

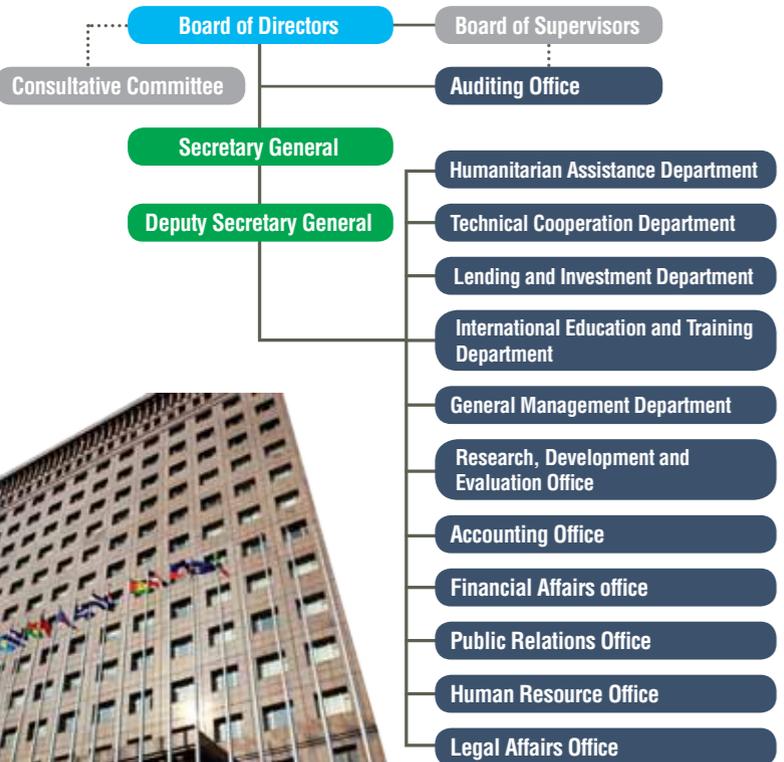
How the TaiwanICDF is Organized

The TaiwanICDF is responsible for putting the government's foreign aid policies into practice. We plan, implement and evaluate effective projects that support sustainable development.

Our work emphasizes professionalism, growth and innovation. We constantly strengthen our methods of delivery to improve performance and bring renewed energy to our foreign aid operations.

The highest decision-making body at the TaiwanICDF is the Board of Directors. The Secretary General is responsible for the operations of the organization, supported by the work of five departments and seven offices.

Our development work focuses on four core operations: technical cooperation, humanitarian assistance, lending and investment, and education and training.



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About the TaiwanICDF

During the 1950s and '60s, Taiwan received aid from the United States and other nations. For Taiwan, this was a period of warmth and gratitude. As Taiwan's economy began to flourish, we initiated our own foreign aid operations, to pass some of the "Taiwan Experience" on to the international community.

In 1959, Taiwan dispatched its first group of agricultural experts to Vietnam. In 1961, Operation Vanguard was established, which coordinated further missions to African nations to address food shortages and sow the seeds of compassion.

During the '70s, we dispatched more technical missions to assist partner countries develop. Following continued economic growth throughout the '80s, we began to offer investments, lending and SME technologies, to share the many facets of our "Taiwan Experience."

To integrate resources and maintain Taiwan's capacity to care for the world, our government established the International Cooperation and Development Fund, the TaiwanICDF, in 1996. Guided by a philosophy of "progress, development and humanity," our mission is to alleviate poverty and strengthen human rights in our partner countries, and advance the causes of cooperation and development.



Core Operations and Activities



In response to contemporary trends and the key issues of foreign aid, we have identified five operational priorities that will form the basis of our work: agriculture, public health, education, information and communications technology, and environmental protection.

◆ Information and Communications Technology

The development of information and communications technologies (ICT) has broken down geographical boundaries, raising overall development and bringing economic reform to developing countries. At the TaiwanICDF, we make the best use of Taiwan's own development experience in ICT by assisting partners to build e-government systems and apply ICT to industrial development. This not only helps partner governments to improve governance and service efficiency and to generate a wider range of economic benefits, but also opens such countries up to new arenas of development.

◆ Public Health

Our work in the field of public health and medicine ties together Taiwan's 50-year experience in running foreign aid projects involving disease prevention, medicine and public health. To assist our partners to strengthen health care and associated systems, we focus on public health programs, training for medical professionals in our partner countries, donations of used medical equipment and international medical cooperation.

◆ Agriculture

Drawing on Taiwan's technical advantages and experience in agriculture, we cooperate with partner countries on agribusiness projects to safeguard food security, enhance the added value of operations and raise farmers' incomes. These measures address poverty and hunger and promote development and sustainable progress in the agriculture sector.

◆ Education

Socio-economic development and education are inextricably linked. With today's foreign aid strategies placing an emphasis on capacity building, the TaiwanICDF is helping its partners to meet their genuine development needs by assisting them to foster professional talent through higher education, and to develop human resources through technical and vocational education and training (TVET).



◆ Environmental Protection



In recent years, the problems caused by climate change and energy shortages have heightened the difficulty and complexity of international development operations. Pursuing environmental sustainability has now become one of the main targets of the international community's efforts. We assist our partners to promote environmental protection and green energy projects while ensuring that such projects meet partners' genuine development needs and achieve environmental sustainability as effectively as possible.

Links to the International Community

In line with globalization and associated trends, the TaiwanICDF continues to connect to the international community. We work with international governmental organizations such as the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the Asian Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank and the Central American Bank for Economic Integration. We have also established trusted partnerships with international NGOs such as Food For The Poor, Mercy Corps and the Organization of American States. We continue to grow alongside the international community.

Looking Ahead

International cooperation and development is about hope, progress and growth.

Facing changes in the global environment and international relations and responding to their impact, we will draw upon Taiwan's own development experiences and know-how when promoting foreign aid, reaching out to a greater number of project beneficiaries and pursuing inclusive growth that champions social equity and distributive justice.

Together with our partner countries, we will continue to sketch out a blueprint that meets our shared expectations, striding toward our vision to "become the best partner for sustainable development by 2022."

