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FIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

FIDA INTERNATIONAL is a Christian development cooperation and humanitarian assistance organisation founded in 1927. Fida works with local NGOs and communities in its partner countries to combat poverty and strengthen the human rights of people living in vulnerable and marginalised situations. The main donor is the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland; self-funding consists of sponsors, private donations, and income from Fida secondhand stores.

Fida's Development Cooperation Programme 2022–2025 aims to strengthen the rights of children and youth to quality education and a safe living environment. The Development Cooperation Programme includes 10 Country Programmes in Asia, Africa and the Middle East.

Fida's Humanitarian Assistance Programme provides lifesaving assistance and strengthens resilience. The Programme is implemented in several countries with a focus on disability inclusion and psychosocial support.

REACH

UKRAINE

Humanitarian Assistance: Psychosocial Support, Food Security

IRAQ

Peacebuilding, Inclusive Education, Psychosocial Support

YEMEN

Humanitarian Assistance: Psychosocial Support, Food Security

UGANDA

Quality Education (prevention of school drop-out), Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (prevention of FGM and GBV), Economic Security (loan and saving groups). Humanitarian assistance activities in the country.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

Development Cooperation: Inclusive Education (especially children with disabilities), Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (incl. prevention and response on GBV), Psychosocial Support, Peacebuilding, Inclusive triple-nexus approach.

Humanitarian Assistance: Psychosocial Support, Food Security and NFIs, Education in Emergencies

NEPAL

Quality Education and Inclusive WASH in schools

BANGLADESH

Quality Education, prevention of child marriages, Economic Security

MYANMAR

Digital support for learning, Peacebuilding (incl. interreligious dialogue)

ETHIOPIA

Peacebuilding, Vocational training

KENYA

Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (prevention of FGM and GBV), Food Security, Economic Security (loan and saving groups), Sustainable and Conservation Agriculture

BURUNDI

Pre-primary Education, Inclusive Education of ethnic minority group, Food and Economic Security. Humanitarian assistance activities in the country.

TANZANIA

Disability Inclusion and Community-Based Rehabilitation, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (incl. Menstrual Health Management, prevention of FGM and GBV), Sustainable and Conservation Agriculture, Economic Security

MAIN OBJECTIVES

Fida works in close cooperation with local churches and NGO partners to bring hope and a better future, especially for children living in poverty and vulnerable situations. Fida's goal is to bring about sustainable transformation that gives people living in marginalised situations the agency to strengthen their resilience, transform their communities and eradicate poverty.

Fida's Development Cooperation Programme focuses on two main themes:

- The right of children and young people, with and without disabilities, to receive inclusive quality education
- The right of children and young people, with and without disabilities, a safe living environment

Gender Equality, Disability Inclusion and Environment and Climate Resilience are cross-cutting objectives throughout the Programme. Fida and its partners reinforce human dignity, promote peace, and uphold justice.

For more information about the Development Cooperation Programme, see

www.fida.info/en/our-work/fidas-development-cooperation/.

In Humanitarian Assistance, together with local partners, Fida strengthens human dignity amid crises. Fida delivers life-saving assistance, including Food, Psychosocial Support, Education in Emergencies, and Cash and Non-Food Items to those affected by conflicts and disasters. Fida especially focuses on supporting children, persons with disabilities, elderly people, women, and people affected by sexual and gender-based violence.

In 2020-2022, Fida had self-funded humanitarian assistance in Ethiopia, Syria, Lebanon, Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Kenya and Myanmar, in addition to the above-mentioned countries. For more detailed information about the Humanitarian Assistance Programme, see www.fida.info/en/our-work/humanitarian-aid/.

Fida's inclusive triple-nexus approach builds linkages between Development Cooperation, Humanitarian Assistance and peace actions through coordination, resilience building and conflict-sensitive programming.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Gender Equality & Disability Inclusion (intersectionality of gender and disability)
- Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
- Psychosocial Support
- Food Security and Alternative Livelihoods

BUDGET FIGURES

Development Cooperation		
	2022	2023
Government	€ 5,3 million	€ 5,9 million
Self-funding	€1,0 million	€ 1,04 million
Humanitarian Assistance		
	2022 € 3,1 million	2023 € 4,0 million

AREAS OF INTEREST FOR COLLABORATION

- Consortia forming and strategic partnerships for applying for more extensive funding from, e.g. the EU
- Collaboration in partner countries, including corporate collaboration
- Shared expertise, e.g. disability inclusion, safeguarding

FUNDING AND COLLABORATIONS

- Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland (different funding instruments) since 1974
- EU ECHO support for the global Disaster Risk
 Reduction programme (2010–2011)
- EU / Europe Aid projects since 2006, e.g. disability inclusion in Tanzania (2006–2010) and food security in DPRK/North Korea (2013–2018)
- A business collaboration project (2018–2020) through Finnpartnership, a financial instrument for private sector cooperation with development NGOs
- Private donors, including Child Sponsorships
- 30 Second-hand Shops

CONTACT INFORMATION