

Factsheet 2026

German Sparkassenstiftung for International Cooperation

The German Sparkassenstiftung for International Cooperation e.V. (DSIK) bundles the development-policy commitment of the Sparkassen Finance Group.

In this effort, DSIK is supported by experts from its approximately 300 member institutions.

DSIK's task is to disseminate the successful Sparkasse model across regional borders and around the globe. By enabling people in developing countries and emerging economies to access financial services, it aims to create opportunities that will allow them to leave poverty behind.

25
million euros

project volume 2025



300

staff worldwide



45

staff at Head Office Bonn



300

members (Sparkassen, associations, further institutions)



47

current project countries



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objective

sustainable development through financial inclusion



Creating perspectives. Together. Worldwide.

In an interconnected world, sustainable development depends on stable, equitable and inclusive financial systems. The vision “Creating perspectives. Together. Worldwide.” reflects our ambition: we want to give people access to security, participation and opportunities for development.

As international ambassadors of the Sparkassen idea, we work with local partners to strengthen financial institutions that are sustainable in the long term – economically, socially and environmentally. Financial inclusion, regional economic development and knowledge transfer are key levers for sustainable growth.

Our employees, together with experts from the Sparkassen Finance Group, share their Sparkasse expertise around the world. In doing so, they strengthen our partner institutions and their customers while also contributing to sustainable economic development in the partner countries.

This commitment is an expression of international solidarity and, at the same time, is in Germany’s strategic interest: economic prospects locally can reduce the causes of displacement, support fair migration and contribute both to global development and to the development of the German economy.

Since its founding in 1992, German Sparkassenstiftung has been involved in around 250 long-term projects in more than 100 countries.

The projects receive financial support from external partners such as the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), the EU and many other donor institutions. In addition, German Sparkassenstiftung is financed through membership fees and donations from the Sparkassen Finance Group.

Around three quarters of all German Sparkassen, Landesbanken, regional associations and other network partners support German Sparkassenstiftung as members.