



Eligibility criteria of Don Bosco Mondo

Don Bosco Mondo promotes projects of the Salesians of Don Bosco and the Salesian Sisters of Don Bosco which directly and sustainably improve the economic, social and ecological situation of impoverished groups of the population in Africa, Latin America, Asia and Eastern Europe, support the self-help efforts of such groups and involve them as partners in the planning and execution of the projects. The projects shall contribute to the observance of human rights in the project countries.

Charismatic criteria

- The projects shall benefit poor and / or marginalised children and adolescents.
- They shall generally promote the development of the poorer section of the population.
- They shall focus on activities of an educational and vocational nature fostering the holistic development of individual capabilities and skills.
- They shall contribute to the observance of human rights in the project countries.

Institutional criteria

Don Bosco Mondo promotes projects from supporting organisations of the Salesian Family, including:

- Projects of the Salesians of Don Bosco, which must always be submitted with a recommendation from the responsible Provincial. For projects with a funding volume of over 100,000 euros, the province must also submit the approval of the Generalate.
- Projects from supporting organisations of the Salesian Family with the approval of the responsible Provincial, in particular such projects associated with institutions of the Salesians of Don Bosco.

Formal criteria

- Project applications shall be submitted via the Project Development Office (PDO) of the respective province of the Salesians of Don Bosco.
- The province of the Salesians of Don Bosco and the local supporting organisation must be willing to sign a project agreement with Don Bosco Mondo and fulfil the contractual terms specified therein.
- During previous projects, the applicant was reliable in terms of accounting and reporting.
- The application shall comply with the forms and guidelines for applications from Don Bosco Mondo and must be complete.
- The application shall clearly present the problem, formulate specific objectives and state quantified indicators for measuring the achievement of objectives. The measures to be taken must be clearly outlined and their suitability for achieving the goals defined must be demonstrated plausibly. The application shall include a detailed costs projection for the planned project.

Developmental criteria

Projects that are promoted by Don Bosco Mondo shall contribute to achieving the Millennium Development Goals. Projects should be embedded in the development strategies of a Salesian province / region / country and not constitute isolated individual measures.

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Aid towards self-sufficiency

Don Bosco Mondo promotes projects that help people to help themselves. In the long run, disadvantaged and poor people shall be put in the position to fulfil their basic needs by themselves, shape their environment and protect their rights. Therefore, access to education, land, credits and legal representation should be central aspects of the projects. Don Bosco Mondo supports the creation of self-help structures in the partner countries.

Participation

Participation shall be guaranteed by the project work on two levels. The target group is to be actively involved in the planning and execution of the projects. In addition, the projects shall strengthen the capability of the target group to partake in the political, economic and public life of their country / region and to do their part in forming it.

Gender equality

In many countries, women are amongst the most disadvantaged population groups and at the same time, they play a key role in all of the processes pertaining to change and development. Don Bosco Mondo promotes projects that give equal attention to women and women's interests in all planning and implementation activities. The projects shall contribute to equality between men and women in society.

Environmental protection and resource preservation

The poor and disadvantaged are often particularly impacted by environmental damage and at the same time, environmental damage is often a result of poverty. Don Bosco Mondo promotes projects that take the local ecological contexts into consideration and preferably also include measures for improving the environment. Adverse effects to the environment caused by the projects should be avoided at all costs.

Sustainability

Don Bosco Mondo promotes projects that are geared towards financial, social and ecological sustainability. This involves a concept describing the long-term local funding of the measures and a personnel structure that will guarantee the continuity of the supported programmes in the medium term. Participatory action shall ensure that the target group takes ownership of, and responsibility for, the programmes.