

Bremen's development cooperation is carried out on the basis of a wide network of organizations. Among our important partners in Bremen are BORDA (Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association), the Regional Centre Bremen of InWEnt (Capacity Building International, Germany) and biz (Bremen Information Centre for Human Rights and Development).



The **Department of European Affairs and Development Cooperation** at the Senator for Environment, Construction, Transport and European Affairs, Dr. Reinhard Loske, represents Bremen's development cooperation activities in state and national politics. It supports its partners in public relations, collaborates on the conception and planning of projects, takes responsibility for their monitoring and financial supervision and participates in the joint acquisition of third-party funds.

The **Development Cooperation Advisory Council** serves as a forum for the exchange and networking with the competencies and interests of stakeholders in Bremen's business and scientific communities, administration, churches and non-government organizations.

For more information on Bremen's development cooperation, its partners and projects as well as fundamental issues and institutions of development policy, contact the **Department of European Affairs and Development Cooperation**.



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# Sustainably Internationally



Challenges and  
opportunities for  
Bremen and its  
partners in the  
South

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Development  
Cooperation**

## Objectives, Priorities and Projects

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Taking responsibility for sustainable development in cooperation with developing countries and accompanying globalization processes are part and parcel of the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen's identity.

With its **development cooperation activities**, Bremen joins the federal government and the EU in contributing to the achievement of the United Nation's millennium goals with regard to ecological sustainability, poverty alleviation and the strengthening of human rights and democratic structures. At the same time, development cooperation is an important element of Bremen's international relationships and guarantees positive effects for the city as an attractive business location.



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### Information and Education/Global Learning

The aims of our development-oriented information and education efforts are to anchor development policy more firmly in society and to contribute to awareness-raising and a change of behaviour here in Bremen. Global learning as a part of an education for sustainable development conveys development policy issues to the public and contributes to the acquisition of creative competencies in a globalized world.

Bremen supports non-government organizations in the realization of such projects and cooperates with



### Socially and Environmentally Fair Development

Bremen supports projects which ensure access to basic needs services as well as the protection of the environment and of natural resources. Capacity-building, information management and transfer as well as the encouragement of self-help activities are central elements, as well as participatory planning processes and environmentally friendly technology.

Within the framework of development cooperation, Bremen has maintained close relationships with the cities of Pune / India, Windhoek / Namibia and Durban / South Africa for many years.

### International Qualification Programmes

Reform processes in developing countries require the corresponding qualifications. Bremen therefore works with the federal government to support programmes for the economy-oriented training of young experts and executives from developing countries. In this context, Bremen actively contributes its know-how as a partner for sustainable development. At present, the chief emphasis is on decentralized harbour development and logistics. In a mutual partnership, the internships of the management trainees in Bremen-based companies within the framework of the training programmes serve Bremen's efforts to develop international business relationships.

scholastic and extra-scholastic educational institutions in the area of global learning. The primary focus is on the Millennium Development Goals.

The State of Bremen thus makes a contribution to the achievement of the goals defined by the UN "Decade of Education for Sustainable Development 2005 – 2014".

