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Info per country & Transversal themes

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Info per country (1)



VLIR-UOS country strategy

- Themes
- Regions
- Partners

Joint Strategic Framework (JSF – CSC – GSK)

- Belgian Actors of the Non-Governmental Cooperation (ANGC-ACNG-ANGS)
- Joint Strategic Goals
- Synergy and complementarity (impact?)

→ **1 background document per country** (on [country page](#))

Info per country (2)



Formulation

- Project proposal: **annex 1** (2.4 Link with the VLIR-UOS country strategy and other initiatives)
 - Country Strategy
 - S&C Belgian actors
 - S&C other actors
 - S&C other VLIR-UOS activities → Website [project search engine](#)

Selection

- Criterion “**relevance**” (the extent to which the objectives of a proposal are consistent with beneficiaries’ requirements, country needs, synergy opportunities, global priorities and partners’ and donors’ policies)

Info per country (3)



Synergy & complementarity with other actors

- NA...
 - ... know what is **relevant** for your project (+ explain in proposal)
 - ... **contact** relevant actors
 - ... to reach an **engagement** of relevant actors
 - ... to translate into **concrete** actions/roles
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- *Experts of Trias will organise trainings on entrepreneurship*
 - *Partners of Vétérinaires Sans Frontières will provide appropriate testing plots*
 - *Humanity and Inclusion will be involved in curriculum writing workshops*

Transversal themes (1)



Belgian development cooperation

- Integration in a **transversal** way of **gender** and **environment**
- To reach **inclusive** and **sustainable** development
- Strategic **priorities** of the Minister:
 - Digital for Development (D4D)
 - Private sector development
 - ...


VLIR-UOS

- Integration in project formulation
- And selection

Transversal themes (2)



Formulation

- Project proposal: **annex 1** (2.3 *Transversal themes of the Belgian Development Cooperation*)
- Formulation guidelines: **background document 1**
 - Integration in different steps of formulation 
 - Flashcards
 - Content (What?)
 - Motivation (Why?)
 - Examples & questions (How?)
 - Tools & links (How exactly?)
 - Contact (Help!)

Selection

- Criterion “**relevance**” (*global priorities and partners’ and donors’ policies*)

Flash Card: Environment	
Content	VLIR-UOS highly values the protection of the physical and biological environment in its interventions. Therefore projects are sensitized to think about the impact on and the integration of environment and environmental sustainability in the formulation phase. Different characteristics of the environment can be brought into consideration: soil, water, air, biodiversity, climate and climate change, forest, energy, extreme events... The integration of environment can be done on two levels: within the management of the project and in the content of the project (e.g. as an objective or intermediary result).
Motivation	The protection of the environment and natural resources is a precondition for sustainable development, as a healthy environment forms the foundation of human welfare and well-being. Sustainable development is development that answers to the needs of the current generations without endangering the potential for future generations to provide for their needs. In order to guarantee sustainable human development, natural capital, in balance with economic and social capital and with respect for the planetary boundaries, constitutes the foundation for dignified development.
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Examples & questions for reflection on environment	<p>Management of the project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Does the project foresee in CO2 compensation? (e.g. compensate emissions for flying through greenroads) o Does the project integrate the principle of circular economy? (e.g. purchase of a second hand car) o Does the project aim to reduce waste? (e.g. introducing composting methods) o Does the project limit the use of papers and other materials? (e.g. standard recto verso printing and focus on digitalisation) o Does the project mention sustainable food consumption? (e.g. vegetarian catering at events) o Does the project use renewable energy sources (e.g. use of solar energy) <p>o ...</p> <p>Content of the project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o What is the environmental context of the project? (e.g. heavy metals in water) o What are the links between the environmental characteristics and socio-economic issues in the area? (e.g. intensive farming leads to soil depletion, erosion leads to decrease in soil fertility) o Is the main objective of the project in line with the principles of sustainable development? (= environmental relevance) (e.g. risk of deforestation by promoting cocoa production through a project) o What are the possible effects of the environment on the project? (e.g. deregulated agricultural calendars because of climate change) o What are the possible (negative/positive) effects of the project on the environment? (e.g. increase in chemical waste because of the installation of a new laboratory) o Do the beneficiaries of the project have the management capacity to adapt to the environment? (e.g. installation of rainwater collection) o ...
Available tools/links:	Strategic Note on Environmental Sustainability KLIMOS toolkit Louvain Cooperation toolkit

Transversal themes (3)



Gender

- NA...
- “Working on the **numbers**”: scholarship attribution, panel of discussants in debates, participation in activities...
- “Working on the **content**”: gender is a part of the analysis in the research undertaken, women’s organisations are involved as stakeholders...
- “Working on the **organisation**”: interaction between colleagues, the communication of the project, the culture during meetings, expectations on work/life-balance...

Transversal themes (3)



Environment

- Environment → Project → Environment
- **Organisational** level: CO2-compensation on airline tickets, the project uses recycled materials and manages waste collection, activities offer vegetarian catering...
- **Content** level: the project maps biodiversity in a specific area, the project investigates the evolution of deforestation because of palm oil plantations in a certain region, the project sets up experiments to improve soil fertility...
- **Tools:** [KLIMOS toolkit](#) and [Environmental Integration Tool](#) (Step 1)
- **Nagoya** protocol: conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity