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INTRODUCTION

This Directory has been prepared primarily to assist cooperatives and government departments identify potential sources of external support for projects in the cooperative sector.

The Directory of Agencies Assisting Cooperatives is a compilation of information of the main sources of external assistance available for the promotion of cooperatives in all regions of the world. It includes information on the following types of organizations: inter-governmental, bilateral governmental, international non-governmental, bilateral private and voluntary, as well as an expanded section on education and training institutions.

The Directory has been generated from an electronic database which is continuously updated. Sub-directories of information can be extracted upon request.

Although every effort has been made to ensure accuracy at the time of publication, contact addresses and programme priorities constantly change. The COPAC Secretariat would therefore be grateful for any information or comments which may bring this Directory up to date or otherwise improve it.

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I. INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

1. African Development Bank (ADB)

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Comment

The African Development Bank, established in 1964, is a regional multilateral development bank which has been functioning since 1966. Its shareholders are the 53 countries in Africa as well as 24 countries in the Americas, Europe, and Asia.

The Bank's mandate is to "contribute to the economic development and social progress of its regional members - individually and jointly". The Bank's mission, therefore, is to assist regional member countries implement poverty alleviation programmes. It makes loans and equity investments, provides technical assistance for the preparation and execution of development projects and programmes, promotes investment of public and private capital for development purposes, and responds to requests for assistance in coordinating development policies and plans of its regional member countries. At the country level, the Bank priority areas include agriculture and rural development, human resource development, private and sector development, governance as well as two cross-cutting issues, environment and gender. As an international development organization the Bank's assistance to countries is complemented with support for the development and strengthening of agro-based, small and medium-scale enterprises, micro-finance institutions.

2. Agence Intergouvernementale de la Francophonie (AIF)

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Comment

The AIF formerly known as l'Agence de Coopération Culturelle et Technique (ACCT), consists of 49 French-speaking states and governments. It supports projects in member developing countries like Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros Islands, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Gabon, Lebanon, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Togo, Vanuatu, Vietnam and Zaire. AIF carries out multilateral activities in the areas of education and training, new information technologies, economic and social development, democracy and human rights. AIF provides experts at member governments' requests and the division "Science, Technique et Développement" operates agricultural development projects. Cooperative training, particularly to encourage young people's rural cooperatives, receives attention.

3. Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA)

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Homepage: www.badea.org

Comment

BADEA is a financial institution set up and funded by Arab Governments. Its objective is to contribute to the economic development of non-Arab African countries and to strengthen the ties of friendship and solidarity between the Arab and African communities. To this end, it: (a) provides loans on concessional terms for specified projects in non-Arab African countries which are members of the Organization of African Unity; (b) supplies technical assistance in the form of grants and acts as a catalyst for Arab aid and investment in the region, and (c) plays a coordinating role in respect of Arab aid destined to non-Arab Africa. BADEA's share of project financing cannot exceed 50% of the total cost of any project. For small projects not exceeding USD 10 million, financing may be increased to 80% of the total cost. The terms of lending vary according to the nature of the project and the economic situation of the recipient country.

4. Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD)

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Homepage: www.arabfund.org
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Comment

The Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development is an Arab regional financial organization enjoying an independent juridical personality. Its membership includes the Arab countries which are members of the Arab League. The basic purpose of the Fund is to participate in the financing of economic and social development projects in the Arab member countries by (a) financing economic projects of an investment character by granting loans on easy terms to governments and public and private organizations and institutions, giving preference to projects vital to the Arab community and to joint Arab projects; (b) encouraging the investment of public and private capital in a manner that ensures the development and growth of the Arab economy; and (c) providing technical expertise and assistance in the various fields of economic development. The scope of Fund activities covers all member countries. Emphasis is placed on infrastructural and inter-country projects that will contribute to the overall development of the Arab region. Particular attention in the Fund's technical assistance efforts is given to the Arab least developed countries.

5. Asian Development Bank

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Homepage: www.adb.org
Contact: EDRC Division

Comment

The Asian Development Bank has been assisting the cooperative sector in its developing member countries. The Bank has supported the building of institutional bases of cooperatives for the rural sector and it has assisted the Directorate General of Cooperatives in Indonesia through both an investment programme as well as management and personnel development for the cooperative sector. The Bank extended its help to the development of the cooperative sector in Nepal through financial assistance to the Agricultural Development Bank of Nepal (ADBN). The Bank has also assisted cooperatives in Pakistan through a programme loan in the district of Sahiwal (Punjab).

6. Banque Européenne des Investissements (BEI) - European Investment Bank (EIB)

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Comment

EIB was created in 1958 as an autonomous body set up to finance capital investment furthering European integration by promoting EU economic policies. EIB loans may be granted to public or private borrowers in support of projects in all sectors of the economy. Within the European Union (EU), projects considered for EIB financing must contribute towards one or more of the following objectives: foster the economic development of the less favoured regions; improve European transport and telecommunications infrastructure; protect the environment and the quality of life, promote urban development and safeguard the Community's architectural and natural heritage; attain Community energy policy objectives; enhance the international competitiveness of industry; support the activities of small and medium-sized enterprises; extend and modernize infrastructure in the health and education sectors as well as assist urban renewal.

The EIB recognizes that small and medium-sized enterprises have a crucial role to play in economic development and has for some thirty years arranged global loans to support SME activities in partnership with some 150 banks and financial institutions. Since 1994, more than 49 000 SME ventures have attracted 11.6 billion in all. Outside the Union, the EIB supports the Union's cooperation and development aid policies in over 120 countries in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific, in South Africa, the Mediterranean area, Central and Eastern Europe, Asia and Latin America.

7. Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)

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Comment

The Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) began operations in January 1970. The role of the Bank is to contribute to the harmonious economic growth and development of the member countries of the Caribbean, and promote economic cooperation and integration among them, having special and urgent regard to the needs of the less developed countries.

CDB may make or participate in direct loans or the provision of technical assistance to governments of its regional member countries, governmental entities, private enterprises and international or regional institutions. Financing and technical assistance is provided in the following areas: forestry, agriculture (including livestock, floriculture, aquaculture and fisheries), marketing, export trading, manufacturing, mining, tourism, tourism-related services, transportation, housing, infrastructure, planning (including statistics), accounting, banking, public financing and budgeting, the environment, human resource development, poverty reduction and productive sector-related activities in the basic needs sectors such as housing and education.

8. Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI)

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Comment

CABEI is the multilateral bank for the integration and development of Central America. It is the largest and best capitalized financial institutions in the region. Traditionally CABEI had financed governments in the region through the public sector, however since 1991 it has also financed the private sector through credit lines approved or channelled through Central Banks. It provides financing for numerous sectors including the export of non-traditional product development, tourism sector development, industrial development and reconversion, agribusiness, small and medium enterprises (USD 13 million), social development, poverty eradication, housing and urban development.

9. European Union

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Comment

The European Development Fund is managed by DG Development of the European Union. The Funds projects are mainly concentrated in Africa, the Caribbean and Pacific states which are signatories to the Lomé Convention. The EU has offices in each of these countries. Agreements also exist with ASEAN and a number of Mediterranean countries. Country programmes are normally drawn up for five years. Rural development projects are receiving increased attention and some of these involve cooperatives. The EU offices in developing countries have some small project funds which have been used for cooperative projects. The EU will also make matching grants to non-governmental organizations for development programmes, and cooperatives in both developing and developed countries could potentially make use of this facility. Moreover, the fund offers a scholarship programme, which is in most cases associated with EU funded projects. The programme is open to citizens of the Lomé agreements. Applications must be submitted through the candidate's employer and government. Information and application forms can be obtained from the EU representative in the candidate's own country.

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Comment

The Phare Programme is currently the main channel for the European Union's financial and technical cooperation with the countries of central and eastern Europe (CEECs). Set up in 1989 to support economic and political transition, Phare had by 1996 been extended to include 13 partner countries from the region: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia. The Phare budget was increased to Euro 6.693 billion for the 1995-1999 period.

Only those firms which have been incorporated in a Member State or in one of the Phare countries, are established and do business there, regardless of who owns or controls them, may participate in a Phare-funded contract. Subsidiaries of third-country firms are therefore eligible provided they meet these conditions. Phare can provide only a tiny proportion of the funding needed, but it can play a key role in catalyzing co-financing with the partner countries and the International Financial Institutions (IFIs).

In addition to Phare (Euro 1.5 billion per year), pre-accession support for all candidate countries will comprise two further elements as from the year 2000: structural aid will total Euro 1 billion per year, while aid for agricultural development (SAPARD) will amount to Euro 520 million per year. SAPARD finances major agricultural and rural development projects and comes under the responsibility of former DGVI, now DG Agriculture. It is budgeted until the end of 2006. However, candidate countries may only benefit through SAPARD between the year 2000 and the time they join the Union.

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Comment

The European Union's Tacis Programme provides grant finance for the transfer of know-how to twelve countries of the former Soviet Union (minus the Baltic states) and Mongolia. In so doing, it fosters the development of market economies and democratic societies. It is the largest programme of its kind operating in the region, and has launched more than 3,000 projects worth over ECU 3,290 million since its inception in 1991. The Programme is managed by the European Commission's Directorate General for External Relations, former DG1A .

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Comment

FAO has been promoting the establishment and the strengthening of agricultural cooperatives for more than 30 years. FAO's approach to rural cooperatives emphasizes the development of cooperatives which are controlled and financed by the members, whose leaders are elected, and whose primary objective is to meet members' needs. Training in cooperative principles and business management is provided to cooperative members, managerial staff and relevant government officials. FAO's cooperative programme also includes policy advice to governments. Special attention is given to strengthening the financial self-reliance capacities and autonomy of cooperative structures of local, district and national levels and to the potential role of cooperatives in countries undergoing structural adjustment, and more recently, to Eastern and Central European countries undergoing transition to market-oriented economies. The aim of this latter advice is to identify and define strategies for "managing the transition" from state to private control of such functions as marketing and input supply.

FAO technical assistance to member countries in cooperative development is coordinated through its six principal regional offices: the Regional Office for Africa; the Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific; the Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean; the Regional Office for the Near East; and its Liaison Office for North America. Technical assistance in cooperative development at national level is coordinated through FAO Country Representatives' Offices located in 85 member countries.

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Comment

For over 20 years, the IDB has been a pioneer and major funder of micro-enterprise development in Latin America and the Caribbean. Begun in 1978, the Small Projects Program was the Bank's first effort to provide comprehensive services to low-income entrepreneurs. The programme officers access to credit and training as well as sound management of NGOs. In the early 1990s, the Bank adopted its global credit programme to encourage the region's formal financial institutions to enter the micro-enterprise market.

IDB supports cooperatives through both the Small Projects Program and the Micro-enterprise Global Credit Program. Support is provided to rural producer and marketing cooperatives and credit unions. In 1995, the Bank approved a five-year, USD 500 million strategy that supports the establishment of policies and regulation that favour small business development, strengthen institutions that provide services to micro-enterprises and improve access to financial and non-financial services for the poorest micro-entrepreneurs.

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Comment

IFAD makes concessional loans for agricultural development which are concluded directly with the borrower member governments. Through its projects directed at supporting the specific IFAD target group, including the rural poor, small farmers, women, micro-entrepreneurs, etc., the Fund cooperates wherever feasible with indigenous, village-based informal and formal cooperative societies, including their secondary and apex associations. In many cases IFAD projects provide assistance for institution building for such organizations to improve their performance to service the target groups.

Since its establishment IFAD has financed 489 projects in 111 countries, to which it has committed USD 5.67 billion in grants and loans, recipient governments have contributed USD 6.41 billion and multilateral and bilateral donors have provided USD 5.44 billion in co-financing.

13. International Labour Office (ILO)

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Comment

The International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization (Turin, Italy) is committed to assisting countries in their social and economic development, through learning and training. The Centre offers courses on several subjects of interest to cooperatives, such as credit schemes and microfinance, international labour standards, productivity improvement and human resource management. The Centre also organizes tailor-made training and learning activities to meet specific needs and as part of technical cooperation projects.

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Comment

The main objective of ILO activity in the field of cooperatives is the development of cooperatives and cooperative-type organizations as broad-based participative institutions capable of contributing effectively to economic and social progress, with particular focus on the needs and problems of rural and urban underprivileged groups. Aspects to which attention is given include legislation and regulations, administrative practices, programmes, schemes and projects of direct assistance to cooperatives at national and local levels. The technical cooperation work is carried out with extra-budgetary resources and its level is about USD 23 million. The programme aims at achieving better standards of living for rural people, particularly the poor, through cooperatives or similar self-help institutions which respond to their economic and social needs and provide them with an organizational base for meaningful participation in the development process. Special attention is given to the less formally organized cooperative-type associations, especially when these could respond to the needs of the rural poor at the local level. Resources are provided within this sub-programme for technical advisory services to rural cooperatives, and for the service and support of technical cooperation projects. Particular attention is given to technical cooperation projects as part of integral rural development programmes.

A second objective of the programme is the improvement of living standards in urban areas through efficient and effective cooperative and similar self-help institutions operating within a framework of policies, legislation and programmes favourable to their growth and development. Special attention is given to the promotion of cooperative-type self-help institutions to meet the essential needs of urban groups, including basic consumer goods, housing, water, basic services and utilities and provident services. Attention is also given to the promotion and development of producer/ handicraft cooperatives and industrial cooperatives, operating in such industries and sectors as textiles, clothing and footwear manufacture, food processing and distribution and transport.

Human resources, cooperative education and training services: the special objective is the development of the human resources skills and capacities required for the effective operation of self-reliant cooperatives and cooperative-type institutions. This sub-programme is also concerned with the development of capability at the institutional and national levels for designing and implementing programmes of education and training for cooperative members and managers.

Cooperative research, legislation and information services: the main objective is to collect and diffuse updated information on the latest trends and developments in all areas of cooperative and cooperative-type activities. In order to achieve this objective, the data bank initiated in 1977 on cooperatives and similar institutions is maintained, operated and further extended within the framework of International Labour Information System (ILIS). This data bank covers information on cooperatives in different countries, on legislative provisions such as laws, decrees, by-laws, on responsible governmental authorities, on higher-level research and on cooperative organizations such as unions and federations. Another activity is to coordinate the studies and research items undertaken within the whole cooperative programme, and to provide necessary support especially in such areas as legislation through advisory services and expertise.

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Comment

The Islamic Development Bank is an international financial institution established in 1975 with the purpose of fostering economic development and social progress of its 44 member countries and Muslim communities. IsDB operations include (a) Ordinary Operations (project financing): interest-free loans subject only to service charge for administrative expenses; technical assistance; equity participation in the capital of industrial and agro-industrial projects; lines of equity extended to national development finance institutions for participation on behalf of IsDB in the capital of small and medium-size industrial and agro-industrial projects; leasing of machinery and equipment or means of transportation; and profit-sharing; (b) Foreign Trade Financing Operations (non-profit financing): short-term financing of the importation of industrial intermediate goods; and (c) Special Operations (grants) from special resources.

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Comment

The OPEC Fund for International Development is a multilateral agency for financial cooperation and assistance established by OPEC member countries in 1976. Its objective is to reinforce financial cooperation between OPEC member countries and other developing nations. The resources of the Fund, which initially amounted to USD 800 million, were replenished three times and now stand at USD 3,435 million.

The OPEC Fund is empowered to engage in all functions necessary or incidental to the carrying out of its objective. It is, in particular, empowered to: (a) provide concessional loans for balance of payments support; (b) provide concessional loans for the implementation of development projects and programmes; (c) extend contributions and/or provide loans to eligible international agencies; (d) finance technical assistance activities; and (e) finance private sector activities.

The Fund's resources are additional to those already made available by OPEC states through a number of bilateral and multilateral channels. In the cases where collective action by OPEC member countries is deemed appropriate, the OPEC Fund may be entrusted by its members with the task of an agent acting on their behalf, in particular in their relations with other international financial institutions.

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Comment

The Organization of American States (OAS) plays a central role in working towards many of the goals that are shared by the countries of North, Central and South America and the Caribbean. OAS provides technical support in economic integration efforts, working with the Inter-American Development Bank and the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean to create a Free Trade Area of the Americas agreement by 2005, as mandated under the Summit of the Americas process. The OAS has paid special attention to ensuring that the concerns of smaller economies are taken into account.

OAS has been active in promoting technical assistance, particularly training, for cooperatives in Latin America. The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) of Canada supported in the past, six experts in the OAS dealing with rural development and cooperatives.

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Comment

The United Nations, through its Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) has recognized the importance of cooperatives for quite some time. The Division for Social Policy and Development is the UN office dealing with cooperatives. It is involved in two cooperative activities: one is the preparation of the periodic report of the Secretary-General on national experience in promoting the cooperative movement and the second is its active participation in COPAC. In addition, through Trust Fund activities in the areas of women, disabled, youth and aging, it has supported research efforts relating to cooperatives to these special groups.

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Comment

The United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) is a semi-autonomous unit within the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), working to develop new solutions for poverty reduction in least developed countries. By 2000, more than 55 countries had received financial assistance from UNCDF since its inception in 1966. However, all current programming is targeted in 15 "Concentration Countries": Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Ethiopia, Guinea, Haiti, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Nepal, Senegal, Tanzania, and Uganda.

UNCDF has consolidated the best features of each of its programmes into a new instrument called Local Development Programmes (LDPs). After an extensive participatory project design process that involves all stakeholders in the project, LDFs are used for investments in small-scale rural infrastructure such as village-level rural access roads, schools and small irrigation projects, and in support of improved natural resource management. All micro-projects supported by UNCDF local funds must be determined through a participatory planning process involving all sectors of the local community. The community is required to contribute a percentage of the overall cost of the project (financial and/or labour).

Through its micro-finance programme, UNCDF, supports institutions that provide financial services to the poor. The Fund's initiatives in this sector are coordinated through its Special Unit for Micro-finance (SUM). SUM supports the growth of effective micro-finance institutions that have transparent track records and solid institutional and financial performance in reaching poor clients, particularly women, on a sustainable basis.

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Comment

Assistance is provided mainly in the area of rural and urban housing cooperatives. Inputs from UNCHS consist of expert advice, but seed capital loans and grants may be considered. UNCHS is an executing agency for UNDP-financed projects in this field. UNCHS also organizes training courses, seminars and expert meetings on housing cooperatives.

Early in 1990 UNCHS (Habitat) published an updated bibliography, *Co-operative Housing: A Bibliography*, which contains entries in the categories of general, regional and country. It complements a technical publication, *Co-operative Housing: Experiences of Mutual Self-help*, which offers an analytical overview of the topic plus four case studies taken from Ethiopia, Nicaragua, the Philippines and Zimbabwe. This was followed up with a technical publication on the contributions of the cooperative movement to improving the shelter conditions of the poor.

In 1997, UNCHS signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the International Co-operative Alliance ICA to collaborate in the promotion of housing cooperatives in developing countries with specific attention to Africa. A study has been undertaken to identify areas of potential assistance. A subsequent memorandum of understanding is under negotiation for 2001-2002.

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Comment

UNIFEM was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 1976 to provide direct support to development projects for women. Originally set up as the Voluntary Fund for the Decade for Women, in 1985, the Fund became an autonomous body in association with the UN Development Programme (UNDP) and was renamed UNIFEM.

Currently, UNIFEM works at the country level through its 12 regional offices. Amongst its priority areas are trade and industry, credit, science and technology, agriculture and food security, policy-making and national planning. It also targets critical issues on the global agenda to ensure that gender is included in international policies such as those related to refugees and displaced persons, violence against women, human rights, global governance and environment. UNIFEM works with cooperatives in a number of countries.

21. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

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Comment

Established in 1965, UNDP helps countries in their efforts to achieve sustainable human development by assisting them in building their capacity to design and carry out development programmes in poverty eradication, employment creation and sustainable livelihoods, the empowerment of women and the protection and regeneration of the environment, giving first priority to poverty eradication.

Working with more than 170 governments through a network of 132 offices worldwide, UNDP builds developing countries' capacities for sustainable human development. To execute the projects and programmes, it draws upon developing countries' national technical capacities, as well as the expertise of over 30 international and regional agencies and non-governmental organizations. UNDP works at country level through Resident Coordinators, who advise the government on formulating the country programme, see that the field activities are carried out, and act as the leaders of the UN team of experts working in the country. Cooperatives are supported through the Civil Society Organizations and Participation Programme (CSOPP).

UNDP also supports cooperatives with financing and expertise through its Special Unit for Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (SU/TCDC).

22. United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

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Comment

UNESCO is the intellectual and cultural specialized agency of the UN system. The cooperative movement participates in UNESCO seminars and activities involving, among other areas, programmes in adult literacy, out-of-school education, youth and cultural exchange. The Organization's Co-Action Programme can be used by NGOs in a variety of areas within the fields of competence of UNESCO - education, science, culture and communication - and must contribute to the improvement of living conditions in the community concerned. Since 1998 UNESCO has been working with fishing cooperatives in the Caribbean Region through its fisher-to-fisher programme, a grass-roots approach to improved fishery management.

23. United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

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Comment

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) provides an integrative and interactive mechanism through which a large number of separate efforts by intergovernmental, non-governmental, national and regional bodies in the service of the environment are reinforced and interrelated.

UNEP makes a particular effort to nurture partnerships with other UN bodies possessing complementary skills and delivery capabilities as well as enhancing the participation of the private sector, the scientific community, NGOs, youth, women and sports organizations in the achievement or sustainable development.

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Comment

UNIDO acts as an executing agency for UNDP projects. Activities in the field of industrial cooperative development cover: (a) provision of technical assistance on multilateral and bilateral bases (preparation of feasibility studies, consultancies, etc), (b) organization of training programmes for managers and skilled personnel of industrial cooperative enterprises from developing countries, and (c) organization of extension services such as research, management, information systems for industrial cooperatives and their associations. In addition, UNIDO carries out promotional activities designed to promote contacts between cooperative organizations of developed and developing countries, and the identification of ways and means of international cooperation in strengthening existing and establishing new industrial cooperatives in developing countries. The 1999-2000 programming focus will include industrial governance, industrial export capacity-building, industrial information networking, international industrial partnerships, quality and certification for industrial competitiveness, cleaners industry and environment, efficient energy development, agro-related industries development, local industrial development and women's entrepreneurship development. UNIDO has Senior Industrial Development Field Advisers stationed in the developing world who can be contacted through the respective UN Development Programme offices to seek information or assistance for specific programmes.

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Comment

UNFPA, is the largest internationally funded source of population assistance (reproductive health, family planning, information and education, and advocacy) to developing countries. UNFPA was one of the first UN agencies to support national and international NGOs, recognizing the value of their special expertise, innovative approaches and grass-roots experience. In 1998, 15 per cent of UNFPA assistance went to projects carried out by NGOs. UNFPA has provided resources to assist in population education through cooperatives.

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Comment

The World Bank is owned by 151 member governments. It lends to developing country governments for a broad range of projects that promote economic growth, poverty reduction, and environmental protection. It also plays important roles in advising governments on development policy issues and in coordination among banks and aid agencies. The Bank does not directly fund cooperatives or cooperative development organizations. Cooperatives are, however, often involved in the government-sponsored projects which the Bank finances. During the last few years, the Bank has been making a significant effort to increase and deepen the involvement of non-governmental organizations, including cooperatives, in Bank-supported development activities. Over a fifth of the Bank's lending is in the agriculture sector, and one study indicated that about half of all Bank-financed agricultural projects involved cooperatives or other farmers' organizations. A major share of these have been in Africa, and the Bank's Africa Regional office is making a special effort to enhance the Bank's contribution to cooperative development.

Recent activities related to cooperatives have been in developing risk management tools for small producers especially in Africa.

27. World Food Programme (WFP)

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Comment

The World Food Programme is the food aid agency of the United Nations system, delivering food worth around USD 700 million per annum to about 80 countries. About 70 percent of WFP assistance is devoted to supporting development activities, while the remainder is used as humanitarian relief, usually in the aftermath of natural or man-made emergency situations. Food aid for development is focused on the low-income, food deficit countries. Of the approximately 300 operational WFP-assisted projects, some 38 in 28 countries include at least a component with the development of cooperative activity as an objective. Typically such projects aim to promote agricultural development through hillside terracing, irrigation, resettlement, land improvement, etc. with various forms of cooperative activity involved. WFP also supports human resource development projects, including vulnerable groups development projects in which cooperative income-generating activities are often an integral part.

28. World Health Organization (WHO)

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Comment

In 1979, the Thirty-Second World Health Assembly launched the "Global Strategy for Health for All by the Year 2000". This strategy aims at the development of community-based and community-controlled health delivery systems. Existing cooperatives or special cooperatives can be part of the institutional structure for such health systems. WHO has had some experience in working with cooperatives in Zambia and is exploring ways to create partnerships with health cooperatives.

II. BILATERAL GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Australia

29. AusAID

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Comment

AusAID is an administratively autonomous agency within the Foreign Affairs and Trade Portfolio. It is responsible for the management of the official Australian Government overseas aid programme. AusAID's operations in developing countries and multilateral agencies are supported by locally engaged staff as well as a small number of AusAID officers deployed at 25 missions overseas. Australia's assistance is concentrated in countries of the Pacific and East Asia. All assistance is grants.

The Australian government provides funding to cooperatives through country-specific schemes, for emergency relief efforts, through commercial tendering operations and by supplementing the funds of cooperatives through the AusAID-NGO Cooperation program (ANCP). This scheme supports development activities initiated by cooperatives that contribute to poverty alleviation.

Austria

30. Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs

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Comment

Austria offers support and cooperation especially in areas where it has special know-how and profound technical knowledge, such as rural development, vocational training, health care, water supply, democratic development, promotion of trades and crafts, energy and tourism. Austria has a relatively small bilateral assistance programme which emphasizes scholarships for training in Austria. Aid is given by loans. In the past cooperative projects were supported in Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Ecuador, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, Rwanda and Senegal.

Belgium

31. Administration Générale de la Coopération au Développement (AGCD)

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1050 Brussels, Belgium
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Comment

Belgian assistance is concentrated in Africa. Most assistance is grants, of which 50% are for provision of expertise. Cooperatives are not known to be a priority, but a cooperative system and facilities for cooperative training exist in Belgium.

Bulgaria

32. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Bulgaria)

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Comment

Bulgaria provides only very limited assistance to developing countries but training for cooperative staff is provided in Bulgaria. On matters of assistance to cooperatives, it is appropriate to make preliminary contact with the Central Cooperative Union.

Canada

33. Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

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Comment

The Cooperatives Secretariat was created in 1987 from the Cooperatives Section of Agriculture Canada to improve the relationship between Canadian cooperatives and the numerous federal departments and agencies known to have legislation or policies affecting cooperatives. The Cooperatives Secretariat, working closely with the Minister responsible for cooperatives, acts as a coordinator for interaction between the government and the cooperative sector.

France

34. Agence Française de Développement (Afd)

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Comment

The Group Agence Française de Développement (Afd), is a public institution and a key component of the machinery of French official development assistance (ODA). It operates in over 90 developing countries in overseas France and has a network of 45 local offices and agencies around the world. Afd provides financial facilities in support of job-creating productive projects, both public and private. It deploys and administers structural adjustment aid allocated by the Government.

PROPARCO, an Afd subsidiary, specializes in financing and developing the private sector through loans or equity investments to local governments, enterprises and through social housing policies. Afd is also engaged in technical assistance and training the latter is provided through the CEFEB (Centre d'études financières, économique et bancaires). In 1998 the amount of Afd's financial aid totalled at Fr. 3 million.

Germany

35. Bundesministerium für Wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit (BMZ)

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Comment

Assistance is concentrated on the least developed countries of Africa, Asia and Latin America. Priority assistance is given to rural development, and support to self-help organizations including cooperatives is regarded as important, particularly when it is felt that this can benefit the poor. The Ministry has an officer responsible for development assistance stationed in its embassy in many of the countries in which it works. All assistance to the least developed countries is on a grant basis. Most assistance is not tied to procurement in Germany. Assistance to cooperatives is, for the most part, through German non-governmental organizations and, except for large projects, it is appropriate to approach them rather than BMZ. Large-scale projects are appraised and executed on behalf of BMZ by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) and Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW).

36. Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) (German Association for technical assistance)

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Comment

GTZ is a semi-autonomous agency owned by the Government. As a non-profit institution under private law, GTZ is the executing body of the German bilateral technical cooperation programme. Assistance generally includes assignment of German technical personnel on a non-repayment basis, although in some more advanced developed countries, cooperation is provided against payment. GTZ supports models that provide improved financial service to target groups. GTZ's partners are cooperatives, NGOs, development and commercial banks.

37. Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW)

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Comment

The KfW is a bank with functions of a politico-economic character. On the one hand it promotes the German economy by granting investment loans and export credits and by giving guarantees, and on the other it extends loans and makes grants on behalf of the Government within the framework of German financial cooperation with the developing countries. In its capacity as development bank for the Government, KfW checks whether the projects are worth promotion from the point of view of development policy, concludes loan and financing agreements with the partners in the developing countries, handles the loans and grants, and monitors the execution of the projects. The loans and grants primarily serve to finance investment projects in agriculture, to improve the economic and social infrastructure, and to promote investment in industry. In addition, financial aid is extended to the development banks of developing countries, enabling them to finance small and medium-sized investment projects in industry and agriculture. Loans and grants not tied to projects are made available to finance capital goods imports covering current civil requirements (Commodity Aid). The funds are also used to engage experts to support the project-executing agencies in the preparation, execution and starting up of projects.

Hungary

38. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Hungary)

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Comment

Hungary provides only very limited assistance to developing countries, but tours and seminars are organized in Hungary for cooperative staff. On matters of assistance to cooperatives, it is appropriate to make preliminary contact with the Hungarian cooperative organizations.

India

39. Department of Agriculture and Cooperation

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Comment

The Ministry of Agriculture is comprised of four Departments: the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Department of Agricultural Research & Education/ICAR, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying and the Department of Food Processing Industries. The Department undertakes measures to ensure timely and adequate supply of inputs and services such as fertilizers, seeds pesticides, agricultural implements and also provides agricultural credit, crops insurance and ensures remunerative returns to the farmer for his agricultural produce.

Matters relating to the formulation of overall cooperative policy in the country, national cooperative organizations, cooperative training and education come under the preview of the Department. The Department also participates in the activities of international organizations, for fostering bilateral cooperation in agricultural and allied sectors and for promotion of export in agricultural commodities.

40. Ministry of External Affairs

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Indonesia

41. Ministry of Cooperatives & Small Enterprises

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Iran (Islamic Rep of)

42. Ministry of Cooperatives, International Affairs

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Iraq

43. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Iraq)

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Ireland

44. Ireland Aid - Development Cooperation Division

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Comment

Ireland Aid is the government's Development Cooperation programme. It provides long-term and emergency support to developing countries around the world. The programme works in partnership with governments and communities in the developing world in their attempts to alleviate poverty through helping them meet basic needs. The programme has six priority countries (Ethiopia, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia, Mozambique, Lesotho), and also has important bilateral programmes with South Africa and Zimbabwe in particular. The emphasis is on sub-Saharan Africa. Ireland Aid also supports the work of development and relief NGOs and the work of Irish Missionary organizations in developing countries around the world. The Government has in recent years consistently increased the Ireland Aid budget, rising from IRE 40 million in 1992 to IRE 178 million in 1999.

Israel**45. Centre for International Agricultural Development Cooperation (CINADCO)**

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Title/position: Director

Comment

Israel's agricultural assistance is carried out by the Centre for International Agricultural Development Cooperation (CINADCO) of the Ministry of Agriculture in collaboration with the Division for International Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The assistance covers three main areas: training, projects and research. Activities are carried out in Israel and the developing countries of Asia, Africa, Latin America, Caribbean and Oceania. Contact with CINADCO may be made in the relevant countries through the Israel diplomatic or consular representative.

Italy**46. General Directorate for Development Cooperation**

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Comment

Italy's bilateral aid programme has stepped up notably in recent years. Nearly all bilateral assistance is for technical cooperation with a concentration in Africa and the least developed countries. Somalia and Ethiopia have received particular emphasis. Assistance to cooperatives has been supplied in collaboration with COOPTECNITAL .

Korea (Republic of)**47. Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF)**

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Comment

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF) administers the following areas: agricultural policy, national food policy, farmland policy, agricultural production, agricultural marketing and livestock production and marketing, rural area development, agricultural water systems construction and management. Cooperative policies are administered by the Agricultural Credit and Cooperatives Division located at the Agricultural Policy Bureau.

Kuwait

48. Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development

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Comment

The objective of the Kuwait Fund is to assist Arab and other developing countries in the implementation of their development programmes. Its operations include: (a) extension of concessionary loans, guarantees and grants; (b) the provision of technical assistance services; (c) the participation in the capital of development institutions and eligible corporations; and (d) the representation of the Government of the State of Kuwait in regional and international financial organizations.

Mauritius

49. Ministry of Fisheries & Cooperatives

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Comment

The Cooperative Division of the Ministry acts as a facilitator and assists in the consolidation, promotion and development of cooperatives and the Cooperative Movement. Its main functions are: (a) the preparation of programmes and policies for the cooperative sector; (b) the coordination of foreign financial and technical assistance for the implementation of cooperative projects; (c) advising and assisting cooperative organizations in the implementation of their plans and projects; (d) promoting new management concepts through human resource development, training and education within the cooperative sector.

Myanmar

50. Ministry of Cooperatives

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Namibia

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Netherlands

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Comment

Netherlands assistance aims to combat poverty. It has emphasized agriculture, social infrastructure and welfare. Priority countries for technical assistance are Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tanzania, Republic of North Yemen and Zambia. Cooperatives receive some assistance but for most assistance to cooperatives the Ministry prefers to work through the non-governmental organizations: CEBEMO, ICCO, NOVIB and Stichting Hivos.

Romania

53. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Romania)

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Comment

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is actively engaged in multilateral cooperation in the form of sub-regional and trilateral arrangements, as well as Euro-regions. Intensified cooperation in South-East Europe and the Black Sea area and the establishment of stronger ties with the Caucas-Caspian region are principal priorities. The MFA provides only limited assistance to developing countries, but tours and seminars on matters of interest to cooperatives are organized in Romania.

Saudi Arabia

54. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Saudi Arabia)

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55. Saudi Fund for Development

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Homepage:	www.imf.org/external/np/sec/decdo/sfd.htm

Comment

Chartered by Royal Decree, the Saudi Fund aims at the establishment of links of financial cooperation with other developing countries. To this end, the Saudi Fund extends loans on concessionary terms to finance projects which have a definite impact on the social and economic well-being of the beneficiary countries. The mandate covers all developing countries, regardless of their geographical location. The policies of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the principles laid down in the Saudi Fund's Charter govern its activities. The Fund's participation in financing development projects is only through the granting of loans and it does not provide grants or involve itself in equity participation. The lending terms and conditions depend upon the economic situation of the loan beneficiary country and the type of project financed.

Solomon Islands

56. Ministry of Commerce, Employment & Tourism - Department of Indigenous Business Development

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Comment

Cooperative policy is geared towards assisting the government's efforts of encouraging and establishing more Solomon Islands owned business for self-reliance and rural participation in the economic and social development of this Nation. The aims are to a) educate and train the cooperators in cooperative law and principles, decision-making, general business principles and practices, book-keeping and financial accounting and other related disciplines; b) provide regular audit and advisory services to the established cooperatives in accordance with the provision of the cooperative Societies Act.

Spain**57. Ministerio de Trabajo**

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Comment

Technical assistance is provided by both the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Labour. The major area of cooperation is with Latin America. Cooperatives are not known to be a priority.

58. Subdirector General de la Cooperación Científica y Técnica, Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores

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Switzerland**59. Swiss Agency for Development and Co-operation (SDC)**

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Comment

The Swiss Agency for Development and cooperation (SDC) provides services through direct operations, by supporting the programmes of multilateral organizations and by co-financing and making financial contributions to the programmes of Swiss and international private assistance bodies. Cooperatives receive some priority, particularly in the agricultural sector. Bilateral development cooperation is concentrated on 16 target countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Technical cooperation with Eastern Europe is currently focused on Albania, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Romania, Bosnia Herzegovina, Russia, Kyrgyzstan and Ukraine. Most of the SDC's multilateral work is with United Nations' bodies, the World Bank and regional development banks. Overall, there are about 800 multi-year programmes and projects in operation at present.

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Tonga

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Trinidad & Tobago

62. Ministry of Labour and Cooperatives

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Uganda

63. Ministry of Commerce, Cooperatives and Marketing

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Kampala, Uganda

United Arab Emirates

64. Abu Dhabi Fund for Arab Economic Development

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Homepage: www.imf.org/external/np/sec/decdo/abu.htm
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Comment

The Abu Dhabi Fund for Development was established in 1971 as a public autonomous institution. The purpose of the Fund is to provide economic aid to Arab, African, Asian and other developing countries in support of their economic development. This is provided in the form of direct loans and grants. The Fund also participates in the equity capital of productive projects and enterprises, and provides technical assistance in the form of economic development.

United Kingdom

65. CDC Group

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Comment

CDC Group are a leading private equity investor in growing independent businesses in over 50 emerging and pre-emerging markets worldwide. Areas of operation cover developing countries in the Commonwealth and outside the Commonwealth with the authority of the Minister for Overseas Development. The Group has eighteen offices overseas. It provides finance in the form of loans and equity investment for revenue-earning development projects. Its direct investments range from USD 5 - USD 60 million, and its private equity funds invest between USD 500k - USD 5 million. CDC Group also provides management and technical back-up services for projects, primarily in the agriculture and agro-industrial sector. Sectors covered include: food & beverage, infrastructure, communications, high tech, financial services, property & tourism and mining, renewable natural resources and basic developments.

66. Department For International Development (DFID)

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Comment

The Department for International Development (DFID) is the British government department responsible for promoting development and the reduction of poverty. DFID aims to work in partnership with other governments committed to these targets, and with business and the private sector, civil society and the research community, supporting progress to reduce world poverty. It also works with multilateral institutions, including the World Bank, UN agencies and the European Commission.

The bulk of DFID's assistance is concentrated on the poorest countries in Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa. In addition, DFID contributes to eliminating poverty and supporting sustainable development in middle-income countries, as well as helping countries in Central and Eastern Europe ('transition countries').

British assistance to cooperatives emphasizes rural development to reach the poor income groups. Cooperative projects emphasize training, technical cooperation and the provision of capital for cooperative credit institutions and other secondary cooperatives. Through the British Council, scholarships are awarded to enable participants from developing countries to attend the International Cooperative Training Centre, Loughborough. An annual core grant is provided to the Plunkett Foundation for Cooperative Studies for the provision of overseas visitors and library services and, from time to time, technical cooperation funds are made available for it to provide short-term in-country specialist courses for cooperative personnel. The work of the Cooperative Liaison, Education and Research Unit (CLEAR), Loughborough is also supported.

Venezuela**67. Venezuelan Investment Fund (VIF)**

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Homepage:	www.fiv.gov.ve
Contact:	Mr. Pedro A. Echeverria Satori
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Comment

The VIF is the instrument entrusted with the implementation of a great part of Venezuela's international financial cooperation activities. Its objective is three-fold: (a) to promote the expansion and diversification of the Venezuelan economy; (b) to make profit-oriented investments abroad which tend to preserve the value of its assets; and (c) to develop financial cooperation with other developing countries. The by-laws of the VIF limit its commitments under the international financial cooperation programmes to 15% of its assets at the moment at which disbursement is foreseen. In its international financial cooperation activities, the VIF operates both directly with recipient countries and indirectly through international financial institutions.

III. INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

68. Afro-Asian Rural Reconstruction Organization (AARRO)

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Comment

AARRO is an inter-governmental organization in the field of agriculture and rural development. The present membership of AARRO stands at 27 with twelve countries from Africa, fourteen from Asia one associate member, namely, Institute for Rural Development (IRD), Kenya. The Organization has also five regional offices: Middle East, Amman, Jordan; Far East, Seoul, R O Korea; North and Eastern Africa, Cairo, Egypt; West Africa, Accra, Ghana; and Southern Africa, Lusaka, Zambia.

69. Agency for Cooperation and Research in Development (ACORD)

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Comment

ACORD is a consortium of European and Canadian NGOs active in the field of international development cooperation. It prepares, implements and evaluates programmes in Africa on behalf of its member agencies, with funding provided both by the members and by other structures. Much of this work is with cooperative or pre-cooperative structures. At the same time, it provides a forum for joint reflection, on the basis of this shared programme experience.

70. Canadian Hunger Foundation (CHF)

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Title/position: Director, Resource Development

Comment

The Canadian Hunger Foundation is an international non-profit organization that assists non-governmental agencies working in rural areas with self-help development projects, especially those dealing with agricultural nutrition, rural water and energy, with an emphasis on the promotion and utilization of an appropriate technology approach. The Foundation usually gives grants only, but may, on occasion, supply technical assistance. Since 1961, CHF-PARTNERS has implemented 800 projects in 38 developing countries throughout the world.

71. CARE International Secretariat

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Comment

CARE International Secretariat, in Brussels, Belgium, is the central hub of the CARE family. The Secretariat coordinates the efforts of 10 national members in North America, Europe, Japan and Australia. In 1998, CARE delivered USD 339 million in aid to over 25 million people in more than 50 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe. 20 million of those aided were direct beneficiaries, 5 million indirect beneficiaries are individuals, often family members, who benefit from a CARE project but are not directly involved in its activities. Over 90 percent of CARE's expenses go towards projects in six programming areas: health, water, sanitation and population; emergency aid; food security; agriculture and natural resource management; small business support; and education. In 55 years of work, CARE has provided USD 8 billion in aid to more than 1 billion people in 126 countries -- 63 of those countries have become significant US trading partners.

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Comment

CARE Canada is a non-government, non-profit charitable organization and a member of the CARE International network, supporting and implementing development projects and relief operations around the world. Its mission is to provide, through excellence in programming, a measure of security and well-being for the poor in developing regions. CARE helps by converting, as effectively as possible, the voluntary contributions of Canadians into various forms of relief and development assistance. It provides immediate assistance in emergencies, to keep people alive, assists with installation of clean water supplies and improved sanitation, supports micro economic enterprises and income generation, agroforestry and conservation and provides nutritional and health education. CARE offers self-help programmes to educate people to fight poverty and disease.

72. Caribbean Conference of Churches

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Comment

CCC is an independent, non-profit, non-governmental organization, has a membership of thirty-four different Christian denominations and works in thirty-two English, French, Dutch and Spanish speaking countries in the Pan-Caribbean region. CCC provides financial support to projects, undertaken by cooperatives, particularly where such projects aim to organize and mobilize the human resources of the rural and urban poor and which aim at a total process of community development. Assistance is provided mainly to production or marketing cooperatives, less so to consumer cooperatives. CCC provides financial support to projects, undertaken by churches, church-related and other selected organizations, for the benefit of the poor and marginalized groups in the region. Special consideration is given to the activities of cooperatives.

73. Caritas Internationalis

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Title/position: Secretary General

Comment

CARITAS Internationalis is the coordinating body of the 154 national CARITAS organizations which are found throughout the developed and developing world. All member organizations seek to contribute to the socio-pastoral mission of the Church through the spreading of solidarity and social justice. This is done without regard to creed, race, gender or ethnicity. CARITAS Internationalis provides emergency relief, finances development projects and helps member organizations to build their own capacity in order to serve the poor and marginalised more effectively. Project ideas may be submitted to CARITAS Internationalis, which will in turn submit them to potential national CARITAS donors.

74. Coopération Internationale pour le Développement et la Solidarité (CIDSE)

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Comment

CIDSE is an alliance of 16 Catholic development organizations from Europe, North America and New Zealand. Founded in 1968, CIDSE members aim to promote development and solidarity with partner organizations in the South, among others, through funding projects and programmes. Its advocacy work currently focuses on debt and structural adjustment, social development (Copenhagen +5), policy coherence, peace building and trade. CIDSE members work through a series of platforms which are organized around regions - Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam Programme and Latin America and are coordinated through the Secretariat. All members of CIDSE are involved in financing cooperative or "cooperative type" organizations.

75. **CORDAID**

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Comment

Bilance, Caritas Netherlands and Memisa join forces and become CORDAID. At the end of 1999, the Dutch catholic development organizations Bilance, Caritas Netherlands and memisa merged into Cordaid (Catholic Organization for Relief and Development). Cordaid combines their expertise, and uses it to serve all aspects of development cooperation: emergency aid, structural poverty alleviation and health care. Cordaid cooperates closely in developing countries with local organizations because the people there are capable of forming their own society. The organization has a budget of 300 million Dutch guilders and supports 2300 new programmes annually in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Central and Eastern Europe. In addition it undertakes awareness raising activities in the Netherlands and plays an active role in national and international lobbying. Cordaid belongs to various international networks such as Caritas Internationalis, Cidse, Medicus Mundi, the WHO and the EU-NGO Forum. The organization is funded by the Dutch government, the European Union and individual donors who support the work of Bilance, Caritas Netherlands, Memisa and Vastenactie (the Dutch bishops' Lenten Campaign) financially. They have ceased to exist as separate organizations because they have merged to become Cordaid. However, Cordaid will continue to use these names for fundraising among the Dutch public.

76. **General Committee of Agricultural Cooperation in the EC (COGECA)**

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Comment

COGECA, the organization representing 33.000 agricultural and fisheries cooperatives in the EC, is not directly involved in the implementation of development projects. This is done by its national member organizations. Nevertheless, COGECA serves as a contact point or platform and acts as the spokesman of the agricultural cooperatives to the Community authorities on all questions relating to the preparation and implementation of the development policy of the EC, in particular as regards the promotion of cooperatives and other self-aid organizations. Together with the Association of Cooperative Banks, COGECA prepared a study for the Commission of the EC which sets out current opportunities and future prospects for European cooperatives to become involved in the development policy of the EC to the benefit of African ACP countries.

77. Institute of Research and the Application and Methods of Development (IRAM)

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Comment

IRAM is an NGO working in rural development since 1957, which seeks to find alternative development strategies with focus on peasant organizations, especially in French-speaking Africa. However, Iram has carried out rural development programmes not only in Africa but also in the Americas and Asia. Iram conducted studies on the cooperative movement in Africa and Asia.

78. International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU)

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Comment

The International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU), was set up in 1949 and has 215 affiliated organizations in 145 countries and territories on all five continents, with a membership of 125 million. It has three major regional organizations, APRO for Asia and the Pacific, AFRO for Africa, and ORIT for the Americas. ICFTU assists in the development of democratic workers' organizations in developing countries with training programmes and through technical/financial assistance to trade union development projects. These include the promotion of workers cooperatives (savings and credit, consumers, insurance, production, etc.) in urban areas and, in collaboration with the IUF, in rural communities.

79. International Co-operative Alliance (ICA)

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Comment

ICA is an independent, non-governmental organization which unites, represents, and serves cooperatives from all economic sectors and from all parts of the world. Founded in 1895, it now has 250 national members in 100 countries, plus six international members, representing over 760 million individuals. ICA was one of the first NGOs to be accorded consultative status in 1946. Today it holds General Category Consultative status with the UN ECOSOC.

Moreover, ICA is the promoter and defender of cooperative principles. Its major objective is to promote and strengthen autonomous cooperative enterprises throughout the world. In order to achieve its aims ICA organizes meetings and serves as a forum of exchange of experiences and expertise among cooperatives; it provides technical assistance for cooperative development in Africa, Asia, Central and South America, and Eastern and Central Europe; it assists in creating a favourable climate for cooperative development by promoting appropriate national legislation and policy, and it collects and diffuses information on cooperative enterprises. ICA also assists its members identify potential partnerships among cooperatives and others entities to address a variety of technical, economic and social problems.

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F. CICOPA - International Organisation of Industrial, Artisanal and Service Producers' Cooperatives

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Comment

CICOPA is a specialized organization of the International Co-operative Alliance. Its members are producers' cooperatives from different fields: construction, industrial production, general services, transport, intellectual skills, artisanal activities, health, social care, etc. CICOPA now has a membership of over 70 apex cooperative organizations from 57 countries. Its main target is to foster the creation of national organizations of producers' cooperatives all over the world; to contribute to the development of the already existing organizations; and to promote the development of co-operation in developing countries.

CICOPA aims to support commercial and technical links between producers' cooperatives through the exchange of goods and services; the provision of education and training especially at managerial level; exchange of experience; the study of the issues specific to producers' cooperatives in all countries, and the circulation of recommendations for the solution of cooperative problems in the industrial sector.

80. International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP)

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Comment

BDPA is a consulting agency, formerly state-owned, established to provide expertise to the French development efforts. Its principal expertise has been in development, land-use and regional planning, farming and agribusiness restructuring, SME development, agro-industry, environmental protection, creation of training programmes, and the setting up of training centres and seminars. BDPA also provides an extensive documentation library. Cooperatives have been supported in a number of its activities.

81. International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF)

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Comment

IPPF encourages and may assist cooperatives in undertaking family life education and family planning service programmes. Several of its planned parenthood and women's development projects are conducted in collaboration with cooperatives. Through its autonomous 107 Family Planning Associations (FPAs) in 150 countries, IPPF pioneers family planning services, helps FPAs offer contraceptive services and assists in preparation and introduction of family life education programmes. IPPF encourages FPAs to provide services and education and to integrate their education and service programmes with community organizations including cooperatives. Several of the IPPF integrated projects, such as "Planned Parenthood and Women's Development Projects" and its work with young people, involve work with cooperatives. COPAC and IPPF jointly published "Common Concern - a guide to collaboration between cooperatives and Family Planning Associations in education for population awareness and responsible parenthood".

82. International Raiffeisen Union (IRU)

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Comment

The International Raiffeisen Union (IRU) is a worldwide voluntary association of national cooperative organizations; their ideals and work are based on Friedrich Wilhelm Raiffeisen's principles - i.e. self-help, self-responsibility and self-administration. It was founded in 1968 and has 76 members in 39 countries. Today, more than 900,000 cooperatives with approximately 500 million members in over 100 countries are working according to Raiffeisen's principles.

IRU carries out an international cooperative seminar every two years with the aim of promoting the exchange of experiences between the young cooperative organizations and the organizations from industrialized countries. Information on current experiences and developments, provided by IRU's members, are published three times a year through the review "IRU-Courier" in English, French, Spanish and German. IRU has created four Raiffeisen information centres: in Bonn/Germany, Lévis (Québec)/Canada, Bombay/India and Panama.

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Comment

The Lutheran World Federation (LWF), founded in 1947 is a global communion of 128 Lutheran churches in 70 countries. The LWF acts on behalf of its member churches in areas of common interest such as theology, humanitarian assistance, human rights, and the various aspects of mission and development work. Recently the LWF has established a foundation for long-term financial support. The promotion of cooperative activities is an important aspect of some projects supported through the Department for World Service (DWS) and other programmes. Projects must be Lutheran church-owned, sponsored or endorsed in Asia, Africa and Latin America. In 1998, World Service allocated USD 70 million in programme support in addition to donated commodities.

84. Oikocredit

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Comment

Oikocredit, previously known as the Ecumenical Development Cooperative Society (EDCS) is a financial institution established to use the investment capital of churches and church-related organizations for loans and/or equity capital investments in development projects of needy communities e.g. the strengthening of productive enterprises, small-scale industries, and other income-generating social ventures to empower the poor. Projects should benefit the disadvantaged who, organized in suitable groups, should be directly engaged in operating the projects. Projects should be internally financially viable and be able to service foreign investment. Oikocredit assistance is not subject to quantitative limitations. Project funding above USD 500,000 is approved twice a year, in June and November. At the end of 1998, the total share capital of Oikocredit stood at well over 200 million Dutch Guilders (USD 100 million).

Possible project partners interested in obtaining a loan or guarantee from Oikocredit should contact the Regional Office nearest to their location: Costa Rica, Chile, Mexico, Uruguay, Kenya, Côte d'Ivoire, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines. Project partners in Europe (including Central and Eastern Europe) and the Middle East are contacted from Amersfoort.

85. World Council of Credit Unions (WOCCU)

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Comment

The World Council of Credit Unions is the international organization of credit unions and similar cooperative financial institutions. Its mission is to assist members to organize, expand, improve and integrate credit unions and related institutions as effective instruments for the economic and social development of people. WOCCU serves as a forum for the exchange of ideas and information, provides services for its members, promotes membership development and growth, represents members' interests, and extends cooperative financial services to areas where people want and need these services. Through its member organizations, WOCCU represents more than 37,000 credit unions and 89 million members in 84 countries around the world. Currently, WOCCU carries out long-term credit union development projects in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Central & South America and Central & Eastern Europe.

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Comment

ACCOSCA is the pan-African confederation of national associations for saving and credit cooperatives. ACCOSCA's membership is made up of registered national associations of savings and credit cooperatives and promotion committees. ACCOSCA assists in the organization and promotion of cooperative savings and credit societies through technical assistance and resource mobilization. Member countries of ACCOSCA are: Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Congo, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zaire, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

B. Association of Asian Confederation of Credit Unions (ACCU)

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Comment

The Association of Asian Confederation of Credit Unions, established in 1971, is an alliance of credit union leagues, confederations and promotion centres of Asian countries. It now represents 12 national credit union/cooperative organizations from 11 countries in the region and five affiliate members promoting credit unions in Asia. Regular member nations are: Bangladesh, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand and Nepal. Its mission is to assist members promote and strengthen credit unions and similar cooperative financial organizations in order to enable them to fulfil their potential as effective instruments for the socio-economic development of people in the marketplace. ACCU's operations are financed by members dues. ACCU receives 80% of its development funds from its major development partners: the Canadian Cooperative Association (CCA), MISEREOR (Germany), CUNA Mutal Group (USA), the Credit Union Foundation Australia (CUFA), BILANCE and HIVOS (Netherlands).

C. Caribbean Confederation of Credit Unions (CCCU)

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Comment

CCCU promotes the organization and development of credit unions throughout the Caribbean through training and technical assistance for its member institutions. CCCU membership encompasses national credit union organizations from: Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, Netherlands Antilles, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Tortola and Trinidad and Tobago.

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Comment

COLAC is the Latin American regional credit union confederation serving a membership of 32 national federations and cooperatives, which are coordinating their efforts to improve organization, administrative, educational and promotional techniques throughout Latin America. COLAC's continuing purpose is to contribute to the raising of economic, social and cultural levels of the membership served by credit unions through COLAC's operations as a financial institution, movement representative and provider of technical assistance. COLAC's members are: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, USA and Venezuela.

IV. BILATERAL PRIVATE & VOLUNTARY AGENCIES

Australia

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Comment

Formed in 1965, ACFOA is the coordinating body for Australian non-governmental organizations working in the field of international development and development education. The council consists of about 90 NGOs, representing some two million regular contributors and thousands of voluntary workers. The common objective of all members is to work for social and economic justice, to respond to human needs and to help produce conditions through which people can realize their full potential as human beings. Some of the NGOs support cooperatives in developing countries.

87. Cooperative Enterprise Development Centre (CEDC)

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Comment

The primary activity of the Cooperative Enterprise Development Centre (CEDC) is to assist in the promotion, development and operation of cooperative enterprises through training, advice, product development and research. CEDC is a virtual centre representing a group of individuals - committed to the development of cooperative enterprise - working together on a project-by-project basis.

Austria

88. Vienna Institute for Development and Cooperation (VIDC), Wiener Institut für Entwicklungsfragen und Zusammenarbeit

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Comment

VIDC is an international NGO which was founded in 1987 as successor of the Wiener Institut für Entwicklungsfragen. VIDC deals with the key issues of Austrian development assistance (e.g. gender, migration, urban and rural development, development of small and medium enterprises), with the analysis of public support for international cooperation within Austria and the other EU member-states, as well as with cultural exchange projects and anti-racism activities. It sees its main task in fostering the cooperation between governments, NGOs, north-south initiatives and experts and scholars at home and abroad. Through its fund for micro-projects, VIDC with the cooperation of the Austrian Foreign Ministry (Bundesministerium für auswärtige Angelegenheiten) aims at supporting small groups in Austria and their partners in the Third World. The medium sum granted amounts to ös 50.000. Similar funds are available to support research on "gender and development" issues, as well as for activities related to the presentation of African, Asian and Latin American culture.

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90. Nationaal Centrum voor Ontwikkelingssamenwerking (NCOS), (National Centre for Cooperation in Development)

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Comment

CNCD and NCOS group the majority of Belgian NGOs in the area of development. Since 1983 they have functioned as separate organizations. Their objectives are: development education in Belgium (CNCD for the francophone area and NCOS for the Dutch-speaking area); control of official Belgian policy towards development cooperation; and financing of development projects in developing countries through fund-raising campaigns. NCOS finances development projects mainly in the area of rural development. In the financial support for developing country projects, NCOS, as non-operational agency, works with cooperatives.

Canada

91. Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (OCCDP/CCODP) - Organisation Catholique Canadienne pour le Developpement et la Paix

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Comment

Development and Peace is one of Canada's leading international development agencies. Since 1967 it has helped to improve living and working conditions in 70 countries around the globe, providing CDN 320 million for human rights, community development and humanitarian aid in Africa, the Middle East, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. Projects concern people's right to better education and job opportunities, the environment, women's rights, agrarian reform, housing and cooperative movements. Development and Peace gives high priority to cooperative projects but does not offer technical assistance. Grants are given only to grassroots organizations, who are responsible for the project planning and implementation. A church connection is valuable. Since its inception Development and Peace has funded more than 12,000 projects world-wide.

92. Canadian Centre for International Studies and Cooperation (CECI)

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Comment

CECI is one of the largest and most solidly established Canadian non-governmental organizations. For several years it has worked to reinforce organizations in developing countries. These organizations comprise cooperatives and NGO non-profit organizations. Projects in the area of community and economic development, agriculture and women are carried out in Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Central African Republic, Senegal, Cambodia, Vietnam, Nepal, Guatemala and Haiti. The project budgets range between USD 100.000 to USD 7 million.

Volunteer programmes:

More than a hundred Canadian volunteer cooperators work with CECI to improve the living conditions of underprivileged populations in over 20 developing countries around the world. Volunteers generally have a Diploma and at least two years of professional experience and some knowledge of French. CECI covers the cost of living, travel and insurance for the volunteer. The mean duration of assignments is two years, sometimes less.

93. Canadian Cooperative Association (CCA)

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 Title/position: Senior Director, Development Unit

Comment

The Canadian Cooperative Association is the national apex organization of cooperatives and credit unions in English-speaking Canada. Its International Development Programme provides technical and financial assistance to cooperatives and credit unions. For more than twenty years, CCA has assisted cooperatives of all types and descriptions in over forty countries, especially in the following geographic regions: Africa (primarily Anglophone), Asia, the Americas primarily the eastern Caribbean, Central and South America), and Central and Eastern Europe. Its development projects are designed and managed with the complete involvement of local cooperative partners.

CCA is assisted in its international work through the generous funding of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), and other government agencies charged with administering Canada's development assistance program.

94. Canadian Council for International Cooperation (CCIC)

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Comment

Established in 1968, the Canadian Council for International Cooperation (CCIC) is a coalition of Canadian voluntary organizations committed to achieving global development in a peaceful and healthy environment with social justice, human dignity, and participation for all. CCIC supports the work of its members through networking, leadership, information, training and coordination, and represents members' interests to government and others.

95. Développement International Desjardins (DID)

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Comment

DID is a non-profit organization founded in 1970. In over 25 countries throughout Africa, Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia and Central and Eastern Europe, DID helps empower the disadvantaged by fostering access to financial services. DID is one of the world's leaders in community finance. The services offered are: micro finance, socio-economic and agronomic studies and research; information, popularization and training, organizational and management consulting, project definition, implementation, management and evaluation, supervision of training for foreigners perfecting their skills in Canada. DID is a component of the Mouvement des caisses Desjardins, which is the largest financial institution in Quebec (Canada). Desjardins is a dynamic Canadian network of more than 1,335 savings and credit cooperatives (5.5 million of members) with assets of more than CDN 71.7 billion present in all areas of finance: savings, credit, insurance, trustee services and real estate. DID is a partner of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), the World Bank, the African Development Bank, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and several government and other multilateral agencies.

96. Inter Pares

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Comment

Inter Pares, founded in 1975, supports people's efforts to rebuild community, and create the social cohesion necessary for healthy, caring societies. Inter Pares assists in the development of sustainable livelihoods that meet the needs of all community members. It supports locally-operated projects in Bangladesh, India, the Sahel, West Africa, the Philippines, Southern Africa, the Caribbean, Central America and Canada. Assistance to grass-roots, producer cooperatives is a priority.

97. International Development Research Centre (IDRC)

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Contact: Small Enterprise and Livelihoods, Programme and Partnership Branch

Comment

The International Development Research Centre is a public corporation created by the Canadian government to help communities in the developing world find solutions to social, economic, and environmental problems through research. Its Small Enterprise and Livelihoods programme includes support to rural cooperatives.

IDRC has regional offices for Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, the Middle East and North Africa.

98. ORT Canada

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Comment

ORT Canada is a national membership based organization, dedicated to support World ORT Union (WOU), the largest non-governmental education and training organization in the world. ORT is a private, non-political, non-profit Jewish organization, which undertakes vocational-technical skill training, community development and technical assistance projects. Students are enrolled in training units in countries of Asia, North and Central Africa, South America, Europe and the United States.

99. Société de coopération pour le développement international (SOCODEVI)

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Comment

SOCODEVI was formed by 12 cooperative institutions. With total assets of nearly CND 5 billion, more than 12.000 employees and about 1.5 million members, the member institutions of SOCODEVI have the capacity to support other cooperative movements. SOCODEVI's mission is: the involvement of its member institutions and through promotion of the cooperative movement and other forms of association, SOCODEVI contributes to sustainable development in partner countries with a view to empowering the populations within their borders.

With the financial support of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and other lenders, among them the Agence Française de Développement, the Americas Association of Cooperative/Mutual Insurance Societies, the World Bank, the United Nations Development Programme, the Development African Bank and other development funds, and in collaboration with the member institutions, SOCODEVI supports the development and the consolidation of cooperative structures in developing countries.

SOCODEVI has been active in more than ten countries: Benin, Côte-d'Ivoire, Rwanda, Senegal, Togo, Zaire, Bolivia, Chile, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Ecuador, Guatemala, Peru and Haiti.

Finland

100. Finnish Cooperative Development Centre (FCC)

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Comment

FCC renders professional consultancy and information services for cooperative and rural development projects. The centre was founded in 1990 by the leading cooperative apex organizations, which represent cooperative agribusiness, forestry, banking and insurance in Finland. To date, the FCC has worked on cooperative projects in collaboration with various international donor agencies and organizations in more than 15 countries. The experts employed by the FCC are qualified professionals with experience in development projects, both as consultants and as facilitators in project implementation.

France

101. Bureau pour le Développement de la Production Agricole (BDPA)

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Comment

BDPA is a consulting agency, formerly state-owned, established to provide expertise to the French development efforts. Its principal expertise has been in development, land-use and regional planning, farming and agribusiness restructuring, SME development, agro-industry, environmental protection, creation of training programmes, and the setting up of training centres and seminars. BDPA also provides an extensive documentation library. Cooperatives have been supported in a number of its activities.

102. C2FAC Group

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Contact: Chief, International Service

Comment

The Centre Coopératif de Formation et d'Audit Conseil (C2FAC) is the professional organization which, in partnership with the regional federations, carries out training activities (through CFCA Formation, SYNERVA and the RESAUDIT Council) for cooperatives. It has created an international department, which offers different technical assistance to various cooperative organizations. Its activities are frequently sponsored by requests from the French Government. The main services offered are: training for cooperative lecturers/members of boards of elected directors/managers; courses and seminars using pedagogical and business games, advice on management in finance, trading and data processing.

103. Caisse Nationale de Crédit Agricole (CNCA)

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Comment

Crédit Agricole develops its activity of international technical cooperation through the Mission for International Technical Cooperation of Crédit Agricole which provides the benefit of a large experience in agricultural financing to many countries desirous of such services. The specific activities which reflect Credit Agricole's financial and commercial activities with developed countries and major international organizations take various forms. Crédit Agricole receives around 70 trainees each year from various countries and provides short-term technical assistance sessions in Africa, Asia and South and Central America. Fifteen to twenty experts are currently on long-term assignments in African countries.

104. Centre International du Crédit Mutuel (CICM)

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Comment

The objective of CICM is to provide assistance to developing countries, at their request, for the setting up of a network of savings and credit cooperatives. Assistance could also be in the form of organization of training seminars, exploratory missions and field training.

105. Comité Catholique contre la Faim et pour le Développement (CCFD)

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Comment

CCFD, founded in 1961, consists of 31 church organizations and is the largest ASI (association of international solidarity) for development in France. Its objective is to fight hunger and its causes. Since its inception CCFD has financed over 6000 development projects in more than 100 countries around the globe. It undertakes long term self-help development activities in the area of basic needs, health care, training, community building and the promotion of democracy. CCFD is mainly financed through donations. It has close ties with FAO and since 1998 it holds a consultative status with ECOSOC.

106. Confédération Française de la Coopération Agricole (CFCA)

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Comment

Established in 1966, the Confédération Française de la Coopération Agricole (CFCA) comprises three groups of federations: the Fédérations nationales spécialisées, the Fédérations régionales de coopératives, and the Entreprises of the "Promotion coopérative" Group. Activities in favour of developing countries are carried out in collaboration with Agriculteurs Français et Développement International. The member organizations of the Confederation construct storage and processing facilities and provide advice and cooperative management training.

107. Confédération Générale des Sociétés Coopératives de Production (CGSCOP)

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Comment

The Confederation provides expert advice and training in developing countries and France on small-scale manufacturing.

108. Confédération Nationale de la Mutualité de la Coopération et du Crédit Maritime

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Comment

The Crédit Maritime was established at the beginning of the century by and for fisherman and has become the bank of professionals and of enterprises par excellence. Today, it comprises 11 regional offices, 140 Agencies and 900 employees who are dedicated to the values of mutuality that first inspired the creation of Crédit Maritime.

109. Fédération Nationale des Coopératives de Consommateurs (FNCC)

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Comment

FNCC is a member of the Centre Intercoopératif Français d'Aide au Développement. Its assistance is concentrated on consumers and multipurpose cooperatives in french-speaking West Africa. FNCC assists cooperatives with documentation, training in France at the Ecole Technique Coopérative and on-the-job, feasibility studies, finance for self-help projects and short-term consultancies. FNCC also assists the ICA Regional Office for West Africa. At national level, the FNCC carries out activities meant to inform and sensitize cooperative members on cooperative issues - press articles, exhibitions, conferences, travels in developing countries for cooperators and cooperative leaders.

Germany

110. Bread for the World

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Comment

Bread for the World is an agency of the Evangelical Churches in Germany which provides assistances to projects in the area of health, education, technical problems, income generation and human rights. More than 700 projects are funded each year by BFDW. Local partners are responsible for the planning and implementation of the project, as well as the allocation of the budget. Priority is given to church related projects but BFDW will also consider assistance to other projects.

111. Deutsche Welthungerhilfe

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Comment

Deutsche Welthungerhilfe/German World Hunger Aid is one of the biggest non-governmental development agencies in Germany. It allocates funds for projects, which are mainly in the food or agricultural sector. More than 100 staff members in Germany and abroad coordinate the programmes in the field of rural development, basic needs, emergency relief and small-scale enterprises. In 1998, Deutsche Welthungerhilfe implemented 159 new projects in 38 countries which amounted to a total of DM 121,6 million (ca. USD 80 million).

112. Deutscher Genossenschafts- und Raiffeisenverband (DGRV)

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Comment

DGRV is the national apex organization of the German cooperative sector. It comprises more than 7,000 cooperative banks, agricultural and small industrial, commodity and service cooperatives representing more than 15 million members. DGRV provides aid to cooperatives in developing countries with the aim: 1) to strengthen partner-cooperative organizations through systems and institution building; 2) to promote cooperative know-how transfer by training activities; 3) to introduce cooperative auditing systems; 4) to advise national governments, banking supervisory authorities and other public bodies on cooperative law, auditing and supervision of cooperatives; 5) to strengthen rural areas. DGRV is active in Latin America, Africa, Asia and, since 1990, in East Europe.

113. Evangelische Zentralstelle für Entwicklungshilfe (EZE)

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Comment

EZE is a Protestant non-governmental organization that supports the development work of churches, church-related organizations and other non-governmental organizations in more than eighty countries. Assistance is provided to programmes which give primary attention to the poorest groups in society, promote the active participation of the people involved and help to create and strengthen peoples' self-reliance. EZE receives a substantial proportion of its funds from the Federal Government of Germany.

114. Friedrich-Naumann-Stiftung

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Comment

The work of the Foundation is based on liberalism. The central aim of the activities abroad is to foster willingness to take action and gain experience in the field of self-reliance. The Foundation, which receives substantial funding from the Federal Government, emphasizes, inter alia, the development of self-help organizations including cooperatives.

115. German Development Assistance Association for Social Housing (DESWOS)

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Comment

DESWOS was founded in 1969 by the German housing industry, cooperatives and several associations. It supports housing and pilot projects, conducts training programmes and seminars, and elaborates teaching materials. Projects not only aim at constructing buildings but also at enabling people to help themselves which means projects are planned by the local partners on a long-term basis. Financial aid is given through loans, which are repayable in small installments and at favourable terms into a fund within the country concerned. Over the last 20 years DESWOS has supported about 200 aid programmes and built 27,800 houses. The value of each project ranges from DM 100,000 to DM 2,000,000.

116. Katholische Zentralstelle für Entwicklungshilfe e.V. (Central Bureau for Development Aid) (Catholic)

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Comment

Zentralstelle für Entwicklungshilfe e.V. receives government funds to assist non-governmental projects in the developing countries through MISEREOR. Support is provided to development projects and programmes and to some extent also to cooperative programmes

117. Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

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Comment

The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung is a political foundation and a non-governmental organization. In the sector of cooperatives and rural development it aims at the integration of the rural population within the process of social and community opinion-forming and decision-making, and the achievement of self-reliance through self-help, self-administration and self-responsibility. The Foundation holds training and extension programmes, provides consultants, pays salaries for personnel of cooperatives and, to some extent, gives technical aid (office equipment, vehicles).

118. MISEREOR Bischöfliches Hilfswerk Misereor (German Bishops' Development Fund)

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Comment

MISEREOR is an Episcopal organization representing the campaign by the Catholic Church in the Federal Republic of Germany to aid human development by helping to overcome hunger and disease as well as underdevelopment and social injustice of whatever kind in Third World countries. Aid is granted regardless of the beneficiaries' religion, race or the political system of the country concerned. As to target groups, project support focuses on the poorest and most underprivileged strata of society. Since its inception in 1958 Misereor has funded 80.000 projects in Africa, Latin America and Asia.

119. Revisionsverband Deutscher Konsumgenossenschaften (RdK)

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Hungary

120. Hungarian Industrial Association (HIA)

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Comment

The Hungarian Industrial Association (HIA) is a social organization which was voluntarily formed by 30 member organizations. It protects the social and economic interests of more than 3000 economic organizations operating as economic associations, including nearly 500 industrial cooperatives, and 70 other enterprises. HIA provides assistance to its members especially concerning the participation in government programmes supporting SME's and by offering advice. HIA participates in the international competitions of different PHARE programs with cooperative associations abroad. It also is a member of the BRE international cooperation network, which was set up by the EU (DG Development) to strengthen cooperation between SME's in the international arena. Moreover, HIA offers training programmes on the administrative, professional and managerial level and offers also re education for the unemployed.

121. National Federation of Agricultural Cooperators and Producers (MOSZ)

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Ireland

122. Irish Foundation for Cooperative Development (IFCD)

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Comment

The Irish Foundation for Cooperative Development (IFCD) was established by the Irish Cooperative Organization Society Ltd. (ICOS), the central coordinating body of cooperatives in Ireland, to harness the resources of Irish cooperatives to help with the development of cooperatives in the third world countries. The Foundation is intended as a coordinating rather than a funding agency. ICOS has, for the last ten years, been providing training and consultancy services on a limited scale to a number of countries at the request of the Irish government. The establishment of the Foundation is an attempt to formalize and extend this work. Six to eight week courses, in English, are held in the Republic of Ireland on agricultural cooperatives, cooperative management and cooperative marketing. Workshops of six-eight weeks, in English, on cooperative management and organization are also organized in Africa and Asia

123. TROCAIRE - Catholic Agency for World Development

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Comment

Trocaire, the Catholic Agency for world development, was set up by the Bishops of Ireland in 1973. Since it was established, Trocaire has received over IR£ 160 million from the Irish public and from other official sources. This enabled Trocaire to respond to the long-term development needs of thousands of poor communities in over 50 countries throughout Africa, Asia and Latin America. Trocaire supports projects in the area of health care, clean water and proper sanitation, agricultural improvement, education and training and it is working for the advancement of women and of human rights.

Italy**124. Mani Tese**

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Comment

Mani Tese, founded in 1964, is a relatively small non-governmental agency, which operates at the national and international level to further justice, solidarity and respect among peoples. It has pursued this aim through raising public awareness on the causes of poverty in the South and lobbying policy makers and institutions and by implementing development projects, which beside responding to the needs of the poor may initiate a process of self determination and self reliance. Up to now Mani Tese has implemented more than 1700 development projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America in the field of education, agriculture and infrastructure improvement. Mani Tese gives high priority to supporting cooperatives, trade unions, NGOs and women associations.

Japan**125. Central Union of Agricultural Cooperatives (JA-ZENCHU)**

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Comment

The Central Union of Agricultural Cooperatives (JA-ZENCHU) was established in 1954 as the apex organization of all agricultural cooperative movement in Japan. JA-ZENCHU carries out activities related to guidance of and liaison with prefectural unions of agricultural cooperatives, and also provides education for cooperative concerns in order to develop human resources of member farmers and officials and employees of agricultural cooperatives.

JA-ZENCHU has been dispatching short and long term experts on agricultural cooperative development to Asian countries, South American countries and East European countries by itself and through Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). It has also been implementing development studies to make a master plan for strengthening the agricultural cooperative movement in Asian countries with the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan, JICA, ICA and AARRO. JA-ZENCHU welcomes more than 400 visitors from foreign countries a year and provides a lecture on the agricultural cooperative movement in Japan.

Netherlands

**126. Interkerkelijke Organisatie voor Ontwikkelingssamenwerking (ICCO)
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Comment

ICCO, the Dutch interdenominational organization for development cooperation, founded in 1964, is one of four Dutch co-financing organizations. With money from Dutch and European governments in particular, ICCO finances projects in about 60 countries and works with over 800 organizations in Africa, the Middle East, Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia, Central and in Eastern Europe. The total financing budget amounts to about USD 100 million. Besides donations, ICCO's support also consists of loans. A summary of the conditions that ICCO stipulates with regard to financing is available on request from ICCO.

127. Royal Tropical Institute (KIT)

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Comment

The Department of Agriculture and Enterprise Development (AED) offers expertise in the field of applied research, training, and management support for sustainable rural development. It works in a range of collaborative projects, mainly in sustainable agricultural development, enterprise development, district rural development and policy support with partner institutions in Africa, Asia and Latin America. AED activities are people-centred, interdisciplinary and gender sensitive. Moreover, it has close relations with, and provides advice to, the Netherlands government regarding matters relating to cooperatives in developing countries.

128. Stichting HIVOS

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Comment

Hivos, the Humanist Institute for Cooperation with Developing Countries, seeks to help improve the opportunities and scope for development of people in the South. A joint initiative of Hivos and Triodos Bank, the North-South Plan, provides guarantees, loans and equity for organizations active in development in the south, in particular those organizations and enterprises that have no access locally to credit. This applies in particular to small-scale producers with little capital of their own and newly formed organizations outside the official economic sector. In 1998 financial support went to over 750 organizations in more than 30 countries in Central and South America, the Caribbean, Southern and East Africa, and South, South-East and Central Asia. HIVOS also supports training programmes on a grant basis.

Norway**129. Royal Norwegian Society for Development (NRD)/ NORCOOP**

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Comment

The Royal Norwegian Society for Development (NRD) is an independent idealistic and national association whose objective is to encourage development in rural areas. NRD promotes cooperative development and has close relations with the Norwegian cooperative movement. NRD established the Department for International Cooperative Development (NORCOOP) to promote rural development and support cooperative organizations in developing countries. NORCOOP offers project administration, which includes financial and technical support to the organization under concern. Special emphasis is given to training and education of cooperative members and leaders. Activities are mainly located in Africa and Central America. The Norwegian cooperative organizations support this work through the Cooperative Committee which has its secretariat in NRD.

Peru**130. Oxfam - Regional Office for the Andes, Peru**

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Russia**131. CENTROSOJUZ (Central Union of Consumer Societies of the Russian Federation)**

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Comment

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Sweden

132. Swedish Cooperative Centre (SCC)

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Comment

The Swedish Cooperative Centre (SCC) is a non-governmental and non-profit organization for the provision of support to self-help development initiatives - cooperatives, farmers' associations and informal groups - in developing countries. It works closely with SIDA, which it advises on cooperative projects and which covers more than 90% of the total budget, the remainder being covered by voluntary contributions from cooperative members and societies. SCC has projects in about 12 countries; the largest support goes to Nicaragua, Zambia and Uganda. In addition SCC supports the ICA development work mainly through the regional Offices in New Delhi and in Moshi. The majority of SCC's projects are on agricultural cooperative development. SCC supports farmers' unions in Kenya and Zimbabwe. Education activities are organized in Sweden mainly in connection with the projects. Special attention is given to bringing women into the area of cooperative development.

Switzerland

133. Fastenopfer des Schweizer Katholiken (Swiss Catholic Lenten Fund)

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Comment

As a church-based aid agency, the Swiss Catholic Lenten Fund (SCLF), founded in 1961, supports exchange between local churches and cooperates with grass-roots movements and organizations in poverty-stricken regions of the world. Together with locally based partner organizations, SCLF promotes initiatives such as self-determined development programmes for disadvantaged sectors of the population. SCLF supports over 400 projects in 38 countries in Asia, Latin America and Africa.

134. Intercooperation - Swiss Organization for Development and Cooperation

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Comment

Intercooperation is a non-profit organization, which strives to alleviate poverty through the promotion of rural development. Based on comprehensive analysis, it works in targeted programmes and develops strategic competencies in three areas: (a) sustainable management of natural resources; (b) promotion of the private sector in rural economy; (c) Human and institutional development. In the framework of these competencies Intercooperation has gained experiences and offers services in: forestry/environment; agriculture; promotion of SMEs and financial instruments; and human and institutional development. Intercooperation is providing services through the planning, implementation and evaluation of long-term cooperation programmes, long-term advisory mandates and short-term consultancy. Intercooperation works with cooperatives.

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Comment

Three years ago, Migros initiated a one week training for young entrepreneurs in Russia twice a year, which is financed by Migros Berne. Migros cultural organization Kulturprozent sometimes finances development projects in the cultural sector.

136. SWISSAID

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Comment

SWISSAID supports the development efforts of its local partner organizations through loans. All projects are accompanied by the secretariat and through local SWISSAID coordinators thus not through experts from abroad. The projects deal with every kind of grass-root movement, including cooperatives, in all fields of rural development, in transport, crafts, education, health and water supply. The empowerment of women is emphasized in all projects. Over 150 projects are carried out in the following countries: Nicaragua, Ecuador, Colombia, Chad, Niger, Tanzania, Guinea-Bissau, India, Burma.

United Kingdom

137. Catholic Fund for Overseas Development (CAFOD)

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Comment

CAFOD is one of the United Kingdom's leading development and relief organizations, funding more than 1000 projects in 75 countries in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Latin America, the Caribbean and Eastern Europe. It works together with international partners like Caritas Internationalis, CIDSE, and the Disasters Emergency Committee, and also has its own network of Regional Organizers. CAFOD supports mainly long-term community-based projects but it is also involved in a limited number of small-scale development projects. Assistance is provided regardless of the race, gender, or religion of the overseas partners.

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Comment

Christian Aid is the official agency of 40 church denominations in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Christian Aid works where the need is greatest in 60 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean and Eastern Europe regardless of religion or race. Total development and emergency assistance, including some to cooperatives, exceeds on average USD 50 million per year. Christian Aid works through partner organizations, often local councils of churches, whose programmes aim to strengthen the poor by helping them to become self-sufficient.

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Comment

IT is a sustainable development NGO whose mission is to build the technical skills of poor people in developing countries. It is fundamentally a resource organization that gathers and disseminates information on the appropriate choice of technologies for developing countries. IT provides: i) information through a publishing programme and a technical enquiry service; ii) project support to grass-roots development organizations; and iii) consultancy services to governments and aid agencies. IT has more than 30 years experience of working with appropriate technologies in the following sectors: information and communication technology, food production, food processing, energy, manufacturing, building materials and shelter, transport, disaster prevention and mitigation, and mining.

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Comment

Oxfam Canada works to build a global movement by helping to create self-sustaining communities. It raises and transfers material resources, works with popular organizations with the potential to affect social change and promotes and strengthens coalitions, networks and linkages. Assistance in the past has been provided for projects which included cooperatives, principally in Southern Africa, the Horn of Africa, Central and South America and the Caribbean.

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Comment

Oxfam Quebec is dedicated to creating self-sustaining programs in developing communities worldwide by focusing on health security, food security and democratic rights. Emphasis is on work with local groups and priority is given to the very poor groups. Almost 70% of Oxfam Quebecs resource go to Africa.

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Comment

Oxfam International, founded in 1995, is an international group of 11 autonomous non-government organizations. The individual Oxfams work in different ways but have a common purpose: addressing the structural causes of poverty and injustice. Assistance is given through longer-term development projects as well as in times of urgent humanitarian need. Cooperatives are given a high priority. Oxfams work primarily through local organizations in more than 100 countries. Grants are provided through Oxfam field offices throughout the world. Programme expenditure in 1998 totalled USD 234 million.

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Comment

The Plunkett Foundation provides consultancy, education and training, research and advisory services for cooperatives and other organizations. For over 80 years, the Foundation has been involved in the promotion and development of all kinds of cooperatives, particularly farmer-controlled organizations but also other types of rural and urban self-managed groups.

The resources of Plunkett consist, in particular, of its long experience of working with cooperatives within the United Kingdom and in developing countries. The organization provides consultants and advisers to government departments, UN organizations and to cooperatives within the United Kingdom and in many other countries of the world. Consultants have access to special resources including the Plunkett library containing over 28,000 documents covering all types of cooperatives with information on their development and current status world-wide. Over the past ten years, over 600 long-term projects and short-term assignments in many developing countries have been successfully completed on behalf of a variety of different funding agencies, including the British Government Overseas Development Administration (DFID) and the EU.

This Consultancy and Training Service by the Plunkett Foundation covers the following: i) consultancy and training to meet specific needs of cooperative personnel; ii) consultancy and training courses as part of a specific development project; iii) Workshops and seminars for policy-makers; iv) preparation of training materials including own publications; and v) tailor-made study programmes for visitors to the UK.

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Comment

The Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund is the official overseas relief and development agency of the Catholic Church in Scotland. It provides emergency assistance to communities affected by natural disasters or conflict, and supports over 120 community development projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America. These projects benefit people in need regardless of their religious belief, race, sex or system of government.

143. War on Want

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Comment

War on Want funds over 20 projects in 11 countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America mainly in Bangladesh, Brazil, Sao Paulo, India, South Africa and the Western Sahara and supports long-term projects in health, agriculture and education. Its objective is to attack the causes of poverty by equipping people to bring an end to oppression and poverty themselves. Therefore support is given only to self-help projects. Support is provided directly and also through educational and informational campaigns about the causes of poverty in the UK and Europe.

USA

144. American Friends Service Committee

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Comment

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145. Catholic Relief Services (CRS)

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Comment

Catholic Relief Services provides assistance based on need, not creed, race or nationality to people in more than 80 countries around the world. CRS provides programmes in seven areas: Agriculture, AIDS, Community Health, Education, Emergency Response, Peace-building and Civil Rights and Small Enterprise Development. Cooperatives and self-help efforts of all types, particularly in rural areas, are a priority. In 1998 CRS spent a total of USD 224 million on its programmes.

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Comment

The Cooperative Housing Foundation (CHF) is a private, non-profit international development organization for communities, habitat and finance. CHF serves as a catalyst for sustainable positive change in low- and moderate-income communities around the world, helping to improve their housing, economic circumstances and environments. It works with a wide range of organizations to develop systems, policies and practices that increase access to affordable housing, community services and finance. Since its founding in 1952, CHF has provided assistance in cooperative housing, microlending, self-help construction, and community organizational development to more than 100 countries. CHF's work is supported by contributions from individuals, foundations and corporations, in addition to grants and contracts awarded by host-governments and international development agencies.

147. Inter-American Foundation (IAF)

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Comment

The Inter-American Foundation (IAF), an independent agency of the United States Government, was created in 1969 as an experimental U.S. foreign assistance programme. The IAF works in Latin America and the Caribbean to promote equitable, responsive, and participatory self-help development by awarding grants directly to local organizations throughout the region. It also enters into partnerships with public and private-sector entities to scale up support and mobilize local, national, and international resources for grassroots development. Grants are generally awarded for two years and average USD 89,596. Many grants support grassroots organizations such as agricultural cooperatives or small, urban enterprises. Others are awarded to larger organizations that provide community groups with credit, technical assistance, training, and marketing assistance. The IAF has been a leader in helping the non-governmental sector develop and gain recognition as a critical factor in the sustainable development of Latin America and the Caribbean.

148. International Development Exchange (IDEX)

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Comment

The International Development Exchange (IDEX) was founded in 1985 to support community based development in Africa, Asia and Latin America. IDEX serves as a bridge, linking international communities undertaking small-scale development projects with supportive partners, or sponsors, in the US. These sponsors involve religious organizations, corporations, foundations and individuals in this country in a direct partnership for change with a project community overseas. IDEX projects include agricultural development, social services, cooperative and micro-enterprise development. The majority of projects work towards empowerment of women and are implemented by women's groups. Over the last ten years, IDEX has raised over USD 1.2 million in support for nearly 350 such projects in the Philippines, India, Bangladesh, Zimbabwe, Ghana, Mexico, Guatemala and Nicaragua.

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Comment

Land O'Lakes International Division was created by Land O'Lakes, one of the largest US agricultural cooperatives, as its instrument for carrying out development activities. Land O'Lakes was the recipient of the first USAID grant for use in stimulating cooperative-to-cooperative activities as a supplement to regular government-to-government projects. The International Division emphasizes technical assistance and training as a major thrust of its mission worldwide. Such developmental assistance is provided in the areas of dairy production, dairy processing, animal feed production, soybean and forage crop production, fertilizer and agro-chemical production, and cooperative business management. Land O'Lakes was the recipient of the 1985 Presidential World Without Hunger Award for its innovative use of dairy surplus commodities in promoting development activities in Jamaica. Land O'Lakes continues to work through various AID funding mechanisms, in a variety of developmental efforts.

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Comment

LWR provides major support for long-range development projects with 100 local partners in some 50 countries throughout Africa, Asia, the Middle East and Latin America. Examples of projects supported by LWR include wells and dry-season gardening, reforestation, primary health care, cooperatives, vocational training, literacy, livestock production, and the strengthening of women's roles in development. Some partners are small village groups, others are nationwide programmes.

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Comment

NCBA's International Division provides technical assistance to cooperatives throughout the developing world with resources channelled through it by the US Agency for International Development and other international donor organizations. NCBA is most interested in projects concerned with agricultural input supplies, marketing, processing and credit in cooperatives at both primary and national levels. NCBA can provide short-term consultancies on project planning and appraisal and technical problems as well as staffing long-term projects. The average size of recent long-term projects was USD 900,000 for three years.

152. National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA)

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Comment

National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) is a partnership of more than 1,000 consumer-owned utilities. NRECA is the largest electric utility network in the United States, providing power to over 30 million consumers in 46 states, and serving more than 75% of the geographic area of the USA. NRECA and its member cooperatives administer a programme of technical advice and assistance in developing countries around the world. The original purpose of NRECA International Programs was to export America's model of rural electrification. Since 1962, 250 electric cooperatives have been formed in 14 developing countries. Today these utilities provide electric service to more than 34 million people. In addition, NRECA is currently working in 15 countries to provide technical and management assistance, create cooperatives and other decentralized utilities, administer training programmes, and introduce renewable energy programmes (wind, solar, hydropower and biomass). International Programmes is a self-supporting division with funding from service contracts from the US Agency for International Development, the World Bank, and overseas governments and cooperatives.

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Comment

Partners of the Americas links 44 states of the USA with 31 countries of Latin America and the Caribbean through 60 bilateral "partnerships" conducting professional exchanges and technical assistance in such areas as agricultural development, health services, education, the arts, community development, rehabilitation services, etc.

154. Save the Children Federation (SCF)

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Comment

Save the Children is a non-profit development agency dedicated to improving the quality of life in underprivileged communities - without regard to race, religion or place of origin. Save the Children believes that children cannot be helped in isolation. Rather, their total environment must be enriched. Thus, it works to unite the child, the family and the community in development projects aimed at transforming need and dependence into plenty and self-reliance. SCF conducts child sponsorship programmes and community development projects in areas such as housing, cooperatives and loans, education, agriculture, small industry development, nutrition and health care. Emphasis is on community self-help through grass roots organization as well as training and technical assistance. SCF has programmes in the US and in 38 countries in Africa, Asia and the South Pacific, Central America, South America and the Caribbean, Europe and the Middle East.

V. AGENCIES PROVIDING VOLUNTEERS

International

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Comment

The United Nations Volunteers Programme (UNV) was established in 1970 through General Assembly Resolution 2659 to serve as the volunteer arm of the UN system. UNV, which is administered under the auspices of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), is one of the foremost suppliers of experienced professional personnel in support of the initiatives of governments, non-governmental and community-based organizations, and of the UN system itself. In addition to technical co-operation and community-focused development work, UN Volunteers work in promotion of private and public enterprise, humanitarian relief and rehabilitation, and within peace-building and electoral operations of the UN. UNV has also been designated the focal point for the International Year of Volunteers 2001 by the UN General Assembly.

Australia

156. Australian Volunteers International

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Comment

Australian Volunteers International (formerly Overseas Service Bureau - est. 1961) is an independent Australian not-for-profit organization. Australian Volunteers contribute to developing communities and bring a reciprocal benefit to Australia through the experiences and insights they receive while on assignment. Australian Volunteers International is the Australian cooperating agency for United Nations Volunteers program, through which volunteers are nominated for positions with UN agencies.

Australian Volunteers are recruited for work with a variety of government, non-government, private and community-based organizations. Australian Volunteers are paid a salary at local rates of pay and work under conditions comparable to those of local staff with the same qualifications and experience. Most assignments are for a two-year period, housing, insurance and return airfares are covered. In 1998-99, nearly 850 Australians were recruited, prepared and/or supported for voluntary development work in nearly 50 countries throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific, and in remote Aboriginal communities in Australia.

Austria

157. Austrian Service for Development Cooperation (Oesterreichischer Entwicklungsdienst OED)

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Comment

OED is a church oriented organization specializing in recruiting volunteers and experts for development projects and funding development projects and programmes. The OED development programme is financed by the Austrian Government and by its member organizations. Programme areas are: community development, social work, health programmes, vocational training, agriculture, cooperatives, adult education and teaching in secondary and high schools. Volunteers and experts are usually supplied for two and more years. OED is responsible for travel and insurance expenses and living allowance if the receiving project is not able to pay for this. The receiving project is usually expected to provide accommodation or a local salary and internal transport. Currently, OED operates in the following countries: Brazil, Ecuador, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Kenya, Uganda, Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Papua New Guinea.

Belgium

158. European Forum on Development Service

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Comment

The European FORUM has 15 Members and 13 Observers and lists a wider group of 'interested agencies' active in the sending of Volunteers/ Development Workers (V/DW) to posts in the so-called Third World. Most of the Members are themselves umbrella-organizations having all together some 250 organizations as members and observers (mostly non-governmental) based in Europe and concerned with the sending of V/DW. The member organizations currently have some 12,000 V/DW working in educational, medical, agricultural, and social development programmes in the Third World. FORUM promotes study and discussion of the major issues affecting such organizations - the contribution of development workers to the development process; choice of projects overseas; concept and practice of partnership with host countries authorities; protection of the home-side social and legal interests of V/DW; the role returned V/DW play in their home-societies and the problems they encounter, and the like.

159. INTERCODEV

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Comment

INTERCODEV is the coordinating agency for 35 Belgian organizations providing volunteers.

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Comment

CESO is a Canadian, volunteer-based, not-for-profit organization founded in 1967. Its mission is to supply Canadian advisers and mentors to emerging businesses and organizations in Canada and world-wide, that cannot access paid consulting services. CESO has two subsidiary organizations: (a) CESO Aboriginal Services is committed to working with our own Aboriginal people, businesses and communities. (b) CESO International Services operates in 40 countries around the world, including Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, the Americas, Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

Since its inception in 1967, CESO has completed more than 10,000 assignments worldwide. CESO Volunteer Advisers are Canadians who have a lifetime of work experience to share, whether it's business, technical or professional. CESO volunteers are unpaid and clients cover some or all costs of an assignment where possible.

161. CUSO (formerly Canadian University Service Overseas)

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Comment

CUSO helps, creates and strengthens alliances between community groups and non-governmental organizations in Canada, the Caribbean, Latin America, Africa, Asia and the South Pacific by providing volunteer consultants. Its partners in both the South and the North work to defend women's and aboriginal rights, build small enterprises, establish labour unions, organize agricultural, industrial and housing cooperatives. They also work in environmental conservation and management, health care and popular education. Of the 12,000 Canadians who have worked in the developing world with CUSO since 1961, about 300 are currently posted in 35 countries.

Denmark

162. Mellemfolkeligt Samvirke (MS), (Danish Association for International Cooperation)

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Comment

Mellemfolkeligt Samvirke (MS), the Danish Association for International Cooperation, is a NGO but is 86% financed by DANIDA the governmental development organization. MS operates in Africa, Asia and Central America through its MSIS programme. Due to MS's wish to support development by people and a strong civil society, a major part of the partnerships are with community based organizations, women's and residential groups, parent-teacher associations and other actors who are primarily concerned with solving very basic local problems. Only a few development workers work with cooperatives. MS covers all costs, except accommodation for development workers.

Germany

163. Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Entwicklungshilfe (AGEH) e. V. Personnel Agency of the German Catholics for International Cooperation

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Comment

The AGEH, founded in 1959, is the specialist agency of the German Catholics in international cooperation. It is government-approved, and in collaboration with partner organizations in Germany and overseas, it provides qualified and open-minded men and women to work as experts in development cooperation projects by church organizations in Africa, Asia, Latin America and in the reformed countries of eastern Europe. AGEH currently has 250 volunteers working in areas like agriculture, technical/crafts, health, social welfare and education. Volunteers have a university degree, several years of work experience, and must be committed to Christianity.

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Comment

AKLHUE is the national coordinating body of 25 non-governmental organizations dealing with the sending of development workers to Third World countries. Development workers are divided in a) volunteers: young people without working experience or b) Experts with some years of working experience. AKLHUE receives assistance from the Federal Government and has a special contractual relationship with the Deutscher Entwicklungsdienst (DED).

165. Deutscher Entwicklungsdienst (DED)

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Comment

DED provides volunteers to governmental and non-governmental organizations in the developing countries to assist with their own development programmes. It cooperates with local solidarity services and self-help initiatives and is responsible for implementing the German side of the European Volunteers Programme. Preference is given to activities benefiting under-privileged groups. All volunteers have completed their professional training and usually have several years of work experience. A pre-condition for provision of volunteers is an agreement between the government of the host country and the Federal Republic of Germany. There are DED offices in most countries. Volunteers work in health, community development, artisanal industry, education, trade, industry and administration and in agriculture. DED invariably covers the external expenses of volunteers, including travel. The extent to which internal costs such as housing, local travel and living allowances are covered by DED depends on the partner organization's capacity to pay.

166. Dienste in Übersee (DÜ), Committee of Protestant Churches in Germany for Service Overseas

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Comment

Dienste in Übersee is the personnel service of the German protestant churches specialized in worldwide dispatchment of personnel and capacity building. DÜ assists its partners in Africa, Latin America and Asia in finding the most appropriate solution to personnel problems. DÜ screens and prepares candidates for final approval by its partners, which are generally church-related organizations. Accepted professionals must be over 25 years of age and have at least two years of professional experience. Contracts are usually concluded for three years and can be extended. Total period spent abroad must not exceed six years. Partner organizations are expected to pay a local salary and to assist the dispatched personnel and their families in adjusting to the new environment.

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Comment

EIRENE is an ecumenical international peace and development service organization, which was founded in 1957. It is a private non-profit making organization, politically and denominationally independent. Around 70 volunteers who serve as peace workers and as development workers are provided for long-term service in the southern (Niger, Chad, Rep. South Africa, Nicaragua, Chile, Bolivia) and the northern (France, Belgium, Ireland, Northern-Ireland, USA, Bosnia, Romania, Bulgaria) hemisphere. Professionally qualified and experienced agriculturalists, craftsmen and economists can serve in development programmes according to the posts available. Volunteers in the northern programme need to provide their own financing. EIRENE assists in the preparation of the development service contracts, guarantees support, organizes social security and helps with reintegration.

168. Weltfriedensdienst

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Comment

The WFD is an NGO working in development cooperation. 200 members support the association through voluntary work and donations. At present between 10 and 15 projects are being supported financially in Zimbabwe, Guinea-Bissau, Burkina Faso, Mozambique, South Africa and Palestine. The volunteers work mainly in the areas of rural development, agricultural extension, the promotion of cooperatives and small business enterprises, and vocational training. Volunteers work either together with Government organizations or with private partners.

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Comment

The Agency for Personal Service Overseas (APSO) is an Irish government agency which was set up to promote temporary personal service by people from Ireland in the developing world. It is part of Irish Aid, the government's overseas development assistance programme and is financed by the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs. Its principal activity is co-sponsoring with other Irish agencies assignments of personnel to development work overseas. Most of the personnel fall into the category of volunteers, but co-funding is also given for a smaller number of experts and consultants. Volunteers generally work for two years. 75 percent of costs are covered by APSO, and the remainder by the host institution or the co-sponsoring Irish agency. APSO works mainly in 18 countries in Africa, Central America and South-East Asia.

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Comment

LVIA is a non-governmental organization operating with volunteers on integrated development projects. The integration in each project takes care of different aspects of rural life and aims at the creation of a self-supporting mentality about agriculture, farming, health, clean water and domestic chores. The involvement of its volunteers in cooperative assistance represents a basic requirement for self-reliance in all projects.

171. Comunità Impegno Servizio Volontariato (CISV)

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Comment

CISV is a non-governmental organization, which trains and sends volunteers through the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Programmes aim at the enhancement of sanitation, education, agriculture and the status of women. Currently, CISV supports three cooperative projects in Benin. Furthermore, it is involved in projects in Burkina Faso, Senegal, Burundi, Mexico, Brazil, Guatemala and Mali.

172. Volontari nel mondo FOCSIV (Federazione Organismi Cristiani Servizio Internazionale Volontario)

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Comment

FOCSIV supports 327 projects in 68 countries with 516 volunteers in service. Its programmes are usually designed for long-term assignments and deal with rural and infrastructure development, education, training and sanitation. FOCSIV provides volunteers for projects in Africa, Latin America, Asia, Middle East, Oceania and East Europe.

Japan

173. Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV)

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Comment

JOCV was established in 1965 to provide official Japanese technical assistance programmes abroad. Staffed by young experts who have volunteered to assist developing countries in the tasks of manufacturing, maintenance and operation, civil engineering, architecture, health, welfare and education. About 2,200 volunteers are currently serving in 59 countries. Only technically qualified individuals, who when needed, undergo special training to meet specific requirements, are sent. Requests for volunteers should be preceded by an agreement between the government of the requesting country and that of Japan. JOCV covers volunteers' travel and a local living allowance.

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Comment

CMC has no priority countries. Generally speaking, volunteers are sent to grassroots-oriented projects and work in the areas of non-formal education, community development, cooperatives, health care, agriculture, social/pastoral work and engineering. The CMC covers volunteers' social security and travel expenses to and from the host country. The host organization covers all local expenses such as housing, allowances and local transportation.

175. Dienst over Grenzen (DOG)

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Comment

Dienst Over Grenzen (DOG/Service Abroad) is the Dutch inter-church personnel agency for overseas service. DOG was founded in 1962 by the Netherlands Missionary Council, Dutch Inter-church Aid and the aid departments of the various protestant churches and the Old Catholic Church. They all contribute to the work of DOG, both in policy making and in meeting expenses. Development workers sent out by DOG work in the fields of health care, education, technology, agriculture and social/financial coordination in Africa, Latin America and Asia/ Pacific. The host organization covers the local expenses (salary, housing and local transportation) of development workers while DOG makes arrangements regarding social security, travel expenses to and from the host country, costs of preparations, etc. The duration of a local contract is 3 to 4 years. By the end of 1997 DOG has 163 development workers in the field, in 38 different countries.

176. Netherlands Development Organization (SNV)

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Comment

NV is a Dutch international development organization whose core activity is the transfer and exchange of knowledge, ideas and technology. SNV employs professionals in less developed countries in some of which it is involved in cooperative development. With 26 field offices, SNV is active in 28 countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America and Europe. SNV currently employs around 700 Dutch and local experts. Development workers are provided with subsistence allowances, insurance, social security and travel facilities. Host country organizations are usually expected to provide housing and transportation. SNV expenses are covered by the Netherlands Government. Assignments are normally for three years. SNV is the co-sponsoring agency for United Nations Volunteers in the Netherlands for Dutch development workers.

New Zealand

177. Volunteer Service Abroad (VSA)

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Comment

Volunteers are recruited in response to requests from governmental and non-governmental organizations. VSA works in the Pacific, South East Asia, Eastern and Southern Africa. There are usually between 90 and 100 volunteers in the field at any one time. The average age of volunteers is 45, with more and more specialist skills and experience in demand. VSA seeks to work with People's Movements in the South, particularly supporting women in development, environmental issues, and rural/community development. Assignments and projects that promote self-reliance, community initiatives and involve training are particularly favoured. Volunteer assignments are normally for two years, and local salary, living allowances and accommodation is usually provided by the local employment authority. VSA meets all external costs. VSA welcomes cooperation to establish worthwhile projects or assignments in cooperation with other NGOs or governments in the North and South.

Philippines

178. Philippines National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA)

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Comment

The PNVSCA has been involved in national and international volunteer service programmes and activities since 1964. As a governmental organization, it started as a clearing-house for foreign volunteer assignments for development projects in the Philippines. Since then, it has been coordinating programmes and activities of volunteer-sending organizations such as Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV), British Voluntary Service Overseas (BVSO), Netherlands Development Organization (SNV) and recently the United Nations Volunteer Programme. In the course of the Agency's cooperation with the United Nations Volunteers, PNVSCA has been providing Filipino professionals for placement in development projects in the developing countries. In addition, PNVSCA also participates in the UNV/DDS programme which provides the opportunity for Asian and Pacific countries, including the Philippines, to exchange their domestic volunteer workers and thus strengthen their programmes. Furthermore, the PNVSCA is implementing the Volunteers for Improvement and Development Assistance (VIDA), the Philippine's domestic volunteer service programme.

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Comment

International Service (formerly UNAIS) recruits skilled and motivated people to work in locally initiated and managed development projects. It acts in response to requests from local organizations for technical skills which are not available locally. IS provides some 30 volunteers a year serving for at least two years. Volunteers receive a living allowance in relation to local costs, accommodation and travel costs through IS. Volunteers work principally with the non-governmental sector in Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Mali, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

180. Service Civil International (SCI)

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Comment

There are presently 33 branches and groups of SCI in Europe, Asia, Africa, North America and Australia. SCI mainly carries out work camps, which take place because a project needs outside support. The work camp is designed to help the project to eventually become independent. In the developing countries the emphasis is upon community development, education and agriculture. Volunteers must be over 18 years old and their assignments range from two weeks to two years. Volunteers receive a modest stipend and cost of living allowance. Local organizations often contribute to volunteers' upkeep. SCI has consultative status with UNESCO and the Council of Europe.

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Comment

Skillshare Africa works for sustainable development in partnership with the people and communities of southern Africa, by sharing and developing skills, facilitating organizational effectiveness and supporting organizational growth. Skillshare Africa's major programmatic areas are capacity building, vocational training, education and health. Development workers must be over 21 years of age, generally have a diploma or university degree plus work experience, and serve abroad for two years or more. Local salary and accommodation are generally provided by the receiving organization. It serves in Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa and Swaziland.

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Comment

VSO recruits volunteers to share skills and experience with people in around 60 developing countries. Major areas of work include educational, health, technical, agriculture, social and business development. VSO placements are for a minimum of two years. Volunteers must be 20-70. Relevant qualifications are essential and at least two years of experience is often required. VSO provides travel and NI contributions. The local employer is, in most cases, responsible for the volunteers' living allowance and accommodation. VSO supports cooperatives through the provision of cooperative development officers, accountants, trainers, business advisers, community development officers and people with craft or technical skills. VSO acts as the UK contact for United Nations Volunteers which places volunteers to work on community based initiatives.

USA

183. ACDI/VOCA

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Comment

ACDI/VOCA is a private, non profit international development organization, created by the consolidation of Agricultural Cooperative Development International and Volunteers in Overseas Cooperative Assistance, providing technical expertise in the service of farmers, agribusinesses, cooperatives, and private and government agencies. It has over 60 years of experience in 110 nations helping developing and emerging economies grow. Owned and supported by some of the largest grower-owned, supply and processing cooperatives and farm credit banks in the United States, ACDI/VOCA is collaborating on numerous long term projects and completed approximately 700 short-term volunteer assignments in developing countries and emerging democracies in 1999. ACDI/VOCA programmes include a volunteer service, assistance in agriculture production, processing and marketing systems, cooperative and association development, rural finance, international agribusiness partnerships, natural resource development and food for development. ACDI/VOCA receives funding for its programmes from the U.S. Agency for International Development, the US Department of Agriculture, the World Bank and regional development banks, the agricultural cooperatives represented on its board of directors, and gifts, grants and donations from individuals, corporations and foundations.

184. Peace Corps

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Comment

Today, approximately 7000 Volunteers serve in over 78 countries in Africa, Asia, the Pacific, Central and South America, the Caribbean, Central and Eastern Europe, and the former Soviet Union. Peace Corps programs have evolved as the world has changed. While the need has remained for Volunteers to work in agriculture, education, forestry, health, engineering, and skilled trades, countries are increasingly requesting help in new areas: business, the environment, urban planning, youth development, and the teaching of English for commerce and technology. Volunteers are at least 18 years old and are US citizens.

185. Volunteers in Asia

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Title/position:	President

Comment

Volunteers in Asia is a private, non-profit, non-sectarian organization dedicated to increased understanding between the United States and Asia. Volunteers in Asia places between 40 and 50 volunteers each year in a number of Asian countries mainly in Indonesia, Laos, Vietnam and China. The majority of these teach English in Universities or other public or religious organizations. Volunteers are selected from applicants living within commuting distance of Stanford.

VI. COOPERATIVE EDUCATION & TRAINING INSTITUTIONS

International

186. Leonardo da Vinci (Community Vocational Training Action Programme), European Union

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Homepage: europa.eu.int/comm/education/leonardo_en.html
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Comment

The Leonardo da Vinci Community vocational training action programme, introduced in 1994, is now entering its second phase, which will run from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2006. The programme has three general objectives: (a) to improve the skills and competencies of people, especially young people, in initial vocational training at all levels; this may be achieved inter alia through work-linked vocational training and apprenticeship with a view to promoting employability and facilitating vocational integration and reintegration; (b) to improve the quality of, and access to, continuing vocational training and the lifelong acquisition of skills and competencies with a view to increasing and developing adaptability, particularly in order to consolidate technological and organizational change; (c) to promote and reinforce the contribution of vocational training to the process of innovation, with a view to improving competitiveness and entrepreneurship, also in view of new employment possibilities; special attention will be paid in this respect to fostering co-operation between vocational training institutions, including universities and undertakings, particularly SMEs. The programme is linked with other Community initiatives - particularly the Socrates and Youth programmes - by supporting joint actions.

Benin

187. Institut Supérieur Panafricain d'Economie Coopérative (ISPEC)

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Title/position: Director

Comment

ISPEC offers i) a three and a five year programme in cooperative economics; ii) multiple specialization programmes for a duration of eight month; iii) tailor-made trainings at request; iv) distance-learning programmes in cooperative management. All member states of the Conférence Panafricain Coopérative (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo and Zaire) are eligible to the courses offered. The activities are organized in French.

Botswana

188. Cooperative Training Center

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Gaborone, Botswana
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Title/position: Assistant Commissioner for Cooperative Development

Comment

The Cooperative Training Centre is run by the Department of Cooperative Development through its Education and Training Division. It is therefore fully financed by the government. It runs two residential courses every year and these courses, Cooperative Bookkeeping and Management I and II, are three and six month courses respectively. Participants come from different cooperative societies around the country.

The Centre also provides field courses including: Bookkeepers refresher, Cashiers and Shop Assistants, Livestock Organizers, Managers Refresher. These courses last for a week or two in duration.

Trainers use both English and Setswana.

Trainees do not pay any fees and one should be an employee of a society to be accepted.

Brazil

189. Academic Center of Cooperative Administration, Federal University of Vicosa

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Title/position: Professor

Comment

The Academic Center of Cooperative Administration is part of the Department of Rural Economy. It offers a bachelors programme in cooperative administration, with a medium duration of five years. It is designed to prepare students for managerial professions in cooperative enterprises. Courses are held in Portuguese. A competitive examination must be passed to be admitted to the programme. Application forms can be obtained at the universities admissions office and at Banco do Brasil and Caixa Economica Federal.

Bulgaria

190. Central Cooperative Union (CCU)

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Comment

The International Cooperative School of the Central Cooperative Union offers trainees from developing countries six-month university level courses in English, French and Arabic. Courses cover economics and management of consumer cooperatives, workers' production and agricultural production cooperatives and agro-industrial complexes.

Canada

191. British Columbia Institute for Cooperative Studies, University of Victoria

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Contact: Professor Ian McPherson

192. Centre for the Study of Cooperatives, University of Saskatchewan

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193. Coady International Institute

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Title/position: Director

Comment

The Institute offers a six-month (June-November) Diploma Programme in Social Development. All candidates take required course work in economics, people's organizations (including cooperatives), philosophy of development and adult education. Thereafter, candidates may specialize in one subject area or another, with one focus being cooperative development and management. The cooperative related courses include savings and credit organizations, accounting, financial management, cooperative management, and contemporary issues in cooperative development. Entry prerequisites for candidate include (among others) at least five years working experience in development, a working knowledge of English, and a commitment to return to the sponsoring agency upon completion of studies. Limited scholarship funding is available for selected candidates. The Institute also offers an annual certificate-level short course related to innovative or alternative approaches to cooperative development. In partnership with Third World agencies, the Institute also offers short-term training programmes at venues in developing countries.

194. Institut de Recherche et d'Enseignement pour les Coopératives de l'Université de Sherbrooke (IRECUS)

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Contact: Ms. Nicole Saint-Martin

Title/position: Director

Comment

IRECUS is a research and training institute, integrated with the University of Sherbrooke. Its main activities are: (i) a master degree programme in cooperatives; (ii) a research service in the field of cooperatives; (iii) an international projects division with the objective of supporting cooperative development through the implementation of training and research programmes in developing countries; (iv) made to measure courses for cooperatives; (v) welcomes foreign delegations of professors and students; (vi) offers international in-services training for students.

195. York University

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Comment

The Faculty of Environmental Studies offers a two-year Masters degree programme (MES). Students define their areas of specialization and with advisors develop an appropriate series of courses and research. A number of students specialize in cooperatives and develop a programme around management of cooperatives or community/regional development using cooperatives as an organizational form. Students must have an undergraduate degree and foreign students should have financial support, as University scholarships are limited.

China

196. National Cooperative Training Centre of China (NCTCC)

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Costa Rica

197. Maestria en Cooperativismo, Universidad de Costa Rica

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Czech Republic

198. Cooperative Association of the Czech Republic (DACR)

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Comment

Cooperative Association of the Czech Republic is a voluntary association of juristic persons to discuss and solve common cooperative matters aimed at defence, support and application of interest of cooperative societies and their members. It ensures advisory services, legal initiatives and coordinates procedures concerning matters of joint interest in different spheres. Most assistance to developing countries is represented by educational and training programmes organized at the Union's Cooperative College for middle-grade and high-level cooperative personnel invited to the Czech Republic through their national cooperative organizations or government institutions.

Egypt (Arab Republic of)

199. Higher Institute for Agricultural Cooperation

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Title/position: Rector

Comment

The Higher Institute for Agricultural Cooperation is a private institute, which operates under the supervision of the Ministry of Higher Education. The Institute offers: (a) a four year Bachelor of Science programme in agricultural cooperative science; (b) seven Special Higher Studies Diplomas: Agricultural and cooperative marketing; Agricultural and cooperative finance; Cooperative education and teaching; Cooperative extension; Cooperative media; Cooperative and agricultural accounting; Management of agricultural projects. The Institute has several scientific agreements with national and foreign cooperatives and scientific institutes and organizations to exchange experiences and information in the fields of research, media, education and training. On the international level the Institute holds joint projects with the Centre of Rural and Agricultural Development (CARD) at the University of Iowa, USA.

200. Higher Institute of Cooperative and Managerial Studies

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Title/position: Rector

Comment

Associated to the Egyptian Society for Cooperative Studies, the Institute gives courses in Arabic, in various cooperative and managerial subjects and related subjects: accounting, finance, marketing, economics, social and legal issues, statistics and mathematics. The Institute grants its graduates the degree of Bachelor, which is acknowledged by the Higher Council of the Egyptian Universities. The graduates are allowed to join the appropriate departments of the Egyptian universities to follow post-graduate courses and obtain higher diplomas and degrees. Students from Arab countries and countries of the Middle East enroll in the Institute which participates in promoting cooperation by holding meetings and international conferences. The Institute has four affiliated units: Cooperative Training Centre, Cooperative Research Centre, International Cooperative Relations Centre and the Egyptian Magazine of Cooperative Studies.

El Salvador

201. Escuela de Formación Campesina de FUNPROCOOP

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Comment

Created in 1970, the School for Campesino Training provides leadership training for the promotion and development of agricultural cooperatives. Training programmes are conducted in Spanish and include modules on sustainable agriculture (appropriate use of agricultural inputs, organic farming, phyto-sanitary controls etc.), organizational issues, business principles including strategic planning, and popular participation. The school has four full-time trainers and collaborates with a regional network of trainers (Red de Educación Popular ALFORJA) for the modules in popular participation. It can house 50 students. The school receives funding from a variety of national and international sources.

Finland

202. Institute for Cooperative Studies (OTI), University of Helsinki

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Title/position: Director

Comment

The Institute for Cooperative Studies is engaged in teaching, research and adult education including development project activities. It focuses mainly on applied, action oriented research, entrepreneurial schooling and training as well as development project activities including advisory and extension services for the development specialists in new cooperatives. Recently, the institute started a study programme to give students an opportunity to carry out cooperative studies up to 15 study weeks as a complementary element of their main studies. In 1999, the institute took care of 25 research, development, schooling and training projects.

203. Pellervo Institute

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France

204. Agriculteurs Français et Développement International (AFDI)

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Comment

AFDI was established in 1975 by four large French, professional agricultural organizations (OPA). AFDI is a NGO specializing in activities in favour of farmers and farmers' organizations, especially cooperatives, in developing countries. Currently, AFDI supports 60 projects in 17 different countries in East Africa, Latin America, South East Asia and Central Europe. Assistance is provided through equipment, expertise and training.

205. Ecole Supérieure de la Coopération Agricole et des Industries Agro-Alimentaires (ESCAIA)

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Comment

Founded in 1978 by the initiative of enterprises and agri-food cooperatives, ESCAIA belongs to the Groupe Coopération Agricole. ESCAIA aims at forming the operational professionals and managers in occupations that support agri-food enterprises: commercial development, marketing and administration (quality, logistics, finance and controlling). ESCAIA offers students holding a first degree in science or a technical field a two-fold competence: in the commercial, marketing and management areas and a specialization in the agri-food sector.

206. Groupement des Collèges Coopératifs

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Comment

The Groupement des Collèges Coopératifs consists of four colleges, which are located in Provence Alpes Méditerranée, Rhône-Alpes, Bretagne and Paris. The Collège Coopératif Paris organizes an International Cooperative University, which holds four sessions a year, each of two weeks' duration, successively in France, Latin America, North America and Africa. The language of communication is French. A number of under-graduate and post-graduate students are attached to the Collège which is part of the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales.

207. Synerva Programme, C2FAC Group

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Comment

SYNERVA offers a variety of short courses on agricultural cooperation in French. In addition, a number of correspondence courses are organized. These include: an introductory course to agricultural cooperation (seven months or two years); Level II course on agricultural cooperation (seven months or two years); commercial course I (six months); a commercial course II (six months); commercial techniques (twelve months); transport law (six months); statistics (12 months); cooperative law; scientific organization of work at executor level (6 months); scientific organization of work at management level (6 months); financial management (6 months); short-term budget management (6 months); medium-term forecasting (6 months); and an introduction to management (12 months).

Germany

208. Deutsche Stiftung für internationale Entwicklung/Zentralstelle für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (DSE-ZEL), Food and Agriculture Development Centre

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Comment

The center organizes courses and seminars covering a wide range of subjects for developing country personnel. These include short-term training courses, long-term training courses (4-13 months), formal in-school long-term training (2-3 years in a developing country) and German and international meetings. Self-help organizations, including cooperatives, are a priority. The target groups are decision-makers, specialists and managerial personnel responsible for programmes or projects as well as teaching staff of the relevant training and further training institutions.

209. Institute for Cooperation in Developing Countries

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Comment

A two-year master-programme in cooperative economics is offered in German. Entry requirements are those for degree courses at universities of Germany, and proof of sufficient knowledge of German. Admission further requires at least ten years of personal experience of living and working conditions in a developing country. The course is in economics with a strong emphasis on business administration and management, particularly as it relates to cooperative organizations. It aims at qualifying for leading positions in cooperative departments or cooperative enterprises. The degree is explicitly recognized in some English-speaking countries as equivalent to a Master's degree and in some French-speaking countries as equivalent to the Diplôme d'Etudes Approfondies. Except for a minor students' organization charge, no fees are required. The course starts only once every two years.

Greece**210. Agricultural University of Athens**

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Comment

The Department of Agricultural Economics is one of the six Departments of the Agricultural University of Athens, the others being of Plant Science, Animal Science, Agricultural Biotechnology, Food Science and Natural Resources and Environment. The Department of Agricultural Economics offers a five-year course of undergraduate studies and operates a post-graduate programme in management of Food and Agricultural Enterprises. The post-graduate programme is organized in co-operation with the Department of Food Science of the University and with the Wye College of the University of London. It lasts for 18 months and the languages used are Greek and English. Aspects of economics of cooperative enterprises are taught both at undergraduate and at post-graduate levels. At the undergraduate level, students are taught Economics of Cooperation during the 9th semester of their studies. At the post-graduate level Economics and Management of Cooperatives is one of the electives of the first semester.

Guyana**211. Kuru Kuru Cooperative College (KKCC)**

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Haiti**212. Institut Coopératif d'Haiti**

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Comment

ICH is a cooperative for education and training, which specializes in cooperative economy. It offers long and short-term training programmes, that cost between USD 1400 and USD 2350. Besides the various courses in management, classes can be taken in communications and foreign languages. Courses are open to students, professionals, NGOs and Development Agencies.

Hungary

213. Cooperative Research Institute

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Comment

The Cooperative Research Institute, which belongs to Co-op Hungary, engages in research on the cooperative movement in Hungary and in developing countries, especially where the Hungarian experience is seen as particularly relevant to these countries. Its aim is to spread, and propagate the cooperative principles, ideas and practice, to deal with the questions of education, training, nationwide and international experts training.

214. National Federation of Consumer Cooperatives (CO-OP Hungary)

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Comment

CO-OP Hungary offers two day training courses in Hungarian for trade and store managers of consumer cooperatives in the area of marketing and merchandising. The number of places available is limited to 250 persons. There is a training course for cooperative chairpersons and trade managers. Another training is aimed for store managers and shop assistants with their active participation. The training was so successful in 1999 that the number of courses/days have been multiplied for this year.

India

215. Institute of Rural management, Anand (IRMA)

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Comment

The Institute of Rural Management, Anand (IRMA) is an autonomous institution with the mandate of contributing to professional management of rural organizations. It was founded in 1979 at the initiative of the National Dairy Development Board, with the support of the Indian government, Government of Gujarat and the Swiss Development Cooperation.

216. National Centre for Cooperative Education (NCCE)

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Contact: Ms. Indira Gupta

Title/position: Director, NCCE

Comment

The Centre coordinates the work of all the cooperative training institutions managed by the National Cooperative Union of India, and also organizes courses in New Delhi itself. About 15 programmes with over 540 participants are offered each year. The trust area of all programmes organized is sustainable development under the changed economic scenario. Therefore, professionalization of management, increasing operational efficiency and business diversification of cooperative organization at different levels were the key areas of the programmes.

217. Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management

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Contact: Director

Comment

The Institute offers about 50 management courses a year, in English, for senior officers employed in cooperative institutions and cooperative and other related departments. There is a core course (diploma in cooperative business management) of 38 weeks under which a maximum of two seats can be provided to foreign students. Other courses of varying duration are on specialized subjects and sectors covering the cooperative field. International courses are also organized in collaboration with ICA, ILO/MATCOM and CICTAB. These have a duration of between four weeks and two years. All courses are residential and intended for graduates. Foreign students are admitted on the recommendation of the National Council for Cooperative Training, New Delhi. Scholarships may be arranged. Courses are also organized as out-station programmes upon request.

*Ireland***218. Centre for Co-operative Studies, University College Cork (UCC)**

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Title/position: Director / Programme Director

Comment

The Centre for Co-operative Studies is a university research centre that promotes education and training along with independent research and consultancy in all aspects of cooperative organization and development. Founded in 1980, the Centre has carried out extensive research into agricultural, community, workers', housing and credit cooperatives. It has an extensive resource room of cooperative materials and is involved with the provision of information, advice and support to existing and potential cooperative groups as well as operating a consultancy service. The Centre has developed a number of undergraduate Distance Learning programmes in conjunction with the Centre for Adult Continuing Education, UCC and offered by the Department of Food Economics, UCC. These include: (a) the Diploma in Credit Union Studies - two year programme; (b) the Diploma in Rural Development - two year programme; (c) the Diploma in Social Integration and Enterprise - one year programme (d) the Higher Diploma in Co-operative Organization, Food Marketing and Rural Development which is a post-graduate full-time course and extends over one year. Classes are held in English.

Israel

219. Center for Cooperative Studies of Givat Haviva

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Comment

The center offers a wide range of courses related to cooperatives including: Advanced course for cooperative management & administration, Course for cooperative trainers, Distance-learning course for cooperative management & administration, short courses of "First Aid", course on administrative training for agricultural cooperative employees (middle management), basic course for Total Quality Management (TQM) and its application in cooperatives. Courses are held in several languages and students can be provided housing at the Center. Courses are conducted to allow an adequate combination of theoretical studies, learning through life experiences (experimental study) and a direct contact with an active cooperative by means of organized tours.

220. Central Union of Cooperative Societies

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221. Centre of Cooperative and Labour Studies for Latin America Abraham Alon

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Comment

The Centre is an institution that deals, on behalf of the International Relations Department of the Histadrut and the Division of International Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, with scholarship agreements in the field of cooperatives, trade unions and youth education. Its field of activities includes the enhancement of knowledge and experience in the areas of cooperatives and trade unions, through courses held in Israel for participants from Latin America, Spain and Portugal and on-the-spot courses, and publication of bibliographical material relevant to the centre's activities.

222. People's International Institute (Histadrut)

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Comment

The Institute is engaged in training leadership for cooperatives, trade unions, "grass roots" and community organizations in Africa, Asia, Caribbean and Pacific, Latin America and Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union and the Middle East. It seeks to contribute to the advancement of cooperatives, trade unions and similar groups and to strengthen their contributions to development and social progress in their countries. The Institute runs approximately 40 training programmes per year in English, Spanish, Arabic, French and Russian. In 1999, 1.300 participants took part in its courses from 135 different countries around the world. 350 of these participants came from the Palestinian Authority and took part in 12 training programmes. In carrying out this task, the Institute conducts the following courses: a) International Leadership Training Courses on Cooperatives and Labour in the Service of Development; b) Special International Courses on a variety of themes, including cooperative initiatives for community development, farm management of agricultural cooperatives, rural non-agricultural employment, etc. Special Programmes are developed for specific groups; c) On-the-spot courses in developing countries at the invitation of and in cooperation with local cooperatives, trade unions and other institutions.

Italy

223. Istituto Nazionale per l'Educazione Cooperativa (INECOOP)

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Comment

INECOOP was constituted in 1975 as a service institution of the Confederation of Italian Cooperatives in order to develop and to improve the quality of the cooperative training actions. Its activities are: the organization of courses and seminars, the production of training aids (guides, handbooks, slides and films), new educational technologies and their application to the teaching-learning process, and the study and spreading of knowledge about the cooperative systems of foreign countries. INECOOP offers modular courses (2-4 days) five to six times a year. Special interest has arisen for cooperation with Third World countries and active collaboration is maintained with the International Labour Organization (ILO).

Japan

224. Institute for the Development of Agricultural Cooperation in Asia (IDACA)

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Comment

In 1963 the Central Union of Agricultural Cooperatives (JA-ZENCHU) established IDACA as a training institution for leaders of agricultural cooperatives in developing countries. Its priority areas of work include human resource development, assistance to agricultural cooperatives and creating human and information networks in developing countries. It has trained over 3000 foreign agricultural cooperators as part of its international cooperative projects. IDACA is one of the sponsors of the International Co-operative Alliance-Government of Japan management training seminars. Courses are given in Japanese and English. IDACA is also involved in building information resources through its research programmes.

Kenya

225. Co-operative College of Kenya

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Korea (Republic of)

226. Agricultural Co-operative College

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Koyang-si
Kyunggi-do, Korea (Republic of)
Fax: +82 344 60 4119

Lesotho

227. Lesotho Cooperative College

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100 Masera, Lesotho
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Title/position: Director

Comment

Lesotho Cooperative College offers courses in Cooperation, Marketing, Cooperative Law, Cooperative Audit, Commerce, Financial Management, General Management, Book keeping, Accounting, Business Communication, and Business Law. The Courses are conducted in English and Sesotho where available, and last between three to five days.

Malaysia

228. Cooperative College of Malaysia

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Title/position: Director

Comment

The Cooperative College of Malaysia offers a five-week course (May-June) for participants from developing countries in the Asia-Pacific regions. The Certificate in Cooperative Management course (conducted in English) includes subjects such as cooperative principles and law, cooperative finance, cooperative management, computer studies and adult training techniques. Priority for admittance is given to senior staff and board members of cooperative societies as well as government officers overseeing cooperative development. They must be less than 45 years of age and have a minimum qualification of GCE 'O' level (or equivalent). Scholarships are awarded by the Public Services Department of Malaysia through the Malaysian Representatives (High Commission/Embassy), in the participants' respective countries.

Namibia

229. Cooperative College - Namibia

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Netherlands

230. Netherlands Institute for Cooperative Entrepreneurship (NICE)

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Comment

Oikocredit, previously known as the Ecumenical Development Cooperative Society (EDCS) is a financial institution established to use the investment capital of churches and church-related organizations for loans and/or equity capital investments in development projects of needy communities e.g. the strengthening of productive enterprises, small-scale industries, and other income-generating social ventures to empower the poor. Projects should benefit the disadvantaged who, organized in suitable groups, should be directly engaged in operating the projects. Projects should be internally financially viable and be able to service foreign investment. Oikocredit assistance is not subject to quantitative limitations. Project funding above USD 500,000 is approved twice a year, in June and November. At the end of 1998, the total share capital of Oikocredit stood at well over 200 million Dutch Guilders (USD 100 million).

Possible project partners interested in obtaining a loan or guarantee from Oikocredit should contact the supporting associations nearest to their location. These exist in Costa Rica, Chile, Mexico, Uruguay, Kenya, Côte d'Ivoire, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines. Project partners in Europe (including Central and Eastern Europe) and the Middle East are contacted from Amersfoort.

231. Netherlands Organization for International Cooperation in Higher Education (NUFFIC)

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Comment

Nuffic's core activities are: the management of programmes designed to foster academic exchange and improve knowledge infrastructure; international credential evaluation; consultancy; and the creation and maintenance of networks. Nuffic publishes an annual catalogue which contains almost 500 study and training programmes in the English language within the Netherlands. Apart from offering the largest number of international courses on the European continent, Dutch higher education institutions provide training in all academic and professional fields. The catalogue describes the international courses, ranging from short training seminars to full-fledged Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes, in detail. It is also available on-line. A good command of English is an absolute necessity for all the courses.

Nigeria

232. Federal Cooperative College

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Contact:	Mr. M. O. Oladeji

Comment

The College offers a one-year course leading to a Diploma in Management. This is in addition to a number of shorter courses. All courses are in English. The College can accommodate 150 students. All students should have completed five years of secondary education prior to enrolment in the College. Up to 15 foreign students can be accommodated per course. There is also a Training Materials Production Center which publishes materials on request.

Panama**233. Fundación Educativa de la Confederación Latinoamericana de Cooperativas de Ahorro y Crédito (FECOLAC)**

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Contact: Ms. Iris Quintero de Simons

Title/position: Production, Services and Marketing Director

Comment

The Foundation, a private non-profit organization, operates as an International Training Centre, which provides educational and training programmes including seminars to credit cooperatives in 18 Latin American countries. One of its main objectives is to improve the operations of credit cooperatives in terms of administrative and technical capabilities. To achieve this, the Foundation is developing different programmes in the field of credit cooperative such as: technical assistance, audit and financial control, development of the financial services and human resources. In support of development programmes FECOLAC provides the following services in the area of cooperatives: i) investigation and research; ii) educational programmes and seminars; iii) documentation centre; iv) preparation and publication of educational materials.

234. Instituto Cooperativo Interamericano (ICI)

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Title/position: Director of Education

Comment

The Institute provides two courses per year, each of 13 weeks' duration - one course begins in February and one in August. Courses in Spanish are open to those active in cooperatives. They cover subjects relevant to cooperatives such as sociology, political economy, communication, etc. The Institute also engages in micro-project consultation and is interested in developing areas of investigation with others on relevant topics of Latin American Cooperation.

Philippines**235. Agricultural Credit and Cooperative Institute (ACCI)**

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Title/position: Director

Comment

The college offers a one-year Masters in Public Affairs with a major in cooperative management. Research and extension activities on rural finance and cooperatives are also undertaken. Training courses of one-month duration each are offered in basic and advanced cooperative management as well as in project identification and evaluation.

Portugal

236. Instituto Antonio Sergio do Sector Cooperativo (INSCOOP)

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Contact:	Mr. Manuel Canaveira de Campos
Title/position:	President

Comment

INSCOOP is a legal public Institute which is administratively autonomous. The main goals of the Institute are (a) to conduct and help conduct studies relating to the cooperative sector to achieve its major potentials; (b) to develop and support the Cooperative Sector; (c) to collect data referring to cooperatives or organizations related to this sector, to maintain and update information bases regarding the legal status and activities of such enterprises. INSCOOP collaborates with all the members of the sector, or related thereto, in the promotion of training actions addressed to cooperative executives and technical staff. It offers vocational training courses, youth programmes, operates a Balance Sheet Analysis Centre and supports the Portuguese Training Network for the Third Sector.

Puerto Rico

237. Instituto de Cooperativismo (ICOOP)

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Title/position:	Director

Comment

The Institute of Cooperation is a part of the Social Science Faculty of the Río Piedras Campus of the University of Puerto Rico. It offers a Bachelor's degree in social sciences with a major in Cooperation. Its Extension Programme offers short courses and seminars on different aspects of Cooperation to strengthen the cooperative movements in Central America, South America and the Caribbean.

238. Universidad de Puerto Rico (ICOOP)

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Senegal

239. Ecole Nationale d'Economie Appliquée (ENEA) - Collège de la Planification et de la Gestion des Organisations

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Title/position: Director

Comment

A two-year course is offered designed basically for government cooperative officers. Entry is by competitive examination for students of secondary school level. Courses are in French. The "Collège de la Coopération" also provides a four-month course of Cooperative Management (GACOPEA). Courses are designed for governments, PUDS/NGOS and peasant organization's officers.

Singapore

240. Singapore National Cooperative Federation (SNCF)

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Homepage: www.sncf.org.sg/
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Comment

The Singapore National Cooperative Federation collaborates with the Leicester University in offering distance learning programmes in cooperative management and organizational development to cooperatives. The Federation also collaborates with local training providers in offering general management and leadership training programmes to its affiliates.

Spain

241. Institute of Cooperative Studies, Deusto University

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Comment

Deusto offers a Diploma in Cooperative Studies. The programme is designed for postgraduates and senior students from any faculty or university school. The course is held once a week for five hours from October to May, with a practical work training from October to September. Applications for admission and registration are accepted from 2-30 September at the General Secretariat. The fees quoted for this course are USD 1,435 (approx. 265.000 Pesetas), but senior student receive a reduction on the tuition. Moreover, the University of Deusto offers financial aid for the course. The course is taught in Spanish.

Sweden

242. Kooperativa Forbundet (KF)

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Title/position:	President & CEO

Comment

KF Project Center offers courses in retailing, purchasing, cooperative development, trade and market development, personal training and development, and also a retail academy and coop management academy. All courses are held in English and each module is conducted for 3 to 14 days. All training is targeted towards the retail sector. Courses are designed to train board members, top and middle management, financial marketing, personnel managers, and auditors. Training is tailored for each specific project assignment.

243. Swedish Cooperative Development and Research Institute

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Tanzania

244. Cooperative College Moshi

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Comment

The college offers various courses in English: (a) a two and three year programme in Cooperative Management; (b) a two and three year programme in Cooperative Accounting; (c) a one year postgraduate diploma course in Cooperative Business Management. In collaboration with Leister University following distance learning programmes are offered: (d) a postgraduate diploma course in Cooperative Management and organizational Development; (e) a postgraduate diploma course in Cooperative Management and Organizational Development (credit unions); (f) a master degree course in Cooperative Management and Organizational Development. Moreover, the College offers consultancy and research in the fields of rural development and tailor made training programmes. Up to 100 foreign students are accepted each year. The fees for the academic year 1999/2000 are USD 3,000 which includes full board for foreign students. No scholarships are offered.

Trinidad & Tobago**245. Cipriani College of Labour and Cooperative Studies**

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Title/position:	Director

Comment

The cooperative programme is geared to train and educate cooperative personnel members, directors, managers, supervisors, as well as young persons and workers. The Associate Degree in Cooperative Studies can be obtained either in two years (full time programme) or three years (evening programme). It aims to prepare students to pursue careers in management of cooperatives, credit unions and private businesses as well as in the government service. Admission is open to all secondary education graduates who can prove a sufficient knowledge of English. Tuition per year presently comes to USD 1000 for full time students and USD 900 for part time students .

United Kingdom**246. Cooperative College**

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Title/position:	Principal

Comment

The Cooperative College develops, designs and delivers high quality programmes of training and education to assist individuals and groups to achieve skills, knowledge and understanding, enabling them to translate solutions into effective practice. Training is offered in specialized subjects including management, strategic business planning, marketing and IT for cooperatives, mutual, voluntary, community and self-help enterprises. Enquiries are invited from international cooperative organizations which aspire to the development of people and communities. The College will work with those Organizations to develop specific training programmes to meet their individual needs.

247. Leicester University Management Centre

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Title/position:	Director, Unit for Membership Based Organizations

Comment

The Diploma and Master programmes aim at enabling students to: (1) understand the appropriate management techniques for the analysis, development, control and leadership of cooperative business and community, (2) identify the key result areas for cooperative business and the community and to monitor and respond to this key data, (3) develop strategies for competitive advantage in the global market economy utilizing the cooperative difference as a management tool. In addition, the Unit for Membership Based Organizations in the Management Centre offers a Post-graduate Certificate in Cooperative Management and Organizational Development for Credit Unions. This programme comprises six units covering all aspects of credit union management, promotion, development and competitive strategy within the rapidly changing financial services sector.

Both programmes are open to all graduates in any social science discipline and any other graduate who can demonstrate experience in line management within a cooperative or cooperative development context. Exceptional entry may be permitted to experienced senior managers and other professionally qualified persons working in cooperatives. Approximate costs for the Diploma and Master: £ 2.800; the Certificate amounts to £ 1.200.

Leicester University has Regional Tutorial Centres supporting these programmes in: Africa (Co-operative College Moshi), Balkans and Mediterranean (Agricultural University of Athens), Eastern Europe (MOSZ Hungary), Caribbean (Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies), Singapore (Singapore National Co-operative Federation Ltd), South East Asia (The Co-operative College of Malaysia). For details and application forms contact the nearest regional centre to you or if no centre is operating in your region write directly to the University of Leicester at the above address.

248. Management Centre, Unit for Membership Based Organizations

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Title/position:	Director of Unit

Comment

The University of Leicester has approximately 15,000 students drawn from over 70 countries, of whom about half are studying at the post-graduate level. The University is a leading provider of distance learning at the post-graduate level with an extensive global network of national and regional support centres. Leicester is the first university in the world to offer a masters level programme in Cooperative Management by Distance Learning. The University of Leicester's specialist Unit for Membership Based Organizations is dedicated to supporting the evolution of cooperative management as a distinctive application of the latest appropriate management ideas, strategies, and techniques.

249. Society for Co-operative Studies

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 Homepage: www.co-opstudies.org
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Comment

An independent voluntary organization of co-operative members, employees, managers, specialist practitioners and academics which aims to advance the education of the public concerning all aspects of cooperatives.

USA**250. Arthur Capper Cooperative Center, Kansas State University**

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251. Center for Cooperatives, University of Wisconsin

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Comment

The Center offers short training courses, as requested, on various aspects of cooperative operations or types of cooperative enterprises. The staff of the Center is available for training or consulting in developing countries on a contract basis. A very extensive collection of library materials from all over the world is also maintained. The Center does not have specific country interests, but is generally interested in cooperative development in all regions of the world. In collaboration with the International Co-operative Alliance (ICA) the Center for Cooperatives maintains a Cooperative information service (a web site) which includes information on cooperatives from all regions and economic sectors, cooperative publications, and documents on issues of interest to cooperative enterprises.

252. Centre for Cooperatives, University of California (Davis)

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253. Cooperative Extension, University of Nevada

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Comment

The Cooperative Extension is a statewide administrative office used to discover, develop, disseminate, preserve and use knowledge to strengthen the social, economic and environmental well-being of people.

254. Cornell University

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255. New Hampshire College

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Homepage: merlin.nhc.edu/ced/webbook/pg9.htm
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Comment

Established in 1982, the Community Economic Development Programme (CED) is the first programme in the United States that offers degrees specifically in community economic development the practice of applying economic principles in a manner that is consistent with the social and cultural values of the community. Courses and workshops are taught by practitioners who excel in their field of expertise and have extensive experience in the field as well as in the classroom. The following programmes are offered: (a) Weekend National CED Master's Programme, (b) International CED Master's Programme (ICED Residential), (c) Ph.D. Programme, (d) International CED Certificate Programme.