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The Hanns Seidel Foundation, founded in 1967, is a German political foundation, close to the Christian Social Union (CSU), providing political education “in the Service of Democracy, Peace and Development” in Germany and abroad. It has been named after the former Minister President of Bavaria and Party Chairman of the CSU, Hanns Seidel. Its specialist departments operate in the fields of **political consulting and education, scholarship programmes, international cooperation** with a special focus on development cooperation, as well as **European and transatlantic dialogue**. Please find more information about our work on our website: www.hss.de/en/

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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Hanns Seidel Foundation worldwide





THE INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION PRESENTS ITSELF

MANDATE

For more than 40 years, the Hanns Seidel Foundation has been committed to international cooperation, with a special focus on development cooperation in currently 80 projects in 55 countries worldwide. Our international activities are based on Christian-social ideals and seek to promote humane living conditions and to contribute to sustainable development by strengthening peace, democracy, rule of law and social market economy. In cooperation with our local partners we realise projects in the fields of policy consultancy and political education. Our partners' independency and ownership are of particular importance to us.

DIALOGUE ON DEVELOPMENT POLICY

Since 2003 the Brussels office of the Hanns Seidel Foundation has promoted a dialogue on development policy with decision makers of the European Union. European development policy is discussed in dialogue forums and conferences. The project seeks to create a platform in order to identify possible fields of cooperation and to shape European development cooperation. A key factor is sustainable networking between our project partners and experts from the EU. The foundation deepens their debate about development policy with the general public, as well as politicians and the scientific community by issuing the publication series "Arguments and Materials of Development Cooperation" and regularly organising a "Forum of Development Policy".

FOCUS OF OUR WORK

- ▶ Strengthening of civil society and its organisations
- ▶ Decentralisation and civic participation
- ▶ Promotion of rule of law
- ▶ Advisory service to decision makers in politics, economy and administration
- ▶ Strengthening of state institutions
- ▶ Women empowerment
- ▶ Civic education and management training
- ▶ Bridging of social and ethnic gaps
- ▶ Strengthening of environmental awareness among the population
- ▶ Promoting the exchange on development policy in Germany

PROJECT EXAMPLES

Argentina

Strengthening of state institutions by supporting parliaments at national and regional level.

DR Congo

Poverty alleviation by promoting agroforestry and political participation.

Israel/Palestinian Territories

Sustainable contribution to peaceful coexistence in Israel and the Palestinian territories.

Korea

Support of the reconciliation process on the Korean Peninsula.

Maghreb

Contribution to democratic reforms, strengthening capabilities of mandate holders and civil society.

Mongolia

Promotion of rule of law by modernising the judicial administration.

Myanmar

Promoting democratic and federal structures, strengthening of the regional integration (ASEAN).

Philippines

Promotion of dialogue between prosecuting authorities and the police in order to foster improved networking and exchange.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Do we pursue the right aims? Do we pursue them in the right way?

Asking these central questions about relevance and efficiency helps to ensure the quality of our project work. They analyse the connection between our project activities in the field and long-term goals.

Therefore, our projects are supported by continuous internal monitoring as well as regular independent external evaluations. We seek to measure the state of achievement of our objectives and validate the results' sustainability. The Evaluation division is responsible for coordinating monitoring and evaluation measures.

Andes (Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru)

Promotion of political education and political participation of young people and students.

Central Asia

Contribution to decentralisation by supporting governmental colleges of administration and training programmes.



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