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# NOREC EXCHANGE PROJECTS IN KENYA

An overview over Norec partners, participants  
and exchange projects in Kenya

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The Norwegian Agency for Exchange Cooperation (Norec) is Norway's only competence centre for international exchange. As an executive body under the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, we are a key part of Norway's integrated approach to achieving the UN's sustainable development goals.

For over 60 years, Norec has helped organisations, institutions, and companies to grow and develop by using the most important resource they have: people. With a grant from Norec, workplaces send employees on exchange to another country.

Norec also coordinates recruitment of Norwegian citizens to positions funded by the Norwegian government at the UN and the World Bank. This includes positions as Junior Professional Officers and United Nations Volunteers.

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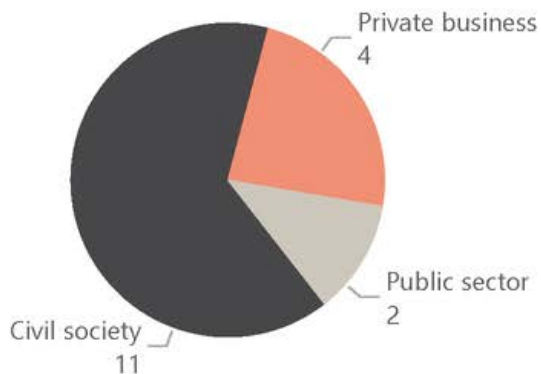
The aim of this booklet is to give you a thorough, yet concise, overview over Norec support and grants, and our partners, participants and projects in the country. Therefore we have included information in the following order:

- Norec support to partners
- Contact information for Norec partners
- Exchange participants
- Information sheet for each project



# Norec in Kenya

## Sector Norec Partners in Kenya



## Norec Grants to Partnerships with Kenya (USD 2022)

\$1,30M

## Partner Countries Norec Projects

Country	Partners
Norway	8
Uganda	5
Rwanda	4
South Africa	4
Zimbabwe	4
Madagascar	3
Tanzania	3
Bangladesh	2
Malawi	2
South Sudan	2
Brazil	1
Burundi	1
Colombia	1
Ethiopia	1
Ghana	1
Nepal	1
Zambia	1

## Project Participants as of September 2023

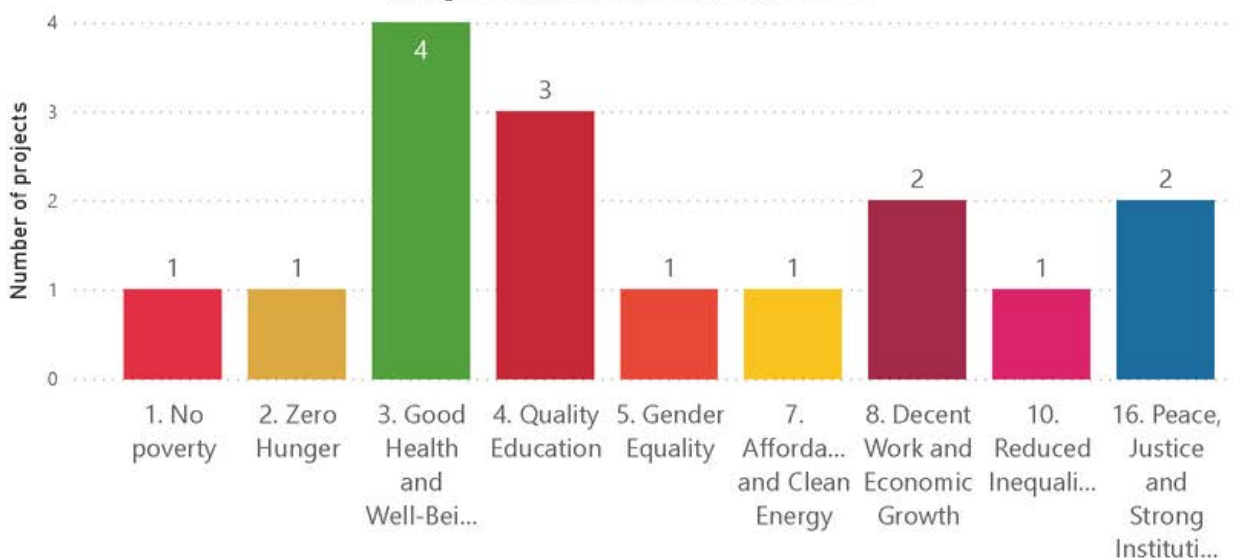
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Project participants from Kenya

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Project participants to Kenya

## Project contributions to the SDGs



## Norec partners in Kenya

Organisation	Primary Contact	City	Email	Year
Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST)	CHRISTINE WANJALA	Kakamega	vc@mmust.ac.ke	2019 - 2024
YWCA Kenya	Beth Kawira	Nairobi	rpepela@ywcakenya.org	2021 - 2026
DataDrivenFinance Kenya Ltd.	Jan Martin Hunderi	Nairobi	jmh@ddfinance.com	2021 - 2024
Kenya Girl Guides Association (KGGA)	Linnet Odero	Nairobi	info@kgga.co.ke	2021 - 2026
Destined Youth Initiative Kenya (DEYI-K)	Solomon Odero	Nairobi	oderosolomon84@gmail.com	2021 - 2023
Port Florence Youth Initiative	Erastus Onyango	Kisumu	florenceport@yahoo.com	2022 - 2024
Fellowship of Christian Unions (FOCUS Kenya)	Evanson Gatuota Karanja	Nairobi	ekaranja@focuskenya.org	2022 - 2027
Kenya Association of the Intellectually Handicapped (KAIH)	Fatma Wangare Haji	Nairobi	info@kaihid.org	2022 - 2024
Youth Alive! Kenya	George Maina	Nairobi	info@youthalivekenya.org	2022 - 2025
TRACE Kenya	Judy Mito	Mombasa	info@tracekenya.org	2022 - 2025
Participatory Ecological Land Use Management (PELUM)	Rosinah Mbenya	Thika	pelumkenya@pelum.net	2022 - 2025
GVL Energy Platform Ltd.	Allan Linus Gichuki	Nairobi	gichukiventures@gmail.com	2023 - 2025
Taveta Sub County Taita Taveta County Government	ANNE OLUBULYERA	Taveta	tavetatowncouncil@yahoo.com	2023 - 2026
Sote Hub	David Ogiga	Mombasa	info@sotehub.com	2023 - 2025
Techbridge Invest Kenya Limited	Frøydis Archer	Mombasa	tcf@techbridgeinvest.com	2023 - 2023
Sunami Solar Kenya Limited	Moses Dokoria	Mombasa	dokoria.moses@sunamisolar.co.ke	2023 - 2023
iServe Afrika	Ngari Stanley Wandeto	Nairobi	info@iserveafrica.org	2023 - 2026

## Norec participants in Kenya as of September 2023

<b>Kenyan partner</b>	<b>Number of Participants</b>
DataDrivenFinance Kenya Ltd	2
Fellowship of Christian Unions (FOCUS Kenya)	3
GVL Energy Platform Ltd.	2
Kenya Association of the Intellectually Handicapped (KAIH)	4
Kenya Girl Guides Association (KGGA)	5
Participatory Ecological Land Use Management (PELUM)	5
Port Florence Youth Initiative	2
Sunami Solar Kenya Limited	2
TRACE Kenya	2
Youth Alive! Kenya	4
YWCA Kenya	6

## Norec participants from Kenya as of September 2023

<b>Kenyan partner</b>	<b>Number of Participants</b>
Centre Marembo Organization	2
DataDrivenFinance Kenya Ltd.	2
Destined Youth Initiative Kenya (DEYI-K)	2
Fellowship of Christian Union (FOCUS Kenya)	2
GVL Energy Platform Ltd.	2
Kenya Association of the Intellectually Handicapped (KAIH)	3
Kenya Girl Guides Association (KGGA)	6
Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST)	2
Participatory Ecological Land Use Management (PELUM)	1
Youth Alive! Kenya	2
YWCA Kenya	3

## Norec projects in Kenya

# Sunami Solar Kenya Limited Techbridge Invest Kenya Limited

Project period		Project key facts	
Start Year	End Year	Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
2023	2023	5	\$159K

Thematic focus		Project description
Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:	
8. Decent Work and Economic Growth	25030 Business development services	<p>The five partner companies are working with technology start-ups and renewable energy. The overall goal is to create jobs, sustainable businesses and start-ups, and social and economic impact. Participants are exchanged between the companies in Norway, Kenya and Uganda. The core activity is sharing knowledge, teaching the young employees new skills and competencies, and in turn strengthen the companies.</p>

Partners	
Name	Country
Techbridge Invest Kenya Limited	Kenya
Techbridge Invest AS	Norway
Sunami Solar Uganda Limited	Uganda
Sunami Solar Kenya Limited	Kenya



## GVL Energy Platform Ltd.

Project period		Project key facts	
Start Year	End Year	Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
2023	2025	7	\$300K

Thematic focus		Project description	
Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:		
7. Affordable and Clean Energy	23220 Hydro-electric power plants	<p>The partners aim to develop young talents within the hydropower industry in East Africa, as well as to accelerate development of hydropower projects. Their project is centred through recruitment of local young talents into real project positions in small-scale hydropower projects, giving them hands-on responsibility, while being guided by experienced personnel.</p>	

Partners	
Name	Country
Malthe Winje AS	Norway
GVL Energy Platform Ltd.	Kenya
Agatobwe Hydropower Ltd	Rwanda

## DataDrivenFinance Kenya Ltd.

Project period		Project key facts	
Start Year	End Year	Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
2021	2024	18	\$764K

Thematic focus		Project description	
Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:		
1. No poverty	25030 Business development services	<p>The partners in Norway and Kenya work to supply low-income households with affordable collective-based health insurance, and will use this project to improve their distribution structures and building sustainable cost-effective sales channels. The partners aim to leave a clear digital footprint in the insurance industry.</p>	

Partners	
Name	Country
DataDrivenFinance Kenya Ltd.	Kenya
DataDrivenFinance AS	Norway



## Participatory Ecological Land Use Management (PELUM)

Project period	
Start Year	End Year
2022	2025

Project key facts	
Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
30	\$860K

Thematic focus	
Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:
2. Zero Hunger	31181 Agricultural education/training

**Project description**

Agriculture is the backbone of Kenya's economy, but farmers are by youth seen as outdated and old-fashioned, putting food security and the sector at risk. Through a Norec partnership, PELUM Kenya and FACHIG in Zimbabwe are raising awareness on sustainable agriculture, increasing knowledge on sustainable agriculture value chains, and recruiting the most crucial group into the sector: youth.

Partners	
Name	Country
Participatory Ecological Land Use Management (PELUM)	Kenya
Farmers Association of Community Self Help Investment Groups (FACHIG) Trust	Zimbabwe





## Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST)

### Project period

Start Year	End Year
2019	2024

### Project key facts

Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
18	\$705K

### Thematic focus

Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:
3. Good Health and Well-Being	12181 Medical education/training

### Project description

The partners are working to increase knowledge within the academic discipline optometry (eye health) in South Africa, Kenya and Norway. The project is working to develop the workforce within the optometric field. The specific activities aims will lead to increased knowledge on eye health, and strengthening education systems within the partnering institutes.

### Partners

Name	Country
Universitetet i Sør-Øst Norge	Norway
Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST)	Kenya
Brien Holden Vision Institute	South Africa
African Eye Institute	South Africa

## TRACE Kenya

### Project period

Start Year	End Year
2022	2025

### Project key facts

Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
8	\$144K

### Thematic focus

Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:
16. Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions	16010 Social/ welfare services

### Project description

The project aims to increase awareness on the topic of human trafficking. They want to achieve this both by advocacy and spreading information within the general population in Kenya and Rwanda. They also lobby policymakers to improve policies on migration, and to support victims of human trafficking.

### Partners

Name	Country
TRACE Kenya	Kenya
Pax Press	Rwanda



## Destined Youth Initiative Kenya (DEYI-K)

Project period	
Start Year	End Year
2021	2023

Project key facts	
Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
4	\$94K

Thematic focus	
Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:
8. Decent Work and Economic Growth	11230 Basic life skills for youth and adults

**Project description**

DAY Africa (former DEYI-K) in Kenya and Inkululeko in South Africa are working with empowerment and education of youth from marginalised communities. They are also tackling national challenges with youth unemployment. Their project activities includes programs for youth within entrepreneurship, business administration, digital skills, agribusiness, community engagement, tailoring and literacy.

Partners	
Name	Country
Inkululeko	South Africa
Destined Youth Initiative Kenya (DEYI-K)	Kenya



## Fellowship of Christian Unions (FOCUS Kenya)

### Project period

Start Year

2022

End Year

2027

### Project key facts

Number of participants of project period

22

Estimated total budget of project period

\$2M

### Thematic focus

Sustainable Development Goal:

4. Quality Education

DAC sub sector:

15150 Democratic participation and civil society

### Project description

The project aim to create youth and organisations that are better equipped to address the challenges in their societies. The project works to strengthen young people through multicultural experiences. They support and cultivate young participants, making them more confident in their skills and becoming better leaders for their organisations.

### Partners

Name	Country
Union des Group Biblique de Madagascar (UGBM)	Madagascar
Unidad Cristiana Universitaria Colombia (UCU)	Colombia
Norges kristelige student- og skoleungdomslag (NKSS)	Norway
Fellowship of Christian Unions (FOCUS Kenya)	Kenya
Bible Students Fellowship of Bangladesh (BSFB)	Bangladesh
Allianca Bíblica Universitária do Brazil (ABUB)	Brazil

## iServe Afrika

### Project period

Start Year

2023

End Year

2026

### Project key facts

Number of participants of project period

24

Estimated total budget of project period

\$420K

### Thematic focus

Sustainable Development Goal:

3. Good Health and Well-Being

DAC sub sector:

12220 Basic health care

### Project description

The partners work to improve access to primary healthcare services in marginalised communities in Kenya and Uganda, as well as to improve the health systems. Both partners are working within community-based healthcare in off-grid and rural areas. Their goals are to improve maternal and child health services, raise awareness on malaria prevention, and improve access for youth.

### Partners

Name	Country
iServe Afrika	Kenya
Global Link Africa	Uganda



## Youth Alive! Kenya

Project period		Project key facts	
Start Year	End Year	Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
2022	2025	42	\$1M

Thematic focus		Project description
Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:	<p>The project is designed to create awareness and strengthen systems related to critical issues impacting young people. The partners use peer-to-peer networking, training sessions and local engagement to create more opportunities for youth leaders. They work simultaneously through their mother organisations and nation-wide member organisations and youth clubs in Kenya, Zimbabwe and Malawi.</p>
16. Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions	15150 Democratic participation and civil society	

Partners	
Name	Country
Youth Empowerment and Transformation Trust (YETT)	Zimbabwe
Youth Alive! Kenya	Kenya
Centre for Youth Empowerment and Civic Education (CYECE)	Malawi



## YWCA Kenya

### Project period

Start Year	End Year
2021	2026

### Project key facts

Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
48	\$2M

### Thematic focus

Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:
3. Good Health and Well-Being	15160 Human rights

### Project description

The project addresses young people's rights to and need for life skills education related to Sexual Reproductive Health Rights (SRHR) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Through the exchange of skilled personnel, the partnership will develop tools and mechanisms to empower youth to take action in their own lives and claim their rights.

### Partners

Name	Country
YWCA South-Sudan	South Sudan
YWCA Kenya	Kenya
Youth Peace Makers - Tanzania	Tanzania
YMCA of Ethiopia	Ethiopia
Stiftelsen Amatheia	Norway
KFUK-KFUM Global South Sudan (Y Global South Sudan)	South Sudan
KFUK-KFUM Global	Norway

## Taveta Sub County Taita Taveta County Government

### Project period

Start Year	End Year
2023	2026

### Project key facts

Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
12	\$531K

### Thematic focus

Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:
3. Good Health and Well-Being	12220 Basic health care

### Project description

The partners focus on people with intellectual and mental challenges - and services, information and stigma that affect this group. The partner in Norway will explore how group-based volunteer services can be used to overcome limitations in the health system. In Taveta Sub County, the partner will focus on advocacy and spreading information about persons with intellectual challenges, and raise their standing in society.

### Partners

Name	Country
Taveta Sub County Taita Taveta County Government	Kenya
Melhus kommune	Norway



## Port Florence Youth Initiative

Project period	
Start Year	End Year
2022	2024

Project key facts	
Number of participants of project period	Estimated total budget of project period
8	\$192K

Thematic focus	
Sustainable Development Goal:	DAC sub sector:
4. Quality Education	15160 Human rights

**Project description**

With the long-term goal of achieving lasting and quality-based care of Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) within their communities in Kisumu Kenya, and Kigali, Rwanda; the partners will streamline their systems and operations, and strengthen their partners and participants with key knowledge and skills.

Partners	
Name	Country
Port Florence Youth Initiative	Kenya
Centre Marembo Organization	Rwanda



## Sote Hub

### Project period

<u>Start Year</u>	<u>End Year</u>
2023	2025

### Project key facts

<u>Number of participants of project period</u>	<u>Estimated total budget of project period</u>
16	\$412K

### Thematic focus

<u>Sustainable Development Goal:</u>	<u>DAC sub sector:</u>
4. Quality Education	11430 Advanced technical and managerial training

### Project description

The project Youth Digital Entrepreneurship Exchange Program provides youth with digital entrepreneurship skills, as a tool to address high unemployment rates among youth in South Africa, Kenya and Uganda. They also want to increase the partner organisations capacity as development organisations.

### Partners

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>
Suff Academy	South Africa
Sote Hub	Kenya
Kyusa	Uganda

## Kenya Association of the Intellectually Handicapped (KAIH)

### Project period

<u>Start Year</u>	<u>End Year</u>
2022	2024

### Project key facts

<u>Number of participants of project period</u>	<u>Estimated total budget of project period</u>
24	\$215K

### Thematic focus

<u>Sustainable Development Goal:</u>	<u>DAC sub sector:</u>
10. Reduced Inequalities	15160 Human rights

### Project description

Youth living with physical or intellectual disabilities will be included in decision-making processes and issues that affect them. The project will strengthen entrepreneurship, leadership, and advocacy skills among the youth, and inspire them to take up leadership positions, participate in decision-making processes, and create peer groups in their communities and beyond.

### Partners

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>
Zimbabwe Parents of Handicapped Children Association (ZPHCA)	Zimbabwe
Zanzibar Association of People with Developmental Disabilities (ZAPDD)	Tanzania
Kenya Association of the Intellectually Handicapped (KAIH)	Kenya

## Kenya Girl Guides Association (KGGA)

### Project period

Start Year

2021

End Year

2026

### Project key facts

Number of participants of  
project period

240

Estimated total budget of  
project period

\$6M

### Thematic focus

Sustainable Development  
Goal:

5. Gender Equality

DAC sub sector:

15170 Women's equality  
organizations and  
institutions

### Project description

The project exchanges both professional staff and volunteers. The volunteers work to create space for young women to develop leadership skills and identify, speak out and take action on issues that affect them nationally and globally. The professional staff exchange knowledge and skills to strengthen the partner institutions.

### Partners

Name	Country
Zimbabwe Girl Guides Association	Zimbabwe
Zambia Girl Guides Association	Zambia
Uganda Girl Guides Association (UGGA)	Uganda
The World Association of Girls Guides and Girls Scouts (WAGGGS)	Uganda
Tanzania Girl Guides Association	Tanzania
Rwanda Girl Guides Association	Rwanda
Nepal Scouts	Nepal
Mpanazava Eto Madagasikara	Madagascar
Malawi Girl Guides Association (MAGA)	Malawi
Kenya Girl Guides Association (KGGA)	Kenya
Ghana Girl Guides Association	Ghana
Fanilon'i Madagasikara	Madagascar
Burundi Girl Guides Association (BGGA)	Burundi
Bangladesh Girl Guide Association	Bangladesh