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# Sustainable Development Goals Partnership Facility (SDGP)

*Public-private partnerships for food security and private sector development in developing countries*

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## **Sustainable Development Goals Partnership Facility (SDGP)**

With the SDG Partnership Facility (SDGP), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in collaboration with the Netherlands Enterprise Agency (RVO.nl), aims to help achieve various sustainable development goals (SDGs): SDG 2 (ending hunger), SDG 8 (decent jobs and economic growth) and SDG 17 (partnerships for the goals).

The SDGP programme is a comprehensive facility. A major part of the SDGP are the tender calls. The first tender is aimed at stimulating private sector development and improving food security in developing countries through public-private partnerships (PPPs). Subsidies are awarded to partnerships between government organisations, private sector organizations, NGOs and/or knowledge institutions. Subsequent tenders may be aimed at focus areas with regard to the achievement of other SDGs.

## **Added value of public-private partnerships**

Being able to contribute to the above mentioned SDGs, it is desirable to combine the innovative power and economic sustainability offered by the private sector, with government regulation and social engagement. Therefore, SDGP works with public-private partnerships. PPPs are capable of aligning interests and bridging differences so that major steps can be taken towards achieving the SDGs.

## **Focus of the first tender**

For the first tender, PPPs can submit proposals under one of the following themes:

- Efficient value chains
- Nutrition
- Circular economy in the agricultural sector
- Better work and income for youth and women

## **Contribution by the Dutch government**

The SDGP will contribute to a maximum of 50% of the total funding required for a project, supplementing the PPP's own financial contribution. A minimum subsidy of €500,000 upto €3 million can be requested (excluding the PPP's own contribution) for a maximum project period of seven years.

## **For whom?**

A PPP must consist of a maximum of six partners and include one Dutch organisation (the applicant), one local organisation (from the country where the activity will be carried out), one NGO and/or knowledge institution, one private sector organization and one government organisation (a local government organisation is preferred).

The SDGP programme is open to activities in the countries included in the SDGP country list as published on RVO.nl.

## Application and assessment

The proposal submission process consists of two phases. During the first phase (the project development phase), PPPs submit a project idea in the form of a concept and will receive feedback from RVO.nl. During the second phase (the subsidy application phase), RVO.nl will assess the project proposals in consultation with embassies and advice from an independent committee. PPPs behind successful projects will be notified by RVO.nl once the process has been completed. The notification will include specifications for the future elaboration of the project.

## About RVO.nl

If you are looking to do business in emerging markets and developing countries and want to contribute to a healthy local entrepreneurial climate and a country's sustainable economic development, you may encounter obstacles in terms of funding, lack of knowledge about market opportunities or lack of a business network. You will also be faced with corporate social responsibility issues and other laws and regulations. The Netherlands Enterprise Agency (RVO.nl) can answer all of your questions with regard to doing business abroad. We are your partner in sustainable, agricultural, innovative and international enterprise. For more information, please visit [english.rvo.nl](http://english.rvo.nl)

For more information, current tenders and the country list, please visit [english.rvo.nl/subsidies-programmes/sdg-partnership-facility-sdgp](http://english.rvo.nl/subsidies-programmes/sdg-partnership-facility-sdgp)

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