

Why support PATRIP?

Relevant Cross-border Approach

Where bilateral or multilateral project grants for individual countries fail to look beyond political borders, 'PATRIP Projects' can bring an added value by designing projects which clearly tackle cross-border issues. These projects are conducive to improve collaboration between neighbouring states, increase state legitimacy in the eyes of the population, and initiate political dialogue, all of which contribute to more stable and interconnected relations.

consultant even more unique is however the continuous assistance it offers to partners with all aspects of technical and procedural implementation.

Flexible Funding Options

PATRIP undertakes the complete project identification and preparation process, making it possible for donors to choose flexibly from a variety of projects across different sectors. Moreover, the co-financing of projects with other donors is possible.

PATRIP makes it possible for donors to finance several complementary projects, making it possible to effectively set up programmes for specific locations within the PATRIP regions, which are then managed and transparently monitored by PATRIP, thereby increasing the leverage on results and impact.

PATRIP has experience with turning even smaller contributions – minimum of EUR 500,000.00 – into meaningful projects, providing visibility opportunities for donors. On the other hand, PATRIP presents an effective vehicle for channelling even larger funds into projects while maintaining a low-visibility approach if the context calls for it.

Considering the various actors within the field of international cooperation – different donor institutions, development banks, implementing partners, service providers like GIZ etc. – PATRIP Foundation can play a central role in seeking to harmonise and coordinate respective activities and facilitate information sharing in order to avoid duplication and improve the coherence and complementarity of projects.

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Clear and Robust Principles

The PATRIP Foundation operates based on clear and robust principles, with procurement guidelines and a reporting system based on international standards. These principles enable donors to make cost-effective and targeted investments that help to significantly improve living conditions for inhabitants of fragile areas.

Locally Based Monitoring and Quality Assurance

The PATRIP Foundation's monitoring consultant has local offices in Ouagadougou and Islamabad, thus ensuring regular site visits of monitoring teams including engineers, financial, environmental, and community experts (social mobiliser). In addition, the monitoring consultant uses Remote Management, Monitoring and Verification (RMMV) activities for verification and monitoring of expected results. What makes PATRIP's monitoring

Strong Network of Local and International NGOs

The PATRIP Foundation places strong emphasis on maintaining a close network that includes all partner NGOs in the two regions. Regularly, extensive workshops including all partners are being organised. This has proven to be highly fruitful since partners often face the same issues during project implementation and can thus benefit from coming together (“PATRIP Family”) to jointly discuss challenges experienced during project implementation, optimise processes, and learn from each other’s projects by conducting joint project visits. PATRIP’s partnership with the NGOs is defined by continuous support at all project stages, starting with the planning phase.

Through the allocation of funds through local partners (INGOs/NGOs), PATRIP tries to ensure that projects are coordinated with local authorities, correspond to local development plans, and reflect the priorities of the local inhabitants and thus follow the principles of ownership and alignment. Moreover, PATRIP is committed to further the capacities of local NGOs by offering continuous partnership and support. Through clustering its activities, PATRIP has also become a well-known and trusted partner in certain regions. Moreover, PATRIP actively supports the pooling of expertise from different perspectives and NGO partners specialised on different sectors. This is harnessed to create the best possible result for local communities.

Swift Implementation

The PATRIP Foundation gains a high degree of flexibility in its work by operating with procedures that have been adapted to fragile contexts. This allows PATRIP to adequately react to rapid changes of the situation on the ground.

Moreover, PATRIP’s project cycle is designed to maximise donor input and strategic alignment, while aiming at a swift implementation of projects. Most of the PATRIP-financed projects are designed for two years, while longer and shorter projects are possible depending on the envisaged outcome.

Environmental and Social Protection

The PATRIP Foundation’s Environmental and Social Policy (E&S Policy) ensures the sustainable implementation of projects. Thorough checks of compliance with these guidelines form an integral part of project planning prior to contract award. PATRIP’s monitoring team verifies the compliance with guidelines during regular site visits.

Project Sustainability and Evaluation

PATRIP’s projects distinguish themselves by high stakeholder engagement throughout conceptualisation and implementation, thus generating maximum ownership and alignment with authorities, which in turn benefits state legitimacy. Questions of long-term operation and maintenance are clarified before funding starts. The PATRIP Foundation remains committed to a critical examination of its completed projects by incorporating the results of independent evaluations into its work.

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