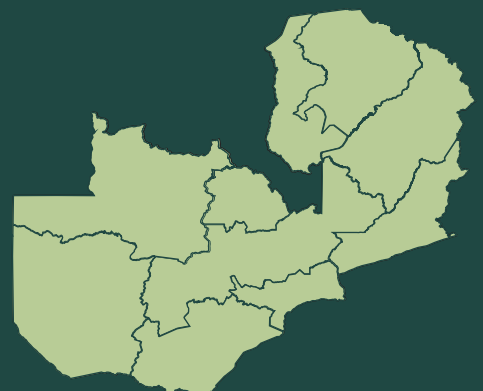


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NIRAS Zambia

**Four decades of
sustainable development**

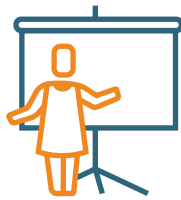




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NIRAS has a fixed presence in 31 countries with 2400 permanent staff, supporting over 700 projects across the globe. Building on international experience and project management from more than 100 countries, NIRAS provides technical expertise and results-oriented project management. Our mission is to deliver tailored, innovative, value-creating, and results-driven solutions to enable our clients and partners achieve their goals. We achieve this by providing transformative support for positive change, addressing root causes, and magnifying impact through flexibility in implementation, capturing SDG-linked results.

NIRAS International Consulting provides technical assistance to development cooperation projects. We support urban and rural development, good governance, sustainable energy, climate change and resilience, natural resource management and infrastructure. To reach sustainable solutions we collaborate with international donors, governments, institutional investors, and the private sector to design, manage, and evaluate projects that create opportunities for people to improve their lives in safe, equal, well-governed, and climate-resilient societies.

Structured as a matrix organisation, NIRAS allows for continuous learning and adoption of good practices between countries, clients, and technical solutions. Linked through online project management tools and information management systems, we ensure that clients and partners always enjoy the same high quality services. Flexibility in project management is among our top priorities to ensure that each individual assignment is provided with the best possible team and innovative tailor-made solutions, drawn from the best global practices.

Four decades in Zambia

NIRAS supports sustainable development in Zambia in the fields of climate smart agriculture, climate change and energy, green growth, forestry, land, water, gender, governance, evaluation, technical vocational education and training as well as private sector development. Over the years, we have built strong partnerships through the successful implementation of projects, for clients including the Government of Zambia, bilateral and multilateral organisations such as the World Bank, the EU, the African Development Bank, the SDC, Sida, Danida, MFA Finland, USAID, UNDP and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand.

Supporting green growth

Agriculture is a critical factor for economic growth in Zambia. NIRAS provides technical expertise for crop and livestock production, facilitates access to finance and supports trade.



Selected agriculture and private sector development projects

Agribusiness and private sector development projects

- The Market and Seed Access Project (MASAP), 2021-2025 (33), SDC
- Accelerated Growth for SMEs in Zambia Project, 2018 - 2023, MFA Finland
- Southern Africa Innovation Support Programme, 2018-2022, MFA Finland
- The Zambia Agribusiness and Trade Project, 2019-2021, World Bank
- Agriculture Support Programme (ASP) 2003– 2011, Sida

Food security and rural development projects

- The Zambian Dairy Transformation Programme, 2016–2021, MFAT
- Strengthening Farmer Organisation in Muchinga, Luapula, and Northern Provinces of Zambia, 2015–2018, IFAD
- Programme for Livelihoods and Rural Development in Luapula (PLARD I), 2006–2011, MFA Finland
- Livestock Component in Dairy Smallholder Industry Development Programme (PROFIT) 2007–2011, USAID



Markets and Seeds Access Project (MASAP) in Zambia

DONOR:
SDC



DURATION
2021-2025



CONTRACT VALUE
€9.8 million

MASAP's long term vision is the creation of a vibrant and community driven seed and commodity market system, creating income opportunities and resilience for smallholder farmers in particular women and the youth, supported by strong institutions, national and regional policies and innovative private sector actors. In so doing, MASAP will promote innovative agro-ecologically sensitive strategies and practices that ensure mitigation and adaptation to climate change by the smallholder farming households.

The overall goal of the MASAP programme is to improve resilience in food security of smallholder households. This will be achieved through a Market System development approach, increasing adoption and utilisation of improved open and self-pollinated varieties of small grains (sorghum and millet) and legumes (cowpea and groundnut), through strengthening the seeds and commodity value chains in Zambia and Zimbabwe.

#2
Zero
hunger

#3
Good health
and well-being



Accelerated Water and Agricultural Resources Efficiency (AWARE)

DONOR:
BMZ / EU



DURATION
2019-2022



CONTRACT VALUE
€5.4 million

The AWARE project aims to enhance climate-smart water resource management (WRM) and efficient agricultural water use for smallholders in the Lower Kafue Sub-catchment, applying a gender sensitive approach. Within this programme, NIRAS is responsible for the achievement of Outputs 4 and 5. NIRAS will establish 30 demonstration sites to showcase good practices of agricultural water harvesting, management and use and develop a training methodology, based on a Training-of-Master-Trainers / Training-of-Trainers approach to roll-out trainings for 11,000 smallholder farmers.

#6
Clean water
and sanitation

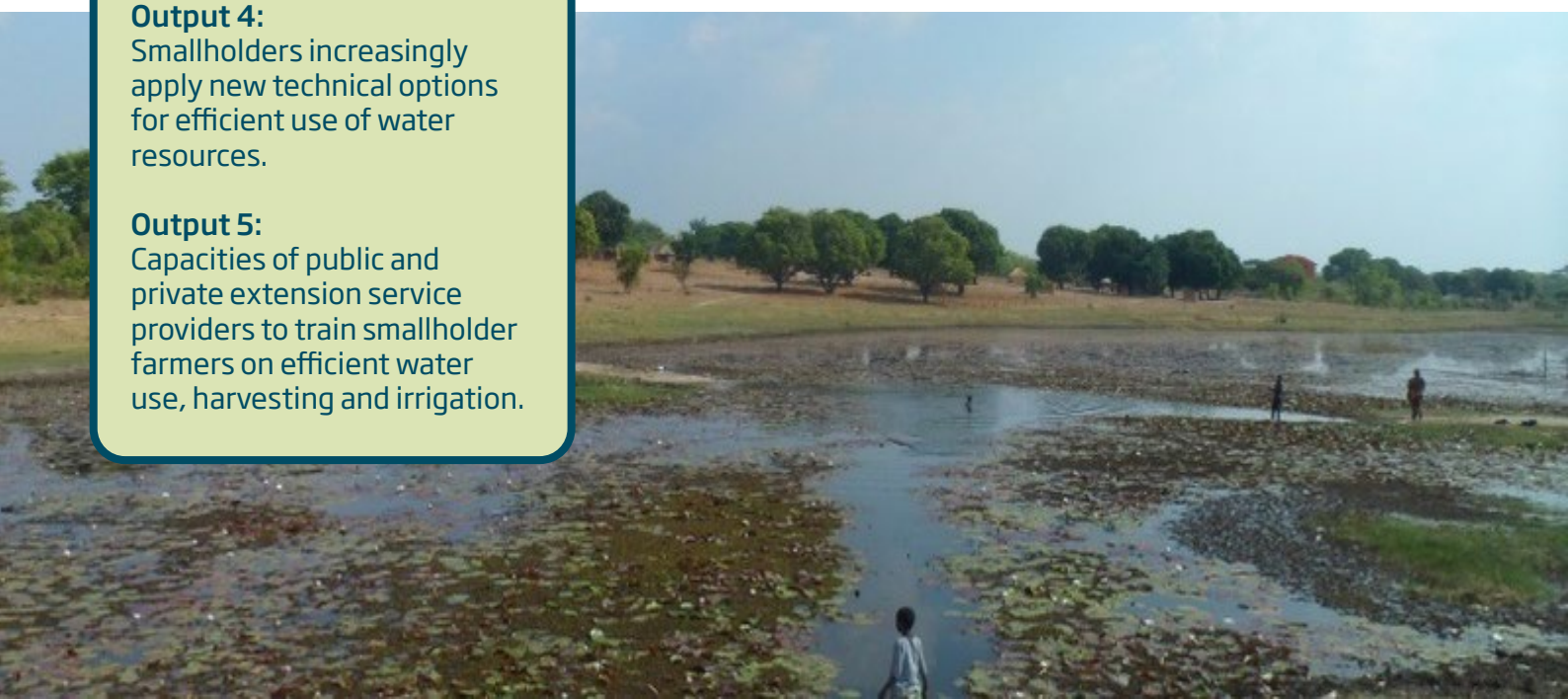
#13
Climate
action

Output 4:

Smallholders increasingly apply new technical options for efficient use of water resources.

Output 5:

Capacities of public and private extension service providers to train smallholder farmers on efficient water use, harvesting and irrigation.





Selected gender equality and governance support projects

- Support to the National Assembly in Zambia II, 2021-2024, EU
- Support for a Women's Land Rights Study (IDSP), 2012–2013, World Bank
- Promotion of Microfinance to Build Climate Resilience in Rural Areas, 2012, World Bank
- MACO Food Security Programme in Western and North Western Province 2006–2011, EU

International Training Programmes

Through the Sida-funded International Training Programmes (ITP), NIRAS supports Zambian institutions to become their own key mechanisms of change. Over the years we have trained and coached key actors of change in Zambia's leading ministries and governmental bodies.

In Zambia, we have supported the ITPs for Strategic Environmental Assessment (2016–2017), Sustainable Urban Water and Sanitation (2017–2022) and Media Development in a Democratic Framework (2021–2022)



Energy, water infrastructure, sanitation and health

Access to safe and affordable drinking water is a crucial right, vital for development and reduction of poverty. We provide technical assistance on the financial, commercial, technical and engineering aspects of climate resilient and sustainable water supply delivery systems.

- Enhancement of the policy, legal and regulatory environment and capacity building for renewable energy and energy efficiency, under to Electricity and Renewable Energy Production (IAERP) Project 2, 2018-2023, EU
- Upscaling Smallholder Irrigation Project, 2016–2019, AfDB
- Rehabilitation and Improvement of the Water Supply and Sanitation Project in Four Major Towns on the Copperbelt, 2013–2018, Danida
- Consultancy Services for Water Sector Support Programme (WSPS), Phase II, 2011–2014, Danida



EU Support to the National Assembly of Zambia Programme II (NAZ II)

DONOR:
EU



DURATION
2021-2023



CONTRACT VALUE
€1.59 million

#16
Peace, justice
and strong
institutions

#5
Gender
equality



In order to facilitate the successful implementation of its strategic economic development initiatives and programmes, the Government of Zambia has prioritised the need to further strengthen economic and public financial management (PFM) capacities. The focus of this effort is towards enhancing transparency, accountability, efficiency and effectiveness in the management of public resources in order to ensure efficient mobilisation and prudent utilisation of public resources.



We ensure climate change resilience, adaptation and mitigation

NIRAS applies a holistic approach to climate change and its impact on vulnerable communities. We consider the current climate conditions, but also look ahead and consider future climate scenarios to incorporate the risks and opportunities in our projects.

- Accelerated Water and Agricultural Resources Efficiency (AWARE) Programme, 2019-2022, GIZ
- Climate Smart Agriculture Zambia - Impact Evaluation, 2017-2021, FCDO
- Environment and Natural Resources Management and Mainstreaming Programme (ENRMMP) 2009-2012, MFA Finland
- Forest Management Practices with potential for REDD+ 2011-2012, UNDP
- Decentralised Innovative Programme on Integrated Forest and other Natural



Accelerated Growth for SMEs in Zambia

DONOR:
MFA FI



DURATION
2018-2022



CONTRACT VALUE
€2.9 million

#8
Decent work and
economic growth

#9
Industry, innovation
and infrastructure

The Accelerated Growth for SMEs (AGS) project aims to support Zambian micro and small business with (1) improved technical, business management and innovation skills and the ability to access funding; (2) improved access to markets; and (3) increased partnerships and business linkages for Zambian and Finnish companies. The programme is human rights sensitive, ensuring social inclusivity and focussing on reaching women and youth. In partnership with Zambian business development service providers, AGS conducts intensive training to boost productivity, growth, and encourage responsible business practices.



Zambia Dairy Transformation Programme

DONOR:
MFAT



DURATION
2016-2022



CONTRACT VALUE
€6 million

The Zambia Dairy Transformation Programme (ZDTP) focused on supporting smallholder farmers to improve their productivity, milk quality and linkage to urban markets, driving the further commercialisation of the smallholder based Zambian dairy sector. The ZDTP was a six-year programme operating in the Central and Copperbelt provinces. Activities included, among others, technology and training to improve on-farm production, inputs, systems and processes. This was achieved by developing field advice to farmers, establishing 15 innovative monitor farms to demonstrate new farming systems and technology, providing technical support and training and dissemination of information through discussion groups, field days training events and media.



#12

Responsible
consumption
and production

Enhancement of the Policy, Legal and Regulatory Environment and Capacity Building for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency

DONOR:
EC



DURATION
2018-2022



CONTRACT VALUE
€3.9 million

#7

Affordable and
clean energy

#11

Sustainable cities
and communities

The "Enhancement of the policy, legal and regulatory environment and capacity building for renewable energy and energy efficiency" under the Increased Access to Electricity and Renewable Energy Production (IAEREP) Project has 2 core components; policy support and capacity building for renewable energy and energy efficiency in Zambia. The technical assistance team works with the ERB to build institutional capacity to facilitate an enabling environment for private sector investments in the energy sector. Implemented since 2018, the project has successfully supported the National Energy policy 2019 and supporting action plans. Among these can be mentioned, The energy efficiency strategy and action plan, the renewable energy and action plan and the Gender equality strategy for the energy sector in Zambia.

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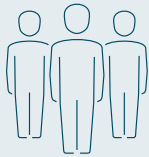
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