



GRET

GRET is an international development NGO founded in 1976 working from field level to political level to provide sustainable, innovative responses to combat poverty and inequalities.



Active in the field and in research,

via expert studies and coordination of networks

Working in partnership

to build knowledge and innovative solutions

Contributing to development

policies and practices

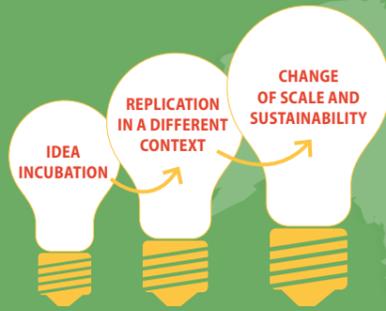
Acting from local to global level,

from village to international body level

A STAKEHOLDER IN THE SOCIAL AND SOLIDARITY ECONOMY

A non-profit organisation
A general interest association

INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS



A MULTITUDE OF PARTNERS



+ 200 operational partners

+ 100 financial partners

GRET created an endowment fund dedicated to innovation for development. **In partnership with companies**, it supports the creation of local structures implementing solutions to **improve populations' access to essential services and contribute to protecting the environment.**

As fighting against poverty and inequalities requires the best skills, **GRET defends a professional approach to solidarity and enhances the development sector with knowledge and innovative solutions.** It works with and for populations, promoting dignity, strengthening of capacities, contribution to public policies and work with the economic sector.

GRET, AN INTERNATIONAL NGO

650 professionals

202 projects and expert studies

with a budget of **33,1 million euros**

involving at least **3 million people**

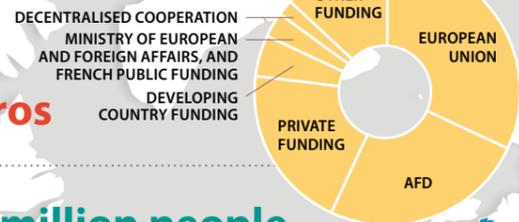
in **28 countries of operation**

Country names underlined indicate that GRET has a representation in the country.

Figures correspond to 2019 data.

LATIN AMERICA, CARIBBEAN:
Brazil, Haiti

AFRICA, INDIAN OCEAN:
Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, DRC, Guinea, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal, Togo



GRET's teams, made up of 20 different nationalities, form a sustainable community of meaning, values and rules. With thousands of other professionals working for the least advantaged, they create essential bonds of solidarity, respect and tolerance that are vital for building together and fighting poverty and inequalities from village level right up to international body level.

EUROPE:
France, Moldavia

MAGHREB, MIDDLE EAST:
Algeria, Lebanon, Morocco, Tunisia

SOUTH EAST ASIA:
Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam

7 areas of expertise that together contribute to fair development



AGRICULTURE: VALUE CHAINS AND AGRICULTURAL POLICIES



CITIES FOR ALL AND DECENTRALISATION



CIVIC ISSUES AND DEMOCRACY



DRINKING WATER, SANITATION AND WASTE MANAGEMENT



HEALTH: NUTRITION AND SOCIAL PROTECTION



INCLUSIVE FINANCE AND PROFESSIONAL INTEGRATION



NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND ENERGY

DIVERSE PROFESSIONS



OPERATIONS ANCHORED IN TERRITORIES



DISSEMINATION OF LESSONS LEARNED



Through expert studies, coordination of networks and the production of references based on its practice, **GRET disseminates knowledge, know-how and methods that have been tried & tested in the field to influence the policies and practices of the future for fairer development.** It places specific focus on transparency and stringent management, which inspires confidence in its partners in developed and developing countries, and in its public, association and corporate funders.

“GRET’s strength is underpinned by the work its members accomplish jointly with populations to achieve a constant objective: equitable development for all. As Chairperson of GRET, I have gained deeper insight of our NGO’s strong roots in the field and have observed the tremendous work carried out on a daily basis by the local teams, supporting a broad spectrum of stakeholders to provide solutions to the challenges at the core of the Sustainable development goals.” HENRY DE CAZOTTE, Chairperson

EXAMPLES OF APPROACHES TAKEN BY GRET

Development via the market

MICROFINANCE
SUPPORT TO SMALL BUSINESSES
SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

GRET began focusing on the role small businesses can play in development at the beginning of the 1980s. Today, GRET supports service operators and social entrepreneurs, and works with large companies or their foundations. In Myanmar, GRET supported the institutionalisation of the Thitsar Ooyin micro-finance company, which now has more than 20,000 clients. In this way, GRET switched from the role of operator to that of shareholder and administrator.



Action-research

TECHNOLOGIES
SOCIAL SCIENCES
COLLABORATION WITH RESEARCH



As a “Development laboratory”, GRET works to seek innovations and produces knowledge geared to action and embedded in its practice. This action-research culture in the world of development is the result of a long history of partnerships with academia. It informs know-how in the areas of social engineering, coordination and support for collaborative governance, and the definition and implementation of urban services in Haiti.

Strategies for sustainability

PUBLIC POLICIES
INSTITUTIONALISATION
DISSEMINATION
CAPITALISATION

Whether to retain services, change scale or disseminate approaches, sustainability of action is a key constant issue. GRET has been working since 2005 to fight child malnutrition in Burkina Faso by making locally produced complementary food available.

GRET participated in the implementation of a quality standard for this food, as part of public policy and to protect and promote local businesses.



ACTION WITHIN NETWORKS

NGO collectives

such as Coordination SUD, CFSI, Groupe initiatives in France, Ran'eau in Madagascar or Pfonque in Senegal

Consultative forums

such as CNDSI and Gisa in France, Area in Madagascar and SGW-ARD in Laos

Sectoral networks

such as Coalition eau, Cerise in France, Crafs in Senegal, and Climate Change Working Group in Vietnam

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