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Activity Report

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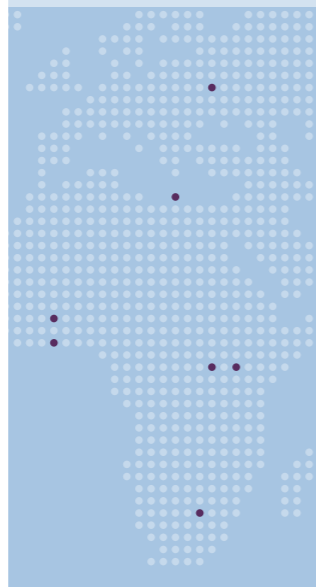
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About the Foundation

Our vision

To help fight hunger and poverty by bringing sustainable solutions to smallholder farmers.

Our mission

To improve food security through sustainable micro-farming and agricultural education.

Our key focus areas

Micro-farming, agricultural education, community empowerment and environment preservation, and emergency relief.

Strong partnerships

The Foundation selects its partners with great care, choosing to work alongside those who demonstrate expertise, reliability, a thorough understanding of the local environment and resources, and a proven track record in managing projects related to food security, as well as strong ethics and a vision aligned with our own.

The Foundation leverages the knowledge, expertise and networks of Louis Dreyfus Company employees, whose contributions are key to the advancement of our projects and work.



Project focus



Context

We support rural areas that are vulnerable to food insecurity and climate change, where we see significant potential to develop small-scale agricultural projects and promote vocational agricultural education.

Locations

The Louis Dreyfus Foundation is mostly active across Africa, Asia and Latin America, in countries where Louis Dreyfus Company has an established presence.

Projects

Our projects and programs focus on promoting the social, environmental and economic welfare of smallholder farmers and their local communities.

Advancing the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals

We help farming communities to address productivity and efficiency gaps.



We strive to improve household food availability and consumption of nutritious food.



We facilitate access to agricultural education, to make agriculture attractive and reduce rural migration.



We empower women in rural communities.



We promote community climate action, helping to preserve biodiversity and soil health.



Our recent impact findings

Discover the positive impact our projects have had on agricultural communities.

Côte d'Ivoire



Ethiopia



India



37%

average income
increase for
rice producers

Through our rice supply chain improvement project in Côte d'Ivoire, participating farmers earned significantly more, on average, thanks to improved production practices and access to markets.

63%

reduction in
soil loss

Farming communities in hilly areas of Southern Ethiopia observed significant improvements in soil erosion after the introduction of conservation measures that helped to reduce soil loss and runoff compared to plots without such measures.

70%

average productivity
increase for
women farmers

Women farmers in Rajasthan saw a significant average increase in yields after participating in the project for four years, compared to the baseline, thanks to improved production practices, income diversification and use of natural fertilizers.



Foreword

Reflections from the President and General Manager of the Louis Dreyfus Foundation



Margarita Louis-Dreyfus
President, LDF



Robert Serpollet
General Manager, LDF

After the celebration of the Louis Dreyfus Foundation's 10th anniversary in 2022, our President, Margarita Louis-Dreyfus, and our General Manager, Robert Serpollet, share their thoughts on the Foundation's mission, priorities and impact, as 2023 marked the beginning of a new activity cycle for the Foundation.

How does the start of a new activity cycle affect the Foundation's mission?

Margarita Louis-Dreyfus

Our vision and mission remain unchanged: we remain deeply committed to helping fight hunger and poverty in the Global South, focusing on bringing sustainable solutions to smallholder farmers. To achieve this, we continue to focus on improving food security through micro-farming and agricultural education, which remain at the heart of our mission. We strongly believe that smallholder farmers, who play such a crucial role in feeding the world and yet suffer the most from food insecurity, should be supported in building a sustainable future for themselves, their communities and, ultimately, the world at large.



In what ways have the projects launched or continued in 2023 contributed to achieving the foundation's mission?

Robert Serpollet

In 2023, our projects supported more than 23,000 farmers across all the regions in which we operate. Climate change continues to have dramatic effects on vulnerable populations, including smallholder farmers, affecting food security and health, exacerbating poverty and leading to population displacement. Farmers are especially impacted by the loss of biodiversity and access to water, climate and land use changes, and chemical pollutants – all of which affect the soil's quality and ability to regenerate. Planetary boundaries are being crossed, endangering the stability and resilience of the Earth's ecological and food systems and, ultimately, human livelihoods and living conditions globally.

The Foundation's goal is to provide sustainable solutions to smallholder farmers to help them step out of poverty, through projects focusing on agroforestry, natural farming and access to water. Increasing demand for water is severely impacting micro-farming, affecting both crop irrigation and availability of safe drinking water. Accordingly, in 2023 we funded various projects helping over 12,000 smallholder farmers to access safe water and improve water management.

23,000+
farmers engaged

~30,000
people in need supported with emergency food and supplies

136,000+
indirect beneficiaries

14
countries where support has been provided

Capacity building also remained a key focus in 2023, and we provided agricultural training to 582 students, addressing a major issue in the Global South, where the livelihoods of many communities rely heavily on agriculture but access to quality training is hindered, in part, by a lack of funding, farmers' financial constraints and inadequate curricula – all of which we aim to address through our projects.

Margarita Louis-Dreyfus

All in all, our projects directly or indirectly benefited more than 136,000 people in the countries where we operate. This would not have been possible without the invaluable support of our local partners, with whom we work hand in hand, relying on their knowledge of the local context and communities. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the Louis Dreyfus Company employees who continually contribute technical expertise as part of Foundation projects. I am extremely grateful for their tireless commitment to our mission!

In 2023, the Foundation provided emergency relief to populations affected by humanitarian crises. What can you tell us about this activity?

Margarita Louis-Dreyfus

Although the Foundation's core work is in pursuit of long term impacts, we cannot remain blind to humanitarian crises hitting many parts of the world, aggravated by climate change and geopolitical tensions, which exacerbate food insecurity - especially in Africa. Countries like Eritrea, Egypt, Benin, Sudan, Djibouti and Tanzania, for instance, used to import over 70% of their wheat from the Black Sea region, where ongoing conflict and related disruptions have triggered a significant shortage of grains on the African continent*.

Robert Serpollet

In 2023, we provided emergency relief to almost 30,000 farmers and other populations affected by humanitarian crises. With the help of our partners, our interventions concentrated on providing emergency food aid and livelihood assistance – including to people affected by conflict in Ukraine and farmers affected by devastating floods in Libya and Pakistan.

* Bitsat Yohannes-Kassahun. One Year Later: The impact of the Russian conflict with Ukraine on Africa. <https://www.un.org/osaa/news/one-year-later-impact-russian-conflict-ukraine-africa>

Our projects around the world

Côte d'Ivoire

- Improving rice sector performance
- Promoting regenerative agriculture through a rural business incubator **NEW**
- Rural agricultural vocational school

Ghana

- Development of a Master's program at Ashesi University

Brazil

- Advancing sustainable farming practices in the Cerrado biome **NEW**

Argentina

- Supporting production and livelihoods of smallholder farming families
- Supporting agricultural students in University of Salta and Santiago Del Estero **NEW**

South Africa

- Abalimi Phambili (farmers first) support program
- Supporting agricultural students in University of Pretoria

Ukraine

- Emergency livelihood assistance for people affected by conflict

Libya

- Emergency food support to people affected by floods

China

- Supporting smallholder farmers with regenerative practices **NEW**

India

- Enhancing food security for women smallholder farmers
- Enhancing livelihood resilience of communities affected by salinity ingress **NEW**
- Supporting agricultural students in Agricultural Sciences University, Bangalore **NEW**

Cambodia

- Women in aquaculture project
- Grant supporting Smiling Gecko School and Education Campus **NEW**

Pakistan

- Providing urgent assistance to farmers to revive their agricultural production

Indonesia

- Building sustainable livelihoods for coffee farmers
- Improving the curriculum of Polbangtan technical university **NEW**

Kenya

- Creating a shared value chain for maize production **NEW**
- Improving farmer livelihoods through agroecological practices **NEW**

- Supporting small and medium agricultural enterprises **NEW**
- Supporting agricultural students in Egerton University

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- Building sustainable livelihoods for coffee farmers (Ethiopia & Uganda)



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Creating a shared value chain for maize production in Kenya

Maize is a staple food in Bungoma County, with 80% of production being consumed locally, while the remaining 20% provides an important source of income for local smallholder farmers.

Funding Period:
2021-2025

Crops:
Maize, vegetables

Partners:
Solidaridad and Cereal Growers Association, Kenya



The local population faces several challenges, such as insufficient training, climate change impacts, high production costs, limited market access, and low involvement of young people and women in maize production. Due to a highly fragmented maize value chain, economic value is also unevenly distributed among its various stakeholders.

What we do

The project aims to improve maize productivity through enhanced market access and a greater focus on gender and youth empowerment.

Since the start of the project, 47 lead farmers and seven government agricultural extension officers have been trained and have shared their knowledge onward with 1,561 other farmers, through theoretical training sessions and field demonstrations. The project leads tested different agricultural practices on five demonstration plots and developed guidance for improved maize production, including on use of high-quality certified seeds, conservation agriculture, integrated soil fertility and pest management practices (including training on soil sample analyses), agroecology practices and use of post-harvest technologies.



In parallel, the project team recruited and trained 12 gender champions, both men and women, on gender and social inclusion, nutrition and healthy diets. These champions then organized awareness sessions on economic and social empowerment for farmers. The project also included diet diversification training delivered to 335 women, as well as training on weather forecasting for 34 county extension officers, to help calibrate agricultural practices.



OUR OUTREACH

1,561

farmers participating in the project

54 lead farmers and county extension officers trained

5 demonstration plots established

AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT

40

farmers trained on soil sample analyses

34

county extension officers trained on weather forecasting

ECONOMIC

50%

expected increase in maize productivity and income

What's next?

The project will further support farmers with the adoption of good agricultural practices and technologies, as well as access to agricultural inputs and services.

Advancing sustainable farming practices in the Cerrado biome

The Cerrado is a vast region of tropical savanna in eastern Brazil, home to 5% of the planet’s animals and plants, and more than 11,000 plant species. It plays a vital role in providing clean water and capturing carbon in the soil, thereby helping to mitigate the effects of climate change.

Funding Period:
2022-2024

Crops:
Rice, beans, vegetables, fruits, native species

Partners:
VBio



However, the Cerrado is one of the most unprotected savannas in the world, with less than 2% of its surface area benefiting from the status of protected areas. Over the last 25 years, this biome has been threatened by the expansion of agriculture and other activities.

The Cerrado hosts large-scale soy, corn and cotton farmers, as well as smallholder farmers and traditional communities whose livelihoods rely on small-scale agriculture, livestock and fruit and nut collection from indigenous tree species. The market for native Cerrado products is expanding, driven by urban consumers looking for differentiated food products with strong ecological and health attributes.

What we do

The project works to empower over 400 families involved in agricultural crop and native species production in 17 municipalities of Goiás, Bahia and Minas Gerais states. It is designed to help improve crop and tree yields through training on sustainable agricultural practices, helping communities to maintain and improve soil structure and fertility. The training sessions and workshops provide farmers guidance on how to reduce synthetic fertilizer and pesticide use to



minimize environmental impacts. Participating families are also invited to join production groups to help market their produce: by becoming members of the Solidarity Commercialization Network, a 5,000-family cooperative, farmers have access to a platform allowing them to sell their products without intermediaries. Lastly, eligible producers will pursue organic certification to sell their products at a premium.



OUR OUTREACH

1,200

indirect beneficiaries

49 production groups involved

519 farmers participating

AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT

36k

indigenous trees planted

70

smallholder farms to be organically certified

ECONOMIC

10-20%

average income increase expected

What's next?

The project will continue to assist farmers by enhancing their capacity to produce native species and diversify production.

Supporting smallholder farming families in Charata, Argentina

In Charata, Argentina, smallholder family livelihoods depend mainly on farming, yet farmers lack the financial resources and training to improve their yields and diversify their production.

Funding Period:
2020-2024

Products:
Livestock, horticulture

Partners:
Fundación Aquí Es



This situation impairs food security and revenue generation, and negatively impacts health conditions, in a region that frequently faces extreme weather events and natural hazards due to climate change, with communities experiencing devastating floods, droughts and heat waves, affecting production and revenues. The local population also lacks access to basic water and sanitation facilities.

What we do

The project aims to enhance family income and living conditions by providing technical agricultural assistance, along with equipment and training related to farm production and health matters.

The focus is on tutoring families on production- and family-related topics, and on helping smallholders to acquire more efficient production methods and develop management and financial skills, with a goal to make farmers more independent in managing their production for improved yields and livelihoods.

The first training sessions were centered on agricultural production, as well as social and psychological assistance to farmers. In addition, five water wells



were built and the creation of a cooperative was initiated. Participating farmers will become members of this cooperative to facilitate the collective purchase of production inputs and enhance market access.



OUR OUTREACH

200

farmers involved

12 training sessions per producing family

AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT

5 water wells constructed

ECONOMIC

30%

increase in chicken production

60%

increase in horticulture gardens

What's next?

In the coming year, the project will continue to deliver technical assistance to farming families and monitor their production results. The project has the potential to support more smallholder farmers in the area once the cooperative is operational.

Impact Spotlight: Improved food security and livelihoods in India

Sugna Bai and Rekha Devi are two lead women farmers among the 6,000 women farmers from Tonk District in Rajasthan, participating in a project to enhance the food security and livelihoods of smallholder farmers.

Funding Period:
2020-2024

Products:
Pearl millet, groundnut, black gram, wheat, mustard, vegetables, livestock

Partners:
Centre for microFinance



On World Soil Day 2023, celebrated on December 5, Sugna and Rekha were awarded the Mati Mitra Award (Soil Friend Award). Created by GIZ-India (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH) and institutions promoted by the Government of India (the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development and the National Rural Livelihoods Mission), the award recognized their work and commitment in promoting and implementing natural farming practices.

Improving food security and livelihoods through natural farming

As part of the project, women are trained in good agricultural practices in crop and livestock production, including natural farming based on agroecology principles, helping to improve their agricultural skills and acquire knowledge of organic fertilizer production.

Use of home-made organic inputs allows women to be less dependent on external input providers and, as a low-cost solution, to help reduce their expenses. It also significantly improves soil fertility over time, thanks to higher organic matter content, enhanced microbial activity and reduced nutrient leaching.

Women's key role in promoting natural farming

Like many women farmers in this region, Sugna and Rekha are convinced that natural farming is critical to ensure sustainable agricultural production in the long term. As lead farmers in their communities, they share their knowledge about natural farming and its benefits with farmers, training other women on natural fertilizer and pest repellent production, and organizing field demonstrations.

“Approximately three years ago, I acquired knowledge about natural farming techniques. This made me realize that the use of chemical fertilizers and insecticides gradually damages soil fertility and human health. Now, I make and use my own bio compost and natural pest repellent. I have shared this knowledge with around 50–60 women farmers in my village, who are now also practicing natural farming.

Sugna Bai, Jhundwa Village, Tonk, Rajasthan



Rajasthan
India

In Rajasthan, women are often the main users of natural resources. By engaging them in natural farming activities, Sugna and Rekha also improve their confidence and advocate for greater involvement of women in agriculture, and better access to seeds, tools and credit.

Securing food access and a pathway out of poverty

With the help of lead women farmers like Sugna and Rekha, the project has already contributed to training 5,003 women in natural farming. Agricultural produce is consumed by their households and sold at local markets, allowing women to improve the food security and nutrition of their families, and obtain additional income for their household.

Local farming communities have so far seen a 49% increase in income derived from agriculture, compared to 2020 levels. Adopting natural farming practices has also led to a 22% cost reduction in wheat cultivation, a major crop for local farming communities. Lastly, the intensification of food production has helped women producers cover their household food requirements for an additional 3 to 4 months. The increase in both income and productivity has significantly contributed to improving their livelihoods, enabling them to embark on a pathway out of poverty.

The project introduced me to natural farming, practiced by women farmers in a nearby village. Finding out that women cultivate vegetables and other crops by preparing bio compost and natural pest repellent at home inspired me to gradually start using these methods in my own fields. As a result, my expenses decreased, the quality of my soil improved, and diseases and pest attacks decreased. Today, I support 30–40 women farmers from my village to implement natural farming practices.

Rekha Devi, Devri Village,
Tonk, Rajasthan





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Promoting regenerative agriculture in Côte d'Ivoire

Côte d'Ivoire is Africa's top palm oil exporter, with an annual production of 500,000 metric tons of crude palm oil, increasing in response to rising global demand for vegetable oils.

Funding Period:
2021-2024

Products:
Palm oil, food crops,
livestock

Partners:
Earthworm Foundation



While contributing significantly to the Ivorian economy, current palm oil production practices are unsustainable, resulting in pressure on yields and adverse environmental impacts. More than 11,000 smallholder palm oil producers located in this area strive to make a living from palm, often encroaching into the neighboring Tanoe-Ehy forest reserve for crop production, firewood collection and expansion of palm oil plantations, endangering the reserve's ecosystem.

What we do

The project aims to improve the livelihoods of rural communities by encouraging younger generations and existing farmers to become entrepreneurs and champions of sustainable production.

Rural business incubator CIRA (Centre d'Incubation Rural et Agroécologique) was inaugurated as part of the project in November 2022, with the goal to encourage young farmers to implement sustainable practices in their plantations, and to strengthen the relationship between local farmers, cooperatives and mills toward joint implementation of sustainable palm sourcing strategies. CIRA provides education on sustainable farming and regenerative agriculture methods, through a six-month program for young farmers and a one-week coaching program for



more experienced farmers. 47 young trainees and 118 experienced producers have graduated so far, following a program that includes good agricultural practices for palm oil production, on-farm crop diversification for their own consumption and as a source of income, farm financial management and business development, and principles of regenerative agriculture. Forest conservation sensitization is another key element and so far it has been accomplished in 11 villages with more than 200 participants.



Aboisso, Sud-Comoé

Côte d'Ivoire

OUR OUTREACH

47

young trainees graduated

118

producers trained

What's next?

A further 150 young trainees and farmers will be trained in 2024. CIRA is expected to play an important role in developing the regional palm oil supply chain, while improving local rural community livelihoods and transforming the economy of agriculture.

Improving the curriculum at Polbangtan technical university in Medan, Indonesia

In Indonesia, a large part of the population depends on agriculture for their livelihoods. Yet low productivity and outdated production equipment make the sector unattractive to young people, in a country where the median age is 28 years old. In addition, the few agricultural training opportunities that exist rarely integrate sustainable agricultural standards and don't meet students' and employers' needs.

Funding Period:
2023-2024

Crop:
Coffee

Partners:
Pro-Pertanian Lestari and Politeknik
Pembangunan Pertanian Medan



What we do

The Foundation supports a project in North Sumatra, Indonesia, a region known for producing and exporting coffee, palm oil, rubber, timber, rice, vegetables, chilies, corn and fish. We collaborate with vocational university Politeknik Pembangunan Pertanian Medan to support students in becoming field extension officers, whose role is to provide technical assistance that contributes to Indonesia's agricultural development.

The project aims to create a curriculum that combines sustainable farming principles, including regenerative agriculture, with modern farming technologies and business management. Its goal is to empower young people with the skills and mindset to help shape a more robust, competitive and sustainable agricultural sector in Indonesia.

Following a needs assessment, the project experts updated the university's competence reference framework to integrate elements of Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) for coffee production and entrepreneurship in its curriculum. The project also assisted the university in incorporation of a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) component, allowing students to benefit from a more comprehensive approach. Additionally, the project experts assist teachers in enhancing their program and materials, through training and individual mentorship, while LDC coffee experts have helped the university to set up a coffee nursery on campus, enabling students to learn practical applications alongside theoretical concepts.



OUR OUTREACH

33

teachers supported

700

students involved

AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT

1

updated and improved
competency framework

1

coffee nursery set up
on campus

Louis Dreyfus Foundation Scholarship Program

The Louis Dreyfus Foundation Scholarship Program aims to develop a pool of talented young agricultural professionals able to help improve their country's capability to further develop conditions for a sustainable future of agriculture.

Scholarships cover tuition fees and/or living expenses. The program is open to students (women and men being equally represented) from disadvantaged backgrounds in countries located in the Global South, pursuing agricultural degrees (diplomas, bachelors and masters). To be eligible, students must demonstrate excellent academic performance and express a commitment to pursue a career in sustainable development and agriculture.

In addition to financial support, students benefit from Louis Dreyfus Company's support to pursue internships with the company, obtain career advice and visit company offices and facilities.

In 2023, the Foundation launched two new scholarship programs in India and Argentina, and continued to support two existing scholarship programs in Kenya and South Africa.




Egerton University
Kenya

7

Master's students supported



University of Pretoria
South Africa

6


Master's students supported




University of Salta
and Santiago Del Estero
Argentina

10

scholars supported



Agricultural Sciences
University, Bangalore
India

15

scholars supported

Impact Spotlight: Equipped to succeed as a farmer

Agriculture plays a central role in Côte d'Ivoire's economy, which is currently experiencing robust economic and demographic growth. In response to increasing demand for food driven by population growth, the country faces the need to train farmers.

Funding Period:
2019-2024

Partners:
Fert



The Agricultural and Rural Training Center of Niofoin (CFAR), founded jointly by the Foundation and French agri-agency Fert, aims to support the development of family farming in the region. CFAR provides training in sustainable and innovative agricultural practices, leadership and entrepreneurship for future generations of farmers. The two-year program combines general education with theoretical and practical agricultural training, equipping students with multidisciplinary competence and skills needed for successful farming. The program includes crop and livestock management, and the mitigation of technical and market risks that could hinder a farm's sustainability. The Foundation also offers technical assistance to graduates as they establish their own farms.



Aly Bayoko's new life as a poultry and corn farmer
A 27-year-old from Côte d'Ivoire, Aly lives in Korhogo. After completing high school, he worked as a freelance motorcycle deliveryman in Abidjan. Informed by his father of the existence of CFAR, Aly's passion for farming led him to register and join the first class.

After graduating from CFAR, Aly built a 70 m² chicken run - a fenced outdoor space for raising chickens - on a plot belonging to his father, in Korhogo. He also grows maize on a two-hectare family-owned plot in M'Bengué. The chicken coop is intended for breeding broiler chickens, while the maize serves as animal feed.



Côte d'Ivoire



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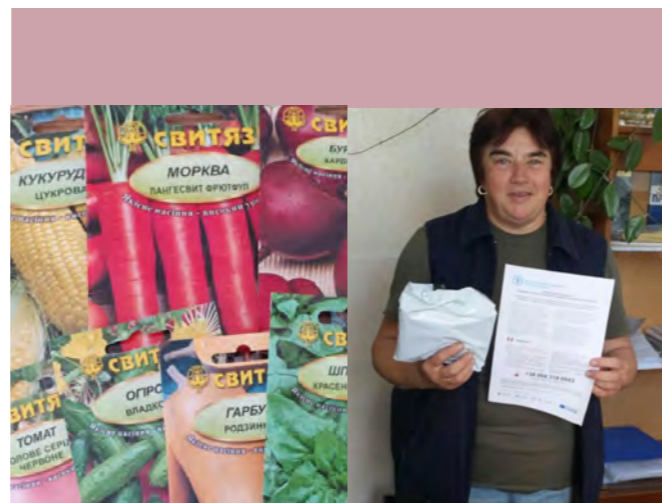
I gradually increased my broiler production and the plot I got from my father is now used at full capacity. Obviously, when it comes to both the broiler and the maize production, I apply what I learned at CFAR in terms of food and sanitation. I also record all my technical-economic data to have a clearer outlook on future production. I regularly share feedback with other former students, and with CFAR's technical advisor responsible for monitoring former students' projects. Technically speaking, I am getting good results, and I am proud to now share the experience I have gained with younger CFAR students.

I do, however, also face difficulties, because many customers pay on credit, and chick suppliers have difficulty meeting delivery dates, which affects my production schedule. Broiler production allowed me to get started and save a little, but today, I want to diversify my farming activities. I plan to acquire another plot and build a second hen house that can accommodate up to 1,000 laying hens. I am also looking for a way to relocate my maize production closer, to reduce costs and improve logistics.

Aly Bayoko, poultry and maize farmer

Emergency relief

When humanitarian crises hit in regions already facing challenges caused by climate change and conflict, providing more emergency support that addresses food insecurity can help those in immediate need.



Ukraine

Emergency food security and livelihood assistance for people affected by conflict in Ukraine

Implementation dates: 2022-2023

Area: Zakarpatska and Lvivska oblasts

Beneficiaries: 2,246 households / 7,584 indirect beneficiaries

Partner: Food and Agriculture Organization



The grant provided by the Foundation aimed to restore and secure minimum food production levels by distributing animal feed and vegetable seeds to conflict-affected households.

600 pig and 1,000 poultry feed kits, along with information booklets on feed usage, were provided to 1,246 households. Vegetable seed kits were also distributed to a further 1,000 households, enabling them to cultivate 50 hectares of land and produce an estimated 560 metric tons of vegetables.

The assistance provided allowed households to maintain crop and livestock production and protect critical productive assets, thus meeting immediate nutritional needs and enhancing food security. It also contributed to the creation of a supplementary income stream through the sale of excess produce, strengthening their resilience in the face of severe winter conditions.

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Pakistan

Providing urgent assistance to farmers to revive their agricultural production in Pakistan

Implementation dates: 2023-2024

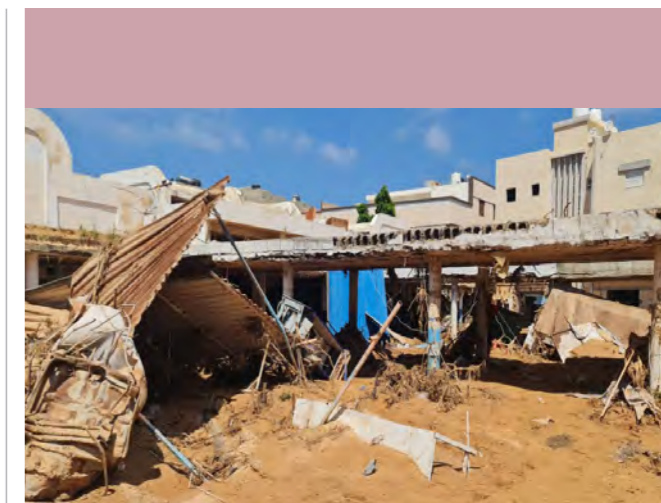
Area: Sindh and Balochistan regions

Beneficiaries: 240 farmers / 1,900 indirect beneficiaries

Partner: Alamgir Welfare Trust



The Foundation's grant supported a farmer rehabilitation program in Sindh and Balochistan, two cotton producing areas affected by the devastating floods that hit this part of the country in 2022. The program provided agricultural inputs (fertilizers and seeds) to 240 farmers in 2023, representing approximately 1,900 indirect beneficiaries, to restore the agricultural production of cotton, rice, corn and maize. An additional 250 farmers will be assisted in 2024.



Libya

Emergency food support to people affected by floods in Libya

Implementation dates: 2023-2024

Area: Derna, Libya

Beneficiaries: 19,500 people

Partner: World Food Programme



In Derna, Libya, whole neighborhoods were washed away following Storm Daniel on September 10, 2023, which affected over 800,000 people and displaced over tens of thousands of people. Infrastructure was destroyed, roads were dysfunctional, hospitals were no longer operational, and people who lost their properties and livelihoods were in desperate need of humanitarian assistance.

The World Food Programme's support has provided 138,930 flood-affected people with food rations to help meet immediate food needs. The Foundation's grant enabled 19,500 people to receive in-kind food assistance. 218 metric tons of nutritious food baskets composed of rice, wheat flour, pasta, tomato paste, beans, chickpeas, date bars and vegetable oil were procured and efficiently distributed to affected communities. In addition, food dispatches financed by the grant helped stabilize market prices (mainly cereals and vegetable oils) in the flood-affected areas.

Foundation governance and financial information



Governance

The Louis Dreyfus Foundation is a company foundation operating under French law, with its registered office in Paris.

The Board

The Board takes all decisions in the interest of the Louis Dreyfus Foundation. Board members approve the endowment budget, assess programs and projects, validate the Foundation's strategy and oversee all its efforts and activities.

Board Members

Mrs. Margarita Louis-Dreyfus

President, Louis Dreyfus Foundation
Chairperson of the Supervisory Board,
Louis Dreyfus Holding B.V.
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Louis Dreyfus Company International Holding B.V.

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Advisor, Fundación Cristo Vive Switzerland

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Mrs. Yulia Levin

Supervisory Board member, Louis Dreyfus Holding B.V.
Former Board member, European Forest
Resources Group

The Advisory Committee

The Advisory Committee advises the Board on projects that the Foundation could support. Members are individuals selected for their experience and ability to take the Foundation forward.

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Entrepreneur
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Division, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)

Mr. Erik Anderson

Former CEO North America and former
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Louis Dreyfus Company

Dr. Christopher Gibbs

Independent consultant in agriculture
and rural development
Former staff member, Ford Foundation,
the Aga Khan Foundation and the World Bank

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Executive Director, West Marin Fund
Former Head of Strategic Grantmaking and
Movement Building, Global Fund for Women

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Head of Operations, Louis Dreyfus Foundation

2023 Financial Information

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

From 01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023	€	€
	At 31/12/2023	At 31/12/2022
INCOMES (LEGACIES AND GIFTS)	3,749,377	4,062,717
Grants paid for projects and envelopes voted in 2023	967,338	796,555
Grants to be paid for projects and envelopes voted in 2023	2,223,632	3,360,263
Other costs and external expenses	656,324	426,327
EXPENSES	3,847,294	4,583,145
OPERATING RESULT	-97,917	-520,428
Financial Income	72,690	4,699
Financial Expenses	2,534	4,052
FINANCIAL RESULTS	70,156	647
RECURRING INCOME	-27,761	-519,781



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We value the ongoing support and dedication of our partners. With their expertise, reliability, and understanding of the local environment and resources, we are able to further our aims, as we continue to improve food security through sustainable micro-farming and agricultural education.

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