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# ALLIANCE2015 IN TAJIKISTAN

## About Alliance2015

Alliance2015 is a strategic network of eight European non government organisations engaged in humanitarian and development activities. The Alliance2015 members are **ACTED/France**, **Cesvi/Italy**, **Concern Worldwide/Ireland**, **Hivos/The Netherlands**, **IBIS/Denmark**, **People in Need/Czech Republic**, **Welthungerhilfe/Germany**, and **HELNETAS Swiss Intercooperation/Switzerland/Germany**. Strengthening the contribution to the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) was the original intention of Alliance2015. The members work to create a strong partnership to increase its impact on poverty reduction and humanitarian response and to influence development and humanitarian policies in Europe.

Four out of eight Alliance2015 members are active in Tajikistan: ACTED; Cesvi; Welthungerhilfe and HELNETAS Swiss Intercooperation. Meeting on a regular basis to exchange information, discuss cooperation opportunities and coordinate interventions, these NGOs strongly believe that by cooperating with organizations who share the same principles, they can coordinate development work more systematically, aggregate ideas, strengthen advocacy, reduce operating costs, gain access to more resources, have a larger outreach and **thus achieve a greater impact** on the lives of those in need. The principles of Aid and Development Effectiveness guide Alliance2015 members in terms of alignment, partnerships, transparency and accountability.

### ✓ OUR OBJECTIVE

In Tajikistan, Alliance2015's objective is to fight rural poverty by empowering citizens and communities and contributing to the implementation of government livelihood programs and relevant sector policies. Food security, sustainable livelihoods, increased resilience to external shocks, governance and gender mainstreaming are key areas of an integrated and holistic approach to rural development, which the Alliance2015 is uniquely positioned to implement ensuring an harmonised approach, a larger outreach and a greater impact than each individual organisation separately.

### ✓ WHAT WE STAND FOR

Alliance2015 members have a long-standing experience in the design and implementation of relief and development programs in Tajikistan and Central Asia. Drawing on individual areas of expertise of its four active members in Tajikistan, the Alliance2015 is a catalyst of best practices, innovations and a strong commitment to efficient and effective program implementation. While each agency brings a technical expertise and added value to the consortium, all Alliance2015 members share a common understanding of value-based development cooperation advancing human rights and democratic principles, and promoting market development in collaboration with government institutions, civil society organizations and the private sector. In this way, the Alliance2015 in

Tajikistan is able to exploit its comparative advantage of a harmonised value-based development cooperation with in-depth technical expertise and an increased outreach compared to individual agency programming. Each organisation consists of multi-cultural teams of international experts, local staff and a network of local partner organisations. Long-standing experience in multi donor programs and project management, performing administrative and logistical capacities ensure timely and effective project implementation. We draw from each organisation's best practice and expertise for advocacy and fundraising in development cooperation. Alliance2015 in Tajikistan is able to offer combined technical and managerial capacities at highest quality value.

### ✓ THE WAY WE WORK

Members of Alliance2015 in Tajikistan have a common approach to poverty reduction and rural development, working with local communities in a participatory way, to ensure that projects are relevant, effective, and accountable. Using a community-driven approach, Alliance2015 is dedicated to social, institutional and economic sustainability based on local capacity development. Alliance2015 promotes dialogue between the Government, civil society and the private sector and fosters innovative solutions and knowledge sharing in development programming.



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## PROFILE OF ALLIANCE 2015 MEMBERS IN TAJIKISTAN

The expertise and experience of the four Alliance2015 members in Tajikistan enables us to share our “know-how” in the field of rural development, from community-led planning to decentralised governance, from disaster risk and natural resource management to energy efficiency and climate change adaptation, from food and nutrition security to business driven agricultural extension. Based on technical and geographical complementarities, Alliance2015 members have an established track record in the implementation of joint projects in various sectors, including disaster risk reduction (funded by ECHO) and natural resource management (funded by the EC), energy efficiency (funded by BMZ through GIZ) and continue to pursue joint programming opportunities in rural development.

**ACTED** has been in operation in Tajikistan since 1996, taking a multi-sector and multi-disciplinary approach to social and economic development, and tailoring its responses to the needs of local populations. Over the past 18 years, ACTED has implemented projects funded by USAID; the Asian Development Bank; the European Commission; the EBRD; DFID; the Swiss Development Cooperation; the World Bank, and various UN agencies.

Priority Sectors: Rural Economic Development, including agricultural extension services; Local Governance; Disaster Risk Management; Integrated Natural Resource Management; Energy Efficiency; Culture; CSO strengthening; SME development and Microfinance.

**Cesvi** has been working in Tajikistan since 2001. During its first 7 years in the country, it concentrated on emergency interventions in the Water and Sanitation sector. Starting from 2008, Cesvi expanded its portfolio to include sectors that are crucial for achieving a truly inclusive development, such as rural and agricultural development with a strong focus on gender equality. Over the last 12 years Cesvi has implemented projects funded by the EU, DFID, GIZ, the Swiss Development Cooperation, UNDP and other UN agencies.

Priority Sectors: Water and sanitation; Agriculture; Food security; Natural Resources Management; Handicraft & Fair Trade, Education and Culture.

**Deutsche Welthungerhilfe e.V. (WHH)** started its operations in Tajikistan in 1994, at the beginning focusing on emergency relief nowadays focusing on integrated approaches in rural development. WHH has implemented more than 100 projects with a total turnover of 100 million Euro funded by various donors such as Ministry of Economic Development of Germany, UN organizations, European Commission and SDC. Strategically, WHH

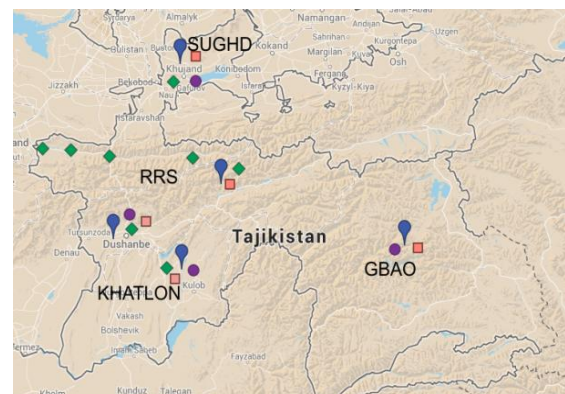
supports local partner organizations through building their capacity, technical assistance and consultations in implementation of various ranges of projects in the above mentioned sector.

Priority Sectors: Rural Economic Development; Disaster Risk Reduction; Natural Resources Management; Integrated Water Resource Management, Agricultural adaptation to the Climate Change; Food and Nutrition Security; Energy Efficiency

**HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation** has been working in Tajikistan since 2009 building on regional competences from Kyrgyzstan and Afghanistan. The working areas are Rural Economy, Rule of Law reforms and Natural Water Resources Management. HELVETAS applies a governance and rights-based approach.

Priority sectors: Organic value chain development, Making Markets work for the Poor, agricultural extension, local market development and vocational education, social accountability, rule of law reforms, change management and institutional development of local partner organisations (non-state and state actors), Policy dialogue facilitation.

### ✓ WHERE WE WORK



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