822,59		
BANK IN UGANDA	73.776,09		
CASH IN ITALY	945,62		
CASH IN UGANDA	2.000,57		
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>532.158,55</b>	<b>9,03%</b>

\* variation compared to the previous year

<b>LIABILITIES AND OWNER'S EQUITY</b>			*
FINAL BENEFIT FUND		2.820,84	-57,62%
FUND FOR PROJECTS TO BE COMPLETED		209.260,00	105,37%
EMERGENCY PROJECT 2018 - AICS	9.562,18		
AFRICARE PROJECT - FONDAZIONE SAN ZENO	1.036,31		
FRUIT GROWING PROJECT WEST NILE - PAT	127.477,18		
CONGOLESE REFUGEES PROJECT - UNHCR	4.026,78		
AMURU SCHOOL PROJECT - TRENTO MUNICIPAL.	5.319,83		
AMURU SCHOOL PROJECT - COFUNDED BY PRIVATE	14.262,50		
OFUA VI PROJECT - FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONOR	11.567,00		
GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP 2018-21 - PAT	6.961,72		
AGRICULTURAL PROJECT - GERDA FOUNDATION	29.046,50		
SHORT-TERM DEBITS		32.125,65	-66,05%
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	12.613,41		
PERSONNEL SALARIES	7.632,73		
TAXATION	2.274,58		
SOCIAL SECURITY AGENCIES	2.922,12		
OTHER DEBITS	6.682,81		
ACCRUED EXPENSES		2.605,73	11,41%
TOTAL AMOUNT OF LIABILITIES		246.812,22	20,09%
OWNER'S EQUITY AS FOR 31.12.2017		282.560,42	21,78%
NET PROFIT		2.785,91	-94,49%
OWNER'S EQUITY AS FOR 31.12.2018		285.346,33	0,99%
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OWNER'S EQUITY</b>		<b>532.158,55</b>	<b>9,03%</b>

\* variation compared to the previous year

## PROFIT AND LOSS

<b>LOSSES</b>			*
PROJECTS IN AFRICA		1.420.095,27	15,35%
VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT - EU PAT FSZ	312.820,47		
AFRICARE PROJECT - FONDAZIONE SAN ZENO	158.963,69		
EMERGENCY PROJECT RHINO CAMP 2017 - AICS	138.993,94		
EMERGENCY PROJECT RHINO CAMP 2018 - AICS	133.401,34		
JABARA SCHOOL PROJECT - PAT	25.395,17		
AFFORESTATION PROJECT 2017 - PAT	78.872,29		
FRUIT GROWING PROJECT WEST NILE - PAT	9.000,67		
THE FUTURE OF AFRICA, IN AFRICA PROJECT	119.159,57		
EUREGIO PROJECT	96.804,52		
EMERGENCY WASH PROJECT ARUA DISTRICT - PAT	122.388,31		
CONGOLESE REFUGEES PROJECT 2016 - PAT	12.429,23		
WASH PROJECT - RTTA	82.590,23		
WASH PROJECT - 8X1000 WALDESIAN CHURCH	59.660,03		
CONGOLESE REFUGEES PROJECT - UNHCR	30.760,27		
KOBOKO SCHOOL PROJECT - TRENTO MUNICIPAL.	12.241,88		
AMURU SCHOOL PROJECT - TRENTO MUNICIPAL.	442,24		
OFUA VI SCHOOL PROJECT	7.666,36		
ALTRI INTERVENTI DIVERSI IN CAMPO IDRICO	18.505,06		
PROJECTS IN TRENTO		20.052,03	-51,55%
GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP PROJECT 2017-18 - PAT	11.282,35		
GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP PROJECT 2018-21 - PAT	8.769,68		
OTHER COSTS		107.106,93	30,42%
PERSONNEL COSTS IN ITALY	78.322,47		
OTHER COSTS IN UGANDA	1.274,51		
OTHER COSTS IN ITALY	27.509,95		
ASSETS AMORTIZATION	107.106,93	23.744,96	29,08%
LOSSES FROM EXCHANGE RATE		1.663,47	-89,94%
BANK EXPENSES		3.486,06	46,36%
TAX BURDENS		247,53	82,94%
EXTRAORDINARY NEGATIVE ITEMS		117,15	-97,30%
TOTAL LOSSES		1.576.513,40	12,88%
NET PROFIT		2.785,91	-94,49%
<b>EQUITY</b>		<b>1.579.299,31</b>	<b>9,13%</b>

\* variation compared to the previous year



<b>PROFITS</b>			*
PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION FOR PROJECTS		1.134.506,20	0,93%
VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT - EU	243.452,63		
VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT - PAT	50.000,00		
EMERGENCY PROJECT RHINO CAMP 2017 - AICS	150.393,19		
EMERGENCY PROJECT RHINO CAMP 2018 - AICS	140.071,41		
JABARA SCHOOL PROJECT - PAT	16.035,47		
AFFORESTATION PROJECT 2017 - PAT	67.841,30		
FRUIT GROWING PROJECT WEST NILE - PAT	7.704,57		
THE FUTURE OF AFRICA, IN AFRICA PROJECT	115.739,90		
EUREGIO PROJECT	96.755,11		
EMERGENCY WASH PROJECT ARUA DISTRICT - PAT	109.800,00		
CONGOLESE REFUGEES PROJECT 2016 - PAT	8.730,41		
WASH PROJECT - RTTA	65.000,00		
CONGOLESE REFUGEES PROJECT - UNHCR	30.760,27		
KOBOKO SCHOOL PROJECT - TRENTO MUNICIP.	8.430,93		
AMURU SCHOOL PROJECT - TRENTO MUNICIP.	180,17		
GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP PROJECT 2017-18 - PAT	16.244,31		
GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP PROJECT 2018-21 - PAT	7.366,53		
CONTRIBUTION FOR PROJECT FROM PRIVATE DONORS		219.171,15	441,71%
AFRICARE PROJECT - FONDAZIONE SAN ZENO	158.963,69		
VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT - FSZ	20.000,00		
WASH PROJECT - 8X1000 WALDESIAN CHURCH	40.207,46		
5 X 1000		5.090,55	-31,61%
DONATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP QUOTA			
TOTAL COLLECTED	89.309,74		17,97%
QUOTA OF DONATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN SET ASIDE TO FINANCE 2 PROJECTS STARTED IN 2018 BUT NOT COMPLETED IN THAT YEAR	25.829,50		
DIFFERENZA UTILIZZATA NEL 2018		63.480,24	
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS		152.518,97	-16,54%
FINANCIAL INCOME		4.532,20	161,58%
BANK ACTIVE INTERESTS	477,25		
DIFFERENCES IN EXCHANGE RATE	4.054,95		
<b>TOTAL PROFITS</b>		<b>1.579.299,31</b>	<b>9,13%</b>

\* variation compared to the previous year



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