

CHAD 2025

Woord en Daad is a Dutch NGO which brokers broad partnerships for change for the worlds' poor, both global and local, facilitates shared decision making of partners in business development and implementation, and advocates for Southern stakes in the international agenda among Northern policy makers and donors.

INTERVENTION ZONES

Woord en Daad cooperates with 26 partner organisations in 18 countries.

Africa: Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Ethiopia, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Mali, Sierra Leone, Togo, Uganda

Asia: Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka

Central and Latin America: Colombia, Guatemala, Haiti

AREAS OF EXPERTISE IN PROGRAMMING

Woord en Daad (WD) has expertise in:

- Education
- Employment and Training
- Sustainable Water
- Inclusive Agribusiness



Education

Since 2019, Woord en Daad has been cooperating with FDB, which provides shelter and education to 50 street children in N'Djamena. Most of these children have trauma or other psychological problems due to the exceptionally difficult circumstances in which they grew up, which is why they also receive trauma treatment and psychological and spiritual support.

In addition to this shelter in N'Djamena, FDB also supports 100 children with basic needs and education in their families in the greater N'Djamena area.

Reintegration is an important spearhead of FDB's work, which is why we always immediately search for the family of every child who is taken into care.

The child lives in the shelter for the duration of the search, but as soon as the family has been found, the next stage of the process begins: the family receives counselling and support so that the child can return safely to the family after a few months. A condition for reintegration is a secure family situation.

FDB works closely with (local) government authorities such as the police and the Ministry of Social Affairs.

In this growing programme, FDB is increasingly engaging in networks on child protection and quality education for long-term systemic impact.

Job Booster

N'Djamena

Woord en Daad uses innovative and entrepreneurial approaches that are in line with the private sector. We stimulate youth employment by creating local social enterprises through Job Booster.

In Chad, we launched the Job Booster programme in N'Djamena with local partner organisations GenABCD and YALI. During various meetings, young people are challenged to present a business plan. The best business plans are selected. The mindset of the young people is particularly decisive. In addition, at least two jobs must be created in the small businesses.

Start-up entrepreneurs are put in touch with members of YALI and GenABCD. These organisations have a large network of (young) entrepreneurs, mainly Christians. They coach the start-up entrepreneurs during the first few months. Job Booster helps and encourages entrepreneurs to refine their business plans. For example, young people conduct market research and build a prototype.

Since 2019, 169 start-ups have been supported by Job Booster, and 364 young people have found employment in one of these innovative companies.

Agri Job Booster

Agri Job Booster Chad encourages young people in the Tandjilé and Logone Occidental regions to seize opportunities. With a broad consortium of private and public partners, we are committed to employment and stimulating entrepreneurship in the agricultural sector. This is how we are working

towards sustainable change. At the individual level in the lives of every young person who has an income, and at the regional level by promoting a healthy business climate. The potential of agriculture is enormous. There are opportunities for young people in Tandjilé and Logone Occidental, particularly in vegetable cultivation and the poultry sector.

Young entrepreneurs can submit their ideas to Agri Job Booster. 1,000 start-ups are selected and supported in the start-up phase. An important criterion is that jobs will ultimately be created within the companies, so that even more young people can find work.

The focus is on supporting 1,000 young entrepreneurs (150 poultry farmers and 850 market gardeners). Each entrepreneur offers work within the company to at least two other young people, enabling them to support their families, improve their self-esteem and contribute to society. Through training partners, we offer additional training in professional knowledge, entrepreneurship and life skills where necessary.

Social Enterprise

An important feature of Job Booster projects is that Job Booster is registered as a social enterprise. At the beginning of 2021, Job Booster Chad was registered as a company. When the project is completed, there should be a company that can continue the work and thus support young people in the long term towards a decent income.



Agribusiness *Fonio*

This year, we hope to launch a new project in Chad, in which 200 women farmers will grow fonio and work towards better food security for their families. We have strong partners with whom we are developing these plans: MOSAfrica has experience in training farmers, AfricEU is a private market player that wants to bring fonio to the local market, and Woord en Daad has experience in setting up supply chains and is leading the consortium.

With this project, we want to strengthen this vulnerable group of women farmers by increasing their food security and offering them economic opportunities. By training the women, they will

be able to increase the yield of their fields. A yield of 800 kilos per hectare per season is realistic. The farmers can consume the fonio themselves, but thanks to the larger harvest, they can also sell this superfood. The trend for fonio as a superfood is also gaining ground in Chad. This offers an interesting

market for farmers, where they can get a better price. In cities, a turnover of 180 euros per month is possible. After deducting costs (transport), the women farmers can make a profit of 150 euros per month during the season.

In the long term, we also want to limit the impact of climate change. This can be achieved, among other things, by improving soil quality. Crop rotation is one way of doing this. Improving soil quality reduces the risk of flooding and allows agriculture to flourish.

