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German Government's New Volunteer Programme

„Learning by Serving“

weltwärts

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Background

- Volunteering has a long tradition in Germany
- In 2006 over 6000 young women and men participated in an international volunteer service
- About 2600 of these went into developing countries
- Many volunteers or their families paid up to 500€ per month (flights, vaccinations, visa...)

The programme

- It literally means: Go for the world
- It is for young women and men between 18 and 28
- Special target group are people with non-academic background, young people from lower income groups
- Timeframe: 6 to 24 months
- Partner countries can be countries from OECD/DAC developing country list



The aim of weltwärts

- To strengthen global learning and intercultural understanding
- To offer more opportunities for young women
- To offer the chance of „going for the world“ regardless of the income
- To promote learning by serving

weltwärts introduction phase

- 2008 - 2010
- Setting up of a Technical Secretariat
- 2008: up to 3.000 volunteers
- 2009: up to 6.000 volunteers
- 2010: up to 10.000 volunteers

Partners in administration

- BMZ provides up to 75% (max. 580€ per month) of total costs
- BMZ coordinates the programme
- Technical Secretariat at DED
 - Advises and supports sending organisations
 - Responsible for financial administration

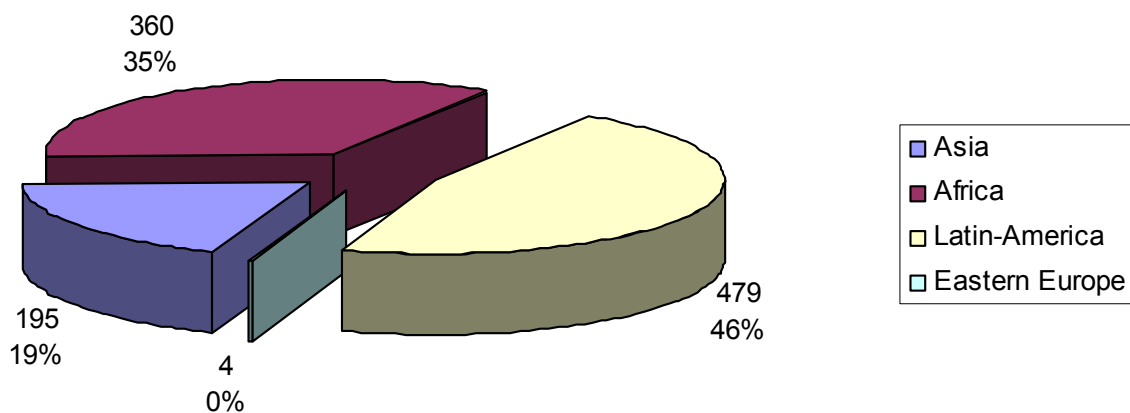
Partners in implementation

- Sending organisations
 - Public and non-governmental organisations in Germany
 - Organisations select, prepare and support volunteers during assignment
 - Contribute at least 25% of the costs
 - weltwärts received over 120 applications of organisations so far

Partners in implementation

- Partner organisations
 - Ensure the integration of the volunteers in host projects
 - Provide a mentor
 - Provide adequate accomodation
 - In-country support

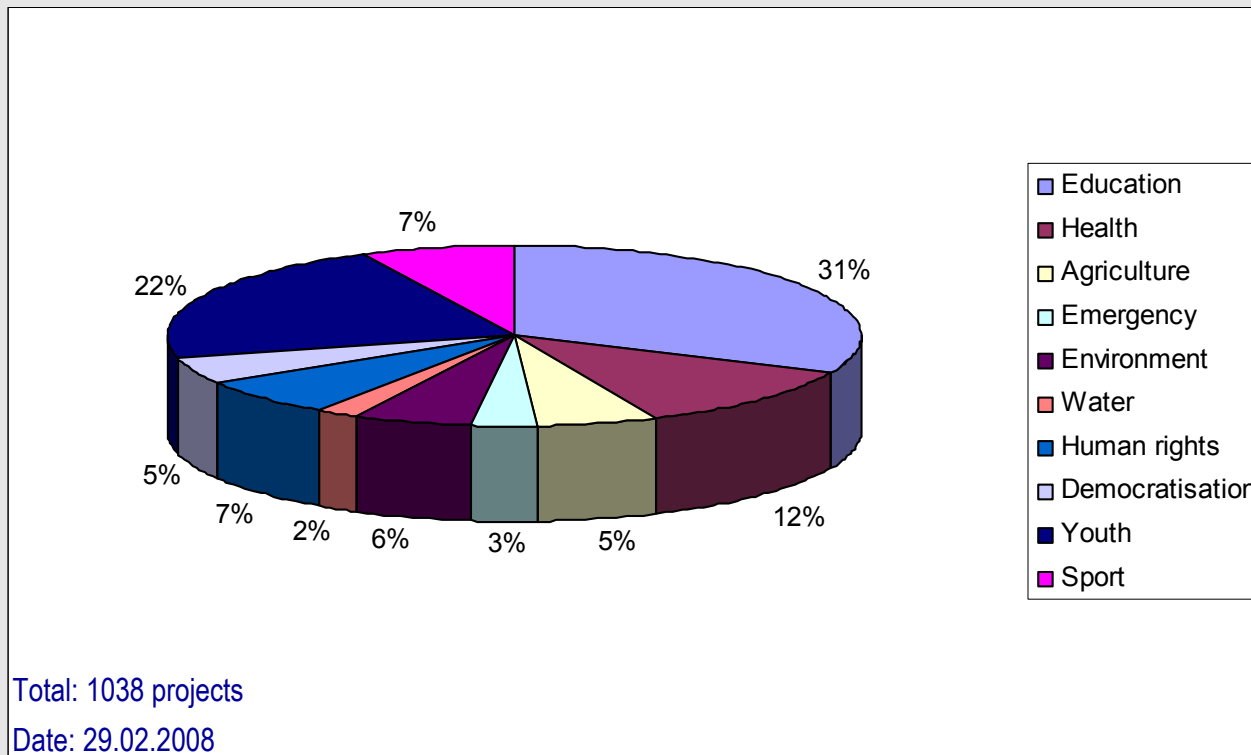
Projects according to regions



Total: 1038 projects

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Project according to areas





Thank you for your attention!

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