

2017 SOCIAL REPORT SUMMARY

WHO WE ARE

MISSION

We promote dialogue between individuals and populations for a world where peace reigns, human rights are respected, democracy rules, social justice and environmental sustainability are promoted. We aim to attain equality between women and men and eliminate all kinds of discrimination.

VISION

We work for a world of many voices where diversity is a precious value, where meeting and exchanging with others enriches all. A world where people can live in dignity with the same rights, equal opportunities, equal access to basic goods and services offered by nature, society and economic development.

COSPE'S CO₂ ZERO[®] EMISSIONS PATH

COSPE has always carried out projects with social and environmental values. For this reason, we needed to evaluate and understand our environmental performances and identify our carbon footprint in order to be able to effectively manage it and reduce it.



OUR VALUES

SOLIDARITY

**DEMOCRACY
AND PARTICIPATION**

**AUTONOMY
FAIRNESS
AND TRANSPARENCY**

DIVERSITY

**PLANNING
AND EFFICIENCY**

**EFFECTIVENESS
AND QUALITY
OF THE ACTION**

OUR STAKEHOLDERS

81.178

BENEFICIARIES



Quality of the intervention,
collaboration, continuity

478

PARTNERS



Collaboration,
participation, sharing

22

DONORS



Quality, collaboration,
transparency

236

COLLABORATORS

**102
WORKERS
IN ITALY**

62 women | 40 men

**124
WORKERS
ABROAD**

22 expatriates | 102 locals

**10
CIVIL SERVICE
INTERNS**

8 women | 2 men

16

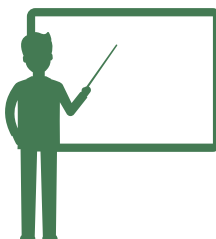
COMPANIES



Collaboration,
social responsibility

66

UNIVERSITIES



Research, collaboration,
communication, commitment

10.124

STUDENTS



Training,
professionalism

TOGETHER FOR CHANGE

OUR GOALS, OUR CONTRIBUTION

We are an association of international cooperation that promotes **dialogue between individuals and populations to build a world of peace, with more rights and democracy, more social and environmental justice, respecting equality between women and men.**

A world with many voices and colours, where diversity is considered the most precious value. In our 35 years of work we have grown in skills, relations and knowledge, working in more than 40 countries with local community organizations, with women's, farmers' and migrants' associations, with people in the front line defending human rights, putting their lives every day at stake. Today we are still on their

side, to face together new and hard challenges: climate changes, increasing inequalities, forced migration, growth of hate speech, of discrimination, of violence against women in a framework of a crisis of democracy, and the spreading of conflicts.

The change we want is a response to all these problems and threats. To be built by combining the search of possible solutions with the capacity of political initiative. To be promoted from the periphery to the centre. **So that innovative experiences of our territories could meet, grow and spread everywhere, occupying the system and recreating it.**

We want to contribute to this goal playing the

role that our mission and our history gave us: to support initiatives for change starting from the territories and **giving voice and strength to women and men that are actors in those territories, from local to global.** In 26 countries where we are today, in Europe, Africa, Latin America and Asia, we focus our work on three big challenges, which are the crossroads of the contradictions and the hopes of our time. We put rights at the centre of every challenge: those of individuals and of all peoples, those of current and future generations, respecting nature and all living species.

THE THREE CHALLENGES OF CHANGE



ENVIRONMENT AND NEW ECONOMIES

The link between climate changes and increasing inequalities, in a world that has seen triple its population in a few decades, puts the ecosystem stability and the right to a worthy life at a strong risk for an increasing number of people. Our response to this global challenge

is **ecological transformation of the economy and lifestyles, of the relations between genders and with nature**. Focused on the networks of social and solidarity economy, building a market that is an instrument of a balanced and equal development.



WOMEN AND DEMOCRACY

Gender inequalities are the oldest and they remain among the most hateful and pervasive discriminations in all countries of the world. In this sense women rights are the key to a deep renewal of forms of government and power management.

Democracy cannot be considered achieved until women are rightly part of the decision process, in families and communities. For

this reason, we support everywhere the creation and growth of women association, the development of their social and economic autonomy and their political role. We promote initiatives against gender-based violence and to support women's centres as public places, where women can build together **a way to affirm their freedom and their rights, in every part of the world**.



MIGRANTS AND RIGHTS

We live more and more in **a world of voluntary and forced migrations**, new by type, size and diffusion, that put at risk, not only the lives of millions of people travelling but also our capacity to see the others as persons and not threats. For us, the answer of **this epochal challenge is to globalize rights, guaranteeing**

them also to migrants in their countries of origin, transit and arrival. The goal is to maintain, as the horizon of our action, **the construction of open, inclusive, multi-cultural societies, capable of having diversity as their own richness**.

WHERE WE ARE IN THE WORLD




AFRICA

ANGOLA


 **MULHERES NO CENTRO:** promotion of ways of participation for equality

 **PIPDEFA:** integrated program for the protection and development of Angolan forests


 **TERRA:** fighting discrimination in access and use of land


CAPE VERDE


 **FATA - FUOCO, ACQUA, TERRA, ARIA:** ecotourism project in Fogo Island


 **ROTAS DO FOGO:** for an eco-sustainable tourism


KINGDOM OF ESWATINI

 **COMMUNITY SCORE CARDS:** training non-state actors (NSA) to implement Community Score Card


 **PRO-SWAZI:** promote rural opportunities in the Kingdom of Eswatini

 **CSOS' CAPACITY BUILDING:** promoting communication and cooperation between civil society organizations to improve their impact

 **SNPAS:** strengthening the system of national protected areas

 **EMERGENZA SICCIÀ NELLA LUBOMBO REGION (1 E 2):** to prevent and respond to climate changes. Resilient practices to mitigate the effects of drought in Kingdom of Eswatini and Mozambique


GHANA

 **WATER CITIZENS:** participatory creation of policies for water management and effective hygienic-sanitary services


MOZAMBIQUE

 **SVILUPPO RURALE A GOBA:** tourism and local production for Goba community

NIGER


 **AGROECOLOGIA A TABALAK:** strengthening the population's responsiveness in Tabalak municipality to situations of food crisis through an agro-ecological approach


 **TERRA e PACE:** participation and sustainable management of the territory in Tahoua region


 **EMERGENZA A DIFFA:** protection and improvement of living conditions of displaced people and vulnerable host communities in


Diffa Region, through the improvement of housing, access to food and income opportunities

SENEGAL


 **C GENIAL:** citizens of Guédiawave together for local initiatives and actions

 **AFNUT:** female action for nutrition


 **ECONOMIE MIGRANTI:** work opportunities for young generation in Senegal


 **CONTROLE CITOYEN:** promotion of citizens' control and right to water and hygienic measures in Senegal

 **L'ALTRA METÀ DEL MARE:** support of women fish transformers of Kafountine

 **DEFI:** employment opportunities through training and job placement


MULTI COUNTRY


 **GLOB:** local governance for biodiversity

 **TERRE ET PAIX:** support for youth employment and access to land as conflict prevention in Senegal, Niger e Mali


LATIN AMERICA

BOLIVIA


 **AYLLUS:** strengthening the indigenous communities of Bolivia

 **PACHAMAMA:** leadership of rural women for affirmation of food sovereignty in Bolivia


BRASIL

 **TERRA DEI DIRITTI:** support, defence and protection of political and civil rights of the last communities of Quilombo in the Recôncavo Baiano


CHILE

 **VIÑA DEL MAR SEGURA II:** territorial development with adaptation to climate changes and risk management with an inter-municipal approach

CUBA

 **VIA LACTEA:** strengthening the milk supply chain in four provinces of Cuba

ECUADOR


 **CACAO CORRETTO:** strengthening the cocoa and coffee supply chains for Ecuadorian food sovereignty

 **MANCOMUNIDAD DE TODOS:** strengthening the management and planning of public finances through the implementation of participatory processes and GPR approach

EL SALVADOR

 **TRATTAMENTO DEI RIFIUTI A NUEVA CONCEPTION:** installation and start-up of a solid waste management and treatment with the transfer of new technologies

GUATEMALA

 **GENERAZIONE D'IMPIEGO PER GIOVANI:** creation of employment and professional training program in Guatemala

NICARAGUA


 **CREARE RESILIENZA:** women, environment

MULTI COUNTRY

 **GLOB:** local governance for biodiversity

ASIA


AFGHANISTAN

 **AHRAM:** action and mobilization for human rights in Afghanistan

 **VITE PREZIOSE:** integrated project for the restitution of dignity to Afghan women




CHINA


 **MINORANZE AL CENTRO:** empowerment of women belonging to ethnic minorities in 5 China's poorest provinces


MEDITERRANEAN AND BALCANS

ALBANIA

 **AGRICOLTURA FAMILIARE:** alliance for development and adding value to family agriculture in Northern Albania

EGYPT


 **SICUREZZA ALIMENTARE:** strengthening of small agricultural producers

 **THINK IN GREEN:** renewable energy and green areas

 **ACCES TO JUSTICE:** strengthening awareness of women rights

 **HOPE:** empowerment of handicraft and agriculture producers


 **ECOTOURISM IN FAYOUM:** sharing heritage, community and resources

 **MALAZY:** incentive for human development and social inclusion of vulnerable groups


LEBANON

 **LEBANON MOUNTAIN TRAIL:** conservation and development of economic opportunities on mountain range of Lebanon


LIBIA


 **SISTEMA SOCIO SANITARIO A SEBHA:** improvement of health services and protection of vulnerable groups


MARROCCO


 **JE SUIS MIGRANT:** promotion of social, economic and cultural integration between returning migrants

PALESTINE


 **PALESTINIAN WORKERS:** to improve fundamental rights and freedoms of working men and women and protect the most vulnerable among them


 **NABI SAMUEL:** protection of Nabi Samuel population at risk of displacement


 **HALEEB BALADI:** reduction of rural poverty and food insecurity in most disadvantaged areas of Palestine

 **PEER TO PEER:** paths of resilience and empowerment for women and people with disability in the Gaza Strip


TUNISIA

 **IESS:** initiatives for employment in social and solidarity economy in Tunisia


 **RETE PER LA SALUTE:** support for primary health services network in Tunisia and in Palestinian territories


 **FAD:** strengthening of the freshwater fishing supply chain in Tunisia

MULTI COUNTRY


 **MEDFILM FOR ALL:** broaden the audience of movies dealing with social and gender issues in Mediterranean area

ITALY AND EUROPE

 **ALFABETI E LINGUAGGI PER LA CITTADINANZA:** experimental paths for foreign citizens' inclusion (Fami)

 **CORSI DI LINGUA:** paths of socio-linguistic integration for asylum seekers, refugees and unaccompanied foreign minors




 **CUORE:** prevention and fight against gender-based violence in sports

 **EUROPEAN MEDIA AGAINST HATE SPEECH:** fight hate speech through raising awareness and training in and of media

 **FATTI DI CIBO:** a show addressed to schools to think over food issues

 **FESTIVAL IT.A.CA' MIGRANTI E VIAGGIATORI:** festival of responsible tourism


 **NELLE TERRE DI TUTTI:** urban inclusion through social cinema


 **ON THE MOVE:** free movements for young European citizens

 **PARTICIPATION MATTERS:** promotion of civil and political commitment of "moving" citizens of EU

 **PROTOCOLLO INTERCULTURALE:** systemic actions for the development of intercultural communication in Emilia Romagna 2


 **SENZA FRONTIERE:** from training to cooperation


 **SIM:** solidarity, entrepreneurship and migrants - phases 1 and 2

 **SSEDAS:** social and solidarity economy as an approach of sustainable development for the European Year of Development (Eyd 2015) and beyond



 **TERRA DI TUTTI FILM FESTIVAL:** festival of social cinema

 **V-START:** support to victims through rising awareness and building a network

 **WHOMEN:** social and employment integration of migrant women

OUR CAMPAIGNS

NON UNA DI MENO



Born in Argentina in 2015 “Ni una menos” is a campaign that connects feminist activists and thousands of people who want to say “stop” to femicide and various shapes of male violence against women and ask for a political and social structural change. In Italy, “Non una di meno” comes soon after with the same aim, and many initiatives took place until today both at national and local level: from celebrating 25 November to the workers’ strike of “Lottomarzo” passing through the drafting of the “Feminist anti-violence plan”, reached at Pisa during the national assembly of 14-15 October 2017, attended by more than 500 activists.

nonunadimeno.wordpress.com

IN DIFESA DI

COSPE is part of the Italian network “In Difesa Di –per i diritti umani e chi li difende”: a coalition of more than 30 organisations, associations and NGOs active on issues related to human and civil rights. A network created to promote campaigns and initiatives aimed at protecting those who defend human rights, to raise awareness on these issues and to ask Italian institutions (Government, Parliament and local authorities) and to develop instruments and mechanisms for the protection of human rights defenders. The network achieved many results: on the 31 of January 2017 the Committee of Foreign Affairs of the Italian Parliament (*Commissione Affari Esteri della Camera*) approved a resolution committing the Government and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to strengthen their responsibility in the protection of human rights defenders. Another important step forward in the protection of defenders was made by the Autonomous Province of Trento, which in January 2018 approved a specific motion on Shelter Cities with which it commits to be promoter and to create on its territory temporary protection programs for threatened men and women who defend human rights.

www.indifesadi.org

ERO STRANIERO

From May to October 2017 the campaign to collect signatures called “Ero Straniero – l’umanità che fa bene”, launched by Emma Bonino, was held in Italy for the law of popular initiative named “New rules for the promotion of the regular residence permit and social and working inclusion of foreign non-EU citizens”. In six month, 85 thousand signatures were collected, overcoming the 50 thousand needed for introducing the law to Parliament.

Unfortunately, neither the current law nor the immigration policies were changed but single local initiatives for signature collection, that also COSPE helped to organise, were useful to raise awareness and to give a different public narration on immigration.



GOOD PRACTICES



PRO-SWAZI KINGDOM OF ESWATINI (SWAZILAND)

CONTEXT

Over 70% of Kingdom of Eswatini population lives in rural communities, but their access to income does not exceed 20%. 26% of adult population is affected by AIDS/HIV, women, often HIV positive, are usually those to take care of the children and elderly persons.

PROJECT

COSPE has developed research work in the rural communities of the Lubombo Region for the economic use of natural resources available to families.

RESULTS

The project worked in 10 communities, training more than 700 people and helping them to start income-generating activities. It has created transformation centres and micro projects involving 500 beneficiaries between adults and young people, including a large female component. The Pro-Swazi project allowed the rural communities to find new markets and it created links between current activities on the area (restaurants, shops etc.)



RESULTS IN NUMBERS

10	rural communities involved		
724	people trained	270	beehives
5	transformation centres	525	beneficiaries
44	micro-projects	1	mill



VITE PREZIOSE AFGHANISTAN

CONTEXT

Afghanistan is considered the most dangerous country in the world for a woman: it is estimated that 2,4 millions of girls do not go to school and that female illiteracy rate reaches 88%. To this is added the drama of physical, psychological and sexual violence, that in 82% of cases are perpetrated within the family itself.

PROJECT

The project worked for the affirmation of women's rights, aiming at reducing violations of afghan women rights through their empowerment



RESULTS

The project created 2 Legal and Socio-Psychological Assistance Centres at Kabul and Heart for women and girls that are victims of violence and it strengthened the work of a Safe House in Kabul. Furthermore, the project intervened in prisons, allowing the re-opening of cases for some unjustly detained prisoners. Finally, the project created community committees against violence on women, and for their defence of their rights in Herat and Kabul, providing training courses for women and raising the awareness of men for a greater well-being within the community.

RESULTS IN NUMBERS

2

Legal and Socio- Psychological Assistance Centres

600

women and girls who have attended assistance centres

360

lawsuits presented in tribunals

160

lawsuits won

9

prisoners' cases reopened

2

prisoners' cases won

25

committees against violence on women

150

training courses



SOCIO-LINGUISTIC INTEGRATION FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS AND REFUGEES / ITALY



RESULTS

During 2017 Italian L2 courses are organized for more than 200 asylum seekers, particularly for unaccompanied foreign minors hosted in reception centres in Florence. Base courses also include lessons to prepare the CILS exam and to create a CV.



RESULTS IN NUMBERS

4

learning modules

50

hours

264

asylum seekers

62

Unaccompanied foreign minors

CONTEXT

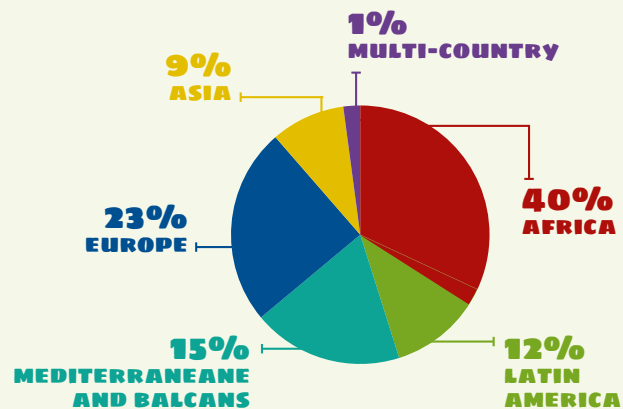
The 75% of migrants welcomed in Italy live in temporary reception centres (CAS) that are public or private. Many of them live waiting for the answer to their asylum application and as they cannot work during the first six months after their request, they have to spend long hours of forced inactivity.

PROJECT

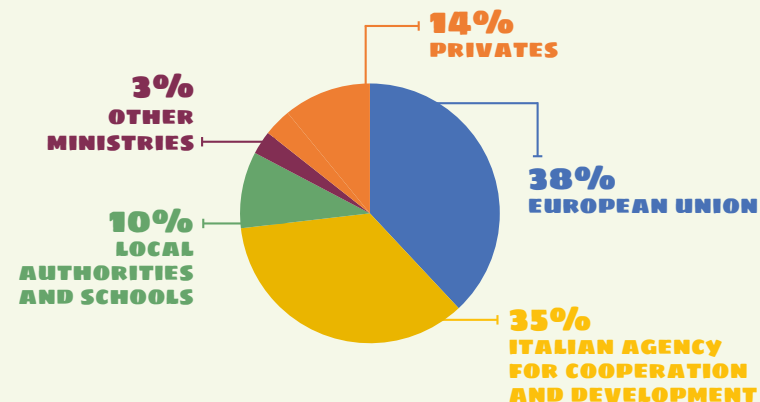
The project offered them Italian language courses and orientation activities for the acquisition of skills that are useful to facilitate integration and social inclusion processes.

SOURCES AND ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

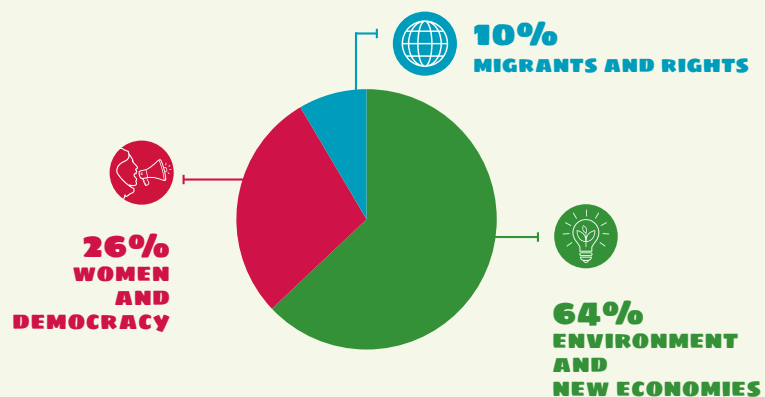
FUNDS USED BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREA
/ tot €8.531.000



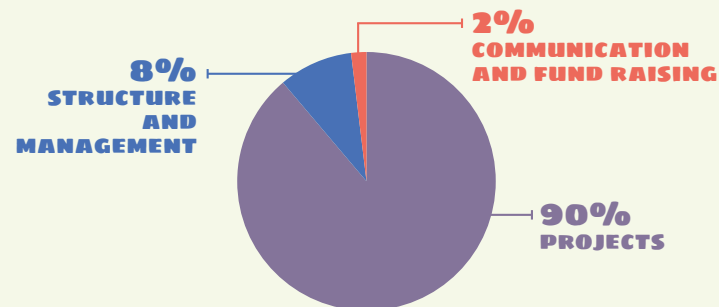
SOURCE OF FUNDING / tot €8.829.000



FUNDS USED BY THEME / tot €8.531.000



USE OF FUNDS



FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BALANCE SHEET

ACTIVE	AMOUNTS IN €	2017	2016
ASSETS	TOTAL	965.468	981.176
INTANGIBLE ASSETS	TOTAL	110.311	104.350
TANGIBLE ASSETS	TOTAL	839.733	854.834
FINANCIAL ASSETS	TOTAL	15.424	21.992
CURRENT ASSETS	TOTAL	7.886.313	6.260.905
CREDITS	TOTAL	5.758.476	4.674.964
CASH	TOTAL	2.127.837	1.585.941
PREPAYMENTS AND ACCRUED INCOME		14.533	15.044
TOTAL: ACTIVE		8.866.316	7.257.127
LOSS			
FREE CAPITAL	TOTAL	689.183	716.784
SEVERANCE PAYMENTS	TOTAL	255.458	200.937
DEBTS	TOTAL	7.846.109	6.159.774
ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME	TOTAL	75.569	179.635
TOTALE: LOSS		8.866.316	7.257.127
MEMORANDUM ITEM (in-kind contribution to projects)		1.088.267	969.536

CLOSING OF ACCOUNTS OF THE PERIOD

CLOSING OF ACCOUNTS OF THE PERIOD	AMOUNTS IN €	2017	2016
INCOME FOR PROJECTS	TOTAL	8.829.269	8.905.348
COSTS FOR PROJECTS	TOTAL	8.022.426	7.971.168
DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VALUE AND MANAGEMENT COSTS	TOTAL	806.843	934.180
FINANCIAL INCOME AND CHARGES	TOTAL	-34.754	-14.275
EXTRAORDINARY INCOME AND CHARGES	TOTAL	-676	18.685
GENERAL SUPPORT CHARGES	TOTAL	775.981	922.349
RESULT BEFORE TAXES	TOTAL	-4.568	16.241
operating taxes		-26.753	-26.799
SURPLUS OF THE PERIOD		- 31.321	- 10.558

How to support us

MAKE A DONATION

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