

EUROPEAN NETWORKS IN BRUSSELS

APRODEV

Association of World Council of Churches related Development Organisations in Europe

APRODEV is the association of the 17 major development and humanitarian aid organisations in Europe, which work closely together with the World Council of Churches. APRODEV agencies engage in many kinds of activities related to development cooperation: fund raising, funding of emergency, relief, rehabilitation and development activities, capacity building, consultancy, awareness raising, education, and advocacy.

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CIDSE

International Cooperation for Development and Solidarity

CIDSE is an alliance of 15 Catholic development organisations from Europe and North America. CIDSE enables its Member Organisations to work alongside partner organisations in all continents in order to share experiences, build capacities and work together on issues of advocacy/lobbying and campaigning, development programmes, development education and peace-building

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CONCORD

European NGO Confederation for Relief and Development

Concord represents 18 international networks and 19 national associations from the European Member States and the candidate countries represent more than 1200 European NGOs vis-à-vis the European Institutions. The main objective of the Confederation is to enhance the impact of European development NGOs vis-à-vis the European Institutions and to adopt common positions representative of member NGOs and the sharing of

knowledge and capacities to deal with major issues relating to European development policy.

The Confederation's strength also lies in its ability to anticipate the evolution of North-South relations to ensure that Northern and Southern NGOs are able to react to current events as well as participate in shaping the future agenda of European development co-operation.

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EURODAD

European Network on Debt and Development

Eurodad is a network of [48 development non-governmental organisations](#) from 15 European countries working for national economic and international financing policies that achieve poverty eradication and the empowerment of the poor. Eurodad monitors existing policies and practices, shares knowledge and experiences, coordinates civil society cooperation and promotes alternative policy frameworks.

Key work areas are: [Debt and Finance](#), [Poverty Reduction Policies](#) and [Empowerment](#).

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EURONAIID

EuronAid is a specialised and operational Network of European NGOs active in food aid and food security. It is a professional service provider dealing with the consolidation of NGO Programmes as well as being an interface between NGOs and the EC. EuronAid currently has 36 active members (January 2003) and has served more than a hundred NGOs. EuronAid provides services related to EU food aid and food security (programming, procurement, logistics, finance and training).

EuronAid is also an important forum, facilitator and network of NGOs that actively promotes and maintains a critical and constructive dialogue with the EC and other relevant partners on FA & FS policy in the North and the South.

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EUROSTEP

European Solidarity Towards Equal Participation of People

Eurostep is a network of autonomous European non-governmental development organisations working towards peace, justice and equality in a world free of poverty. Its membership works together to influence Europe's role in the world, particularly in pursuing the eradication of injustice and poverty. The *Eurostep* programme focuses on the following aspects of the EU's development policies and their implementation: The Cotonou Agreement, Civil society participation, Trade and investment, The Future of Europe. The principal objective of *Eurostep's* activities are to promote a stronger, more effective development policy within the European Union.

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VOICE

Voluntary Organisations in Cooperation in Emergencies

Voice is a network of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) throughout Europe that are active in the field of humanitarian aid, including emergency aid, rehabilitation, disaster preparedness and conflict prevention. VOICE's essential overriding mission is to foster links among Humanitarian Aid NGOs. VOICE also aims to facilitate contacts with the European Union and to develop collaboration with international humanitarian organisations. VOICE accomplishes these aims through four types of services: developing information, devising instruments for consultation, giving political expression to the shared concerns of NGOs and developing the life of its network.

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WIDE

Network Women in Development Europe

WIDE is a European network of development NGOs, gender specialists and human rights activists. WIDE monitors and influences international economic and development policy and practice from a feminist perspective. WIDE's work is grounded on women's rights as the basis for the development of a more just and democratic world order. WIDE strives for a world based on gender equality and social justice that ensures equal rights for all, as well as equal access to resources and opportunities in all spheres of political, social and economic life.

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