



International Day of Cooperatives

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sustainable development

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How cooperatives contribute to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals

In september 2023, the international community will mark the mid-point in the implementation of the Agenda 2030 for sustainable development. It is the key moment to demonstrate the contribution of cooperatives in achieving the SDGs.



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After floods and droughts, Italian cooperatives are implementing a new sustainability strategy to mitigate climate change, for collective asset, a heritage of biodiversity, in line with their concern for communities.



-Attilio Dadda

Member of the Board of the International
Cooperative Alliance



The role of cooperatives in facilitating SDG implementation.

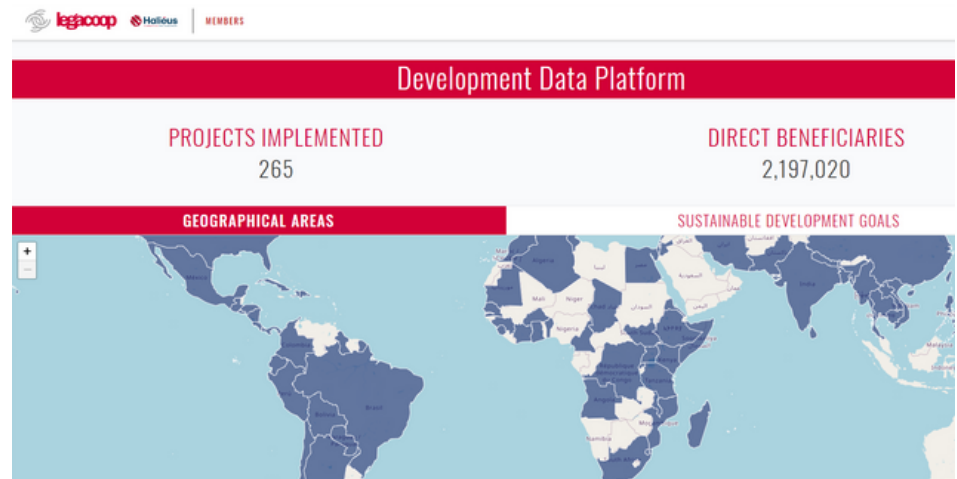
This annual celebration recognizes the significant contribution of cooperatives to the global economy and their role in building a more sustainable future. Today we celebrate and show how the cooperative way of working, inspired by the cooperative values and principles, helps the accomplishment of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Cooperatives, as *autonomous association of people, united voluntary to meet their common economic, social and cultural needs*, address local needs and aspirations by supporting the local economies and creating job opportunities. Cooperatives empower individuals and communities as agent of their economic and social well-being, and address the challenges posed by transitions to sustainability, including gender inequality, poverty, economic and social exclusion.

Development Data Platform.

This Data factsheet presents an overview of the international development cooperation projects implemented by the cooperatives organizations of Legacoop, analysing the data of the Development Data Platform.

According to these data, the factsheet presents the relevance and the role of the cooperatives in achieving the targets of the SDGs through the initiatives of development cooperation.



The DDP collects 265 projects implemented in more than 60 different Countries, by 42 cooperative organizations.



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8 DECENT WORK AND
ECONOMIC GROWTH



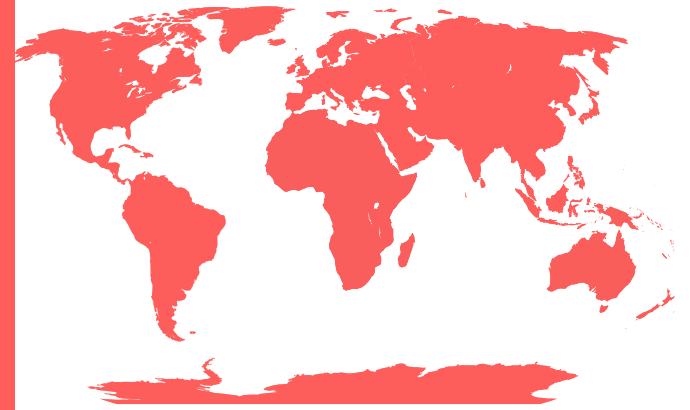
Employment creation, livelihoods and equitable growth.

Cooperatives play a significant role in employment creation and income generation.

Cooperatives enterprises employ people directly, and promote self-employment by creating marketing opportunities for the business of members.

Together with small and medium-sized enterprises, cooperatives are the most significant sources of employment.

Out of the projects reported in the Development Data Platform:



19%

of projects contributed to create quality employment (Goal 8)

36.614

Beneficiaries worldwide reached as workers



80

Milion of €

allocated to projects contributing to Goal 8





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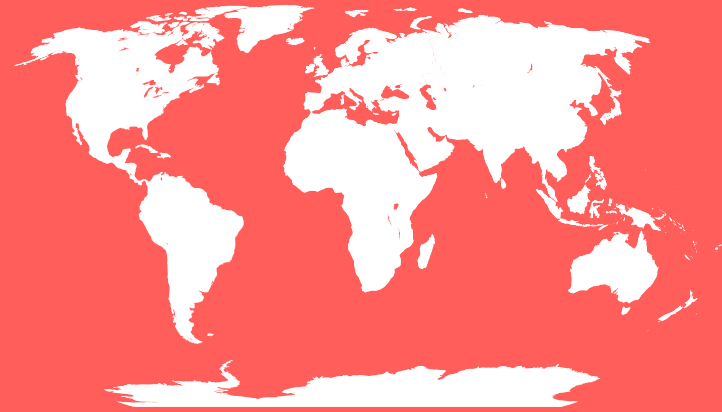
Ensuring sustainable consumption and production patterns.



Cooperatives have sustainability in their DNA, with “concern for community” as 7th guiding principle. Coop identity is based on ethics and values, cooperatives understand that their businesses cannot survive long-term without sustainable communities.

Many cooperatives are leading innovators in sustainable resource management in their sectors launching consumer awareness initiatives, waste reduction initiatives, sustainable tourism itineraries, diversification in the blue economy, etc. Among others, the international cooperative development projects boost also the cooperation between producers and consumer cooperatives in global value chains.

Out of the projects reported in the Development Data Platform:



10%

of projects implemented contributed to Goal 12

1.091.201

beneficiaries worldwide reached as producers or consumers



13

Milion of €

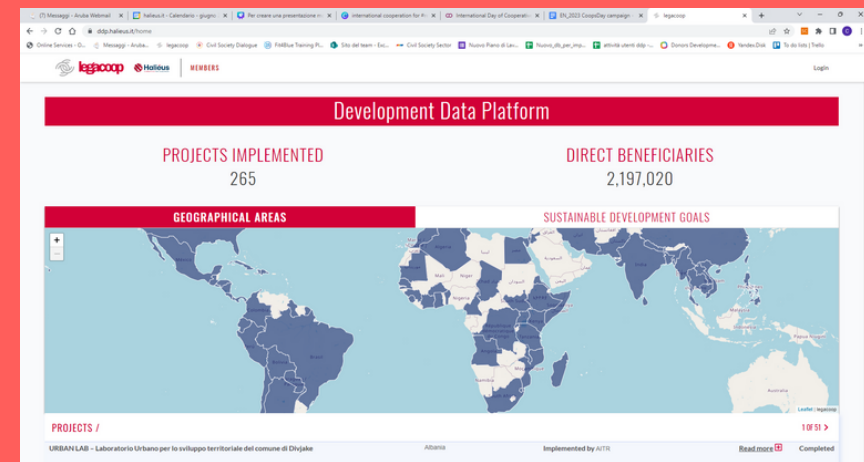
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