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# identity and Mission

LVIA seeks to promote responsible citizenship based on the principles of solidarity, to act effectively to promote change, to sustain dialogue and mutual understanding among peoples for building a more just and united world. A global society in which the dignity of every person is safeguarded and promoted, in which each individual person may enjoy fundamental liberties, have access to resources and services, have the possibility to live in a healthy environment and improve the quality of life in all aspects; a global society in which every single individual and all communities have the right of self-determination consistent with the cultural rights of other peoples and every man and woman on earth.

LVIA mission

In 2016, to meet the objectives of its mission statement, LVIA operated in 10 Countries of Sub-Saharan Africa, with interventions of development and in response to the emergencies in Burkina Faso, Burundi, Ethiopia, Guinea-Bissau, Guinea Conakry, Kenya, Mali, Mozambique, Senegal, Tanzania and in Italy for the promotion of active citizenship and cross-cultural understanding.

In 2016, the investment in cooperation projects and humanitarian aid amounted to Euros 5,968,996 - a quota equal to 92% of the expenditures that achieved factual results in improving life conditions for 540,000 people.

- **67,000 people** (29,000 women and 38,000 men) have better living conditions thanks to development interventions in the **rural and pastoral sector**;
- 180,000 people (96,000 women and 84,000 men) have better living conditions thanks to interventions in water access and sanitation;
- 20,000 people (11,000 women and 9,000 men) have better living conditions thanks to interventions on **energy provision and the environment**. LVIA operated with local partners mainly on waste management;
- 17,000 people (8,500 women, 7,000 men and 1,500 children) have better living conditions thanks to interventions of social inclusion and democratic participation. Decentralised cooperation between Italian and Burkina Faso communities (which LVIA also followed through in 2016) is part of this category;
- **256,000 people** (201,500 women, 2,000 men and 52,500 children) have better living conditions thanks to LVIA activities against **severe acute malnutrition**.

All in all, the resources for development actions, equal to 70.3% of the investments in the countries, have benefitted 213,000 people; the resources for humanitarian interventions equal to 29.7% of the resources, have benefitted 327,000 people.

All interventions were carried out taking into account environmental sustainability principles with particular attention to permanent future benefits.

# The investment in active citizenship actions in Italy amounts to Euros 137,371 - a quota equal to 2 % of expenditure.

Thanks to awareness-raising campaigns, development projects and the activities of the territorial groups, **44,000 people were involved in Italy** with the purpose to garner attention and civil engagement to themes of international solidarity, the promotion of an open and intercultural society and direct participation in the dynamics of socio-economic change.

# THE ASSOCIATION

The LVIA, Lay Volunteers International Association, was established in 1966. LVIA is a non-profit membership organisation, seeking effective and innovative means of action, acknowledging the core values and the commitment to volunteerism in all its diversity.



# **PARTNERS AND NETWORKS**

# SENEGAL

# INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS • 2 International NGOs • 1 Public Authority

- 1 Diaspora Association
- 1 Research Institute
- 2 Public Authorities
- 1 Local NGO
- 1 Diaspora Association
  1 Youth Association for Social
- Innovators
- 1 Company for Plastic Waste Management and Recovery

# NETWORKS

 PFONGUE - European NGOs platform

# MALI

- **INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS** 2 International NGOs
- LOCAL PARTNERS
- 4 Public Authorities1 Local NGO

  - **NETWORKS** FONGIM - International NGO
  - Forum
- 2 Rural Organisations 1 Women Association

Units

**NETWORKS** • SPONG - NGO Standing Secretariat

**BURKINA FASO** 

2 Local Authorities Coordination

1 Group of Banking Foundation

**INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS** 

6 International NGOs

LOCAL PARTNERS 6 Public Authorities 2 Local Authorities

• RE-SOURCES - Network for Sustainable

**ETHIOPIA** 

CCRDA - Consortium of Associations

for Development with a Christian Vo-

**INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS** 

4 International NGOs

LOCAL PARTNERS

• 3 Public Authorities

• 1 Local NGO

**NETWORKS** 

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- Management of Solid Waste ALLIANCE FAS'EAU - Water and
- Hygiene for Everybody

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#### ITALIA

# PARTNERS

- 56 NGOs and Associations
- 22 Regional Public Authorities,
- Local Authorities and Coordination Units
- 35 Firms
- 2 Volunteering Service Providers
- 4 Committees
- 8 Consortia and Federations
- 7 Cooperatives
- 30 Religious Institutions
- 10 Foundations • 12 Group
- 70 Schools
- 2 Universities
- 150 Mass-Media • 8 Others

# **NETWORKS**

- FOCSIV NGOs Federation with a Christian Vocation
- LINK 2007 NGOs association
- GCAP Coalition against Poverty COP - Consortium of Piedmont
- NGOs Italian Water Movements Forum
- L'ITALIA SONO ANCH'IO -Campaign for citizenship of second generations of migrants
- VPS and ONG 2.0 networks for communication in international cooperation

# **GUINEA CONAKRY**

**INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS** 2 International NGOs

# LOCAL PARTNERS

- 2 Public Authorities
- 3 Local NGOs
- 3 Rural Organisations
- 1 Agricultural Cooperative

# **GUINEA-BISSAU**

## **INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

- 3 International NGOs 1 Religious Institution
- 1 Microcredit Institution
- 1 University
- 1 Company for Domestic Waste Management

# LOCAL PARTNERS

- 5 Public Authorities
- 1 Local Authority
- 2 Local NGOs
- 1 Rural Organisation
  1 Company for Domestic Waste Management

# **BURUNDI INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

3 International NGOs

# LOCAL PARTNERS

- 1 Local NGO
- 2 Local Authorities

#### **NETWORKS**

 RESO - NGO Coordination Committee

# MOZAMBIQUE

**INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS** 1 NGO Coordination Unit

# LOCAL PARTNERS

- 1 Public Authority
- 7 Local Authorities
- 1 Association of Local
- Authorities
- 2 Cooperatives for Waste
- Management and Recovery • 1 Research Institute
- 2 Companies for Waste
- Management and Recovery

# **NFTWORKS**

GONG - Italian NGOs platform

# **KENYA INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

1 International NGO

on water, hygiene, and health

TANZANIA

TAWASANET - Civil society network

focusing on water, hygiene

**INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS** 

7 International NGOs

LOCAL PARTNERS

3 Local Authorities

1 University

# LOCAL PARTNERS

- 2 Local NGOs
- 7 Public Authorities

#### **NETWORKS** WESCOORD - Committee focusing

• 1 University

1 Local NGO

1 University

**NETWORKS** 

and health

# financing bodies

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# **OUR MAIN FINANCING BODIES**

# INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

- ECHO
- UE

who we are

- FAO
- MINUSMA
- Global Sanitation Fund

# NGOS AND INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Plan International
- CRS Catholic Relief Service
- Novara Center

# GOVERNMENTAL BODIES AND PROGRAMMES

- MAECI Department of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation
- AICS Italian Agency for Development Cooperation
- DFID Department for International Development of UK
- Oromya Agricultural Office (Ethiopia)
- SNNPRS Agricultural Office (Ethiopia)
- Department for Environment of Mozambique
- Dutch Embassy
- GIZ German Cooperation

# LOCAL AND REGIONAL BODIES

- Region of Piedmont
- Region of Tuscany
- Region of Emilia-Romagna
- ATO (Optimal Territorial Scope) Alessandria
- ATO (Optimal Territorial Scope) Torino

# RELIGIOUS BODIES

Waldensian Evangelical Church (Italian 8% tax donation scheme)
Italian Episcopal Conference (Catholic Church)

# FOUNDATIONS

- CRT Foundation Savings Bank of Turin
- CRC Foundation Savings Bank of Cuneo
- Cariplo Foundation
- CRF Foundation Savings Bank of Fossano
- Savings Bank of Forlì Foundation
- Compagnia di San Paolo (Banking Foundation)
- ACRI Association for Savings Banks and Foundations
- CDF Foundation for Climate and Development
- AQUA FOR ALL
- San Zeno Foundation
- Kinder in Not

# activities in Italy



\*IMPRESSION: number of times in which a post is published

FANS

# agro-pastoral development

LVIA operates in favour of agro-pastoral development by supporting family-managed agriculture, so that subsistence farming can transition to a more lucrative type of production – capable of creating local development, and of being sustainable from an environmental and a social point of view.

> There are many problems plaguing small producers in Sub-Saharan Africa. In 2016 LVIA promoted interventions, which helped to improve food security and living conditions for 67,000 people, working with the population living in rural areas of 8 African Countries.



**PROJECTS AND ACTIONS** 

BUILDING OF INFRASTRUCTURES AND PROVISION OF EQUIPMENT

BURKINA FASO • 1 soy processing unit and 1 barn built

**BURUNDI** • 4 agricultural services centres equipped with processing machines and tools

**ETHIOPIA** • 4 ceral banks and 120 compost facilities built

**GUINEA CONAKRY** • 12 motor pumps delivered to FUMA - horticulturists federation



**BURKINA FASO** • 10 ha. of cultivated fields for soy seeds multiplication • 600 ha. of farming areas put under protection

**BURUNDI** • 12 ha. of vegetable gardens cultivated **ETHIOPIA** • 1.35 km. of irrigation systems either recovered (1.2 km) or built (150 m) • 14.5 ha. of terracing and dugouts for soil and water preservation • 4 sites recovered through anti-erosion works **GUINEA-BISSAU** • 68 ha. of irrigation systems built • 30 ha. of soil re-populated with mangrove

**GUINEA CONAKRY** • 10 vegetable garden wells provided with hand-pumps

MALI • 9 vegetable gardens cultivated • 2.6 km. of closes built and 6 ha. of rice fields recovered



**KENYA** • 8 pro-vaccination and pro-worming campaigns for 653,271 animals including cows, goats, donkeys, and camels



**BURKINA FASO** • 2 warrantage outreaches (harvest deposit to be used as loan warranty) for 250 producers

**ETHIOPIA** • 1 training on accounting, management, and guidance for 80 cooperatives, plus economic support for 4 of them • Start-up funds for improved seeds multiplication for 5 cooperatives



**BURKINA FASO** • 11.3 tons of seeds, 5.4 tons of fertiliser, 2.45 tons of products for plants health to 2,873 producers

**ETHIOPIA** • 210.4 tons of seeds, 162 tool kits, 48 lt. of products for plants health, and 35 ha. of anti-erosion plants to 3,255 producers

**GUINEA-BISSAU** • 1.75 tons of fertiliser and 150 tool kits to the Carantaba rice centre

GUINEA CONAKRY • 24.07 tons of seeds and 4,253 lt. of fertiliser to producers' unions

KENYA • 466 tool kits for rubber and resin collection distributed to local groups

MALI • 30 seeds and tool kits to 945 producers



ETHIOPIA • Raising awareness of anti-erosion techniques through cage and sand bag installation campaigns

**GUINEA-BISSAU** • 1 "AGRIFEST", a festival of local agriculture, organised together with 54 farmer organisations and 15 cooperatives



ETHIOPIA • "Study on the feasibility of dry land agriculture and farming techniques" by Samara University College of Dry Land Agriculture, Ethiopia • "Livestock supply chain analysis" by Wollo University School of Veterinary and Medicine of Dessie, Ethiopia • 1 data bank on water resources created in a woreda

**GUINEA-BISSAU** • Design of a water-agricultural system in a mangrove rice field in Pecixe • Study on the feasibility of recovering an irrigated area in Carantaba • 2 Docking piers for boats designed on the Pecixe island • Sampling and preservation of 105 inbred mangrove rice varieties • Seed production and purification campaign • Study on the renovation of a cereal bank

**KENYA** • 1 Planning support reference study • 1 Market analysis on non-wood forest products (rubber, resins, honey)





**BURKINA FASO** • 24 training sessions and 2 seminars on soy supply chain for 523 producers • 2 training sessions on associative management for 93 producers • 2 exchange visits for 108 producers • Technical guidance for the ASK and CRUS farmer organisations

**BURUNDI** • 7 technical-agronomic training sessions and 3 exchange visits for 300 farmers • 4 economic-managerial training sessions for 120 farmer organisations' managers

**ETHIOPIA** • Technical-agronomic training for 596 farmers, and for 72 government experts, cooperatives, iddirs • Economic-managerial training for 213 farming cooperatives' members • Exchange visits between cooperatives for 282 producers and government representatives • Fodder and milk production training for 40 families • Multi-actor meeting focused on the improved seeds sector • 10 community committees, 44 community leaders and institutional experts trained on the community management of pastures • 23 committees trained on decreasing vulnerability related to weather conditions • 13 training sessions for water management committees • 1 training session for 61 para-veterinarians

**GUINEA-BISSAU** • 4 training sessions and 3 exchange visits on rice-growing techniques and water-agricultural works management for 70 farmers • Training and guidance for cooperatives of the rural services centres (CSR) and for 15 CSR platform

**GUINEA CONAKRY** • Training on Workplace and on Educational Camps for 1,661 producers • 5 agricultural trade centres backed up in the processing of their business plans

**MALI** • 4 training sessions on rice and vegetable growing techniques for 550 producers

**KENYA** • 19 training sessions on rubber and resin gathering and processing, and on natural resources protection for 410 groups

**TANZANIA** • Technical-managerial guidance for bee keeping groups

Water is essential for life. When water comes, life transforms. Water improves life for families, in particular for women; it improves the economy, health, and nutrition; it reduces conflicts. Water is the foundation of sustainable development. From food to energy safety, to human and environmental health, access to water can contribute to the improvement of social well-being and inclusive growth.

> In 2016, the interventions promoted by LVIA in Sub-Saharan Africa led to the provision of access to water and health and hygiene services for up to 180,000 people in 5 Countries – activities that can be considered both humanitarian work (resilience interventions in response to drought) and part of development action.

> > MULTICOUNTRY







**BURKINA FASO** • 18 deep wells either built (14) or recovered (4), provided with hand-pumps, in the Centre-West and Sahel regions

**ETHIOPIA** • 4 wells, either built and provided with hand-pumps and animal troughs (2), or recovered and provided with solar plants (2), in the Afar region **KENYA** • 1 deep well built in the Isiolo county • 3 deep wells put under protection and recovered, with hand-pump replacement and solar plant installation

MALI • 35 deep wells, provided with hand and solar energy pumps, either built (5) or recovered (30) in the Gao and Mopti regions

**TANZANIA** • 2 wells either built (1) or recovered (1), provided with hand-pumps, in the Nkwenda village



**ETHIOPIA** • 2 aqueducts extended for 2.5 km in the Afar region • 4 water points built and connected to the water network extension made for the agro-pastoral communities in Afar

**KENYA** • 6 aqueducts extended to reach schools (3) and dispensaries (3) in the Isiolo county



**KENYA** • 16 latrines and whashing blocks with improved ventilation (VIP) built in schools (4) and in health centres (5) in the Isiolo county

RAINWATER COLLECTION AND PURIFICATION SYSTEMS

**KENYA** • 24 rainwater collection systems built in schools (21) and in health centres (3) in the Isiolo county

**TANZANIA** • 10 "Sun for Water" purification systems installed in the hospital of Kongwa, in health centres, in schools, and in the Chiwona village



**KENYA** • 5 health and hygiene kits (washing products, insecticides, purification products, etc.) distributed in 5 schools in the Isiolo county • 225,690 water purification kits (Water Pur sachets and 10 lt. buckets) distributed to 1,934 families in the Isiolo county, with priority given to those including 0-5 year old children • 661 family hygiene kits (laundry, hand and body soap, sanitary pads, underwear, supplements, etc.) distributed in the Isiolo county to the same number of families, with priority given to those including 0-5 year old children

MALI • 1,400 health and hygiene kits distributed to the same number of families in Gao





**BURKINA FASO** • 57 awareness-raising sessions held in health centres for 1,163 women • 882 athome visits for 240 women

MALI • 1 awareness-raising campaign in 25 villages • 1 awareness-raising radio campaign

**TANZANIA** • 12 awareness-raising sessions regarding health and hygiene held in the schools of rural villages • 6 awareness-raising sessions on hand washing techniques and on latrine covering systems, so as to improve the hygiene of public environments and the cleanliness of latrines, held in rural villages • 32 awareness-raising sessions regarding health and hygiene for craftsmen, businessmen, and microcredit groups for buying latrines



**BURKINA FASO** • 16 economic-managerial training sessions for wells management committees • 1 seminar on water works management systems for technicians and officials

ETHIOPIA • 13 training sessions for water facilities management committees

**KENYA** • 10 training sessions on mediation strategies in case of conflicts related to water points and natural resources usage for 273 groups • 20 economic-managerial training sessions and seminaries for 12 water management committees • 450 health and hygiene training sessions in dispensaries and in schools for 8,406 students and 6,618 patients

MALI • 1 technical-hydraulic training session for technicians and craftsmen • 25 economic-managerial training sessions for 250 people

**TANZANIA** • 1 managerial-accounting training session for water management bodies • 2 workshops on economic-managerial themes and on water sector regulations for water committees, management community committees, service providers, technicians, and village leaders

# energy and environment

Projects promoted by LVIA within the environmental sector actualise processes for social and economic development, as well as for inclusion and education, through activities which encourage the sustainable management of waste and, on a lesser scale, operate for access to energy.

> Improved waste management, including the promotion of the "reduce-reuse-recycle" strategy, is part of a development course capable of promoting sustainability and environmental protection.

In 2016, the projects have improved living conditions for 20,000 people in four African Countries.



**PROJECTS AND ACTIONS** 

**GUINEA-BISSAU** • 1 waste management and recovery centre built in Bissau • 23,000 tons of waste and 20 unofficial dumping sites removed from within cities

**SENEGAL** • 1 bio-digester prototype in recycled plastic • 2 kiosks for plastic waste collection for 20 sanitation workers



**GUINEA-BISSAU** • 1 start-up fund for the cooperative for waste collection, management and recovery in Bissau



**MOZAMBIQUE** • 2 days of action for the sanitation of beaches in Macaneta and Maputo, within the framework of the national Campaign "Caço Operation" • 2 articles published in the biannual magazine of the National Association of municipalities in Mozambique

**SENEGAL** • 2 awareness-raising days and 5 radio broadcasts for the inauguration of the waste collection kiosks in the Thiès neighbourhoods, and for raising awareness among the population

**GUINEA-BISSAU** • 11 days of action for the sanitation of the neighbourhoods and for spreading information on waste collection and management in Bissau • 7 radio debate sessions on the themes of environment and waste management in Bissau



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**GUINEA-BISSAU** • 5 small carts for the transportation of urban waste delivered to the waste collection, management and recovery cooperative in Bissau

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**GUINEA-BISSAU** • 1 plan for solid urban waste management in the city of Bissau • 1 preparatory study on the feasibility of a prospective dumping site in Bissau • 1 sociological study on "catadores", unofficial waste collectors

**MOZAMBIQUE** • Data collection and analysis regarding solid urban waste management in 53 municipalities of the Country • Monitoring of the implementation of plans for integrated management of solid urban waste on a municipal level • Comparative analysis of the environmental legislation on waste management adopted in Brazil, Portugal, South Africa (Mozambique's 3 reference Countries) **SENEGAL** • 1 study on the feasibility of carrying out waste management plans in 10 municipalities TECHNICAL TRAINING AND GUIDANCE GUIDANCES

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MEN

20,000 PEOPLE

1 000

WOMEN

**BURKINA FASO** • Guidance for the Resources Platform (30 NGOs and associations, 10 societies, 6 universities, 5 local bodies, 4 public bodies)

GUINEA-BISSAU • 1 technical training cycle for sanitation workers, neighbourhood association activists, unofficial waste collectors, and the cooperative for the actualisation of waste collection service in Bissau • 1 economic-managerial training cycle for the cooperative for waste collection, management and recovery in Bissau • 1 exchange visit in Italy for one Bissau institutional delegation, with the Sintesi s.rl. shareholding society and the University of Padua, in conjunction with the mission of the delegation representing Mozambique

**MOZAMBIQUE** • Guidance on financial management and customer network expansion for the ComSol waste management and recovery cooperative · 2 training sessions on medical waste disposal site construction, and on the processing of dangerous waste created by extraction activities, for the technicians of the Department for Environment and Municipalities • 2 training sessions on 3R (reduce-reuse-recycle) activities, both on a national level and in Maputo • 2 seminars on solid urban waste management and on participative models of governance on a municipal level • Participation in the Environment Fair and in the Urban Festival of Maputo for the promotion and trade of good practice • 1 international workshop on Climate Justice • 1 exchange visit in Italy for one institutional delegation from Mozambique (Department for Environment and National Association of Municipalities), with the Sintesi s.r.l. shareholding society and the University of Padua, in conjunction with the mission of the delegation representing Bissau

# social inclusion and democratic participation

LVIA is focused on improving living conditions of those people in a situation of serious social and economic disadvantage in Countries of intervention, so as to make them active and independent.

In 2016, the activities carried out focused on specific disadvantaged areas and their social inclusion, involved 17,000 people, including 1,500 children, in 6 African countries.

WOMEN

# PROJECTS AND ACTIONS



**BURKINA FASO** • Remote support for 112 students of a school in Gorom-Gorom (cooperation between communities - Enndàm)

**ETHIOPIA** • Remote support for 13 families to assist with attendance at school

**SENEGAL** • Support for 3 primary school dining halls for 775 children

**TANZANIA** • Remote support for 50 female students to help them attending high school and staying in the Kongwa hostel



## BURKINA FASO - ITALY

LVIA guidance for the cooperation between communities provided to: the Piossasco municipality and another 10 Piedmont municipalities in conjunction with the Gorom-Gorom municipality (Enndàm Programme); the LVIA Sangano group in conjunction with the Kiéré community; and to the Cocopa - Municipality Coordination Committee for Peac of Turinm, for activities in Burkina Faso.

 1 fund for small water interventions created for the Gorom-Gorom municipality, and 4 wells repaired (Cocopa- Enndàm) • 1 capitalization meeting on drinking water management in some municipalities in Burkina Faso, Senegal, Mali, and Italy (Cocopa) • Strengthening of the civil status service of the Gorom-Gorom municipality, and supporting the Festichams - Camels Festival (Enndàm) • Supporting the water reservoir in the Kel Eguief village (Enndàm) • 20 agricultural groups supported in the creation of value within the onions, cowpeas, and sesame supply chains (Enndàm) · Radio campaign, accessible local languages for refugees, on illness prevention (Enndàm) • 1 primary school built in Gountouré (Enndàm) • 300 mt. expansion of Kiere's water aqueduct, and installation of 1 fountain (LVIA Sangano) • 52 ha. of land cultivated with soy, 270 women trained on processing, and 10 small scale businesses subsidised by microcredit (LVIA Sangano)



**GUINEA CONAKRY** • Participation in the outlining of a new national policy for social protection



GUINEA CONAKRY • 1 awareness-raising campaign on the conditions of unofficial waste collectors, including recreational-educational activities, an animated video on the violation of their rights, 25 radio commercials, 9 soccer tournaments, 1 theatre show, 1 TV report

**TANZANIA** • 1 theatrical forum for raising awareness of library usage and attendance in the Kongwa community



**GUINEA CONAKRY** • 3 centres for the youth provided with 3 table football sets, 6 draughts boards, 24 board games, 9 balls, 6 goalposts, 30 uniforms, 3 swings, 3 TVs, 3 CD players, 30 movie and cartoon DVDs, purchasing of clothes, shoes, 750 bedsheets and quilts. • 3 centres for the support of women involved in prostitution, provided with 500 gynaecological kits (medicines, contraceptives, materials for examinations) and with 1 van suitable for use as a mobile clinic • 1 centre for the support of waste collectors, furnished with 140 safety kits each containing a work uniform, gloves, plastic boots, a rainproof coat, a helmet, a face mask, a rake, and a shovel.

MALI • 2 primary schools renovated and provided with 150 educational kits (backpack, pencil case, and notebooks)

**TANZANIA** • 5 bookcases, 1 computer, 1 projector, 1 speaker and 1 pianola purchased for the library in Kongwa





CHILDREN

**ETHIOPIA** • 6 training sessions on housing construction, carpentry, plumbing, basic computer science, and sewing for 85 young people

7,000

**GUINEA CONAKRY** • 3 training sessions on strengthening the traditional system for social protection, and the defence of civil society and community leaders • 2 health and social training sessions on the diagnosis and treatment of neuropsychiatric illnesses, and providing support to women involved in the prostitution network for local NGO FMG operators • 1 health and social training session on social investigation techniques and tools applied to unofficial waste collectors for the local NGO CARP operators

**MALI** • 1 training session on psychological support techniques for 50 teachers, so as to encourage the integration of children who suffered trauma due to the conflict in North Mali

SENEGAL • Technical guidance on the development of new technological solutions in agriculture for the Yesaal Agrihub association of young entrepreneurs



**GUINEA CONAKRY** • 274 underage young people supported on facing difficulties including reintegrating with their families • 140 unofficial waste collectors supported by career counselling



**GUINEA CONAKRY** • 625 women involved in the prostitution assisted by counselling and medical treatment • 1,097 mentally disabled people assisted by counselling and medical treatment

# fight against malnutrition

In 2016 as well, LVIA has taken steps to cure and prevent acute and severe malnutrition in children – the most serious type of malnutrition, which, through the impairment of physical and intellectual development, can cause long lasting damage which the child will have to live with for the rest of their life. The activities were also focused on the health of new mothers and pregnant women, so as to support them during these delicate periods paramount for the development of a healthy child. At the same time, some awareness-raising activities allowed the diffusion of correct nutritional practice, for a healthy, varied, and nourishing diet by capitalising on local produce.



LVIA has been active in response to the food crisis since 2012, reaching its sixth consecutive project funded by ECHO in Burkina Faso and its first project funded by the Italian Department of Foreign Affairs in Mali.

PROJECTS AND ACTIONS

These activities are bringing about **not only malnutrition** treatment services, but also social networks rooted in the region – from the village to the hospital – for the identification of malnutrition from its very first stages.

How? Through screening campaigns in villages and the creation of a network between health centres and hospitals; through training of health professionals and voluntary operatives in villages, whose role is fundamental for dialogue with and proximity to the community; and thanks to raising awareness of traditional healers and families too.

At the same time, within the framework of a project promoted by the "Foundations for Burkina Faso", **training sessions** were carried out **on consumption and on recipes based on the locally-produced soy** – an important food when it comes to malnutrition prevention, which finds its causes in the meagre food intake.



# BURKINA FASO

- Child malnutrition identification campaigns, with visits to villages and clinics
- 12,831 children affected by acute and severe malnutrition treated
- On the Job Training on brachial perimeter measurement for 1,900 health volunteers in villages, and on malnutrition diagnosis and treatment for 616 health operatives
- 200,000 mothers trained in brachial perimeter measurement, which allows them to monitor the nutritional state of children
- 17 nutritional training sessions on soy consumption for 659 people

# MALI

- Child malnutrition identification campaign in villages for 39,500 children
- Food distributed in 3 health centres
- · 6 hospital equipment kits distributed in health centres
- 24 health training sessions for 120 voluntary operatives in villages, and 75 nurses in health centres

# humanitarian actions

In 2016, LVIA has carried out humanitarian interventions in response to emergencies in Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Kenya, and Mali. LVIA acted following an approach that aims at developing resilience, made possible by certain knowledge of social fabric – in other words, sustainable systems which can generate a positive impact through time.

From this perspective, humanitarian interventions promoted by LVIA possess some traits in common with development projects, as they are careful to generate long lasting results, and also to pursue the priority objective of "saving lives" during emergencies, looking towards building a future.

The humanitarian emergencies in 2016, which jeopardized the lives of thousands of people in already highly vulnerable situations, were caused by the following factors:

The drought in Northern Kenya and in Eastern Ethiopia;

Child malnutrition in Burkina Faso;

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• Post-conflict damages and child malnutrition in Northern Mali.



# **RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN HUMANITARIAN ACTIONS AND DEVELOPMENT**





Since 2012 LVIA has been active in response to child malnutrition, reaching its fifth project funded by ECHO together with the Medicus Mundi Italia NGO and the Regional Health Directorate. In 2016 one of the aims was to strengthen the results achieved, through improvement of the preventive strategy to defeat malnutrition before it reaches the acute and severe stage. For example, 200,000 mothers have been trained in brachial perimeter measurement, which allows them to monitor the nutritional state at any given moment.



Northern Mali is yet to completely overcome the damage caused by the conflict, which, since 2012-2013, has caused extensive damage to the infrastructure, not to mention 300,000 evacuees and 140,000 refugees, with only some of them now starting to return.

After an important intervention program - which allowed the recovery of 100 wells (so precious in such desert areas) that had been severely damaged - in 2016 LVIA intervention has focused on the fight against malnutrition in children, breastfeeding mothers, and pregnant women.





Northern Kenya is classified by the UN as afflicted by chronic drought, and, given its vulnerability, is placed under a greater risk of experiencing humanitarian crises. The activities promoted by LVIA concerned training and distribution of goods for hygiene, pest-control, sanitation purposes in public environments like schools and health centres, and the distribution of goods for domestic hygiene and for water purification purposes. Furthermore, together with LVIA, the partner NGO CCM took care of medical components, through training sessions and the distribution of health kits in health centres.





In 2016, 10 million people in Ethiopia suffered from the most serious drought of the last 30 years. Rain fell way under the minimum level, and that year 32,000 children were considered to have been affected by acute and severe malnutrition in the Afar region, while 13,000 people lost livestock, and 1.2 million people were affected by a serious shortage of water. LVIA intervened through the construction of wells and water points for both people and their livestock.



# our numbers



PROJECTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES	€ 5	5,934,902
PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES IN ITALY	€	99,321
COMMUNICATION AND FUNDRAISING	€	348,611
GENERAL SUPPORT CHARGES	€	105,506

EXPENDITURES € 6.487.058
PROJECTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES IN ITALY

PROJECTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES	€ 5	5,968,996
PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES IN ITALY	€	137,371
COMMUNICATION AND FUNDRAISING	€	242,357
GENERAL SUPPORT CHARGES	€	138,334

SOURCES OF FUNDING				
		2 700 662	770/	
European Union	€	2,399,662	37%	
<ul> <li>Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation</li> </ul>	€	1,777,333	27%	
<ul> <li>Italian Public Administrations</li> </ul>	€	52,051	1%	
<ul> <li>Foreign Public Administrations</li> </ul>	€	3,123	0.05%	
United Nations	€	7,754	0.1%	
<ul> <li>Consortia with other Associations</li> </ul>	€	781,832	12%	
<ul> <li>Private Corporate bodies</li> </ul>	€	1,066,427	17%	
Private People	€	370,795	6%	

# **INVESTMENTS PER SECTOR OF INTERVENTION**



FIGHT AGAINST SEVERE ACUTE MALNUTRITION 10.0 %

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# **INVESTMENTS PER COUNTRY**



# **DIRECT BENEFICIARIES**

BURKINA FASO	260,000
BURUNDI	3,000
ETHIOPIA	43,000
GUINEA-BISSAU	18,000
GUINEA CONAKRY	37,000
KENYA	84,000
MALI	66,000
MOZAMBIQUE	7,000
SENEGAL	4,000
TANZANIA	18,000
ITALY	44,000
TOTAL	584,000

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We are convinced that it is necessary to work to eradicate the causes of social and economic injustice, and not only to soothe the wounds of victims of increasing inequality. It is not enough working to provide everybody with good initial opportunities, it is also necessary to change the socio-economic paradigms which ultimately magnify inequality.

We do not want to risk becoming neutral service businesses, but make an effort to remain places for social innovation. And it is exactly around such themes that, in 2016, IVIA shaped its 50th year anniversary celebration. As a matter of fact, aside from the due formal arrangements, and from some much enjoyed and unexpected acknowledgment, we wanted to use the occasion of our 50th birthday to consolidate reflection on our founding values, so as to be more robust when facing the innovative challenges brought forward by the present and near future.

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