Switzerland's international cooperation is working.

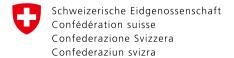
Results of implementation of Dispatch 2017–20 at a glance. Switzerland's international cooperation achieved a strong set of results in the 2017–20 strategy period. An overview of the achievement of the strategic goals and results in key focus areas is presented here. The joint final report from the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) and the Human Security Division (HSD) contains further information.

Impact

In recent years, Switzerland has been steadily expanding the system used to measure the impact of its international cooperation. In 2019, the OECD gave Switzerland good marks for the planning, implementation, management and evaluation of its projects and programmes. As learning organisations, the SDC, SECO and the HSD have used difficulties and unachieved objectives as an opportunity for continuous improvement.

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- A stronger geographical and thematic focus to increase effectiveness.
- ► A stronger focus on and implementation of more cross-sectoral projects to combat the globally felt effects of climate change.
- Targeted use of new technologies and digitalisation.
- Greater flexibility in the use of financial resources to cooperate with countries – which are not priority countries for Swiss international cooperation – on migration matters.
- Stronger promotion of scientific studies and impact analyses in international cooperation.





Effective humanitarian actor

8.4 million

people reached in **emergency situations** and

1.2 million

people assisted with reconstruction.

Respect for human rights as a tool for conflict prevention

Annual **human rights dialogues** conducted with

8 countries

and accompanied by projects.

Increased involvement in crises, disasters and armed conflicts

17 peace processes

prepared and supported, including in Syria, Colombia and Mozambique.

Gender equality as a driver of development

9 million

people, over half of them women and girls, given access to basic education and vocational skills development. Promising cooperation with the private sector

59,000 loans

granted to small and medium-sized enterprises in North Africa.

Creating prospects and jobs

1.4 million

smallholder farmers granted access to financial services.

845,000

workers within value chains given education and training. Effective Swiss commitment to **solving global challenges,** with the involvement of multilateral actors

95%

of power generation projects backed by the African Development Bank linked to renewable energy. Swiss contribution to the implementation of the **2030 Agenda**

Strategic objectives of Swiss international cooperation harmonised with the 2030 Agenda.