The Netherlands and Burkina Faso

Main objective of Dutch efforts in the period of 2019 - 2022*

The Netherlands is assisting Burkina Faso to address instability, crime and conflict by focusing on their underlying causes. We are investing in the rule of law and in the emerging private sector, and working for sustainable trade, development, food security, water and climate. The Netherlands is also helping civil society organisations, young people and women to find their voice.

Integrated approach

In 2019 the Netherlands opened a new Embassy Office in Burkina Faso, revitalising the relationship between our countries. The programme is still being built up. The Netherlands is working with other countries to address the causes of instability by contributing to development programmes and supporting the G5 Joint Force.

Main themes SDGs Main partners

Security and the rule of law
The Netherlands facilitates cooperation between civilians and the military, linking up security and development. This also helps strengthen the rule of law.

UN organisations

Food and nutrition security
The Netherlands is supporting farmers in the areas of food security, reforestation, water, climate and energy. We are also working to improve soil quality.

Local and international businesses

Private sector development
The Netherlands is of opinion that everyone, especially women and girls, should have access to education and employment. Through support to businesses we help improve young people’s prospects.

Local and international businesses

Sexual and reproductive health and rights, including HIV/AIDS
The Netherlands is improving access to contraceptives for women and girls.

Local and international businesses

Capital and location of Dutch embassy

Ouagadougou

Facts & Figures

Population: 19.7 million (2018 est.)

Economy

- GNI per head of population: $ 590 (2017 est.)
- Trade with the Netherlands:
  - Exports to the Netherlands: € 13 million
  - Imports from the Netherlands: € 60.8 million (2017 est.)

Population growth: 2.76% (2018 est.)

Development index

- Inequality index (Palma ratio): 1.5 (2010-2017)
- Ranking in the Human Development Index: 183 out of 189 (2017)

*Financial information on Dutch efforts in international cooperation can be found in the HGIS-note, published annually in Dutch at www.rijksoverheid.nl

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