

Our vision: A world without hunger and poverty.

We are working together with others to make this a reality.

Our conviction

Hunger and poverty can be eradicated in developing countries if the needs, interests and rights of poor people living in rural areas are assigned a greater importance at the local, national and international levels.

We as citizens of a rich country are also responsible for making sure that this solidarity is not mere lip service. Our awareness of the causes and consequences of hunger and poverty must give rise to effective political and practical action.

Our work

We provide help from one set of hands: by means of rapid humanitarian aid in situations of acute crisis. Together with local partners we help combat hunger and poverty wherever these afflictions become chronic. We have succeeded in our work whenever people are able to improve their living conditions to the point that they can take care of themselves.

We inform the public in Germany about the causes of hunger and poverty and ways to achieve their eradication. We work with partners in the media and the areas of education, policy-making, business, sports and culture. We work for more intensive, fairer and more just co-operation with the countries of the Third World. We help contribute to making Germany more open to the world and more tolerant.

About us

We are a private non-profit, non-partisan and non-confessional organisation. We finance our work through donations and public grants.

For us, professionalism, credibility and reliability are the prerequisites for obtaining the trust and confidence of our partners, donors and public funding. We believe that we must be accountable to all of these.

We use the financial resources entrusted to us frugally and effectively. Our staff in Germany and abroad are committed, experienced and competent in the execution of this mission.