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Federal Department of Foreign Affairs FDFA

**Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC**

Humanitarian Aid and Swiss Humanitarian Aid Unit

**Donor Profile**

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| **Donor Information** | Within the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) there are three thematic areas where support for nutrition is found :   * Agriculture and food security * Health * Disaster risk reduction, emergency relief and reconstruction   Swiss Humanitarian Aid aims to ensure the sustainability of its commitment on the ground through linking emergency aid with medium- and long-term programmes. The Humanitarian Aid division is also committed to ensuring respect for humanitarian principles, better access to the victims of conflicts, their protection, and improving the quality of humanitarian operations.  SDC aims to reduce the risks and increase the capacity of communities and institutions to cope with crises and catastrophes. Analysing potential risks, measures for adapting to climate change and its consequences, surveying zones at risk: these are all areas in which Switzerland provides support. It also works to inform, train and organise the people, authorities and rescue agencies who could be implicated.  SDC annually invests 50 million CHF in research. The main research focus is on new findings and innovative approaches in areas such as agriculture, agricultural development and food security, conflict and transformation, health, water, resource management, climate change, governance and gender.  Swiss Humanitarian Aid has supported the GNC in 2013 and 2014 total of $**333,894 USD**.  For more information see <http://www.ddc.admin.ch/en/Home/Themes>  The PPD donor profile outlines priority countries. |
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| **Unicef engagement** | UNICEF has not currently established a standard MoU with Switzerland, however all contribution agreements from SDC follow the same model format and language. The Swiss have funded the GNC in the past few years. |
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