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Looking back on 2004... shows a year of both stability and change for VOICE. The network faced a number of changes in its external working environment, with shifts taking place in its main interlocutors especially at EU-level. A new European Commission took office, a new European Parliament was elected, and the EU took on a new profile with the entry of 10 new Member States. Closer to us, ECHO became a Directorate General for Humanitarian Aid, bringing a sudden change to its management. The new Framework Partnership Agreement (FPA) with ECHO came into force in January 2004, bringing challenges to VOICE’s operational NGO members which VOICE would make efforts to mediate and ease; one result was a new and revived FPA Watch Group that will continue to rely on VOICE as facilitator.

On the other hand, VOICE’s internal sphere was strengthened and consolidated, and can be characterised by increased stability. Once again in 2004 the General Assembly welcomed several new members. VOICE also used 2004 to plan its strategy for 2005-2007, a process that was made easier by working from a now solid basis and with three years of experience to count on. For this robustness we must in part thank Arne Piel Christensen, who served as VOICE president for two years before stepping down in 2004, as well as the members of our dedicated Board.

This stability also provided a platform for greater outreach to the EU institutions and decisionmakers. VOICE met the challenge of change in the EU institutions by raising awareness of the concerns of the humanitarian NGO community as well as the network’s visibility, through publications and documentation. With a view to increasing the impact of the NGO community, we also made a point of cooperating with other networks. These efforts towards building VOICE’s reputation and relevance have become cornerstones of our strategy for the next few years.

Looking forward towards 2005... the tragic tsunami that ended 2004 also had a major impact on the humanitarian community and its perception by the public: NGOs saw more funds for affected populations than ever before, as well as more interest in their actions. VOICE member NGOs, therefore, are giving special attention to quality and accountability activities that improve their operations in the eyes of beneficiaries, donors and the public, as well as to evaluations that help to learn lessons from the disaster. And VOICE will do its best to support them. The political scene likewise has used the tsunami as impetus to push forward new or old ideas that bring challenges to the humanitarian aid sector. VOICE’s response will include advocacy activities towards the EU that ensure space for humanitarian aid operations by NGOs and for humanitarian principles.
FPA Watch Group to monitor the implementation of the new Framework Partnership Agreement

The Framework Partnership Agreement (FPA) defines the contractual relationship between ECHO and its implementing partners. VOICE has been working on FPA issues for 10 years, since the first FPA was developed. In 2001, the ECHO partners designated VOICE as the facilitator for the consultation process between ECHO and its partners, and VOICE has carried out this role through to the present day. In 2003, partners signed a new FPA with ECHO, and the Watch Group’s task of consultation on the development of the new FPA came to an end. The next step would be to make sure the new documentation and contractual procedures worked in practice.

In 2004, VOICE drove the reconstitution of a new FPA Watch Group, charged with monitoring the implementation of this new FPA on behalf of ECHO partners. This involved opening membership in the Watch Group to more than 150 ECHO partner NGOs. Almost 40 NGOs volunteered to be involved in this hard-working group, and committed to giving regular input and operational experience to the monitoring process. As in the past, an executive Task Force composed of the most dedicated Watch Group members was set up to do the intensive work of frequent meetings with ECHO and profound analysis of documents and problems. VOICE’s facilitation role was also confirmed, easing logistics and relationships between the WG, the TF and their ECHO interlocutors.

In October 2004, the new Group met for the first time, setting Terms of Reference for itself, identifying the problems it aims to address, and discussing the first months of the new system with ECHO. The Task Force met twice in the Fall.

Achievements:
VOICE re-established the FPA Watch Group and Task Force to work on the implementation phase of the new FPA, signed in 2003.

Training for the new FPA

A main challenge of the new FPA for NGOs was adaptation to a completely new approach to ECHO operational grants. VOICE was therefore involved in encouraging and coordinating the greatest possible participation in FPA training. VOICE hosted an ECHO-funded Oxfam training workshop on 13 January, attended training sessions in Rome and Paris, and stressed to ECHO the need for FPA training for all partners.

One new requirement in the new FPA was for NGO partners to adapt their internal procurement rules to reflect ECHO’s and the European Commission’s procurement principles. VOICE took steps to ensure that all its members were informed of this
requirement and helped them, as far as possible, to understand and modify their internal documentation.

**Partnership Briefing**

Over the years, VOICE has harboured numerous requests for information about the relationships between NGOs and the European Commission. In 2004, reflecting back on its decade of work with the FPA, VOICE produced a briefing on NGO Partnership with the EC, taking the history and evolution of the FPA Watch Group as a case in point. Besides describing the long FPA consultation process, the briefing characterised the NGO-ECHO relationship, and made recommendations for the future for all the actors involved. Since its initial presentation in December at ECHO’s annual Partner Meeting, where VOICE distributed over 200 copies and launched the briefing in the presence of new EU Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Development Louis Michel and to new ECHO Director-General António Cavaco, the briefing has been in great demand.

**Dialogue with ECHO**

- In Spring, VOICE sent a series of letters to ECHO in order to express formally the concerns of VOICE members and ECHO partner NGOs. The adaptation of NGOs’ internal procurement rules in compliance with Annex V of the new FPA was one topic that was addressed. Another was that this year ECHO has omitted to publish a schedule of Global Plans and other decisions on its website. Given the EU’s policy of transparency, NGOs should have open access to decisions as soon as possible after they become available. Soon after, ECHO began publishing the full texts of decisions on its website, a move NGOs had been requesting for years.

- In July, VOICE met for the first time with officials from ECHO 6 – Audit to discuss the purpose and process of the biannual Framework Audit of Partners that took place for the first time in 2003. Late in 2003, VOICE had carried out a survey of its members to get reactions to the audit process and collect constructive feedback for ECHO, and shared these comments with ECHO management. The process of sharing NGO comments with ECHO 6 and receiving their explanations and perspectives in return opened a relationship of trust that should lead to future dialogue concerning auditing issues.

- In November, the SCHA (VOICE’s Board) met with the Head of ECHO 4, in order to look into strategic challenges for the year ahead, many of which are shared by ECHO and its NGO partners. The meeting touched on a broad range of contractual and more political issues and was considered very constructive and positive.

**Networking: HA NGOs**

In order to build further alliances within the humanitarian community, VOICE maintained relationships with other humanitarian NGO networks, especially ICVA, with national coordination bodies in the UK, France and Germany, and with the Red Cross family.
Other Activities with ECHO

- VOICE worked together with ECHO on the preparations for the Annual ECHO Partner Conference. VOICE’s acting president had a seat on the panel, and VOICE, as one of ECHO’s main collaborators, was able to set up a popular stand for greater visibility.

- VOICE assisted ECHO in its studies on humanitarian worker security and HIV/AIDS by helping the consultancy teams to identify NGO members for their reference groups. VOICE also assisted by bringing the multiple member initiatives in these two areas to ECHO’s attention.

- ECHO drafted a new Visibility Guidelines document in 2004. VOICE, the only body on the NGO side to be invited to give input, shared the NGO code of conduct for communication developed in 1989, which is still highly relevant.

- Desks and Global Plans: Over the year, VOICE maintained regular contact with many of the ECHO desk officers, such as those responsible for Iran, Iraq, Morocco (Earthquake), Haiti and the Dominican Republic, and Congo (DRC), in order to keep members updated on these country situations. Additionally, VOICE reported on Global Plan workshops concerning Congo, Burundi and Sudan.

- VOICE and ECHO have had, quite informally, a mutually beneficial stagiaire exchange: VOICE has worked well with interns who had just finished a stage at ECHO; and vice-versa. This allows young graduates to see both sides of the NGO/institutional relationship and builds understanding.

Networking: NOHA

In September, for the second year in a row, VOICE gave a lecture at the introductory seminar of the took part in a meeting of the NOHA educational network, an ECHO-funded European university network offering a Master in humanitarian aid, and wrote an article for one of their publications.

Achievements:

VOICE expanded its good relationship with ECHO by establishing dialogue with ECHO 6-Audit. ECHO has recognised the added value of VOICE, and now refers to VOICE in its Terms of Reference for studies in order to ensure consultation with operational NGOs.

Responding to Change at the EP

2004 was a European election year, implying a 70% total change in the corpus of EP Deputies. This drastic change in the profile of the EP represented a challenge that VOICE was able to overcome through a number of awareness-raising activities:

- In January, VOICE gave a talk at the joint ECHO-EP initiative, “Youth Solidarity Day”, which brought 550 high school students from all over the EU 15 to the EP to learn about EU humanitarian aid and draft a resolution.
In May, VOICE took advantage of the campaign season and sent outgoing MEPs an informational briefing about EU humanitarian aid and its connections with the voting public. MEPs thanked VOICE for the input to their campaigns. Moreover, much of the substance of this briefing was used towards the Development Committee’s “Welcome Pack” for new MEPs.

In July, the Parliament contacted VOICE to contribute a series of questions concerning humanitarian aid for MEPs to use in their hearings with the Candidate Commissioner for Development and Humanitarian Aid. The Development Committee’s resulting questionnaire aimed at Louis Michel incorporated many of VOICE’s points. In August, VOICE followed up the written questions with a letter to MEPs in the Development and Foreign Affairs committees, suggesting additional oral questions to pose to the candidates about the role of NGOs in EU humanitarian aid.

In October, VOICE participated together with Conflict Resolution network EPLO and Development network CONCORD in a roundtable event in the European Parliament that saw over a hundred attendees. The event, entitled: “A Human Security Doctrine for the EU? What role for the European Parliament in Conflict, Security, Development and Humanitarian Policies?” was organised as part of the “Development Days” to raise awareness among new MEPs. VOICE member ACF (Action contre la Faim) spoke on the panel.

VOICE interviewed longstanding MEP and Development Committee member Max Van den Berg for its first edition of VOICE Out Loud, demonstrating the relationship of dialogue between the EP and VOICE.

Each year, VOICE monitors the EP task of preparing the next year’s EU budget, to ensure that humanitarian aid priorities receive sufficient and preferably growing amounts of funds. The 2005 budget for humanitarian aid, at about 9% of the total budget for foreign policy measures, was to rise slightly from 2004: up 1.1% to €513.41 million. In 2004 a main issue for VOICE was that the €200 million committed for the Iraq crisis might take money away from humanitarian aid in the 2005 budget. VOICE supported the EP and Commission views against a cut of €9 million from the humanitarian aid budget.

VOICE monitored EP Committees throughout the year, paying particular attention to the Committee on Development, which deals with humanitarian affairs.

**Networking: Other NGO Groups**

VOICE has kept up contact with NGOs in other bodies working on humanitarian issues, such as EuronAid, International Network on Education in Emergencies (INEE), European Centre for Conflict Prevention, EPLO, and GRIP.

**Achievements:**

VOICE ensured opportunities for new MEPs in the Development Committee to learn about Humanitarian Aid by providing ample documentary support. VOICE succeeded in getting HA NGOs’ concerns addressed in the hearing of Louis Michel.
HAC meeting, Dublin 25-26 March 2004

VOICE was invited to participate in the Informal Humanitarian Aid Committee (HAC) meeting in Dublin on 25-26 March. The meeting discussed international humanitarian law, with the theme, “Humanitarian Action and Conflict: The Important Role of Humanitarian Principles”, and VOICE gave a talk on the relevance of international humanitarian law for NGOs.

NATO Seminar

In September, VOICE, together with about 35 NGO representatives (mostly VOICE members) attended a seminar for NGOs hosted by the UK delegation to NATO. The meeting intended to familiarize the NGO community with relevant aspects of NATO. VOICE participated actively and, having followed CIMIC issues closely, observed that the NATO-CIMIC officers’ thinking about NGO relations has evolved since the June 2003 EU CIMIC Conference.

Crisis Management Briefing II

In January, VOICE released a Briefing Paper that followed on from an earlier such paper from 2002. “EU Crisis Management – A Humanitarian Perspective” discussed the most recent developments in the EU’s crisis response capabilities under the different pillars, from Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) to civil protection to the Rapid Reaction Force, and analysed the implications these might hold for EU humanitarian aid and the NGOs that implement it. For wider distribution, a French version of the briefing was also published. The feedback on the Briefing has been very positive, with many members of the humanitarian community thanking VOICE for presenting a clearer image of structures that have otherwise proven difficult to sort out and understand. This is linked to the debate on apolitical aid and the role of the military which VOICE has been following closely over the past years in the EU institutional context.

In order to strengthen the role of EU humanitarian aid in the future, VOICE has closely followed the process of developing a new Constitution for Europe. While most of VOICE’s work on the Constitution was carried out in 2003 during the Convention, VOICE carefully monitored the final steps taken in 2004 to make sure humanitarian aid did not lose any ground. Of outstanding concern were the potential subordination of development and humanitarian aid to the CFSP and European Security and Defense Policy (ESDP), and thus the role of a future European Foreign Minister (EFM) and the fight against terrorism, as well as the presence of a paragraph on the Voluntary Youth Corps in the article about humanitarian aid. At the signature in October, VOICE was able to reassure its members that the humanitarian aid article included the important international humanitarian law principle of “neutrality” as a basis for the EU’s humanitarian assistance.
Panel Debate – “The Prolonged Arm of Western Values?”

On the eve of VOICE’s General Assembly (Forum) 2004, VOICE gathered a variety of speakers to debate the theme: “European Humanitarian NGOs: the Prolonged Arm of Western Values? A View from the Outside.” The discussion brought together personalities from outside the usual humanitarian circles: Jon Greenwald from the International Crisis Group; Jamie Shea from NATO; Dr Hany El Banna from Islamic Relief; Sarah Ryklief from the Labour Research Service (South Africa); and Marc Luyckx-Ghisi, former member of the European Commission’s “Forward Studies Unit”. The successful gathering saw about 60 participants. One major conclusion was that the role of Western NGOs is to make links with the global South and to help enlighten slower-thinking Western governments and institutional structures.

Publications: Two Briefings and “VOICE Out Loud”

VOICE issued three major publications of interest to our members and the public in 2004. The Briefings on EU Crisis Management and EC Partnership with NGOs are described separately above.

Driven by the need to raise awareness outside the network about VOICE, its members and activities, in October VOICE published the first issue of “VOICE Out Loud” and distributed hard copies at the EP, as well as numerous electronic copies to European decision-makers and the wider humanitarian community. This newsletter takes a thematic approach to humanitarian questions and relies upon the experience and input of specialized VOICE members to elaborate on the theme and on current events of interest. The first issue mainly addressed HIV/AIDS in emergency contexts. “VOICE Out Loud” will continue semiannually as a communications step beyond the internal FLASH to members.

More Networking

- VOICE was invited to participate in the High-Level Humanitarian Forum in Geneva on 31 March, along with other NGO networks, UN humanitarian agencies, the Red Cross movement, IOM, and selected international NGOs. The invitation was a sign of recognition

Networking: the UN

With the intention of reinforcing links and explore possibilities for future collaboration and exchange of information, VOICE met with different representatives of OCHA, UNHCR, IRIN and other UN agencies during the year, both in Geneva and Brussels. The evaluation report of the IASC (Inter-Agency Standing Committee) proposed including VOICE as a member of this group.
in the international humanitarian community of VOICE’s status as a major NGO network.

- On 21 April, VOICE held an “Informal Humanitarian Exchange” meeting with NGO families, networks, and other non-governmental actors in Brussels to explore their major activities relating to humanitarian aid, including advocacy initiatives.

- VOICE participated in the establishment of ENNA (European Network for NGOs in Afghanistan). This new group of European NGOs with ongoing work in Afghanistan includes numerous VOICE members, and VOICE’s involvement can bring valuable information to all its members, for whom NGO-related events in Afghanistan can often have an impact or highlight trends in humanitarian action in Iraq and other complex emergencies. VOICE’s special contribution to ENNA is its knowledge of Brussels and EU affairs and perspectives.

**Achievements:**
The success of VOICE meetings and the broadening of communication tools in 2004 resulted in the network’s improved and increased external outreach and visibility.

### 4. Providing services to members

**VOICE’s response to the Iraq Crisis**
Following on from the considerable information service about Iraq in 2003, VOICE continued to follow Iraq NGO issues to a much more limited extent in 2004. The major issue was clearly humanitarian staff security, with most VOICE members withdrawing their activities during the course of the year.

- In May, VOICE published a joint statement with NGO federation CONCORD calling on the EU to make efforts in the international community to halt ongoing hostilities in Iraq, and to hand over authority there to the UN.

- In September, VOICE issued a press release condemning the kidnappings of two Italian NGO workers in Iraq and calling for more clear application of the term “humanitarian”, which could improve security for humanitarian missions.

**VOICE Forum 2004**
The VOICE General Assembly, or “Forum”, took place in Brussels on 13 May, preceded by a panel debate asking whether NGOs are seen as the “Prolonged arm of Western values” (see above). ECHO 4 Head of Unit opened the one-day Forum, and ECHO’s sector head for NGO relations gave an
intervention during the afternoon session, following workshops in which VOICE members discussed current challenges with the implementation of the new FPA. At the political level, a General Policy Resolution was adopted that called for principled EU humanitarian action carried out by NGOs and the EU’s multilateral engagement in response to crises, including attention to forgotten crises.

**Press and Media**

During the year, VOICE made further efforts to develop its media presence, including by attending a press relations workshops for NGOs organized by Reuters AlertNet. The frequency of interviews and citations in the international press, maintained from the year before, demonstrate that VOICE’s expertise in the humanitarian sector is well established. In 2004 VOICE appeared in Brussels and internet-based publications such as Terra Viva Europe and Reuters AlertNet.

**ASB Conference**

On 28 April, VOICE member ASB (Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund Deutschland), together with MPDL and NPA, held a conference in Brussels on humanitarian aid in complex emergencies, with support from VOICE and Solidar. The morning session, chaired by VOICE, focused on the role of NGOs in the emergency context, while in the afternoon the possible impact of the new EU constitution on aid was discussed. The successful event saw participants from NGOs, academia, think tanks, representatives of the EP, ECHO and the Bosnian government.

**Communications**

In 2004 the VOICE FLASH was the main vehicle for communication within the network. 10 editions of the FLASH bulletin were sent to members throughout the year, bringing news about developments in humanitarian aid and relevant EU policy, according to VOICE’s strategic priorities. With a view to monitoring its impact, VOICE began to review the statistics concerning use of the VOICE webpage.

**Networking: Academic**

To increase its visibility, VOICE received visits from universities, research centers and independent consultants, who sought VOICE expertise on NGOs, humanitarian aid and the European Union. VOICE staff have served as a resource for Tufts University, ODI, and others.

5. Working towards quality and standards

VOICE’s important role in the promotion of quality and standards in the humanitarian NGO community is illustrated by its continued commitment in 2004 to regular participation in quality initiatives, working as a multiplier to bring their impact to VOICE members. Throughout the year, VOICE diffused information and as such strengthened member awareness about relevant quality activities.

**The Sphere Project**

- Sphere management committee

As a member of the Sphere management committee, in 2004 VOICE participated in the consultation process on the future of Sphere, and hosted the management committee. VOICE will once again be part of the new Board of Sphere from 2005.
Quality Groups and Initiatives

In 2004, VOICE maintained contacts with all the major humanitarian quality initiatives. VOICE has had regular exchange and active collaboration with ALNAP (Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action), HAP-I (the Humanitarian Accountability Project International), and others.

- A series of seminars given by People in Aid presented the key findings of an ECHO-funded pan-European research project entitled ‘Enhancing quality in human resources management for relief agencies’. VOICE attended the Brussels workshop in March in order to transmit the findings to its members.
- In September, VOICE took part in the “Ten Years Code of Conduct: Principles in Practice” Conference supported by the Dutch EU Presidency. The Conference celebrated 10 years of the Red Cross/NGO Code of Conduct, asking participants how the document should be brought forward further. VOICE sought to engage its members in this initiative, with the result that numerous NGOs attended.

Achievement:
VOICE increased the dissemination of information about quality activities and promoted greater involvement of NGOs in quality initiatives.

VOICE Structure

VOICE’s Members
The VOICE network is made up of about 90 operational NGOs active in humanitarian aid, most of which are partners of ECHO. VOICE member NGOs are highly committed to quality, professionalism, and humanitarian principles.

VOICE’s members include big, medium and small NGOs from all over Europe who work in crises throughout the world. Some are members of Church-based consortia, others secular “families”. Some focus exclusively on short-term humanitarian interventions and rehabilitation, while others may be involved in long-

New VOICE members 2004:
- Action Against Hunger (UK)
- Acción contra el hambre (Spain)
- FinnChurchAid (Finland)
- Merlin (UK)
- NOVIB (Oxfam Netherlands)
- Norwegian Refugee Council

SCHA Meetings 2004:
- 12 February
- 7 April
- 12 May
- 1 July
- 23 September
- 8 November
5 meetings of the Bureau were also held in 2004
term development work too. All are dedicated to saving lives and preventing suffering and bringing swift humanitarian relief to the most vulnerable populations. Their work is based on humanitarian principles such as those established in the Red Cross/NGO code of conduct and the Humanitarian Charter. The result is that VOICE represents a true spectrum of the European humanitarian NGO community.

VOICE’s Board: the SCHA
The 2004 VOICE Forum resulted in a very strong SCHA of 9 members. The SCHA for 2004 was composed of:

- Arne Piel Christensen (VOICE President)
- Jane Backhurst (World Vision)
- Cecilie Bjørnskov-Johansen (DanChurchAid)
- Dominic Crowley (Concern)
- Will de Wolf (Cordaid)
- Rainer Lucht (Diakonie)
- Paul Meijs (CARE Netherlands)
- Benoît Miribel (Action contre la Faim)
- Jean Saslawsky (Medecins du Monde)
- David Throp (Save the Children-UK)

While focussing on the development of a new strategic plan for the network, the SCHA also increasingly discussed relevant policy issues and at the same time strengthened its governance structures by establishing guidelines for the activities of the President, Bureau and SCHA members. In order to strengthen the management of the Secretariat, the SCHA also approved internal financial guidelines.

In 2004, VOICE President Arne Piel Christensen stepped down. SCHA member Paul Meijs generously took up the president’s functions until new elections could be held at the 2005 General Assembly.

VOICE’s Secretariat
VOICE’s Brussels-based secretariat consists of three permanent staff:

- Director: Kathrin Schick
- Administration Officer: Asja Hadzimusic
• Communication and Advocacy Officer: Samantha Chaitkin

The VOICE team was also strengthened by the presence of Sabrina Joyce, who replaced Asja for about four months during 2004. Thanks are also due to the stagiaires and volunteers who enriched the VOICE staff during 2004.
VOICE Members 2004

Austria
- CARE Österreich
- CARITAS Österreich
- Hilfswerk Austria
- SOS Kinderdorf International
- World Vision Österreich

Belgium
- CARITAS Secours International Belgium
- Handicap International Belgium
- OXFAM Solidarité – Solidariteit Belgium

Denmark
- ASF Dansk Folkehjælp
- Dansk CARITAS
- DanChurchAid – Folkekirkens Nædhjælp
- Danish Refugee Council – Dansk Flygtningehjælp
- Mission East – Mission Øst

Finland
- FinnChurchAid
- World Vision Finland

France
- ACF – Action contre la faim
- ACTED – Agence d’Aide à la Coopération Technique et au Développement
- CARE France
- CARITAS France (Secours Catholique)
- Handicap International France
- MDM – Médecins du Monde International
- Première Urgence
- Secours Populaire Français
- Solidarités
- Triangle "Génération Humanitaire"
- TSF – Télécoms sans Frontières

Germany
- Action Medeor
- ADRA – Adventist Development and Relief Agency Germany
- ASB – Arbeiter Samariter Bund Deutschland
- CARE Germany
- CARITAS Germany
- DWHH – German AgroAction
- Diakonie Emergency Aid – Diakonisches Werk der EKD
- Johanniter Unfall Hilfe Bundesgeschäftsstelle
- Malteser Hilfsdienst
- Medico International
- World Vision Germany

Ireland
- CONCERN Worldwide
- TROCAIRE
- World Vision Ireland

Italy
- ALISEI
- CARITAS Italia
- CESVI – Cooperazione e Sviluppo
- CISP – Comitato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo dei Popoli
- COOPI – Cooperazione Internazionale
- CRIC – Centro Regionale d’Intervento per la Cooperazione

Luxembourg
- CARITAS Luxembourg

The Netherlands
- CORDAID
- CARE Nederland
- ICCO
- NOVIB – Oxfam
- World Vision Nederland
- ZOA Refugee Care

Norway
- NPA – Norwegian People’s Aid
- Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)

Portugal
- AMI – Assistencia Medica Internacional

Spain
- Acción contra el hambre
- ActionAid Alliance Spain – Ayuda en Acción
- CARITAS Spain
- Rescate (CIR – Comite Internacional de Rescate)
- Intermon-Oxfam
- MPDL – Movimiento Por La Paz, El Desarme y la Libertad

Sweden
- CARITAS Sverige
- Church of Sweden Aid – Lutherhjälpen
- IAS–International Aid Sweden
- PMU Interlife Sverige
- Star of Hope International

Switzerland
- ACT– Action by Churches Together
- CARITAS Suisse
- Lutheran World Federation
- MEDAIR

United Kingdom
- Action Against Hunger
- ActionAid
- CAFOD – Catholic Fund For Overseas Development
- CARE UK
- Christian Aid UK
- CORD
- Health Unlimited
- IRC – International Rescue Committee UK
- Mercy Corps Scotland
- Merlin
- Oxfam GB
- SCF – Save The Children Fund UK
- Tear Fund
- War Child
• World Vision UK

**United States**
• International Rescue Committee