

# North-South Cooperation

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## Activity report 2022

# Our projects in Africa

## Women empowerment in Karamoja (Uganda)

(June 2022-May 2025)



**Project objective:** Increasing the resilience and furthering the community engagement of women and girls from Napak District (Karamoja), by supporting their livelihood and building up their skills through quality training and education.

The programme has 4 components:

- **Economic empowerment** through community-based food production and savings schemes.
- **Social empowerment** through participation in womens' cooperatives and mentoring programmes.
- **Literacy** (in English and the local language) and numeracy training.
- **Improving girls' education** by providing quality education facilities and sufficient teachers for a safe and effective learning environment.

**6 villages - 1 488 direct beneficiaries**

**Local partner : Comboni Missionaries**

**With the support of: MAEE and the Commune of Differdange**

**Food security, community revolving finance, adult education and mentorship: an integrated approach to help women come out of extreme poverty (Napak District, Karamoja, Uganda) was our first project in Uganda. The current project is an extension of the previous one:**

- The agricultural production program continues in the 4 villages (Kangole, Kaotakou, Naowe Korot and Kalokengel) of the previous project, but the two villages of Lomuno and Kailikong have been added into the scope of the project. Currently, the local team is building a warehouse in which women can store their harvest and sell it during the dry season. A tractor has been purchased for the community in order to better plough the clay soil.



- The community savings groups keep operating in all four villages. In the two new villages, after completing a training in finance, the women also created groups and immediately began saving. There currently are 23 savings groups with 475 women members.

- The women in the 6 villages have elected their representatives and formed associations registered with the district. This organisation allows all women to learn about democratic functioning and, for those in leadership positions, to take on responsibilities.

- In each village, literacy classes are held at least twice a week. At the request of the beneficiaries, English classes have been added in all 4 villages. In the two new villages, English will be taught in the second year of the project.

- This new project also includes an education component to support quality primary education in Napak district. This year we have enabled Kangole Girls' Primary School to pay for an additional teacher and to sponsor 10 girls in full boarding school. They were chosen from the poorest of the poor. Currently, the school is taking advantage of school holidays to replace the leaking roof and the floor of a dormitory with a capacity of 140 students.



## Improving hygiene and sanitation in the villages of Matany (Karamoja, Uganda)

(January 2021 - February 2023)

### Project objectives:

- Provide access to hygiene and sanitation.
- Carry out awareness-raising activities in local communities.
- Train local health staff.

24,000 beneficiaries

Local partner: Matany Hospital (MH)

With the support of: MAEE, NIF Foundation, City of Luxembourg, Rotary Club Esch-sur-Alzette, Käl-Téiteng a.s.b.l., ICMSA, Clearstream Charity Committee.



This project has enabled:

- 1) Access to hygiene and sanitation through the construction of 117 pit latrines, extension of primary health care services to hard-to-reach areas, production and distribution of 4,000 sanitary towels to 1,000 girls.





2) Awareness raising among local communities through community dialogues in 60 villages of Matany (24,000 inhabitants).

3) Training of local health and technical staff: 120 members of the village health teams and 100 medical staff were trained in hygiene and sanitation; 4 nurses and 4 midwives, 1 mason, 1 plumber and 1 carpenter benefited from certified training.

Thanks to a very competent and committed local team, this project is going well beyond its initially expected scope. Some examples include:

- The construction of latrines for the poorest families in the large village of Matany has not only eliminated open defecation, but has also benefited neighbouring families, who in turn use the latrines.

- In the surrounding villages, the population is semi-nomadic. Thanks to the work of the health team workers (VHT) in these villages, the population has been sensitized to better hygiene, which has resulted in the adoption of health measures not initially

foreseen by the project. These people have built 393 traditional latrines, 367 bathing shelters, and 389 drying racks for dishes, which means that they have put in place the hygiene measures promoted by the project.

- 1,000 girls have been educated in personal hygiene and received sanitary towels instead of the 500 initially planned. A total of 4,000 sanitary pads were produced, which is double the number originally planned.

- 1,621 children were treated by the VHT in hard-to-reach areas (malaria, pneumonia and diarrhoea).



# Improving maternal and infant health services in Napak District, Uganda

(September 2021 - August 2024)

## Project objectives:

- Improved access to maternal and child health services in the district through **free ambulance services and mobile clinics**.
- **Emergency obstetric services and maternity ward** at Matany Hospital have improved accessibility and guaranteed 24-hour power coverage.



- An increase in the number of professionally trained nurses and midwives in the district.

25,610 beneficiaries

Local partner :  
Matany Hospital (MH)

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Rotary Club Esch-sur-  
Alzette, City of  
Luxembourg and  
Diddeleng Hëlleft.



In the first year, the project had 19,203 direct beneficiaries:

- 1) 724 mothers, 5,180 infants (0-12 months) and 8,948 general patients were visited and treated by mobile clinics in hard-to-reach areas.
- 2) 819 mothers benefited from the ambulance services.
- 3) 691 mothers benefited from emergency obstetric interventions and 2,820 women received obstetric ultrasounds.



- 4) 21 young people from poor families were trained as nurses and midwives.

We have developed a mobile clinic service: in remote areas, pregnant women can receive prenatal care, infants and children can be vaccinated and people who are ill can be treated. Patients with the most serious conditions are taken directly to hospital for immediate care.



In accordance with the guidelines of the local authorities, health education also takes place during outreach visits. The topics covered vary according to the needs of the population: sexually transmitted diseases and preventive measures, the involvement of men in prenatal care, nutrition, domestic accidents, malaria, the Covid 19 pandemic...

During our field visit in October 2022, we were able to attend an outreach visit in Poron sub-county, which has no public services: no primary schools, no health centres. These communities rely on the monthly visits made by Matany Hospital's mobile clinic to receive medical treatment. Prenatal care, vaccinations (for children, girls and mothers) and general treatment are organised in three different stations. Under the shade of three large trees, hundreds of patients at each station patiently awaited their turn. The appreciation for this service by the local population is evident.

We were able to meet the 21 nurses and midwives in training supported by the project and we also attended the school's ceremony for the successful completion of the first semester by the students.

Through this project, free ambulance service can be provided for emergency maternity calls, as well as emergency obstetrical procedures in the maternity ward.

Since the purchase of new batteries for the hospital's solar system in November 2021, the maternity ward and the operating theatre have been supplied with electricity 24 hours a day without interruption.







Thanks to our project, thousands of patients living far from health facilities have been treated :

#### Mobile clinics:

Children's vaccination	1,954
Children's deworming	5,657
Children screened for malnutrition	5,884
Children who received vitamin A	4,044
Girls' vaccination (Human papilloma vaccine)	1,861
Women's Tetanus vaccination	4,209
Pregnant women (Comprehensive Antenatal Care)	1,292
Eye care	218
HIV counseling and testing	439
Patients treated for different diseases	5,820
Patients with complications referred to Hospital	87
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,465</b>



## Empowerment of Maasai women (Longido District, Tanzania)

(November 2022 - October 2024)



### 1) Economic empowerment of Maasai women:

- Establishment of women's cooperatives;
- provision of business training;
- facilitating market access.

### 2) Social empowerment of Maasai women through awareness-raising activities.

### 3) Quality secondary school and girls' empowerment:

- Construction of dormitories;
- Establishment of girls' clubs to encourage empowerment;
- Provision of durable sanitary towels.

3,923 beneficiaries

Local partner: Legal Services Facility (LSF)

With the support of the MAEE

After a number of zoom meetings with LSF representatives and after the development of a concept note, the Board approved the proposal to organise a field visit to Tanzania to work on a project proposal.



Roberto Marta and Josiane Hoffmann visited Tanzania in May 2022; the field visit had four objectives:

- Exchange with LSF, a new partner organisation in Dar Es Salaam.
- Together with LSF, meet the authorities of Longido district.
- Exchange with the beneficiaries, the Maasai community of Longido district, to better understand their needs.
- Planning a women empowerment project that reflects the needs of the Maasai community.

After this visit, the project was developed with LSF and presented to the MAEE. At the end of 2022, the MAEE approved the project, and the first activities started in January 2023.



## Education and promotion of human rights in the slum of Korogocho (Nairobi) Kenya

(June 2019 - May 2022)

**Objective:** A self-sustainable Human Rights network is up and running in Korogocho. Its members are committed to and have all necessary skills for the promotion of human rights and social transformation in Korogocho.

44,700 indirect beneficiaries

**Local partners:** Comboni Missionaries and Tangaza University



With the support of: MAEE, Charity Cross, City of Luxembourg, Diddeleng Hëllef, Actions sans Frontières, International School of Luxembourg.



The project has created a network of human rights defenders, made up of programme beneficiaries. This network has evolved into the Nairobi Slums Human Rights Parliament (NSHR Parliament), which meets on a monthly basis. The network has been able to organise various activities:

1. They organised several voter trainings to promote peaceful elections and campaigns in Kenya. These trainings targeted youth, women, business people and students; in total around 1,000 indirect beneficiaries.



2. NSHR Parliament organised a successful peace march in the slum. The aim of the march was to promote peaceful campaigns and elections in Kenya during the August 2022 general elections. A total of 500 people participated in the march and 7,000 residents received peace pledges.



3. The network was able to produce a slum magazine called My Rights. Over 3,000 copies were distributed. The magazine highlighted the human rights violations that occur in the slums.

4. The network also produced a newsletter presenting their work. 5,000 copies were produced and distributed.

5. Some members of the network participated in radio programmes to raise awareness on human rights issues among slum dwellers in Kenya.

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This project has now reached its end. During its implementation, we have overcome many challenges. That is why we are all the more satisfied to see that the project has achieved its objective and all its results (see final project evaluation <https://www.cns-asbl.org/human-rights>). The training received and the activities carried out by these children and young people have certainly brought about a lasting change for the community.



# Our projects in Luxembourg



North-South: a right for me, a right for you

(January 2022 - December 2022)

**This global citizenship education project includes:**

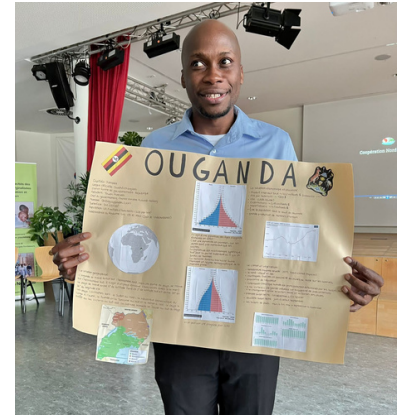
- **The participation** of beneficiaries in workshops and conferences on human rights.
- **Promoting the role of multipliers** (student leaders and teachers) in raising awareness on human rights.



- Raising public awareness on migration through a social media campaign.

1,733 beneficiaries

With the support of the MAEE and Oeuvre Nationale de Secours Grande-Duchesse Charlotte



In this year 2022, we have been able to organise workshops in 6 new high schools, thus bringing our network of schools to 24. Some high schools organise annual events to raise awareness about solidarity and they invite us to offer our workshops to the students. For example, we participated in the National Democracy Week at the Lycée Nic Biever in Dudelange and in the Solidarity Week at Lycée Vauban.

Thanks to the workshops with the young people, 72% of them claim to have improved their knowledge of human rights and 81% of the respondents say they have empathy for marginalised communities. About ten of them have become volunteers as a result of our workshops.

The workshops are also evaluated by the teachers. It is encouraging to see that 97% of the teachers say that we were able to convey an important message to their students and that the workshop was interesting and useful for them as adults.



In addition to the student leaders, the teachers are excellent multipliers, with 9 out of 10 teachers who have worked with us saying that they plan to integrate the topics covered into their lessons.

We have already been able to carry out a first training for teachers with the Institut de Formation de l'Éducation Nationale (IFEN) in Walferdange and the feedback from teachers was very positive.

We had the pleasure of adapting the content of our workshop to children aged 8 to 10 from a section of the European primary school. The children participated very actively and enjoyed the activity. They also sent letters to the young refugees of the JLCT group.

During the month of November, we received a visit from Dr John Bosco Nsubuga, medical director of Matany Hospital. Together with him, we organised five lectures for students and one lecture for adults for a total of 233 students, 20 teachers and 55 adults. The theme of the conference was maternal and child health in the context of Karamoja, Uganda and Sustainable Development Goal 3 "Good Health and Wellbeing".

As part of this series of conferences, we had the opportunity to meet with a host class for young Ukrainian refugees. Some of them then chose to join the JLCT group to learn French.

The awareness campaign "Bien plus qu'un visage" was launched thanks to 4 young volunteers from NSC who supervised the technical aspects of the video production. 12 people, including young refugees, migrants and people working in the field of integration, were filmed. These short videos reveal more than just a face: the interviewees spoke honestly about the challenges and opportunities of their lives in Luxembourg and how they managed to integrate by overcoming the obstacles they encountered.

The 12 videos were published on the association's social networks.



## Jouer la Connexion en Tandems

(September 2021 - February 2023)

**Objective:** Creating social relations and integration activities between young refugees and unaccompanied minors (UAM) and young people living in Luxembourg.

100 beneficiaries

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Secours Grande-Duchesse Charlotte



Our integration project for young refugees "Jouer la Connexion en Tandems" started in September 2021 and continued with great success throughout 2022.

The core of our activity was the academic and language support offered by young high school students living in Luxembourg to young refugees, unaccompanied minors and young refugees.

The high school students were invited to get involved in concrete ways during awareness-raising activities in schools, as part of our "Education for Global Citizenship" project.

We conducted this activity once a week in the city centre of Luxembourg from January to December 2022 with a group of 41 participants.





Gradually, over the past two years, North-South Cooperation has become a very present and visible reality for young refugees who feel the need to integrate and for young students who are looking for opportunities for social engagement.

Between April and July 2022, we extended our activities to the north of the country (Wiltz, Ettelbruck and Diekirch). In the course of 10 meetings, 11 young refugees from the region's shelters were supported in the study of languages and other school subjects by 11 students from local school.

In addition to the school support activities, we offered the young people various workshops and fun activities during the school holidays.

In February, we offered the young people a music workshop. A Gambian artist introduced the 20 participants to the use of percussion instruments.

In May, two sports days were organised: a football tournament and a volleyball tournament, with a total of 26 participants.

The Carnival and Whitsun holiday activities were carried out in excellent collaboration with the staff of the Mamer Youth Centre and with the participation of their members.

During the summer holidays, the following recreational and cultural activities were offered: a trip to the bowling alley, an excursion to Echternach lake with a beach volleyball match and a visit to the Grand Ducal Palace.

Shortly before the Christmas holidays, we offered the young people a trip to the cinema, a football match with lunch in a pizzeria, and a party organised by the young people themselves through the organisation of the menu, the choice of music and group games.

The group now has its own identity and all the young people behave with respect and affection.

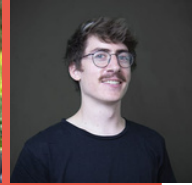
5 young people from the group participated in the awareness-raising campaign "Bien plus qu'un visage" on the issues of migration and integration. They were filmed in short videos in which they talked about their experience of life in Luxembourg and what they consider important to facilitate integration. The 5 videos were published on the association's social networks.



## Events:

Thanks to our many volunteers, we were able to organise various awareness and fundraising events: K-Run, Marché du monde in Dudelange, Festival des Migrations, Festa Bella Ciao, the Christmas market at Lycée Vauban, our annual party...





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In 2022, 3 regular Board meetings took place.  
 The Annual General Meeting of North-South Cooperation was duly held on July 2nd, 2022.



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