



**GRET**

**GRET IS AN  
INTERNATIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT NGO.**

**FOUNDED IN 1976,  
GRET STRIVES TO  
IMPROVE VULNERABLE  
POPULATIONS' LIVING  
CONDITIONS, PROMOTE  
SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND  
CONSERVE OUR PLANET.**

- **International teams and long-term presence in the field**
- **Multiple areas of expertise for integrated action**
- **Building sustainable solutions with civil societies, public authorities and economic stakeholders**
- **Generating innovation and impact through action-research**
- **Influencing public policies and development practices**



## KEY FIGURES

**750** PROFESSIONALS  
ON 4 CONTINENTS

**200** PROJECTS, STUDIES  
AND CONSULTING MISSIONS

A BUDGET OF  
**33** MILLION EUROS

**ACTIONS  
CONDUCTED WITH:**

**250** OPERATIONAL  
PARTNERS

**140** FINANCIAL PARTNERS

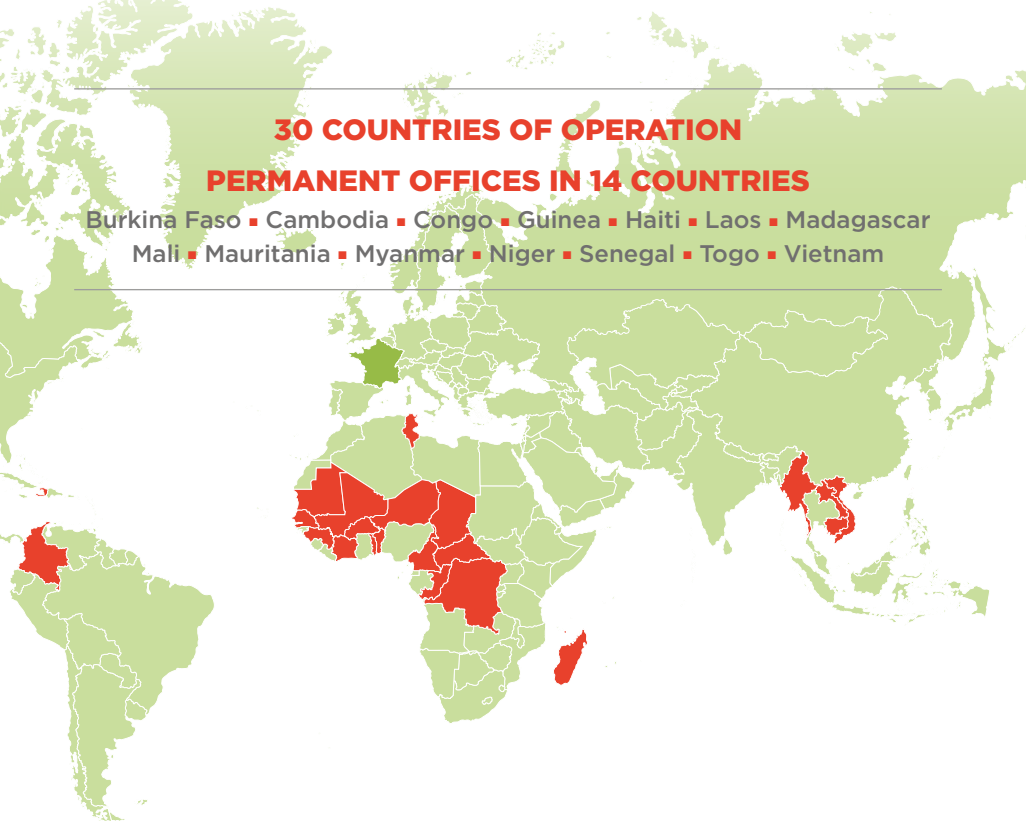
# LONG-TERM ACTION IN THE FIELD

OUR PRESENCE IN THE FIELD ENABLES US TO DEVELOP INDEPTH KNOWLEDGE OF CONTEXTS AND BUILD SUSTAINABLE PARTNERSHIPS WITH CIVIL SOCIETIES, PUBLIC AUTHORITIES AND LOCAL ECONOMIC STAKEHOLDERS.

**30 COUNTRIES OF OPERATION**

**PERMANENT OFFICES IN 14 COUNTRIES**

Burkina Faso ■ Cambodia ■ Congo ■ Guinea ■ Haiti ■ Laos ■ Madagascar  
Mali ■ Mauritania ■ Myanmar ■ Niger ■ Senegal ■ Togo ■ Vietnam



## INTERNATIONAL TEAMS WORKING FOR:

- Collectively managed **natural resources**
- Universal access to **essential services**
- **Resilient cities** with a high level of citizen participation
- **Decent employment** for all
- **Healthy food** and **quality healthcare** for all
- **Sustainable agriculture** and agrifood value chains
- Shared, safe **access to land** and **resources**
- **Responsible economies and finance** for the most vulnerable



In the Mekong region, we strengthen small farmers' land tenure security, working with one hundred organisations to influence policies in the region for fairer, more inclusive land governance.

**Our teams design and implement projects in the field.**  
They also share their know-how in studies and consulting missions.

# FOCUSING ON INNOVATION AND IMPACT

## A DEVELOPMENT LABORATORY

In order to develop the most appropriate sustainable solutions, we place action-research at the core of our approach.

**We test and perfect solutions at local level, before adapting them on a broader scale.**

In partnership with national and international research bodies, we produce and share knowledge generated by our experiences to:

- improve development practices;
- influence public policies.



Since 2012, GRET and its partners have been supporting structuring of the milk value chain in the Dagana region in Senegal and helping family livestock farms to improve their living conditions.

## A PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY

- GRET strengthens the capacities of stakeholders (associations, professional organisations, local authorities, small businesses, etc.) to implement locally developed solutions.
- We also facilitate collectives and networks at local, national and international levels.

## EMPOWERING LOCAL ECONOMIES

We strengthen the local economic fabric to respond to populations' essential needs through:

- structuring of small and medium businesses and local cooperatives;
- creation and support of social businesses in several countries.



The Nutri'zaza social business, set up by GRET in 2013 to fight against chronic malnutrition in Madagascar, distributes affordable fortified foods suited to the nutritional needs of young children.

## OUR GOALS



Make societies and ecosystems more **resilient** to deal with climate, social and economic shocks.



Achieve dignity for all people, through greater **social justice**.



Encourage everyone to take **action** in order to craft a **fairer** world.

**GRET is an active stakeholder in ecological transition. We are committed to conserving biodiversity and fighting against climate change.** In the field, our actions combine environmental conservation and the fight against inequalities and poverty.

In our interventions and our internal operations, **we promote gender equality, democratic participation and co-construction.**



# THE COMMONS

How to ensure equitable and sustainable use of resources, and enable universal access to essential services? The majority of societies are based on competition between two models: public management and private management. GRET strives to demonstrate that an alternative path is possible and can give citizens real power to act.

In some ten countries, GRET is promoting the construction of shared governance whereby citizens, public authorities and businesses learn to decide together on the use and conservation of natural resources and essential services in localities. Through concrete projects and rigorous research, we are building an approach, methods and tools that can be used in development policies.



In Houaphanh province in Laos, GRET provided support to village communities, economic operators and public authorities so that they could learn to co-develop and co-manage economic value chains capable both of conserving bamboo forests and generating income for all.

## GRET'S PUBLICATIONS

**GRET has a catalogue of over 270 references.**

GRET has its own publishing house – éditions du GRET – and also publishes specialised works externally.

Practical guides, sharing of experiences, debates and analyses of development practices, etc.: [www.gret.org](http://www.gret.org) provides free access to digital versions of all its publications.



## SUPPORT GRET

GRET is a non-profit organisation and is eligible to receive donations from individuals, foundations and businesses. Bequests are received via the GRET endowment fund.

For more information, see: [www.gret.org](http://www.gret.org)



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