



## OUR COMMITMENT FOR GLOBAL FAIRNESS

Solidar Suisse fights for decent work, democratic participation, and social justice worldwide. On behalf of our donors, we put solidarity into action in over 60 projects in four continents. With foresight and ambition we eliminate social wrongs, and create possibilities and prospects for disadvantaged people.

### Development Cooperation

We engage against social inequality and poverty, and promote decent income possibilities and social security for people in especially precarious and impoverished situations. We turn the spotlight on extreme forms of exploitation such as forced labour, child labour and modern slavery, and fight against them together with those caught up in such situations and with our partner organisations.

We also contribute to a democratic and constitutional culture and campaign for respect for human rights. This includes the need for better local governance and public services. It is particularly important that socially, politically and economically disadvantaged sectors of the population are able to have their say.

### Humanitarian Aid

Solidar Suisse supports vulnerable groups affected by disasters or armed conflicts to meet their most pressing survival needs. After emergency relief, we assist affected communities in the reconstruction of their homes, of water and sanitation infrastructure, and in restoring their living conditions.

In high risk areas Solidar Suisse supports vulnerable communities and local government authorities with technical and financial assistance to better prepare for and mitigate the effects of natural disasters.

### Partners and Networks

We implement many of our programmes and projects on behalf of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC. Solidar Suisse is a partner of Swiss Solidarity and ECHO, the European Commission's Department for Humanitarian Aid, and a member of the European Solidar Network of over 60 relief agencies and non-governmental organisations with a social democratic or trade union background ([www.solidar.org](http://www.solidar.org)).



Solidar realizes more than 60 projects in the field of development cooperation in Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, China, El Salvador, Indonesia, Kosovo, Malaysia, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Serbia and South Africa, we provide humanitarian aid in Bangladesh and Pakistan.

# PROJECTS

## MOZAMBIQUE

### Humanitarian Aid after the Cyclone

In march 2019 cyclone Idai caused massive destruction, displacement and disease outbreaks. A total of 1.85 million people were affected. Solidar Suisse was quickly on the spot and provided emergency water distribution in the concerned regions. We work on the rehabilitation and construction of wells and small water supply system and organize sanitation and hygiene facilities for the affected population. The floods also caused the destruction of farmland. Through seed distribution and asset replacement we help farmers to regain food security.



## CAMBODIA

### Supporting Garment Workers

The garment industry is the most important sector in Cambodia, employing about one million workers, mostly woman. Although their salaries have improved in past years thanks to the work of independent trade unions, they are still barely sufficient to survive. As workers' rights come under increasing pressure, Solidar is supporting independent trade unions and labour organisations, such as C.CAWDU and CENTRAL, in their efforts to enhance the bargaining power of workers at factory level by introducing evidence-based bargaining methods using public data. We also support their advocacy for improved social protection for all workers.

## BURKINA FASO

### Empowering Women

Burkina Faso remains one of the world's poorest countries with a very high illiteracy rate. In order to combat poverty and improve food security, Solidar Suisse cooperates with local farmer organisations that offer real-life literacy programmes. Special support is given to women, who are traditionally responsible for childcare. This often prevents them from accessing income-generating activities. To lower the threshold, Solidar partners provide childcare and education for women and children.



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