

A group of Kenyan women in traditional attire, including colorful headwraps and patterned dresses, are gathered outdoors. Some are clapping, and one in the foreground is leaning over a large black tire. The background shows a dry, brushy landscape with trees.

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COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE
PER LO SVILUPPO DEI POPOLI

Kenya



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About CISP

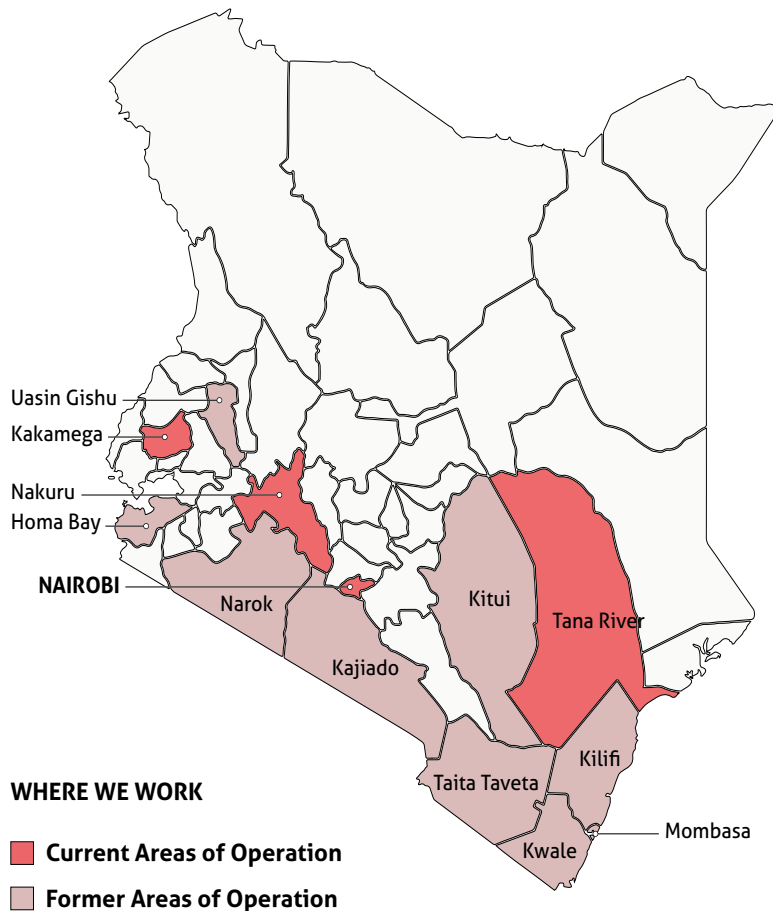
CISP (Comitato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo dei Popoli or International Committee for the Development of Peoples) is a rights-based international NGO established in 1983 in Rome to alleviate poverty and protect human rights worldwide. CISP implements humanitarian, rehabilitation and development projects through its cooperation with public and private local actors in over 30 countries in Africa, South America, the Caribbean, Asia, the Middle East and Europe. Since 1983, CISP has been working in Africa primarily focusing on rural development, food security, economic empowerment, health, education and training, natural resource and environmental management, peacebuilding, protection and gender equity. With a head office in Rome, CISP has regional and country offices throughout its current 30 countries of operation.

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CISP in KENYA

CISP has been working in Kenya to carry out development projects by supporting national and county authorities to provide quality, equitable, transparent and accountable services in various sectors. CISP first established its Kenya office in 1991 to serve as a coordination hub for its programming in Somalia, then in 1997 CISP started implementing activities in Kenya through a Livelihoods programme in Kiambu County.

Over the next 25+ years CISP has expanded its activities to 12 Counties in both rural and urban contexts in various sectors of intervention, including Health and Nutrition, Protection (children, refugees, GBV), Education (early childhood, Higher Education), Governance, Agriculture and Food Security, Environmental Conservation, Livelihoods, Youth Empowerment and Arts and Culture.

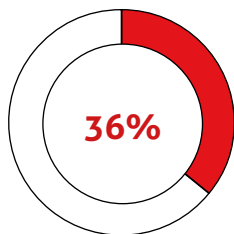


Achievements

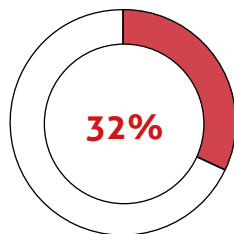
PROGRAMME PORTFOLIO / PERIOD: 2010-2019

TOTAL NUMBER OF PROJECTS: 22

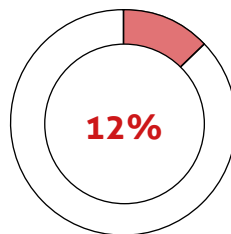
BUDGET ALLOCATION PER SECTOR



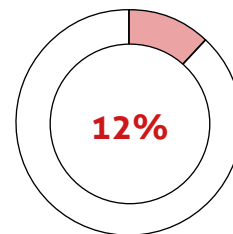
**Health and
Nutrition**



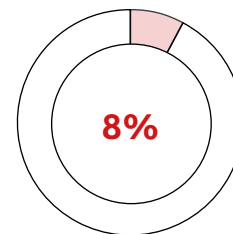
**Protection
(Children &
Refugees)**



**Environment
and
Resilience**



**Education
(Basic &
Higher)**



Governance

TARGET GROUPS REACHED / PERIOD: 2010-2019



1,427,500

Citizens reached by radio and social media campaigns for sensitization on civic engagement.



399,500

Children participated in awareness-raising and received services from qualified child protection and health facilities.



493,700

Community members received child protection services, benefited from vocational training and participated in awareness-raising on critical topics.



7,200

Service providers, government officials, CBO members and young development professionals trained on technical and managerial skills for quality service delivery.

**Total
beneficiaries
2,327,900**

**53%
Are
Female**

FUNDING SOURCES



European
Union



unicef
unite for children

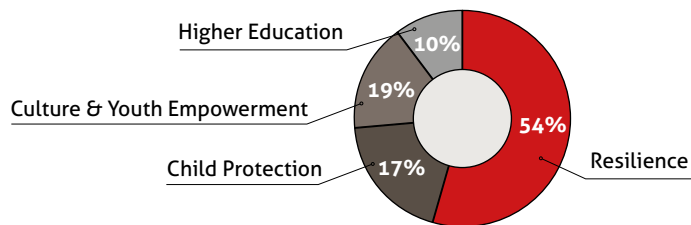


PROGRAMME PORTFOLIO / PERIOD: 2020-2023

BUDGET ALLOCATION PER SECTOR

TOTAL PORTFOLIO: 9.800.000 EUROS

(DONOR CONTRIBUTION)



TARGET GROUPS REACHED AS OF JULY 2021



3,310,000

Citizens reached by radio and social media campaigns for sensitization on child rights, COVID-19, nutrition and WASH.



4,600

Service providers and CBO members trained on technical and managerial skills to enhance the quality of child protection, health, education, legal and agricultural services.



123,000

Community members received child protection and health services, benefited from vocational training and participated in awareness-raising on critical topics.



350

Youth supported with vocational skills training and higher education scholarships.



22,000

Children participated in awareness-raising on child rights and received quality child protection services.



260

County and national government officials upgraded their technical and managerial capacities for improved service delivery.

Total beneficiaries
3,460,210

50%
Are Female

FUNDING SOURCES



European
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NATIONAL PARTNERS

- o GoDown Arts Centre
- o Grassroots Organizations Operating Together in Sisterhood Kenya (GROOTS)
- o Kenya National Outreach, Counselling and Training Program (K-NOTE)
- o Kenyatta University (KU)
- o Matungu Rural Poverty Alleviation (MARPA)
- o Nature Kenya (NK)
- o Procasur Ltd
- o Tangaza University College (TUC)

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

- o CoopCulture
- o Cooperation and Development Network (CDN)
- o Istituto Superiore di Sanità (ISS)
- o Johns Hopkins University
- o Nätverkstan
- o Somali Academy of Science and Arts (SOMASA)
- o Translate into Meaning (TRiM)
- o University of Pavia

Our Approaches



01

Co-Creation

We are lean, versatile and quick at **responding** to the dynamic needs of communities, partners and funding organizations **in tailored, creative and adaptable ways to co-create solutions to complex development challenges.**

02

Partnerships and Capacity Development

We implement all our projects through consortia by **building diverse alliances** with all development actors, including national and international CSOs, academic and research institutions, government and private actors. Starting from existing skills and knowledge, we support the process of change while **developing capacities and enhancing local ownership,** commitment and motivation.



03

Social Inclusion, Gender Equity and Youth Empowerment

We promote **self-resilience, leadership and empowerment of women and youth,** and mainstream youth-focused activities across all programmes **to enhance their access to valuable skills, knowledge, networks and opportunities** to help them reach their full potential.



04

Multi-level Intervention

Our programmes adopt a multi-level approach to reach: **(1) households** through service provision, **(2) communities** by supporting positive change in social norms and practices, **(3) society** through assisting local organizations to advocate for their rights and lobby for policy change, and **(4) institutions** by strengthening government systems and generating research to inform County Policies and strategies.

05

Innovation and Best Practices

- **Social and Behaviour Change Communication (SBCC)** to positively influence social norms, knowledge, attitudes, beliefs and behaviour through various communication participatory approaches of creating and disseminating messages and products at multiple levels of society, including:
 - **Art for Social Change** (ie. Participatory Theatre, Visual Arts, Storytelling) to promote and foster dialogue among communities and inform community-led solutions for positive change.
 - **Community-Led Dialogues** to facilitate powerful processes for critically examining and re-defining harmful social norms, adopting decisions and committing to change.
- **Participatory Research and Advocacy** to support evidence and rights-based policy change.



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FOOD SECURITY AND INCOME



Resilience

CISP implements an inter-sectoral approach to building the resilience of communities to drought and other effects of climate change in the ASAL areas of Kenya. We implement integrated programming in Agriculture and Food Security, Nutrition, WASH, Livelihoods and Peacebuilding sectors to address the complex underlying factors of food insecurity, malnutrition, loss of productive assets and unsustainable livelihoods. We adopt a community-led approach to ensure meaningful participation of vulnerable pastoralist and agropastoral households through peer-to-peer learning, focusing especially on women and primary school children, while also promoting positive behavior change for optimal nutrition and health outcomes. We work closely with the National Drought Management Authority to build the capacity of government authorities for improved policies and strategies for disaster risk reduction informed by community-led advocacy.

PROTECTION AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Child Protection

CISP works to protect children's rights across the country by aiming to prevent abuse and reduce the vulnerability and psychological hardships of abused children and adolescents. We partner with national and County governments (Department of Children Services - DCS, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education), civil society and research institutions to support prevention and response services, while ensuring the meaningful participation of children to empower and educate them on their rights. We support the DCS to provide high quality, integrated and well-coordinated child protection services at the Sub-County Children Offices, and support positive behavior change of communities on child rights through a tailored social norms approach. We support community-led advocacy actions at county and national levels through conducting participatory research to generate evidence on gaps in the child protection system.



EDUCATION AND CULTURE



Arts and Culture

CISP strongly believes in the potential of Arts and Culture to enhance dialogue, mutual understanding, tolerance and respect among people. Arts and Culture can be leveraged to promote social inclusion, peace and protection of vulnerable people, while at the same time fostering economic development and creation of decent job opportunities. CISP supports the development of cultural and creative industries to promote sustainable social and economic development, job creation, access to trainings and skills development opportunities, networking, exchanges and cultural events, particularly for youth. We also support government authorities in the development of strategies and policies for the cultural and creative sector, encouraging the meaningful participation of all stakeholders including artists, youth and the private sector.

EDUCATION AND CULTURE

Education

CISP works at multiple levels of the education system—Early Childhood, Basic and Higher—to enhance the quality of and access to inclusive learning opportunities for children and youth. CISP supported the strengthening of community-based Early Childhood Development Centres through infrastructure development, teacher trainings and provision of learning materials. In 2013 CISP and partners, under the umbrella of the Cooperation and Development Network, established a Master's programme at Kenyatta University on Economics, Cooperation and Human Development (MECOHD) for students across East Africa. MECOHD offers young professionals and students interested in the development sector the opportunity to study economics through a human development lens, recognizing the need to invest in human capital to reach sustainable development.



Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning



CISP ensures quality, accountable and impactful programming, in line with international donors' standards. CISP Kenya adopts a mix of quantitative and qualitative methods, participatory and gender-sensitive approaches and internal and external resources to monitor and evaluate all its programmes. CISP specializes in monitoring and measuring social norms, attitudes and behavior change thanks to our partnerships with research institutions. CISP efforts are also complemented by third-party monitoring, peer-to-peer field monitoring, usage of software and online platforms, remote monitoring support, community review meetings and online sharing of progress, internal monthly reporting and consultations with stakeholders.

Communications and Visibility

CISP ensures that all actors and local and international partners are recognized for their role and contribution during project activities. A regional communication team ensures donors, partners and CISP requirements are met in terms of quality of design, copy and final products.

A field team ensures collection of communications and visibility materials for the website and social media pages, adequacy of cultural sensitivity and dissemination to the communities. CISP works with an experienced team of designers, copywriters, audiovisual experts and production companies to support all programmes.







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"We are committed to building bridges in Kenya that facilitate dialogue, promote social inclusion and ensure access to quality services for the fulfilment of basic needs. Through our collaborative partnerships with civil society, government, academia and the private sector, we strive to support vulnerable and marginalized groups to exercise their human rights, define their own development agendas and participate in a self-determined process of sustainable transformation."

- CISP Kenya Team



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