



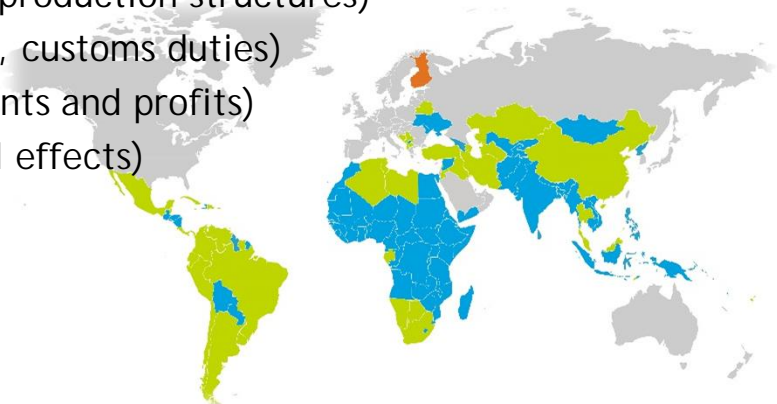
Support for Projects in Developing Countries



- Promotes business cooperation between companies in Finland and in developing countries => development effects i.e. human rights.
- Financed by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, (ODA), managed by Finnfund.
- Offers support for developing country projects:
 - **Business Partnership Support** is financial support for Finnish companies for long-term economic cooperation in developing countries with positive developmental effects. The support covers a part of the expenses in the planning, development and training phases of the project, piloting technology and solutions, and vocational training of local staff.
 - **Matchmaking service** brings together business initiatives and opportunities from developing countries with Finnish companies.
 - **Advice and guidance** on the business environment in developing countries etc.

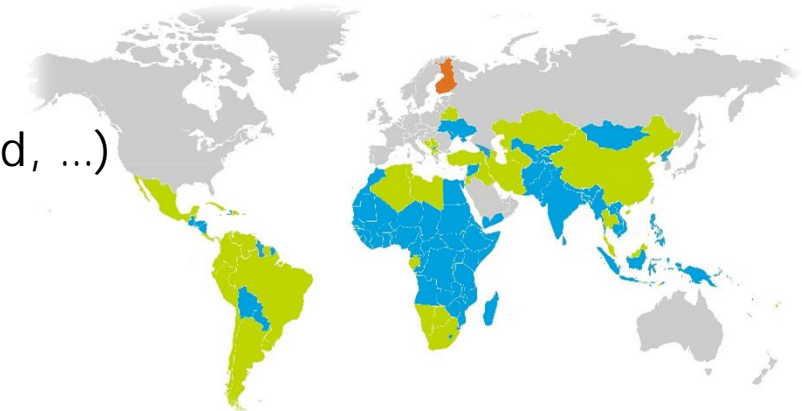
BPS - Commercial, social and environmental criteria

- Project assessment criteria
 - Foster development in the target country,
 - Are in line with legislation and requirements of the target country, and
 - Comply with international standards related to environmental and social issues.
- Commercial viability and sustainability
- Developmental effects
 - Improvements in the physical and social infrastructure benefiting the population in the vicinity of the project
 - Social effects/social benefits (compliance with ILO regulations; work safety; wage level etc.)
 - Market and structural effects (diversification of the production structures)
 - Contribution to government revenues (tax, royalties, customs duties)
 - Contribution to national income (wages, interest, rents and profits)
 - Environmental sustainability (positive environmental effects)
 - Technology and know-how transfer
 - Net currency effects
 - Employment effects, and
 - Gender effects.
- Social and environmental impacts (IFC Performance standards on S&E sustainability)



BPS - Socio-economic human rights (economic, social and cultural rights)

- 17 % ICT (solutions to improve access, information, ...)
- 8 % Environment (access to, clean, health, ...)
- 8 % Services (job creation, capacity building, education, ...)
- 8 % Energy (access to, affordability, equality, ...)
- 7 % Manufacturing engineering and machinery
- 7 % Metal and industry engineering (capacity building, import substitution, ...)
- 6 % Agriculture and food processing (efficiency, clean, exports, ...)
- 6 % Construction (low cost -> high-tech)
- 5 % Education (access to, better quality...)
- 5 % Textiles and clothing (...)
- 4 % Crafts (especially women, poor, disabled, ...)
- 3 % Electrical engineering
- 3 % Health (access to, better quality...)
- 2 % Forestry (land rights, ...)
- etc.





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