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About Norec

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.

Building Knowledge

As a centre of competence, we strive to build and expand knowledge on how to build strong global partnerships. In addition, Norec strives to build knowledge in the field of international work exchanges. Multi-method data collections are regularly carried out to inform and improve our trainings and programmes.

Norec has an interdisciplinary team of trainers. They facilitate 35 - 40 trainings for staff and partnerships that work internationally each year.

Grant Management

Norec supports work exchanges that provide global learning opportunities for staff and organisations. With a grant for a work exchange project, workplaces send employees and volunteers on exchange to another country. Norec also administers the grant Democracy Through Partnerships, which supports Norwegian political parties and youth wings in their work to promote democracy globally.

The UN and World Bank

Norec coordinates recruitment of Norwegian citizens to positions funded by the Norwegian government at the UN and the multilateral development banks. This includes positions as Junior Professional Officers and other secondments. We are currently funding 55 Norwegian citizens working for various UN agencies, the World Bank and the Asian Bank on all continents. Norec conducts pre-deployment trainings and follows up the secondees throughout their contracts, with an overall goal of increasing the number of Norwegian citizens in international organisations.

EVAL

Norec hosts the The Independent Evaluation Department of Norwegian Development Cooperation. Their task is to provide impartial assessments that hold Norway's development actors accountable and improve the quality and results of Norwegian development cooperation. Operating under a distinct mandate, the department reports directly to the Secretary Generals of the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Climate and Environment.



Overview

Norec and International Organisations

Recruitment to the UN and the Development Banks

Norec coordinates Norway's recruitment to the UN and other international organisations on behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. As a link between Norwegian authorities and the multilateral system, Norec works to increase the number of Norwegian citizens in international positions.

A central part of this work is the national secondment scheme, which funds junior and mid-level roles in organisations such as the UN and the World Bank. Reserved for Norwegian nationals, these positions provide valuable experience that can lead to long-term international careers.

Norec manages outreach and selection for these roles, and offers guidance, training, and follow-up to secondees throughout their assignments to ensure professional development and the transfer of strategic knowledge back to Norway. The agency also contributes to policy development and talent pipeline strategies, and is establishing a professional network for Norwegians working in international organisations.

In 2025, Norway is funding 55 positions through Norec to the UN system, the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank, with a budget of 75 million NOK. The aim is to increase Norwegian representation in international organisations and encourage Norwegian-funded staff to move into regular positions beyond the funding period.

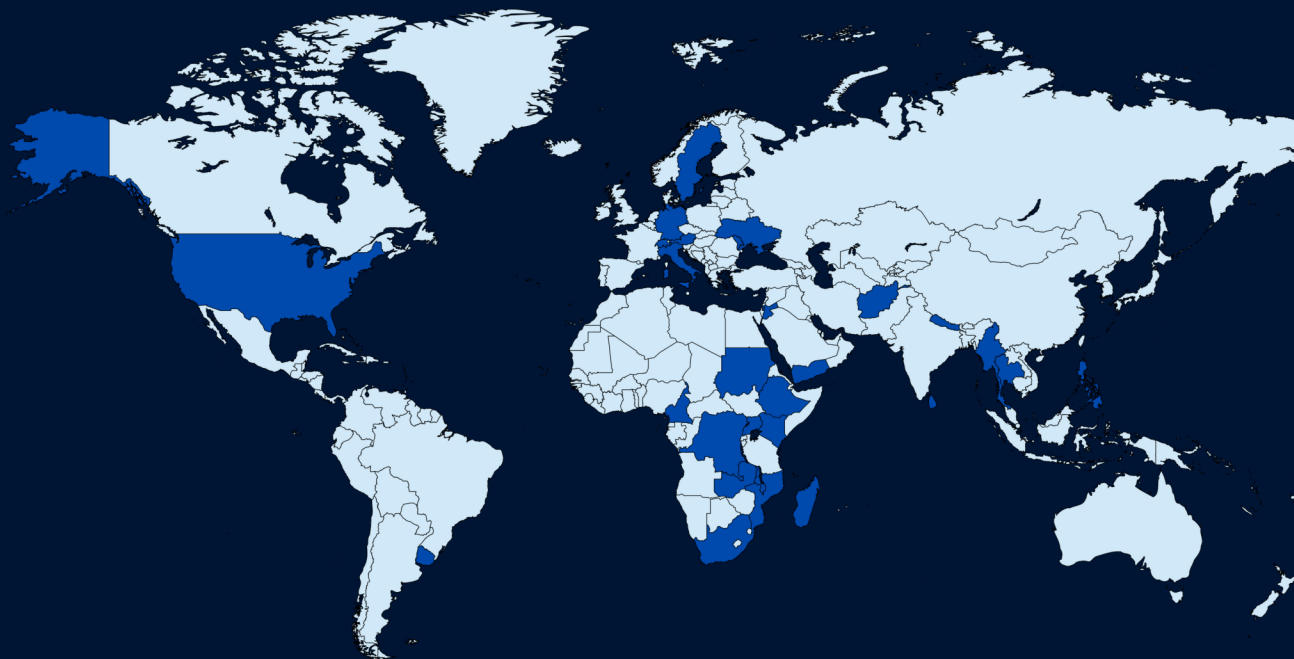
Two deployment modalities are supported:

- Junior Professional Officers (JPO): Usually three years fully funded by Norway, plus one year of co-funding, typically at P2 or GF level.
- Senior Professional Officers (SPO): At P4 or GG level, with two years of full funding, exceptionally three.

The recruitment cycle begins each September, when Norec and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs identify strategically important positions in dialogue with organisations and embassies. Suggestions can be sent to fn_stillinger@norec.no. Positions to be supported are confirmed in early December, with vacancies posted in late January and deployments expected in September.

Norwegian Secondees 2025

JPO, SPO AND SDP



ADB

1 JPO: PHILIPPINES

UN DPO

1 JPO: NEW YORK

UN DPPA

2 JPOS: NEW YORK, KENYA

FAO

2 JPOS: ETHIOPIA, KENYA

ILO

2 JPOS: NEPAL, SRI LANKA

OCHA

2 JPOS: UKRAINE, YEMEN

OHCHR

2 JPOS: UKRAINE,
SOUTH AFRICA

NEW: UN DESA

1 JPO: GENEVA

UNDP

6 JPOS, 1 SPO, 1 SDP:
THAILAND, MADAGASCAR
DRC, NEW YORK, GENEVA
UKRAINE, MOLDOVA, MALAWI
1 JPO: SUDAN

UNEP

1 JPO: KENYA

NEW: UNFCCC

1 JPO: GERMANY

UNFPA

2 JPOS: UKRAINE, NEW YORK

UNHCR

2 JPOS: MOLDOVA, CAMEROON
1 JPO: KENYA

UNICEF

3 JPOS: ZAMBIA, SWEDEN,
ETHIOPIA
1 JPO: MYANMAR

UNODC

1 JPOS: VIENNA
1 JPO: VIENNA

NEW: UNRWA

1 JPO: JORDAN/NEW YORK

UN WOMEN

2 JPOS: UKRAINE, NEPAL
2 JPO: UGANDA
**1 SPO: OCCUPIED
PALESTINIAN TERRITORY**

WFP

4 JPOS: SOUTH AFRICA,
AFGHANISTAN, KENYA
2 JPOS: ITALY, MOZAMBIQUE

WORLD BANK / GEF

2 JPOS, 2 SPOS: WASHINGTON
**1 JPO, 2 SPO: WASHINGTON, UKRAINE,
OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY**

WHO

1 JPO: URUGUAY

Overview

Democracy Through Partnerships

The «Democracy through partnership» scheme is a grant for Norwegian political parties and youth parties. It is aimed at democratic parties and party systems in ODA-approved countries.

Supporting democracy through political parties is a small but important contribution to the development of democracy around the world. Norwegian political parties can play a role in this through their established international networks, their commitment to democracy, and their expertise in party building.

With increasing internationalisation and globalisation, it is also important that Norwegian political parties are aware of, and involved in, international issues and development policy.



2024 - 2025

● Young Liberals of Norway (UV) Argentina, Colombia, Peru 840 000	● Christian Democrats of Norway (KrF) Belarus 2 440 000
● The Green Party (MDG) of Norway Lebanon 1 300 000	● Christian Democrats of Norway (KrF) Ethiopia 3 890 000
● The Workers' Youth League (AUF) Palestina 1 400 000	● Young Christian Democrats of Norway (KrFU) – Collaborative project Lebanon 3 880 000

Mobilization for Democratic Involvement

PROJECT KEY FACTS	Estimated total grant	Project start	Project end
	\$140K	2024	2025

The Workers' Youth League (AUF) will collaborate with Fatah Youth Movement (FYM) to strengthen the latter's ability to communicate and mobilise. Particularly, the project aims to strengthen FYM's communication in order to build a stronger and more inclusive organisation. There will be a particular focus on how to use communication tools and social media to get young people democratically involved.

The overall objective of the project is to increase gender equality and knowledge on democratic mobilization in FYM. Through the project, AUF members and Norwegian youth are to also gain insight to the situation in Palestine. The applicant emphasises that making sure that neither Palestinian or Norwegian youth lose faith in a political solution to the conflict in Israel and Palestine is vital at this stage, and that the project seeks to build hope and trust in the Norwegian and Palestinian stance of a two-state solution. The project builds upon a previous project under the same scheme with the same partners.

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Arbeidernes Ungdomsfylking (AUF)	Norway
Fatah Youth Movement (FYM)	Palestine

Young Political Engagement in Latin America

PROJECT KEY FACTS	Estimated total grant	Project start	Project end
	\$85K	2024	2025

Women, indigenous peoples, and Afro-descendant populations remain underrepresented in the national legislatures of Argentina, Colombia, and Peru. The project aims to promote political participation among young people and address key issues around female and minority representation in Latin America. It also seeks to strengthen collaboration between youth organisations across the region. The target group is young people aged 15 to 30.

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Grupo Joven Fundaciòn Libertad (GJFL)	Argentina
Libertank	Colombia
Norges Unge Venstre	Norway
Instituto Pro Libertad Perú	Peru
La Liga Libertad	Peru

Inclusive Political Parties Program

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant

Project start

Project end

\$389K

2024

2025

The partnership aims to support the Ethiopian Political Parties Joint Council (EPPJC) in promoting peaceful competition, national dialogue, and inclusive policies in Ethiopia. It will strengthen the EPPJC's capacity to carry out this role effectively. The project also supports the Women and Youth Wings to improve representation of women and youth within Ethiopian political parties ahead of the 2026 elections. A key focus is strengthening regional structures to encourage wider participation beyond Addis Ababa. Overall, the project seeks to foster ongoing dialogue that leads to peaceful and fair elections.

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Ethiopian Political Parties Joint Council (EPPJC)
Kristelig Folkeparti (KrF)

Ethiopia
Norway

Deepening Dialogue Program

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant

Project start

Project end

\$245K

2024

2025

The project aims to promote democracy in Belarus. It also seeks to strengthen international collaboration that contribute to democratic development in Belarus.

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Swedish International Liberal Center (SILC)
Kristelig Folkeparti (KrF)

Lithuania
Norway

Youth Political Empowerment Program

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant

Project start

Project end

\$389K

2024

2025

This project aims to increase youth participation in Lebanese politics. It supports young Lebanese politicians by helping them improve skills in working across parties, developing policies, and building strong organisations. The project continues a partnership between Norwegian and Lebanese youth groups that started in 2019.

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

National Democratic Institute Lebanon

Lebanon

Kristelig Folkepartis Ungdom (KrFU)

Norway

Collaboration between Green Partys of Lebanon and Norway

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant

Project start

Project end

\$130K

2024

2025

The project aims to strengthen the Green Party of Lebanon (GLP) by enhancing its organisational structure and capacity. It also focuses on increasing the representation of women and youth within the party, fostering better understanding and cooperation between different political groups, and establishing a strong and lasting partnership between the Green Party of Norway (MDG) and tGLP.

Through these efforts, the project seeks to build a more inclusive and effective political organisation.

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Green Party of Lebanon (GLP)

Lebanon

Miljøpartiet de Grønne (MDG)

Norway

Overview

Norec Work Exchange Projects

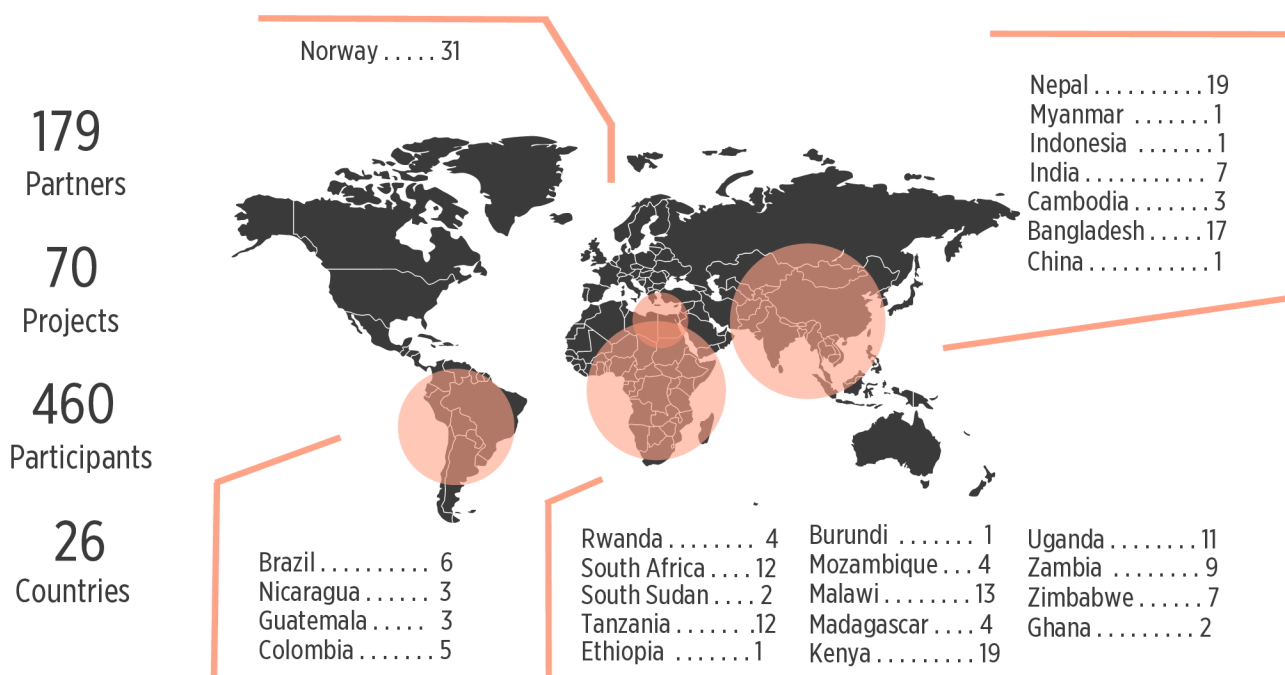
Work Exchange Projects

Yearly, over 175 organisations send their staff to work abroad to learn from partners in other countries, creating new or stronger partnerships through practical experience in different contexts and specialisations.

Norec is founded on the principle that collaboration is essential for addressing global challenges. Whether the partnerships are formed with like-minded or different organisations, they strengthen international alliances and work to reach the UN's sustainable development goals.

The majority of the staff that travel abroad in Norec supported projects, gain valuable work experience. Learning and skill transfer gives exchanged project staff professional growth, which upon their return, contributes to their organisations' efficiency and innovation. Over time, the skills and learning are transferred between those that have been on an exchange, the new staff received on job-exchange and the institutions' staff as a whole. This process also promotes organisational and community advancement.

Norec emphasizes the importance of bridging power imbalances and fostering international relationships as essential strategies for solving global issues. It fosters a sense of unity and shared purpose among diverse groups, laying the groundwork for long-term cooperation and mutual benefits. Through a Norec exchange project, organisations gain the expertise needed to achieve their objectives and push for impactful changes, showcasing Norec's dedication to cross-cultural cooperation in global problem-solving.



Former Norec exchanged staff Jeromnie and her story

Jeromnie Akinyi Obwar grew up in an informal settlement in Kisumu, Kenya. She says this about her work exchange to Norway: “That is when I had my self-identity for the first time. I knew who I was. I knew the potentials that I had.”

Upon returning, she volunteered to inform young people about sexual health rights: “We realised that there was something going wrong in our community. The community members could not reach the higher people. We became the ladder for them to use.”

Jeromnie was selected into the Health Management Committee: “that to me is so big. I can meet with those people. I can now influence change directly.”



Partner Youth Alive! Kenya (YAK) and achievements

Staff from Youth Alive! Kenya learnt how to conduct action research while on exchange with Youth Empowerment Transformation Trust in Zimbabwe. YAK applied this method to map out the situation for youth in Kenya.

A report was compiled, which highlights the gaps in current policies as well as youths' views of what should to be done differently. YAK used the findings to draw attention to the need for change in the electoral process to bring young people out of voter apathy and into politics. The government used key findings from the report to inform governmental youth-focused outreach programmes.

The Norec Network

Since we started in 1963, Norec has supported the exchange of more than 13 000 staff and volunteers between different organisations. These individuals are a resource we want to continue to support. Therefore, we launched the Norec Network in 2023.

We enable the members of Norec Network to share knowledge and expertise, expand their professional network and join physical and digital network activities, and this way, we help keep their engagement going even after their exchange period has ended.

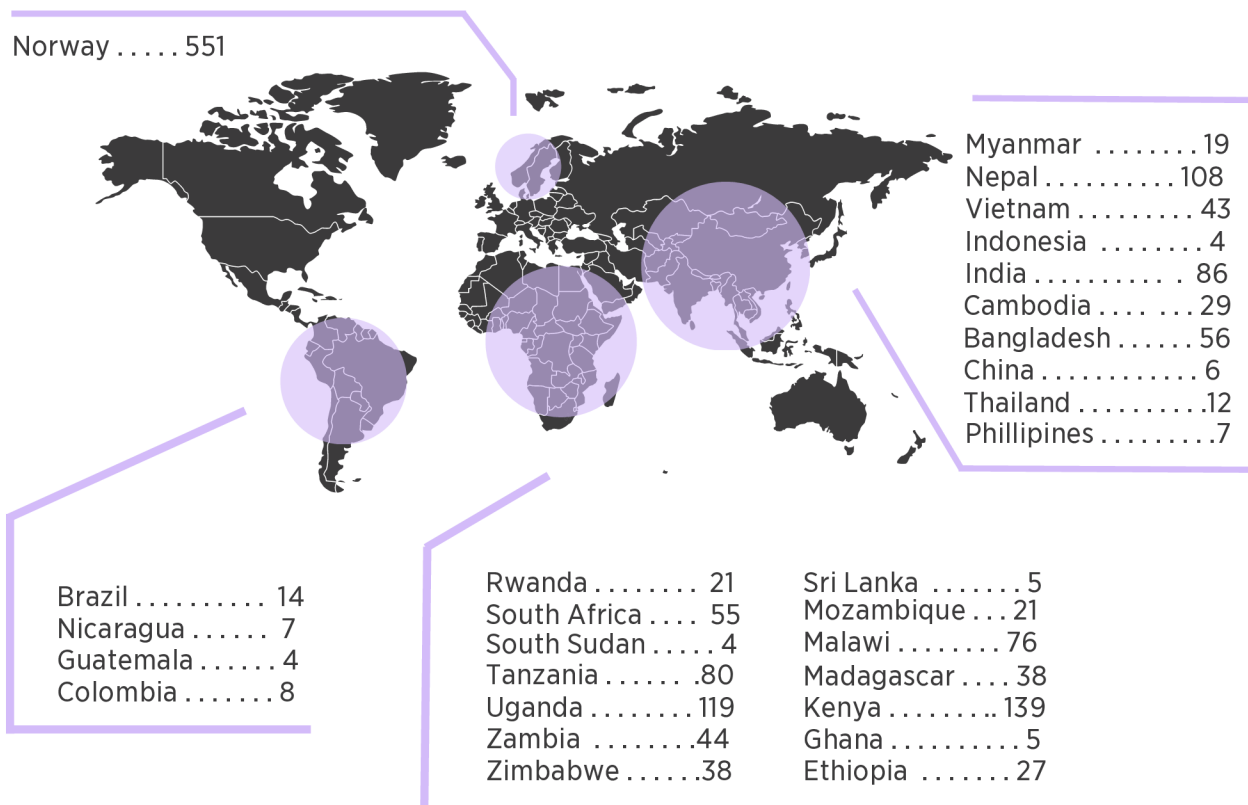
This network works as a resource bank for Norec, where we can gather advice and input from the members. They have helped with facilitation, logistics and interpretation for trainings we have conducted in their home countries.

The Norec Network is available for the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and associated embassies to utilise as a resource.

If you wish to get further information on how you can utilise the network, or have any questions related to the network, please contact network@norec.no

Norec Network members as of August 2025

2,300 +





Overview

Norec
Work Exchange
Projects: **Norway**

Norec Projects in Norway

Collaboration Agreements

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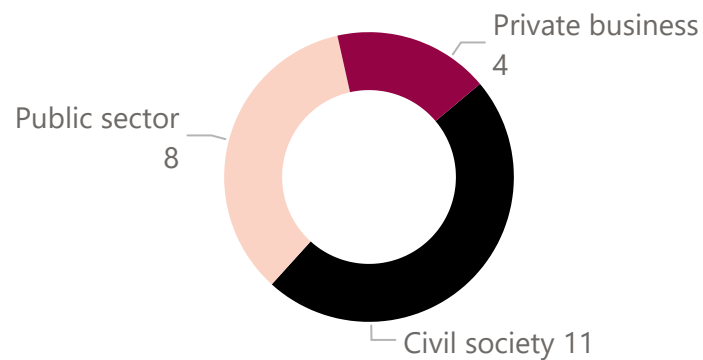
Partner Organisations

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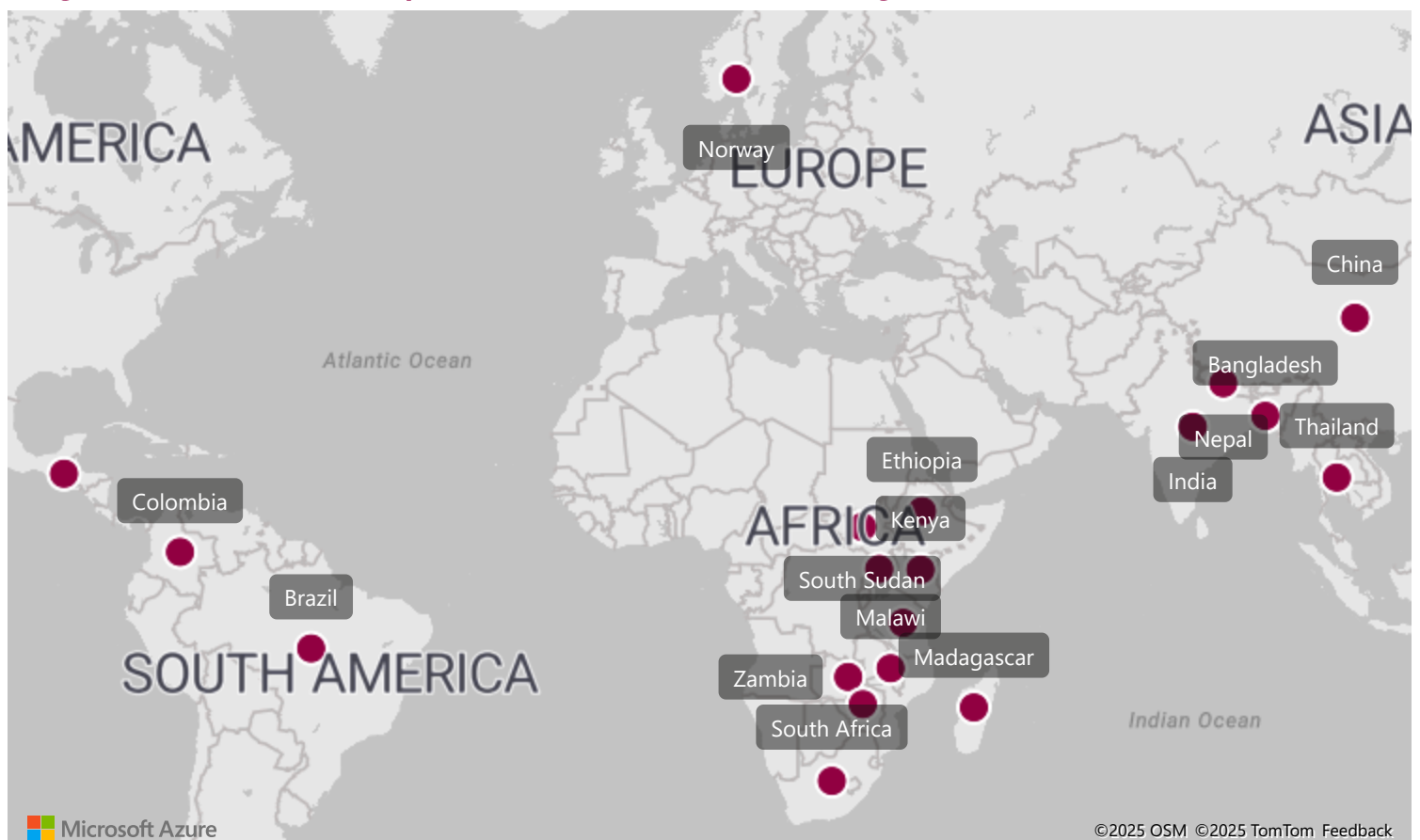
Norec Network Members

325

Partners are predominantly from Civil Society



Organisations have partners in the following countries



Norec Partners in Norway 2025

Partner	City	Contact Person	E-mail
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Stiftelsen Geitmyra matkursenter for barn	Oslo	Brita Carina Nummedal	post@geitmyra.no
Studentenes og Akademikernes Internasjonale Hjelpesfond (SAIH)	Oslo	Kjersti Jahnsen Mowé	saih@saih.no
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Empowering Healthcare Workers in Internal Medicine, Paediatrics and Psychiatry

This partnership between hospitals in Zanzibar and Norway will exchange nurses, doctors, and therapists to improve care in internal medicine, paediatrics, and mental health. The focus will be on preventing and treating diabetes and hypertension, caring for critically ill infants, and diagnosing and managing mental health conditions while reducing stigma. Staff from Zanzibar will learn advanced treatments and leadership skills from Norway, while Norwegian staff will gain experience with tropical diseases and diverse cultural approaches to healthcare. The project aims to reduce illness and death rates, improve skills in patient care and ethical decision-making, increase community awareness about chronic diseases, and promote mental health through education and better services.

DAC Sub Sector

12191 Medical services

Sustainable Development Goal

3. Good Health and Well-Being

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$650K	18	2025	2028

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Helse Bergen HF	Norway
Mnazi Mmoja Hospital	Tanzania

Traumatology and Emergency Medicine between Norway and South Africa, 2025-2028

The project improves patient care in trauma and emergency medicine by sharing skills and providing training between Haukeland University Hospital in Norway and Dr George Mukhari Academic Hospital in South Africa. It focuses on better communication and teamwork in emergency departments, helping South African staff manage their high number of trauma cases and giving Norwegian staff valuable experience with complex emergencies. Haukeland staff gain experience with rare injuries and ambulance services, while South African staff improve their trauma care, teamwork, and communication, supported by digital tools. The project also strengthens digital collaboration, allowing more staff to join meetings and training online.

DAC Sub Sector

12181 Medical
education/training

Sustainable
Development Goal

3. Good Health and
Well-Being

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$402K	12	2025	2028

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Helse Bergen HF	Norway
Dr George Mukhari Academic Hospital	South Africa

Youth Sports Exchange Program (YSEP)

The Youth Sport Exchange Programme brings together partners from Zambia, Zimbabwe and Norway to create safe, inclusive and lasting sports opportunities for children and young people. The project focuses on strengthening organisations, fostering collaboration, and providing accessible sports activities for marginalised groups. Across the countries, barriers such as exclusion of people with disabilities, gender inequality, and economic challenges limit access to sport. Girls, women and those with disabilities often face the greatest obstacles, while low-income families struggle to access facilities and equipment. This project works to tackle these shared challenges and promote equal participation in sport for all youth.

DAC Sub Sector

15170 Women's
equality organizations
and institutions

Sustainable Development Goal

10. Reduced
Inequalities

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$1,4M	45	2025	2028

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Norges idrettsforbund og olympiske komité (NIF)	Norway
National Organisation for Women in Sport Physical Activity and Recreation (NOWSPAR)	Zambia
Response Network	Zambia
Sport in Action	Zambia
Zimbabwe Volleyball Association	Zimbabwe

Music Matters – PULSE 4

This project believes that music is important for creating inclusive and healthy communities. Young musicians on exchange work to build welcoming and supportive learning environments within their bands. They create content, run workshops and training sessions, and engage directly with band members, their organisations, and local communities. The Music Matters – PULSE 4 project aims to strengthen these learning environments by sharing knowledge and experiences, helping each organisation better support young people. Through music, the project boosts young people's confidence and resilience, contributing to stronger, more inclusive communities.

DAC Sub Sector

12261 Health
education

Sustainable Development Goal

3. Good Health and
Well-Being

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$1,7M	47	2022	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Norges Musikkorps Forbund (NMF)	Norway
Field Band Foundation (FBF)	South Africa

Act Now

This project aims to strengthen youth participation in civil society and local communities, and support young people to take part in the fight against injustice and poverty. By working closely with civil society organisations, the project promotes youth leadership and helps ensure that young voices are heard and valued. The exchange gives young people the chance to learn how to engage, organise and lead. It also helps the partner organisations improve their work on youth participation.

DAC Sub Sector

15150 Democratic participation and civil society

Sustainable Development Goal

16. Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$2,3M	110	2022	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Agro-Forestry, Basic Health and Cooperatives (ABC Nepal)	Nepal
Group of Helping Hands (SAHAS) Nepal	Nepal
Strømmestiftelsen	Norway
Organization for Community Development (OCODE)	Tanzania
CBS Pewosa	Uganda
Community Empowerment for Rural Development (CEFORD)	Uganda

Connect

Connect is a youth exchange project that strengthens leadership, global awareness and cultural understanding among young people in Christian organisations in Brazil, Hong Kong and Norway. The project supports youth participation by giving young leaders first-hand cross-cultural experience and practical skills in leadership and project work. Through workshops and shared learning, the partners aim to build stronger, more inclusive organisations that reflect the diversity of their communities. The project also encourages youth to take part in solving global challenges such as poverty, environmental issues and inequality, both locally and globally.

DAC Sub Sector

15150 Democratic participation and civil society

Sustainable Development Goal

4. Quality Education

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$1,3M	60	2022	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Movimento Encontro (ME)	Brazil
The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hong Kong (ELCHK)	China
Det Norske Misjonsselskap (NMS)	Norway

Strengthening the partnership for youth access to life skill based SRHR

This project supports young people's right to life skills education related to sexual and reproductive health and the Sustainable Development Goals. Through exchange, the partners develop tools to help youth understand their rights, build confidence, and take action in their own lives. The project also strengthens the organisations' capacity to work with SRHR and youth empowerment. The goal is to equip young people with the knowledge and skills they need to become active citizens and create positive change in their communities.

DAC Sub Sector

15160 Human rights

Sustainable Development Goal

3. Good Health and Well-Being

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$1,8M	26	2021	2026

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

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

Interact

The Interact project brings together young people from several countries to build leadership skills through multicultural exchange. The goal is to help young people and organisations become better prepared to meet the challenges in their own societies. By living and working in a different context, participants learn how to work across cultures, and see diversity as a strength. The project also supports former participants to stay involved in their home organisations, so their experience can keep making a difference. Interact believes that young people are already leaders – and that strong, inclusive leadership is needed now more than ever.

DAC Sub Sector

15150 Democratic participation and civil society

Sustainable Development Goal

4. Quality Education

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$2,1M	80	2022	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

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

Blantyre-Oslo: Surgical and Critical Care Project

This project supports the exchange of health personnel between Oslo University Hospital (OUH) in Norway and Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital (QECH) in Malawi to strengthen neurosurgery, paediatric surgery, anaesthesia, and intensive care services. The partnership aims to improve leadership, use of medical equipment, and patient care, especially for children undergoing surgery. Malawi faces a severe shortage of surgeons and anaesthesiologists, and this project helps train staff to close that gap. Norwegian participants gain experience treating conditions rare in Norway but common in Malawi, enhancing their skills and cultural understanding. The project contributes to safer, more effective surgical care for Malawi's young population while building valuable expertise for health workers in both countries.

DAC Sub Sector

12181 Medical
education/training

Sustainable
Development Goal

3. Good Health and
Well-Being

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$3,7M	82	2023	2028

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital (QECH)	Malawi
Oslo universitetssykehus HF	Norway

Climate Smart Farming and Circular Economy for Food Security

This project brings together teachers and students in Norway and Uganda to explore climate-smart farming. The goal is to share knowledge on sustainable practices like circular economy, organic farming and the use of seed banks. Pupils will work in school gardens and farms and learn how to grow healthy food in ways that protect the environment. They will also pass on this knowledge to other students, teachers, parents and local communities. Farmers in both countries face serious challenges from climate change, including unpredictable rainfall, soil erosion and the loss of nutrients from the soil. In Uganda, these problems have affected food security for over 20 years. In Norway, similar issues are now becoming more visible. Both partners also see a need to make better use of indigenous knowledge that offers safer, low-cost alternatives, and they aim to find practical and locally adapted solutions.

DAC Sub Sector

31181 Agricultural education/training

Sustainable Development Goal

13. Climate Action

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$178K	8	2024	2026

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Sogn Jord- og Hagebruksskule	Norway
Nyenga Foundation	Uganda

Youth Exchange Against Anti-Rights

This project explores how anti-rights movements – such as anti-gender and anti-environmental rhetoric – affect marginalised youth. By connecting researchers from the Global South and North, the project aims to build new knowledge about how authoritarianism and shrinking civic space impact young people. Participants will conduct research in their home contexts, share findings with their organisations, and develop strategies for advocacy. The goal is to support youth-led action, strengthen the partners’ ability to respond to anti-rights threats, and raise the profile of underrepresented researchers in the global debate.

DAC Sub Sector

15160 Human rights

Sustainable Development Goal

5. Gender Equality

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$273K	12	2024	2026

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Studentenes og Akademikernes Internasjonale Hjelpefond (SAIH)	Norway
The Centre for Sexualities. AIDS and Gender - University of Pretoria	South Africa
Colors Rainbow	Thailand

SEED: Solidarity Exchange for the Environment and Development

This project brings together young people from Malawi and Norway to learn, share and take action for climate justice and food sovereignty. Through exchange, workshops and field visits, participants gain hands-on knowledge about sustainable agriculture, climate adaptation and the links between food systems, climate and inequality. The aim is to build capacity among youth, increase awareness in local communities, and strengthen civil society's voice in climate policy. The project also explores how climate financing and gender equality shape the ability of communities to respond to climate change. By learning from each other's experiences, the partners grow stronger together in their work for a more just and sustainable future.

DAC Sub Sector

15150 Democratic participation and civil society

Sustainable Development Goal

13. Climate Action

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$766K	18	2025	2028

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Point of Progress (PoP)	Malawi
Spire - Utviklingsfondets Ungdom	Norway

Children with Disabilities and UN Rights Conventions

This project connects staff and students from Tanzania and Norway to promote the rights and inclusion of children with disabilities. Through exchange and joint learning, participants gain knowledge about the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD). Together, they develop educational materials for schools and care centres, and work to turn theory into practice. The project strengthens the capacity of both teacher education institutions and the schools they collaborate with, by improving knowledge and skills, and promoting more inclusive and rights-based practices. Digital workshops and joint activities ensure continued learning and collaboration beyond the physical exchange. The long-term goal is to improve quality of life and opportunities for children with disabilities in both countries.

DAC Sub Sector

11130 Teacher training

Sustainable Development Goal

3. Good Health and Well-Being

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$518K	40	2024	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Høgskolen i Molde	Norway
Høgskulen på Vestlandet (HVL) Sykepleie	Norway
Patandi Teachers' College of special needs education (PATCO)	Tanzania
The Open University of Tanzania (OUT)	Tanzania

Femina Global

This project connects healthcare professionals, academic staff and students of nursing and midwifery in Norway and Brazil. Through exchange, participants gain practical experience and share knowledge on maternal, infant and family health.

The aim is to reduce mortality and improve healthcare by learning from different approaches and strengthening women's empowerment in pregnancy, childbirth and early motherhood. Special attention is given to the needs of minority and vulnerable groups. By addressing global health challenges and building cross-cultural competence, the project contributes to sustainable development and better health outcomes for women and infants in both countries.

DAC Sub Sector

12261 Health
education

Sustainable
Development Goal

5. Gender Equality

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$777K	60	2024	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Universidade do Vale do Itajai (UNIVALI)	Brazil
Høgskulen på Vestlandet (HVL) Sykepleie	Norway

Vocational and Entrepreneurship training – A ladder to development Phase V

This project brings together partners in Malawi, Uganda and Norway to strengthen vocational training and promote youth entrepreneurship. In Malawi and Uganda, youth make up the majority of the population, but face high unemployment and limited opportunities. The project addresses this by building skills that are in demand in the job market, helping young people start businesses or find work. Participants will gain hands-on experience in vocational education, entrepreneurship, and service delivery. The Norwegian partner will focus on intercultural exchange, sustainability and global awareness, and use the exchange to build capacity in areas such as event planning, food preparation, and library services. The goal is to empower youth with the tools to build a better future and to strengthen all partner organisations in their role as drivers of regional development.

DAC Sub Sector

11330 Vocational training

Sustainable Development Goal

8. Decent Work and Economic Growth

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$900K	24	2023	2026

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Youth and Community Development Organisation (YouthCode)	Malawi
Flora vidaregåande skule	Norway
Uganda Youth Skill Training Organisation (UYSTO)	Uganda

Entrepreneurial advancement in Agriculture, Blue Economy and Renewable Energy in East Africa

This project supports start-ups in the Agriculture, Renewable Energy and Blue Economy sectors in Kenya and Tanzania. Many new businesses in these fields face barriers such as limited funding, weak support systems and lack of international networks. The partners – Techbridge, MTI and the University of Agder – will work together to strengthen entrepreneurial skills, improve business support programmes, and share knowledge across borders. The goal is to build a stronger start-up ecosystem that helps sustainable businesses grow and succeed. At the same time, UiA will gain new insights to strengthen the international perspective in its entrepreneurship education.

DAC Sub Sector

25030 Business development services

Sustainable Development Goal

8. Decent Work and Economic Growth

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$509K	18	2024	2026

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Techbridge Invest Africa Limited	Kenya
Universitetet i Agder	Norway
MTI Investment Ltd Tanzania	Tanzania

Training of Trainers: Improving entrepreneurial and farming skills of university students

This project brings together universities in Malawi, Tanzania and Norway to improve agricultural education and help more young people find work or start their own businesses. The goal is to modernise small-scale farming by giving teachers better skills and new ideas they can use in their teaching. Participants will learn about digital tools, food production, and how to make farming more climate-friendly. They will also work with private companies and NGOs to make education more practical and relevant. The project shares new methods through churches and mosques, which reach many people in Malawi and Tanzania. In the long term, the project aims to improve food security and give students the tools they need to build a better future.

DAC Sub Sector

31181 Agricultural education/training

Sustainable Development Goal

2. Zero Hunger

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$873K	20	2024	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR)	Malawi
Sogn Jord- og Hagebruksskule	Norway
Moshi Co-Operative University	Tanzania
Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA)	Tanzania
State University of Zanzibar (SUZA)	Tanzania

Cultivating Food Security: An Exchange Program for Sustainable Agriculture and Nutrition Education

This project brings together partners from Norway and Tanzania to improve food security and public health by combining education, sustainable farming and nutrition. The focus is on strengthening school-based programmes that teach children and youth how food is grown, cooked and enjoyed. Through joint workshops and community activities, participants will share knowledge on farming practices and healthy eating, and build practical skills. The exchange will improve teaching methods, spark greater interest in food production, and promote better nutrition among young people. The long-term aim is to develop young professionals who can lead this work and create lasting change in their communities.

DAC Sub Sector

12261 Health education

Sustainable Development Goal

2. Zero Hunger

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$223K	4	2024	2026

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Stiftelsen Geitmyra matkultursenter for barn	Norway
Farm for the Future Tanzania	Tanzania

Development of Hydropower Projects and Sustainable Flood and Erosion Protection

This project brings together partners from Norway and Nepal to strengthen skills and practices in clean energy and climate adaptation. It focuses on hydropower development and how to prevent erosion, flooding and landslides, which are growing challenges in both countries. Participants will share knowledge on sustainable design, site management, and flood protection. They will also explore how to modernise older hydropower plants and adapt to local conditions in different markets. The project builds engineering capacity in both countries and supports the transition to renewable energy, contributing to climate goals and long-term energy security.

DAC Sub Sector

23220 Hydro-electric power plants


Sustainable Development Goal

7. Affordable and Clean Energy

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$283K	8	2024	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Hydro-Consult Engineering Ltd.	 Nepal
Multiconsult Norge AS Dam og Vann	Norway

Oslo-Delhi: Improved basic newborn care

This project connects hospitals in India and Norway to improve care for sick and premature newborns. Nurses and health workers at LHMC and KSCH in Delhi will learn new skills in neonatal care, breastfeeding support, and donor milk management. At the same time, staff from Oslo University Hospital gain experience working in diverse and low-resource settings. The exchange focuses on teaching, teamwork and building cultural understanding. The goal is to reduce newborn deaths by improving care in the first days of life. The project also supports human milk banking and helps more newborns get access to their mother's milk or safe donor milk.

DAC Sub Sector

12181 Medical
education/training

Sustainable
Development Goal

3. Good Health and
Well-Being

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$879K	24	2024	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Lady Hardinge Medical College & Kalawati Saran Children's Hospital	India
Oslo universitetssykehus HF	Norway

Kenya - Norway Resilient & Sustainable Aquaculture Exchange Programme

This project brings together a Norwegian vocational school, a Kenyan fish farm, and a company that re-sells aquaculture equipment. Together, they aim to improve fish health, strengthen aquaculture value chains, and support food security. Participants will exchange knowledge on sustainable production, cold chain logistics, and best practices in feeding and fish welfare. The project also explores how second-hand equipment can be reused, reducing costs and environmental impact. By combining technical training and practical collaboration, the partners seek to build skills, modernise education, and develop scalable solutions for a growing aquaculture sector in Kenya.

DAC Sub Sector

31381 Fishery
education/training

Sustainable Development Goal

12. Responsible
Consumption and Production

PROJECT KEY FACTS

Estimated total grant	Total staff and volunteers	Project start	Project end
\$339K	12	2025	2027

PROJECT ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Jumbo Fish Farm	Kenya
Aquafind AS	Norway
Val skoler As	Norway



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