



People for development

AVSI, created in 1972, is a non-profit organization which carries out development cooperation and humanitarian aid projects throughout the world.

Vision

AVSI works for a world where the person, aware of his/her value and dignity, is the protagonist of his/her own integral development and that of his/her community, even in crisis and emergency contexts.

Mission

AVSI implements cooperation projects in various sectors with a preferential focus on education, meaning that the person is accompanied towards self-discovery and recognition that the other person is a resource. Each project is conceived as an instrument to promote this awareness in everyone involved, has in itself a need for communicating and sharing, and creates an impact capable of generating a positive change.

Method

In project implementation, AVSI uses the following approach:

- to start from the value

of the person, who is never defined by the circumstances in which s/he lives

- to consider the person always in his/her family and community context
- to do with: accompany and let ourselves be accompanied, recognizing that we all share the same human experience
- to involve all stakeholders: encourage the participation of beneficiaries, providers, partners, donors, and the private sector
- to learn from experience and capitalize on the lessons learned.

Commitment

AVSI operates in various areas: education and social development, urban development, healthcare, migration, vocational training and job creation, humanitarian emergencies, agriculture, food security and water, democracy and human rights, energy and environmental protection.

PROJECTS

169 

COUNTRIES

31 

STAFF

1,593 

58 people in Italy / 1,535 people abroad

TOTAL BUDGET

55,538,380 

27% private funds / 73% public funds

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

2,600,000 

7,800,000 indirect beneficiaries

DISTANCE SUPPORT PROGRAM

24,338 

children around the world

LOCAL PARTNERS

700 

governmental, educational and healthcare institutions, NGOs, religious organizations, local authorities



Syria © Maria Laura Conte

AVSI MIDDLE EAST

The consequences of wars and Isis invasion are the common denominator of AVSI MIDDLE EAST's action in Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Iraq. AVSI has been present in the region for over 20 years, its regional headquarters is in Lebanon, and it is legally recognized in each of the countries. For AVSI, refugees and displaced persons on the one hand, and host communities on the other, are the two sides of the same coin.

Setting the person and the family at the heart of the quest for the best comprehensive response to the need of millions of people: the need for normality and for stability that they have long lost.

To do so, our work focuses on: **young children** (0-3 years): kindergartens, recreational activities, basic literacy; children 4-15 **at school**: teacher training, remedial courses, school integration; **youth** (16-25): professional training in 30 specializations, support in the labor market, partnerships with

companies; **adults**: Cash for work, i.e. financial compensation and the recognition of the dignity of work for refugees, with positive spillovers on hosting communities.

As well as treatment for 16,000 patients, distribution of food, provision of clean water in refugee camps, rehabilitation of schools, support for municipalities and ministries, growth support for small local associations, help to more than 100 SMEs, handling traumas, ... Whether in the countries of origin (Syria and Iraq) or in the host countries (Lebanon and Jordan), the goal is to build real hope such that the decision of whether to return or to stay is not a fatality, but a choice for the future.

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PROJECTS

30

LOCAL BRANCHES

14

STAFF

232

214 locals / 18 expats

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

20,000,000

BENEFICIARIES

346,500

direct: 57,750 / indirect: 288,750

DISTANCE SUPPORT PROGRAM

2,055

1,257 in Lebanon, 285 in Jordan, 513 in Iraq

LOCAL PARTNERS

+20

The main ones: EU, UNICEF, AICS, WFP, FAO, Caritas, Biladi, SARC, GIZ



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