

Partnering to support Kenya's Sustainable Development

German Development Cooperation in Kenya

German Development Cooperation and Kenya: Collaborating for over 55 Years

Kenya is a Lower Middle Income Country (LMIC) and one of the leading economies in Africa. The Kenya Vision 2030, the national long-term development policy, aims to transform the country into a middle-income country, providing a high quality of life to all its citizens by 2030 in a clean and secure environment.

For more than 55 years, the German Development Cooperation (GDC) has contributed extensive expertise and investments to improve services and address human needs. In the process, GDC has built a strong network and partnership with Kenya and is, today, a key supporter of the country's sustainable development agenda and the implementation of Vision 2030.

Kenya and Germany have a long-standing partnership based on mutual respect and trust, with development cooperation as a core element. Germany is an important external development partner for Kenya, and the country is one of the most important partners of development cooperation in Africa.

Partnering to Realise Kenya's Vision 2030

Bilateral Cooperation

Germany's engagement and priorities are driven by Kenya's development agenda, as stipulated in Vision 2030 and in the

| GERMAN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION IN KENYA IN BRIEF | |
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| Objective | To support sustainable development and to achieve the SDGs |
| Sectors covered | Agriculture and rural development, health, water and sanitation, sustainable economic development / promotion of youth employment and vocational training, good governance, renewable energy and energy efficiency |
| Counties covered | 36 |
| Total financing committed 2010–2013 | EUR 390.3 million |
| Total financing committed 2014–2016 | EUR 293.6 million |
| Total commitments 2017–2018 | EUR 252.35 million |

country's medium-term strategies (Medium Term Plans, MTPs). GDC aims to support sustainable development with equitable promotion of service and the reduction of poverties and inequalities as core objectives.

At the heart of the partnership is bilateral technical and financial cooperation provided mainly by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and primarily implemented through the *Deutsche Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH* and KfW Development Bank.



Based on Kenya's priorities and GDC's comparative advantages, Kenya and Germany have agreed that GDC's bilateral cooperation should focus on:

- Agriculture and rural development (including drought resilience and food security)
- Health
- Water and sanitation (to be phased out)
- Sustainable economic development/ promotion of youth employment and vocational training (to be phased in)

German Development Cooperation seeks to boost youth employment for sustainable development. Photo: GIZ / Ursula Meissner

In addition, the partnership spans a wide range of other programmes and activities:

- Good governance
- Renewable energy and energy efficiency, including the promotion of solar, geothermal, wind and hydro energy
- Several special initiatives, global and regional programmes and projects
- Private sector development, including long-term financing for the private sector implemented by GIZ and *Deutsche Investitions- und Entwicklungsgesellschaft (DEG)*
- Programmes and projects funded by other Federal Ministries (especially the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety, BMUB)
- Humanitarian assistance, including support to refugees, mainly from Somalia and South Sudan

International Cooperation

In addition to bilateral cooperation, Germany supports Kenya's sustainable development by co-funding programmes and projects of international financing institutions, such as the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the African Development Bank, as well as United Nations agencies and European Development Cooperation.

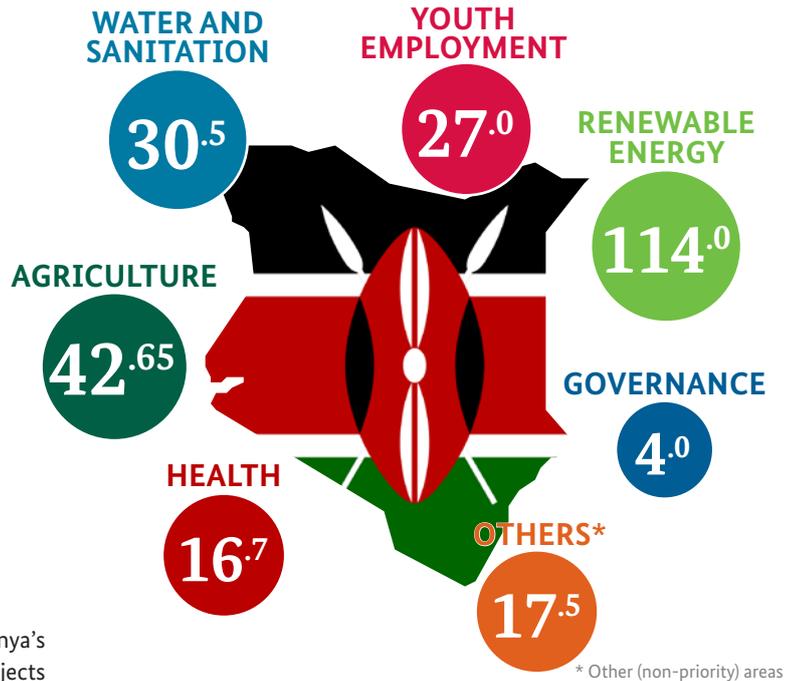
Effective Development Cooperation

Germany engages proactively in the Development Partner's Group, the sectoral Joint Sector Working Groups, the Aid Effectiveness Group and the European Union (EU) Joint Programming, in order to fulfil the quality standards of effective development cooperation as set out in the Nairobi Outcome Document agreed upon at the 2nd High Level Meeting of the Global Partnership on Effective Development Cooperation, held in Nairobi from 28 November to 1 December 2016.

Meeting Partner Needs

GDC aims to respond to Kenya's changing needs as a Low Middle Income Country by adapting its portfolio and using relevant instruments. Institutional and human capacity development, advisory services, investments through grants and low-interest loans, long-term financing for the private sector, and development partnerships will be used in a flexible way to meet partner demands and needs. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development has identified the private sector as a key player for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Therefore, the Germany-

GDC Sector Commitments 2017–2018 in EUR Millions



Kenya cooperation is striving to intensify collaboration with the private sector, involving German and Kenyan enterprises.

Technical and financial cooperation are delivered as one, by combining investments, advisory services and capacity development at different levels. Based on its long-standing and broad experience, GDC support extends across local, county and national levels, up to engagement with the East African Community and the African Union. This approach enables GDC to inform advisory services at the national level with experience from the local context.

Looking Ahead: Moving Beyond Development Cooperation

Over the last 55 years, things have changed: Kenya has become a Lower Middle Income Country (LMIC); in 2015, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were launched, and in 2016, the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC) released the Nairobi Outcome Document. The cooperation between Kenya and Germany has to adapt to the resulting opportunities and challenges. Germany's engagement is driven by a belief in Kenya's ambition to reduce poverty and inequalities and achieve all SDGs. Germany is committed to remaining a partner of Kenya towards these goals, and to move beyond development cooperation, by supporting the country in including all partners and mobilizing all resources towards sustainable development.

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