

Main financial partners

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

- M&D own means
- Members' subscriptions
- Public subsidies
- Users' participation in projects
- Sponsoring

All other legally authorized resources.

PUBLIC FUNDS

- The European Union
- French Foreign office
- French Social Action Fund
- Regional Council Provence Côte d'Azur
- Bouches du Rhône Council
- Department of Labor and Solidarity (Office of Populations and Migrants)
- Moroccan Department of Education
- Regional Council of Souss Massa Draa (Morocco)

PRIVIAE FUNDS

- CCFD (Catholic Committee against Starvation and for Development)
- Migrants' associations
- Local Villages associations
- Private Donations.

The Importance of Donations

M&D needs permanent financing to continue its actions. M&D participates when the migrants themselves have already financed 15% of the funds needed for the project. Unfortunately, the migrants' participation rarely reaches the amount expected.

This is why we encourage all donations (regular or punctual).



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History

Migration and Development is a Non Governmental Organization founded in 1986 after the closing of an aluminum factory in L'Argentière La Bessée (France). The aim was to help some fifty North-African immigrants go back to their countries and realize their projects in their home villages.

Facing underdevelopment problems, their task seemed too difficult. After two years of reflection, contacts and studies, the first actions were realized: electrification of a village in the Atlas mountains and the organization of a trip to Morocco in 1989 for French and North-African young people.

M&D based its approach on solidarity between immigrants, solving problems locally and keeping in touch with French society.

The immigrants' definitive return changed into a constant round trip between Morocco and France. The experience became more and more interesting and attracted more people from both sides of the Mediterranean sea. This new situation pushed M&D to go beyond the initial aims.



Objectives

To support the most vulnerable rural zones by mobilizing migrants in dynamics of development;

To create conducive conditions to keep the population in these rural zones, by providing the population with basic infrastructures;

To constitute and reinforce the capacities of actors in civil society;

To train actors of development at all the levels;

To develop the experience acquired in Morocco in other Mediterranean countries.

Stakes and perspectives

To engage a dynamics of economic development in infrastructures programs;

To continue promoting regional partnerships increasing the effectiveness of actions and a better recognition of the role of the immigrants and villagers;

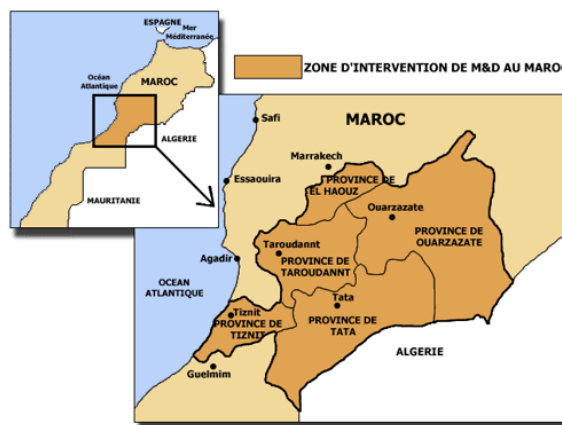
To advocate for priority to be given to the most deprived populations in rural areas, in particular women;

To reinforce the place of women as actors, and not only beneficiaries by building their capacity for collective organization;

To support and exchange experience with rural communities in other Mediterranean countries.



Localisation



The main actors are

Migrants....

To date, **more than one thousand immigrants** have contributed financially to various projects, and 300 of them were directly involved in implementation of actions, which locally benefited to more than 50,000 people. Immigrants strongly contributed to the constitution of an associative network in Europe and in their country of origin.

The involvement of migrants is not limited to their traditional function as «providers of wealth» and transferring skills, technologies and cultural values, they also have a role of driving technical progress, of which they must control the economic, political, social and cultural impact on their village. Today M&D tries to enlarge this transfer process through involving migrants wives in support actions for village women.



... and villagers

The establishment of a village association to manage and monitor the project is an essential pre-condition to initiate any operation. The Village association is a democratic authority within which debates concerning the life of the village can take place; it gathers the youth and the elderly, migrants and village farmers, among whom more and more women have a role. It is a tool, which integrates at the same time traditional knowledge, “imported” techniques and ideas conveyed by the immigrants, and the dynamism of the youth.

Because of its statutory declaration near the authorities of the Province, this association is an interlocutor who has a legal and recognized existence. When a village association addresses a request to the local authorities, it is in a capacity to stand for its rights, whereas formerly an influential village personality was the only one who could speak up. More than 150 local associations now constitute a network for integrated rural development, and benefit from management training schemes organized by M&D.