# **COOPI IN SOMALIA**





# **COOPI PRESENCE IN THE COUNTRY**

COOPI has been present in Somalia since 1981 and for over 40 years, it has been promoting **health**, **food security**, **livelihood development and access to water and hygiene**.

At first, COOPI primarily implemented **development** projects in the country with the aim of improving the living conditions of **vulnerable households** and helping to build long-term **resilience of communities**. In recent years, the country has faced multiple natural disasters caused by climate change and an exacerbated and **complex multidimensional crisis**. To tackle the situation, COOPI has carried out several **emergency interventions**, especially in response to **floods** and periods of severe cyclical **droughts**.

Since 2012, COOPI has also been part of two active consortia in Somalia:

- the **SomReP (Somalia Resilience Program)** consortium, with which it implements resilience programmes in the Bay and Gedo regions and intervenes in the districts of Baidoa, Dollow and Belet-Hawa:
- the Somalia Cash Consortium, with which it implements cash transfer projects.

## FROM 1981 TO 2022:

256
PROJECTS

38%
DEVELOPMENT



**62%**EMERGENCY

16,442,627 DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

## SECTORS IN WHICH COOPI HAS WORKED IN THE COUNTRY



















FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS

NUTRITIONAL SECURITY

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ECO

ECONOMIC

WASH

TECTION

ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER

MIGRATION

TRAINING



## **COOPI IN SOMALIA TODAY**

COOPI implements humanitarian response and resilience building programmes in Somalia with a multisectoral approach. COOPI key areas of intervention in Somalia are Food Security, Livelihoods, Water and Hygiene (WASH) and Health. To respond to the current drought emergency in Somalia, COOPI has immediately implemented emergency programs, while integrating development and resilience projects in the most affected regions. Each intervention integrates one or more crosscutting areas, namely Protection, Gender, Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), depending on the context. Given the fragile social fabric of the many post-conflict communities COOPI works with, great emphasis is placed on minimising conflicts, by adopting the Do No Harm (DNH) principle, so as to alleviate suffering, preserve people's dignity and save lives.



## SECTORS IN WHICH COOPI OPERATES IN THE COUNTRY





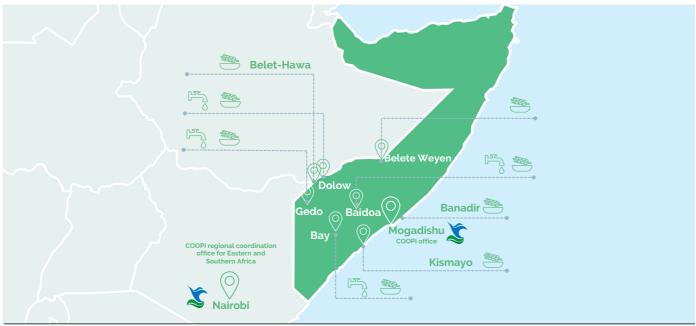








COOPI is currently present in Somalia in the Bay Gedo, Lower Juba, Banadir and Hiraan regions, namely in the districts of Baidoa, Dolow, Belet-Hawa, Mogadishu, Kismayo and Belete Weyen. COOPI regional coordination office for Eastern and Southern Africa is located in Nairobi. There are also other three offices based in Mogadishu (Banadir), Dollow, (Gedo) and Baidoa (Bay).





# MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION



## **FOOD SECURITY**

Somalia is now facing multiple problems such as floods, locusts and droughts, thus exacerbating its difficult environmental and economic situation. In this context, COOPI mainly focuses on meeting basic needs and promoting long-term climate shock response for the most vulnerable Somali households. COOPI strengthens food security and supports the development of community resilience through:

- UNCONDITIONAL, MULTI-PURPOSE CASH TRANSFERS DISBURSED ON
   A MONTHLY BASIS THROUGH MOBILE MONEY SYSTEM FOR
   DROUGHT-AFFECTED HOUSEHOLDS;
- CASH-FOR-WORK INTERVENTIONS TO REVIVE PRODUCTION;
- TRAINING COURSES ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC REINTEGRATION, NAMELY FOR WOMEN, RETURNEES OR YOUNG PEOPLE AT RISK OF MIGRATION:
- AGRO-PASTORAL ACTIVITIES SUPPORT AND REINFORCEMENT;
- PROTECTION OF LIVELIHOODS IN AGRO-PASTORAL AND DISPLACED PERSONS' VILLAGES.

5 2023: 5 PROJECTS 59,033 BENEFICIARIES



READ MORE ABOUT FOOD SECURITY POLICY: WWW.COOPI.ORG/FOODSEC-POLICY



## **WATER AND HYGIENE**

Severe climate change and chronic instability have left thousands of Somali households vulnerable, without access to clean water and adequate sanitation.

COOPI promotes WASH activities in Somalia on multiple levels:

- GRANTING ACCESS TO DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE HOUSEHOLDS AFFECTED BY DROUGHTS AND FLOODS:
- EMERGENCY AND SUSTAINABLE WASH SOLUTIONS IN HARD-TO-REACH RURAL AREAS FOR DISPLACED PERSONS:
- LIFE-SAVING ASSISTANCE BY DISTRIBUTING EMERGENCY WATER VOUCHERS:
- INSTALLATION OF NEW WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS WITH SOLAR POWERED WELLS TO ENSURE A SUSTAINABLE ACCESS TO DRINKING WATER;
- TRAINING THE LOCAL COMMUNITY ON WATER SYSTEMS
   MAINTENANCE AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION TO ENSURE THE
   SUSTAINABILITY OF WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS.

READ MORE ABOUT WATER AND HYGIENE GUIDELINES: WWW.COOPI.ORG/WASH-POLICY







# MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION



## **PROTECTION**

In Somalia, COOPI carries out protection actions mainly in areas with a high presence of displaced persons, refugees, and asylum seekers, as part of integrated emergency response interventions. The main protection activities implemented by COOPI in Somalia are:

- RAPID RESPONSE TO POPULATION MOVEMENT (RRM) IN PROTECTION, HEALTH AND EDUCATION INTERVENTION SECTORS;
- SUPPORT AND REINTEGRATION OF UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN OR YOUNG PEOPLE FORMERLY ASSOCIATED WITH ARMED GROUPS;
- SUPPORT AND REINTEGRATION OF WOMEN WHO HAVE SURVIVED VIOLENCE;
- TRAINING FOR INCOME-GENERATING ACTIVITIES.

2023: 1 PROJECT 12,626 BENEFICIARIES



LEARN MORE ABOUT THE APPROACH AND METHODOLOGIES APPLIED: PROTECTION POLICY WWW.COOPI.ORG/PROTECTION-POLICY





# **NETWORK IN SOMALIA**

#### **CLUSTERS IN WHICH COOPI PARTICIPATES**

Food Security • Health • Water and Hygiene

### INSTITUTIONS WITH WHICH COOPI COOPERATES

Village Development Committees • Representatives of beneficiaries • Federal Government of Somalia • Regional states • Local district authorities

#### **COOPI NATIONAL AND LOCAL PARTNERS**

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### **COOPI INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

ACF Spagna • ACTED • ADRA • CWW • DRC • Norwegian Refugee Council • OXFAM Spagna • WVI • SomReP (Somalia Resilience Program) Consortium • Cash Consortium.

## **COOPI INSTITUTIONAL DONORS**

#### **COOPI ACTIVITIES IN SOMALIA ARE CURRENTLY FUNDED BY:**



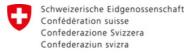
















# **COOPI DEVELOPMENT LINES IN SOMALIA**

COOPI main areas of intervention in Somalia in the near future will be:

- **emergency response**, especially in the event of natural disasters, with rapid response mechanisms (RRM);
- Food security, by promoting access to and diversifying livelihoods, ranging from pastoralism to fishing, and adopting the cash-for-work model for incomegenerating activities, with a focus on women's empowerment and renewable energy;
- Water and sanitation by continuing to invest in sustainable water infrastructures;
- Education for peace, by strengthening inclusive governance, promoting peace building and fostering social inclusion, while creating a resilience-development-peace cluster.



# READ MORE ABOUT COOPI PROJECTS IN SOMALIA WWW.COOPI.ORG/SOMALIA





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