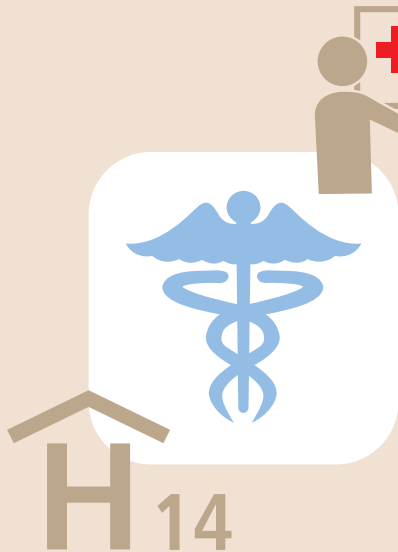




**Malteser
International**
Order of Malta Worldwide Relief



**Malteser International
Annual Report 2014**



3,595

... enabling people to access basic medical services,

That's why in 2014 we:

Built or returned 14 health facilities to use, and trained 3,595 people in the health sector.

... hygienic living conditions,



5,142



100,000

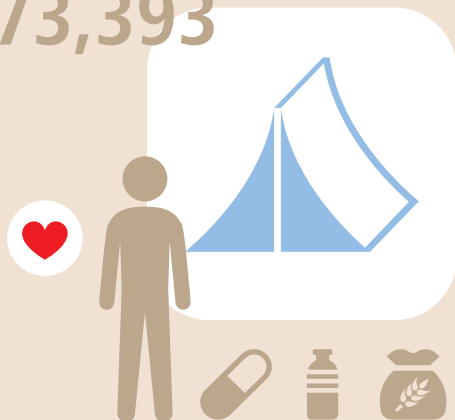


That is why in 2014 we:

Built or rebuilt 5,142 latrines – giving around 100,000 people access to sanitary facilities.

A healthy life
dignity mean

373,393



... help when you're in need,

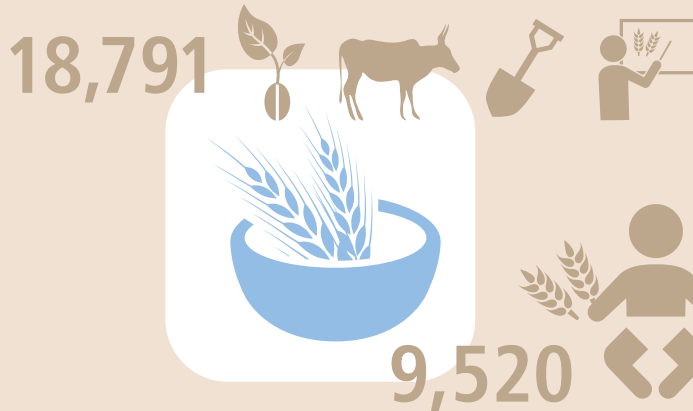
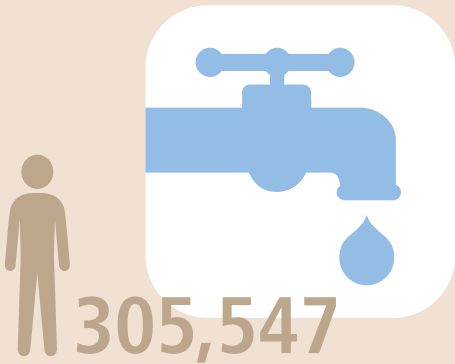
That is why in 2014 we:

Brought emergency relief to 373,393 people by providing them with medication, drinking water, food, hygiene articles and emergency shelters.

... the provision of clean drinking water,

That is why in 2014 we:

Installed rain water collection tanks, water filters, standpipes and new or repaired water pipes to bring clean drinking water to 305,547 people.



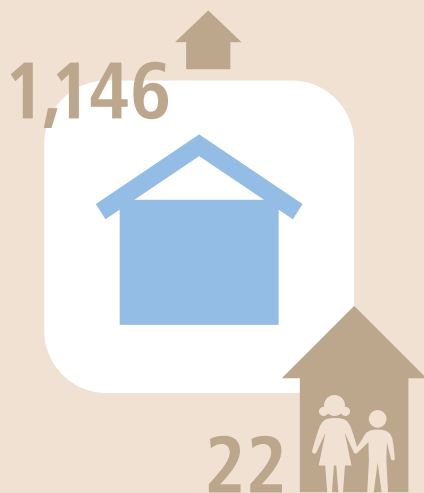
9,520

... a healthy diet,

That is why in 2014 we:

Provided 9,520 children under five with a therapeutic diet enriched with vitamins and minerals to prevent malnutrition, and gave 18,791 people seeds, animals, agricultural tools and the appropriate guidance so that they could improve their diet and quality of life through fruit and vegetable cultivation, husbandry and arable farming.

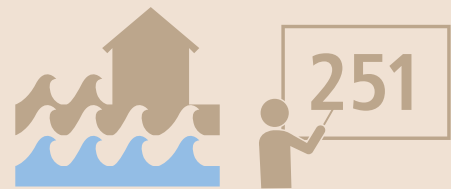
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... a safe place to live.

That is why in 2014 we:

Built or rebuilt 1,146 houses and 22 social facilities such as schools, nurseries and community centers and prepared people in vulnerable areas for emergencies with 251 disaster preparedness training sessions.



Thank you for your support!

About Malteser International

Making it possible for everybody to live a life in health and dignity

Who we are:

We are the international humanitarian relief agency of the Sovereign Order of Malta. For over 60 years, we have been standing by people affected by poverty, disease, conflict and disaster: to help them to live a healthy life with dignity. Christian values and humanitarian principles are the foundation of our work. We help those in need with over 100 projects in 27 countries – in Africa, Asia, Europe and the Americas, without distinction of race, religion or political persuasion.

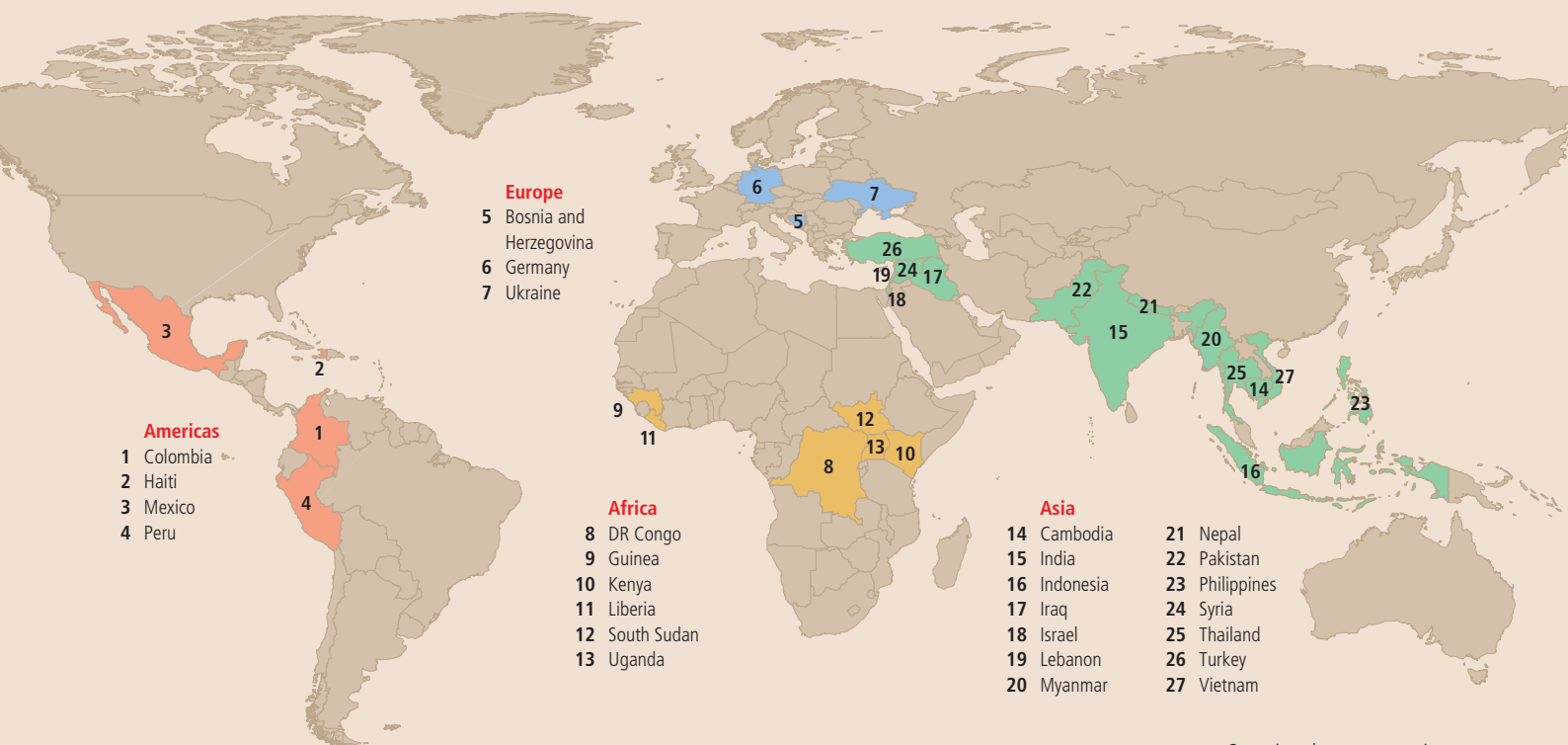
What we do:

We undertake emergency relief in crises such as natural disasters, epidemics, and armed conflicts. Wherever possible, we also provide transitional aid and assistance to reduce the risk of future disasters, remaining present

long-term at the scene of more protracted crises. The health of the person is at the heart of our work, and we take an integrated approach to supporting it. In addition to providing functioning medical structures, we work for improvement in the areas on which health is closely dependent: such as the provision of food and water, sanitary care, and hygiene (WASH).

How we work:

We emphasize responsibility and transparency in all that we do, following strict international quality standards and adhering to the essential humanitarian principles of impartiality, independence and neutrality. Our individual projects are always oriented towards local needs on the ground.



Countries where we are active as of June 2015.

Foreword



Dear Friends,

Crisis and conflict have been defining features of 2014: war reared its head around the world, events in Iraq and Syria have cost more than 210,000 people their lives, and driven more than 14.5 million from their homes. Providing food, shelter and medical care for them is at the moment one of our biggest tasks.

Meanwhile, ongoing issues have lost none of their urgency, despite their lower profile in the public consciousness. Amongst other projects, we remain active across the globe in the fight against HIV and tuberculosis, particularly

in Asia and Africa. We are working with those displaced by the civil war in South Sudan and – five years after the earthquake in Haiti – we continue to assist with rebuilding.

As a disaster relief organization, our task is to meet the challenges the world offers us with a generous spirit. Although far from exhaustive, this publication presents an illustrative overview of the work we undertake in response to those challenges. I believe we can find just cause for pride in that response.

The year 2015 has brought little sign of improvement in the global situation, while as the spring's events in Nepal have illustrated, natural disaster remains an ever-present threat to some of the most vulnerable people in the world. We need your support – the firm foundation of all that we do – now more than ever. With it, I am confident that in facing any challenges the future may bring, we will continue to be a source of pride to our associates and friends, as well as above all one of health, hope and comfort to those who need it most.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which reads "Thierry de Beaumont-Beynac". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Thierry de Beaumont-Beynac
President

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Interview: “We need to join forces worldwide to help those in need”



With refugee crises in Syria, Iraq, South Sudan and the Central African Republic, as well as an Ebola epidemic in West Africa, 2014 was a difficult year for humanitarian aid. Dominique Prince de La Rochefoucauld-Montbel – Grand Hospitaller of the Sovereign Order of Malta, Thierry Comte de Beaumont-Beynac – President of Malteser International e.V., Karl Prinz zu Löwenstein – President of Malteser International Europe, and James O’Connor – President of Malteser International Americas discuss the events of the last year and their impact.



network and with Malteser International. The Order of Malta started delivering medication and medical equipment to the affected area beginning in August 2014. Since the start of 2015, Malteser International has been engaged in projects and information campaigns designed to help prevent the spread of Ebola.

Children in the Bersevi II Refugee Camp in northern Iraq. They are in urgent need of humanitarian aid.
PHOTO: CARMEN WOLF

In 2014, the UN had five crises listed in its highest category for the first time in its history. What particular challenges does that pose for humanitarian relief?

de la Rochefoucauld: With regard to the medical side of things, the Ebola epidemic showed quite clearly that we are unprepared for crises of that order of magnitude. At the same time, the worldwide increase in resistance to antibiotics and the increased mobility of populations makes controlling the spread of infectious diseases ever more difficult. There is a global challenge in front of us. All organizations definitely need to pull together on this.

O'Connor: We are confronted with ever more complex situations in regions of crisis in that there are often several parties involved in conflicts at the same time. There are around 180 million people who are suffering from the effects of violent conflict. Helping them is growing into a huge task for humanitarian aid, and we need to be prepared for that.

de Beaumont-Beynac: On top of this comes the fact that international terrorism has made our job much harder in many countries where we operate. Our staff do not only have to deal with very difficult working conditions, but they are doing so in the face of a great risk to their personal safety. That is something for which I would like to express my highest admiration and gratitude.

zu Löwenstein: Our first reaction is not to ask about the reasons for a catastrophe, but to see people in need. Then we follow the natural impulse of the heart to help. The Good Samaritan did not stop to ask why there were no police on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho – he helped the injured man any way he could.

Thinking back on 2014, which events have stayed particularly in your memory?

zu Löwenstein: I often have an image in front of me of the endless number of refugees in so many crisis regions – who have lost their homes, along with everything they have – and who are thankful just to have their families still alive. We try and help them in conflict zones and also when they seek to be allowed to come to Europe.

de la Rochefoucauld: I think above all on the numbers of dead from Ebola in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone, on the stories of the families torn apart and whole areas of cities under quarantine. In Guinea and Liberia we were able to provide timely help over the Order of Malta

Within this context, how is Malteser International preparing for the future?

de Beaumont-Beynac: An important part of our strategy for 2020 is first of all to strengthen our international networks, partnerships and coordination mechanisms – for example as we did through our membership of the World Health Organization’s Global Health Cluster – so that we can better deal with worldwide challenges. Secondly, we are continuing to develop our cooperation with local partners in projects on the ground while, finally, strengthening our focus on the areas of health and emergency relief.

zu Löwenstein: We work according to a preventative and integrated approach in the field of health. People need functioning medical structures to live a healthy life, but they also require healthy nutrition, clean water,

hygiene and sanitary facilities. Similarly, when the critical phase of a catastrophe has passed, we do not withdraw straight away – we stay and help with long-term reconstruction.

O’Connor: Our work is always oriented towards the demands on the ground. It is important for us that what we do pays attention to the needs of the local population. And these needs are immense: for the first time since the Second World War we have over 50 million refugees around the world, and that number is growing every day. They desperately need our help.

de la Rochefoucauld: We need to gather our forces and strengthen our joint efforts to help people in need. Malteser International is a key organization within the Order, and it needs our full support to fulfil its mission.



In conversation, left to right: Dominique Prince de la Rochefoucauld-Montbel, James O’Connor, Karl Prinz zu Löwenstein and Thierry Comte de Beaumont-Beynac. Bottom left: Dominique Prince de la Rochefoucauld-Montbel. Bottom right: Karl Prinz zu Löwenstein and Thierry Comte de Beaumont-Beynac.

PHOTOS: GUSTAV HUNGAR



Middle East: Minorities and Civilians between the Battle Lines



Oliver Hochedez, Malteser International’s Emergency Relief Coordinator reports on our aid to the people of the Middle East – currently in the grip of the worst refugee crisis of recent times.

Europe is afraid of a tidal wave of refugees. Thousands of people are reported to have drowned while attempting to cross the Mediterranean in a vain attempt to reach the continent – where street protests against their arrival are not unusual in some places. However, very few of the more than 50 million refugees around the world

are running towards Europe. Indeed, one of the worst refugee disasters of recent times is unfolding within the Middle East.

The confrontation between protestors and government forces in Syria that began as part of the ‘Arab Spring’ in February 2011 has developed into a complex crisis involving many parties, and led to an unprece-

Oliver Hochedez (right) – here in conversation with a displaced Iraqi in Camp Bersevi II – regularly visits crisis regions to assess the needs of people on the ground.

PHOTO: CARMEN WOLF

dened humanitarian catastrophe. The resulting civil war has now been raging for over four years, and the outlook for the civilian population seems increasingly hopeless. Millions of people are in flight, and the neighboring countries of Turkey, Lebanon and Jordan – where hundreds of thousands of Syrians have found refuge – are pushing the limits of their capacity. More

than 20 million people in Syria and bordering countries are in need of humanitarian aid.

The situation in Iraq appears to be little better. A region of crisis in its own right, it has also become a destination for Syrian refugees. Since the beginning of the renewed unrest in the country in January 2014, around 2.9 million people – in particular, Christians,



We give postoperative treatment and offer psychosocial support to around 80 patients from Syria each month at a field hospital in Kilis, Turkey.

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“My parents sent me to my uncle in Turkey two years ago because of the war. One month later, they had to flee with my two sisters. I am happy that I can go to school again here. My favorite subjects are Arabic, geography and history. When I grow up, I want to be a doctor, so that I can help sick and injured people to have a better life. I miss my home, but we are all safe here in Kilis.”

Mohammad, 10 years old, from Aleppo, currently living in Kilis (Turkey)

Yazidis and members of other religious minorities – have been forced from their homes by the advance of ISIS. Most of them have sought refuge in the Kurdistan Region in the north of the country. The need for humanitarian relief is especially high in Iraq. Many thousands continue to live in ISIS occupied territory – essentially out of the reach of aid.

Our Work: responding to the needs of all

The level of need across whole region is immense: wounded civilians need treatment and sick people need medical attention. In Syria above all, the infrastructure required for these tasks is simply not present. More than half of all of the hospitals in the country have been destroyed or heavily damaged. There are severe shortages of medication and personnel, while supplies of water and power are highly unreliable.

We are working with partner organizations in Syria, Turkey, Lebanon and northern Iraq to provide medical support for refugees; and to help them with their new beginning in a foreign country. This is not just about providing medical treatment to people who are acutely ill, but a task that needs to be directed towards the whole of the person, and encompass all aspects of their life. We work according to a preventative approach, and our health projects do not concentrate exclusively on medical intervention. They also seek to help people to deal with the experiences of their past and to look to the future once again.

An example of this holistic, integrated paradigm can be drawn from our work in Kilis, Turkey. Here, we provide postoperative treatment to around 80 refugees per month – many of whom have suffered spinal injuries or required amputations. Most of these patients need to learn to live with lasting disabilities. In order to help them to do that, we have significantly enlarged the Physiotherapy Centre that adjoins our Field Hospital. In Kilis, we also offer patients and their families



How Dr. Khoury helps people back to health

Week after week since September 2014, Dr. Abdallah Khoury, 65, and his team have been driving through the outlying villages of northern Lebanon with a bus which has been converted into a mobile clinic.

Who do you treat in the mobile clinic?

“Consultations and medication are free for everybody – refugees from the Syrian war as well as local people who can’t afford healthcare. We see about 80 patients every day – above all, mothers with their children.”

What are the most common health problems?

“Many patients are suffering from fever and flu-like infections. In winter, we had many refugees with infections of the lung or bronchitis. Because they all live in such a confined space, sickness can spread very easily.”

Where do you find strength for this kind of work?

“All of our patients are in a daily struggle to survive under very difficult conditions. I am happy that I can use my years of medical experience to make even a small contribution to peace.”

Malteser International provides language courses to help Syrian refugees in Kilis integrate, and cope with everyday life in a foreign country.

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psychosocial support. Many refugees have to deal with the ongoing effects of severe trauma, as well as face an uncertain future. Above all, career training and education are important to help provide a new beginning for the members of the younger generation. We provide the refugees with their own community center: where

they can take advantage of language and IT courses, social activities – such as cooking or painting – as well as talks on dealing with trauma. At two schools, we enable almost 4,000 refugee children to have the chance to attend classes and experience something like a normal day.



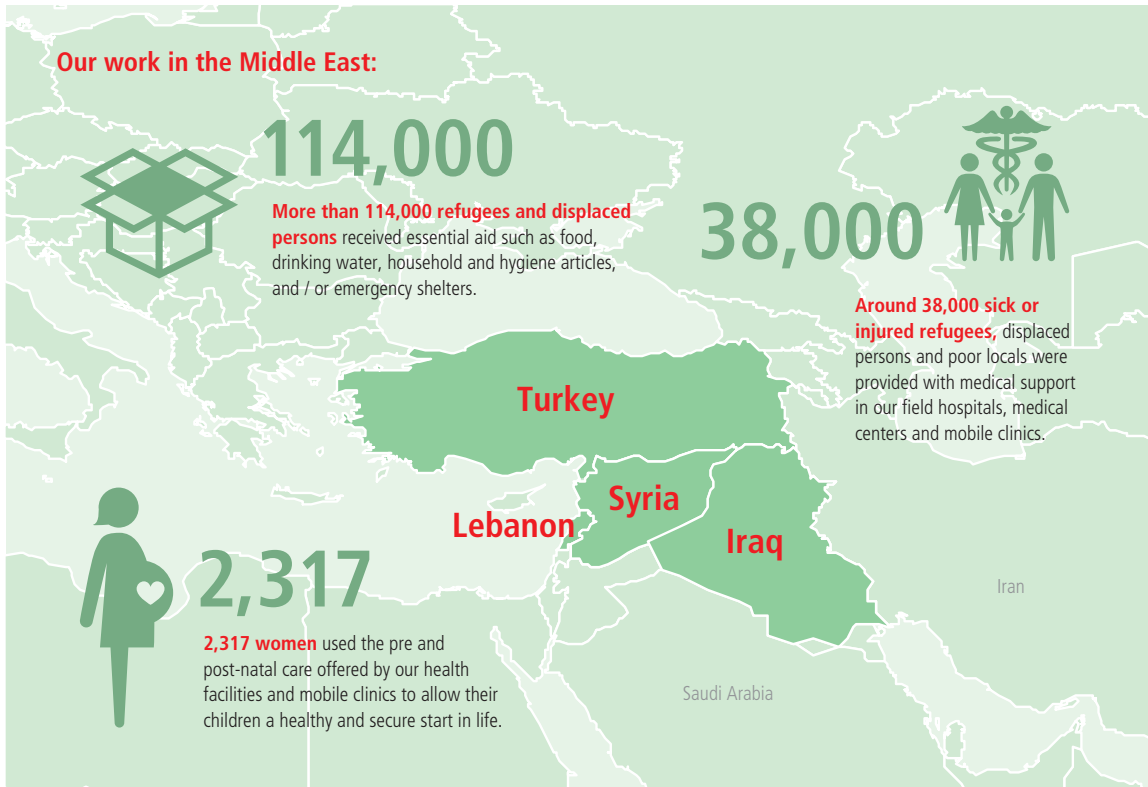
Said and his family
in Bersevi II.

PHOTO: CARMEN WOLF

Camp Bersevi II in north Iraq: Said and his family

When Said, 37, his pregnant wife and their five children fled for their lives from the terrorists to the Sinjar mountains their five and a half year old daughter could not manage to keep up with the pace. She became lost in the mass of people and remained behind. “We have had to accept that she is probably dead,” Said – who had fought against ISIS as a soldier – said. However,

the look in his eyes tells a different story. The family now lives in a camp near to Dohuk, where Said also works as a security guard. They do not wish to go back to their home. Said’s 11 year old son speaks when words fail his father: “I want to go away from here. Everything is sad here. The greatest gift for me would be to see my family happy again.”



Our Focus: health for body and soul

Alongside our activities in Turkey, Iraq and Lebanon, humanitarian aid in Syria itself takes place under extreme conditions. Many hundreds of thousands of internally displaced people seek protection in over 100 improvised camps along the Turkish-Syrian border and urgently require medical aid. With Syrian partners, we provide medical facilities for some 25,000 Syrians who have fled from the fighting, as well as around 15,000 local residents who have no other access to medical care. In northern Iraq, too, we concentrate on providing medical assistance and psychological help to Syrians who have fled across the border, as well as displaced Iraqis who have sought refuge in camps in northern Kurdistan. Our help benefits all of these refugees, as well as the local population who are also in need.

Our approach: delivering effective aid with local partners

Our local partners are able to build on proven processes and networks on the ground, while local employees share the language and the culture of those who they are helping. Our medical teams in northern Iraq, for example, are composed almost entirely of Iraqis working to earn a living to support their families. Many of them have also fled from their homes – and the needs of their patients reflect their own experiences.

In Lebanon, the worldwide network of the Order of Malta and local ecclesiastical structures form the basis of a rapid response. In partnership with the Lebanese Association of the Order of Malta, we provide assistance for refugees and impoverished locals in the north of the country with a mobile medical clinic. We also support health and social centers with medications and medical equipment in order to allow them to provide the treatment and help required by a continually increasing number of patients.

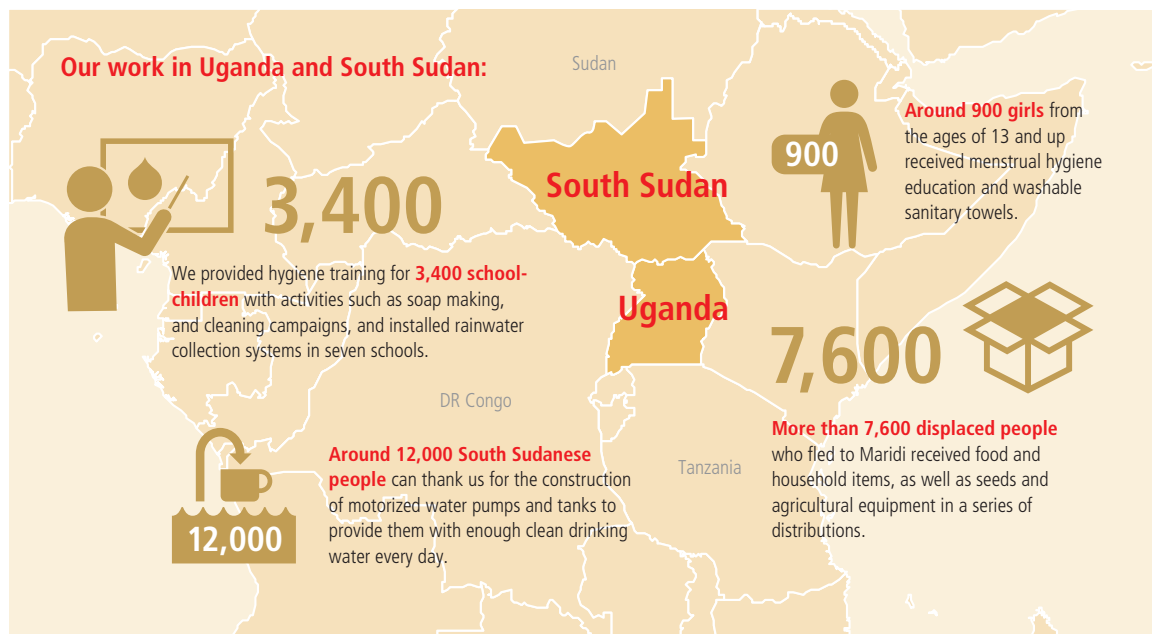
This network of partners allows us to deliver rapid and effective aid. An end to the crisis in the Middle East is not yet in sight, and our help in the region will be required in the long term: not just during the conflict, but also in supporting people when the time comes for them to return to their old homes to make a new beginning. It is up to all of us who have the good fortune to live a life in peace and good health to contribute to this task.



Many children are treated for respiratory diseases at the mobile clinic in northern Lebanon.

PHOTO: ORDER OF MALTA LEBANON

South Sudan: “We were so afraid we couldn’t sleep”



At the end of December 2013 we fled from the fighting in Juba,” says Randa, 43. It took her almost three months on foot and in the all-terrain vehicles that serve as public taxis in South Sudan to travel the 400 km to the town of Maridi with her eight children. “In Juba, you could hear shots day and night. We were so afraid we couldn’t sleep anymore. When the fighting threatened our settlement my husband sent us to Maridi. Everybody knows that is a peaceful place. There is fertile land here and my children can go to school again. I had a little tailor’s shop in Juba, but in Maridi I haven’t opened another business yet. Sometimes I buy cassava and okra leaves at the market to make into a sauce that I sell to earn a little money. We got beans, oil, flour, salt, water canisters, plates, pots and pans from Malteser International. They also distributed seeds and shovels so that we can grow vegetables. I thank God for this help and I hope that I can stay in Maridi with my children. Then they can go to school and grow up safe and healthy...”

With the help of Malteser International Randa can build a new peaceful future for her family in Maridi, South Sudan.

Randa’s story is not an exception. Most of those who were displaced are mothers who had to flee for hundreds of kilometers to Maridi with their children. The conflict between government troops and opposition forces, which escalated in 2013, has created a huge food and refugee crisis. According to UN estimates, al-





most two million South Sudanese have fled, while three million go hungry or are at risk of doing so.

In Maridi there are around 8,000 displaced people, who have mostly been taken in by families, or live in host communities, and make use of the existing infrastructure. Most could not take much with them when they fled and they have not been able to earn much since then. As the only international aid organization on the ground in the area, Malteser International has been helping the refugees since May 2014. We do not just distribute food and household materials, but also seeds and agricultural equipment. This is so that by growing their own food families can become independent of external aid and improve their lives and food supply independently.

In neighboring Uganda – where many South Sudanese have also fled to – we are providing almost 12,000 refugees with drinking water at a camp in the Arua district. Because the water supply from the Nile has always been a problem, which the flood of refugees has only

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Randa, 43 years old, from Juba

made worse, we have had to resort to some especially innovative solutions. In order to increase the supply rapidly and provide the refugees with water, the most productive wells were motorized with solar-powered pumps. A system of elevated tanks deliver the water to distribution stations – where new adjacent washhouses make it easier to do the laundry. New fences around the boreholes prevent contamination of the water supply.

Malteser International has secured a supply of clean water to around 12,000 South Sudanese refugees in Rhino Camp, near to Arua in Uganda by building water tanks and distribution stations.

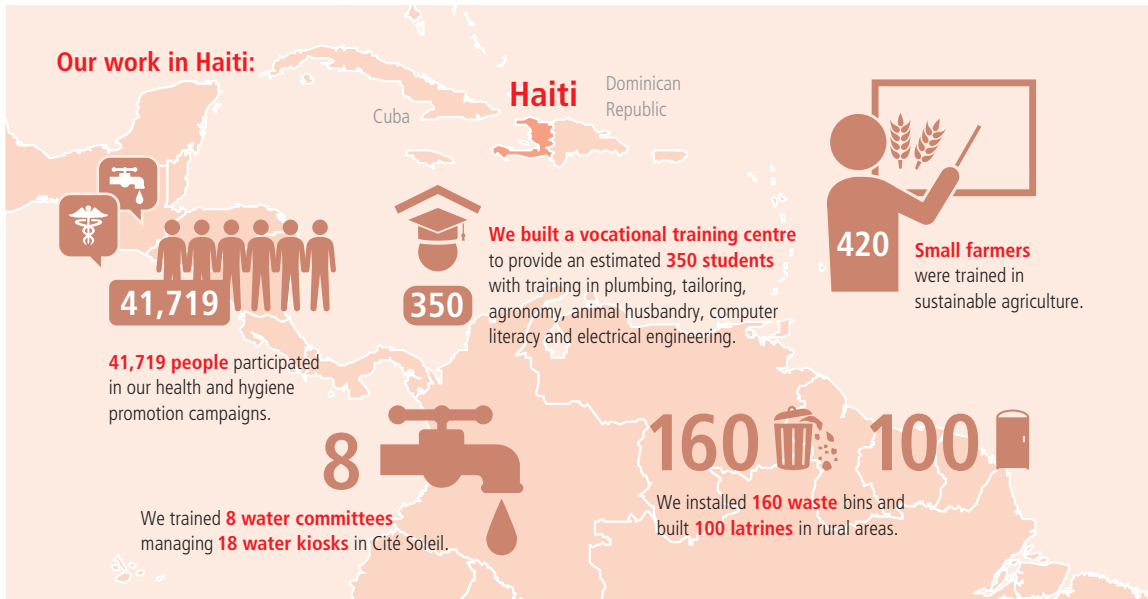
Haiti: Helping hands for a healthy community



Working together to tackle the mess: in Cité Soleil volunteers work to clear garbage from waste-water channels.

In a flood prone basin at the bottom of a mountain, not far from the Haiti's capital city Port-au-Prince, lies the impoverished shanty town of Cité-Soleil. Due to insufficient drainage in the slum, when water from the torrential rain surges through the streets, the channels, shacks, and tents are engulfed in a mixture of garbage and human excrement: threatening the potential outbreak of deadly diseases such as cholera.

Responding to this need for improved water supply and sanitation to secure the health of the population, Malteser International implemented a successful waste reduction and hygiene education program: working in schools and communities, installing bins, and removing waste from the channels with volunteers. Successful negotiations with the local partners, authorities, and the metropolitan waste organization have resulted in reliable garbage removal from Cité-Soleil. One reason



for the success of our programs is their emphasis on the use of volunteers: allowing residents to take ownership of their communities' health and future. People like Louis Juste Junior, 32, have become 'Zone Leaders', who help our staff change longstanding behavior by spearheading their own neighborhood's waste management. "I am very proud to be a Zone Leader and it's a very important job for me because I have the power to change something for the better, and that is what I am doing," says Louis.

The successful programs in Cité-Soleil are complemented by a series of projects elsewhere in Haiti. In 2014, we handed over a maternity ward to the Episcopal church in the town of Darbonne. As part of this process, we trained the center's medical and administrative staff in primary care, and the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cholera. Because we believe in empowering locals with the tools they need to manage their future independently, strengthening local partnerships for the successful handover of the ward was a critical achievement. The reputation of the maternity ward has spread and the number of births has grown from 25 to 70 per month, while the clinic now sees 2,000 patients, monitors the health of 600 children and vaccinates 400 in the same period.

Around 600,000 Haitians suffer from hunger and malnutrition. Taking the same sustainable grassroots approach, we are working on initiatives in the slums of Tabarre and Cité-Soleil to improve this situation. The initiatives range from urban gardens and aquaculture to community kitchens and chicken farming. We piloted a project that provided the training, material and infrastructure to ensure long-term food security – making sure that more than 4,000 Haitians had adequate nutrition. This number is set to grow in years to come.

"I am very proud to be a Zone Leader and it's a very important job for me because I have the power to change something for the better, and that is what I am doing."

Louis Juste Junior, "Zone Leader" from Cité Soleil



Zone Leader Louis Juste Jr. discusses his next assignment.

A group of seven children are playing in a dirt area in front of a makeshift building. The building has walls made of corrugated metal and concrete. The children are wearing casual clothing, including t-shirts, shorts, and sandals. One child on the right is wearing a large straw hat. The ground is uneven and appears to be a mix of dirt and concrete. There are some pieces of debris and a pile of sticks in the foreground.

Philippines: The sound of hammering rings in the air

On the morning of the 8th November 2013 Typhoon Haiyan made landfall in the south east of the island of Samar in the Philippine archipelago. With wind speeds of 275 km/h it was one of the most powerful storms ever experienced by the country, leaving a trail of incredible devastation. More than 6,100 lost their lives and a further four million were left without a home. Together with the Philippine Association of the Order of Malta, Malteser International helped in the effort to rebuild destroyed villages. Our colleague Isaure Faivre d'Arcier visited a year and a half after the disaster to report on the situation:



In San Antonio on the island of Samar, children play in the streets. Life goes on despite the devastation.

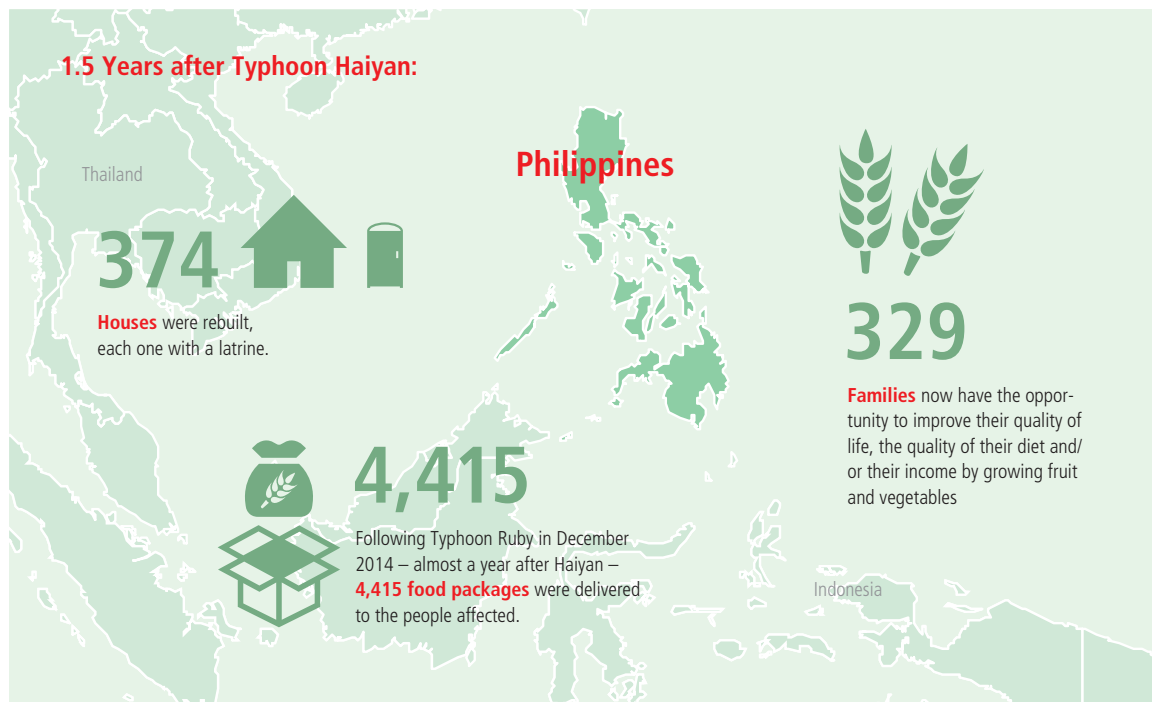
San Antonio is a small village with 8,000 inhabitants on Samar – the fourth largest island of the Philippines. By motorboat, the journey over here from Tacloban takes around half an hour. I am on the island with our Program Coordinator Matius Krisetya. As we came into the small harbor, I was surprised to find the damage left behind by Typhoon Haiyan in November 2013 was still clearly visible. Great numbers of houses built close to the water have been reduced to matchwood. They stand windowless, with collapsed roofs, and holes gaping in the walls.

Children play in the streets – laughing as we walk through the village. The place is alive with activity.

Young people carry wood and the sound of hammering rings in the air: the plans are made and rebuilding is underway. Some houses are already complete and once again inhabitable.

Going forwards step by step

In one of these houses, we met Primo and Carmelita. They belong to one of the 350 families on the island of Samar who received help in order to build a new home. Shortly before Christmas 2014 a new house was ready for the old couple to move in to, financed by Malteser International. Carmelita welcomes me with a hearty smile and shows me around her home. Family photos



hang on the walls. Carmelita and Primo live here with their four grandchildren – whose parents work in Manila – all six sleep together in one room.

Even though the house is not very big, it is an incomparable gift for the family. During our conversation, Carmelita comes to the day of the 8th November 2013. Her face hardens, and tears come into her eyes as she tells me about the typhoon and the days which followed it: the destruction, the loss, and the search for relatives and possessions. After a short silence, she takes a deep breath and says, “Despite the terrible catastrophe, God has been good to us because nobody in our family was killed. That gave me the strength to start again from the beginning. It still hurts to think about the typhoon. We lost everything, but I can see my grandchildren growing, and I know that life has to go on.”

Carmelita lives in her newly built house with her husband Primo and their four grandchildren. They are one of the 350 families who received help from Malteser International.



She dries her eyes and continues to show me the house. She has big plans with the circa 1,200 Pesos (Equivalent to around 12.50 Euro.) that she receives as her monthly pension, and with the financial support sent by her children in Manila. She points out her old completely destroyed house from the window. She dreams of rebuilding it and giving it as a gift to her grandchildren. For her, starting from nothing means going forward step by step, guarding her hope and making arrangements for the future. It impresses me deeply to see people who, despite their traumatic experiences and the vast destruction, still have the energy and the courage to go on. For me, it is a lesson for life.

Building the future

Matius explains to me how the houses are built: “We don’t want to alter local practices; therefore, we are working closely with the future inhabitants of the houses so that we can respond to their needs.” To do that, Malteser International have developed a standard design with individually customizable elements. The doors and other fittings can be tailored to fit the requirements of the individual inhabitants: for example, to cater for the needs of the elderly, families with children and people with disabilities.

All of these new houses are built so that they can better withstand future disasters. When another powerful typhoon hit the islands in December 2014, leaving huge damage in its wake, all of the new houses not only survived the storm, but also offered refuge to many other villagers.

Financial Report 2014: Facts & Figures

*Financial development and annual accounts, our programs,
partners and structures at a glance*

Financial and strategic highlights



In countries such as Mexico and Peru, Malteser International supports the projects of the Order of Malta's National Associations, like this soup kitchen in Peru.

PHOTO: ALDO AROZENA

The 'Facts and Figures' section of the Annual Report presents a consolidated account of the activities of Malteser International e.V. and its two regional divisions: Malteser International Europe and Malteser International Americas to the 31st December 2014.

Strategic Focus

An increasing number of complex crises and conflicts, as well as a stronger emphasis on the medical side of our work – for example in dealing with epidemics – presents Malteser International with major challenges. Our 'Vision 2020' strategy for the coming years, there-

fore, contains a new focus. We follow an integrated and holistic approach to health, which encompasses both the establishment of medical structures as well as activity in the areas of nutrition, water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), on which health is closely dependent. Our capacity in the field of emergency relief will be further expanded and substantially strengthened. A further important component of our strategy is strengthening our networks and partnerships – for example our cooperation with the worldwide structures of the Order of Malta and local partners in project areas, which we were able to further expand in 2014.

Malteser International is also working to meet these challenges at a structural level. The year 2014 saw further advances in the process of decentralization – a first step of which was the opening of our Regional Headquarters in Miami in 2013. An additional Regional Headquarters for the Asia-Pacific region is planned for the future. Strategic management of the regional divisions is undertaken by Malteser International e.V. – founded on 1st January 2013, with its General Secretariat in Cologne, Germany. An ongoing process of assessment guarantees the yearly strategic review of our targets.

Financial Development

The total program volume fell in from 44.2 million in 2013 to 33.5 million Euro in 2014. This was due to ongoing multi-annual projects for flood relief in Germany, which were booked in 2013, as well as a reduced income from donations. Out of the total income, 17.5 million Euro (2013: 19 million) was from public or institutional grants, while 9.8 million Euro (2013: 15.3 million) came from structural grants and private donations across the international network of the Order of Malta. The majority of private donations, as well as 2.9 million Euro we received by virtue of our membership of Germany's Relief Coalition ADH (2013: 9.3 million Euro), were designated for rebuilding efforts in the Philippines, as well as projects in Haiti and Iraq. Malteser International uses all of the funds that are entrusted to it and placed at its disposal economically, efficiently and in a goal-oriented manner to fulfil its tasks, while maintaining its management and administrative costs within an objectively appropriate limit. In 2014, this was less than 10 percent of the total expenditure.

Personnel Development

In 2014, Malteser International had 910 staff active in 24 countries – 824 of whom were local and 86 international (expatriate). They were supported by 61 employees in the General Secretariat and in the regional offices in Cologne and Miami. Worldwide, 971 people from 42 countries were working for Malteser International in order to enable people to live a healthy life with dignity.



Regional Focus Areas

In 2014, Malteser International implemented more than 100 projects in 24 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe and the Americas. Most of this activity was in the Asian region, which had a total volume of 16.5 million Euro (2013: 18.9 million).

The program volume in four countries in Africa was notably smaller than in the previous year – having fallen to 8.9 million from 12 million Euro. Alongside the programs in the east of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the focus in this region was above all on emergency aid, food security and health in South Sudan.

In 2014, Haiti remained the country in the Americas with the largest project volume, at almost 1 million Euro (2013: 1.9 million). The total expenditure for the region is 1.2 million Euro (2013: 2.3 million including management and administration costs), where Malteser International also supports projects by national associations of the Order of Malta in countries such as Mexico and Peru.

The total expenditure of around 5 million Euro (11 million in 2013, including management and administration costs) in Europe was mostly dedicated to flood relief activities in Germany – which accounted for 4.2 million Euro. Alongside the program costs for our aid in the Ukraine and Bosnia-Herzegovina, we made separate contributions totaling around 203,000 Euro to support the work and development of independent Order of Malta partner organizations in Central and Eastern Europe. In addition to this were the regional project costs for Eastern Europe of around 240,000 Euro. The total administration and management costs of 1.9 million Euro account for the General Secretariat of Malteser International e.V., as well as the European and American Regional Headquarters.

Our programs in the DR Congo were one of our primary focuses in Africa in 2014.

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We are still providing long-term aid following the disastrous flooding in Germany in 2013.

PHOTO: ICH.TV/ADH

Our programs in 2014

Africa

Country	No. of projects	Short description	Donors/Cooperation partners*	Local partners
DR Congo¹	8	Nutrition and food security, basic health care, health system strengthening, community based health insurance, WASH, emergency health care, construction of an X-Ray Department, care for victims of sexual violence.	AA, ADH, BMZ, ECHO, EuropeAid, MMB Foundation, SDC, WFP	Local NGOs and health authorities
Kenya¹	4	Tuberculosis (TB), HIV/AIDS and comprehensive care clinic, WASH, resilience and reconciliation program for populations which are marginalized and/or prone to drought and disaster, support of health facilities in the slums.	ADH, Benedict East Africa Funds, CRS, Embassy of the Order of Malta, German Bishops Conference, Sternstunden e.V.	Governmental and private health institutions
South Sudan¹	7	Nutrition and food security, basic health care, sleeping sickness control, leprosy, health education, distribution of food and non-food items for Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs).	AA, ADH, BMZ, EuropeAid, FIND, GFFP, USAID, ZEISS	Governmental health authorities, Diocese of Wau, community based organizations
Uganda¹	5	WASH for South Sudanese refugees and health for Congolese refugees, treatment of malnourished children, support for a hospital laboratory.	AA, ADH, GFFP, PMK	Catholic Hospital in Maracha

Americas

Country	No. of projects	Short description	Donors/Cooperation partners*	Local partners
Colombia^{2,3}	2	Construction of health post for indigenous community, strengthening disaster preparedness and response capacities in remote areas.	GFFP	Fundación Pro Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, Colombian Association of the Order of Malta
Haiti^{1,3}	6	Cholera prevention, disaster preparedness training, hygiene promotion in schools, incl. menstruation hygiene, reconstruction of a vocational training center, strengthening of WASH capacities in civil society and urban slum communities, food security and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), climate change adaptation.	AA, ADH, BMZ, Europe Aid	COTEDO, Episcopal Church, LA DIFFERENCE, UJEDCOSIS, civil protection authority
Mexico²	2	HIV/AIDS prevention for newborn babies and assistance to mothers, strengthening disaster preparedness and response capacities.	Bild hilft e.V., GFFP	Mexican Association of the Order of Malta
Peru²	2	Soup kitchen for schoolchildren, assistance to children and the elderly.	Own funds and private donations	Order of Malta relief organization Peru

Europe

Country	No. of projects	Short description	Donors/Cooperation partners*	Local partners
Bosnia-Herzegovina²	4	Recovery after flooding, health system availability, equipment of soup kitchen.	ADH, MHD, NiN	Caritas, Merhamet, UDD
Germany²	29	Recovery after floods for individuals, schools and small organizations, psychosocial care.	ADH, MHD	MHD
Ukraine²	1	Care for injured and traumatized people, first aid training, transport for people with disabilities.	MHD	Order of Malta relief organization Ukraine

Donors:

AA: German Foreign Office
ADB: Asian Development Bank
ADH: Germany's Relief Coalition
BMZ: German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
CRS: Catholic Relief Services (USA)
DCV: German Caritas Association
ECHO: EU Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection department
FAO: United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization
FIND: Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics
GF: The Global Fund
GFFP: Global Fund for Forgotten People
GIZ: Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (Germany)
MHD: Malteser Hilfsdienst e.V.
MHDA: Malteser Hospital Service Austria
MMB: Margarete-Müller-Bull Foundation
NiN: Nachbar in Not (Austria)
PMK: Pontifical Missionary Childhood of Germany
SDC: Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
WCF: World Child Future Foundation (Liechtenstein)
WFP: World Food Program
UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNOPS: United Nations Office for Project Services
USAID: United States Agency for International Development

Asia

Country	No. of projects	Short description	Donors/Cooperation partners *	Local partners
Cambodia¹	9	Emergency relief, maternal and child health, food and nutrition security, WASH, community-based health insurance.	AA, BMZ, Czech Embassy, ECHO, Elysium Foundation, FAO, GIZ	AGRICAM, CHC, CHHRA, SHPA
India³	4	Flood relief, WASH and DRR for flood-prone village, HIV/AIDS prevention, establishment of a health insurance system.	ADH, BMZ	CHAI, ProVision, SSK
Indonesia¹	2	Mother and child health, health and WASH, community-based DRR.	BMZ	Hati Nurani, YEU
Iraq¹	1	Health care for IDPs with a mobile medical team, provision of drugs and consumables and establishment of a primary health care center.	AA, ADH	Archdiocese of Erbil, Department of Health Dohuk, TCCF
Lebanon²	2	Distribution of relief items, provision of drugs and medical equipment for health centers, health service provision through mobile medical unit.	AA, MHDA, NiN	Lebanese Association of the Order of Malta
Myanmar¹	19	Emergency relief, reconstruction of social infrastructure, primary health care, maternal and child health; TB, HIV/AIDS and malaria prevention, WASH, income-generating measures, DRR and climate change.	ADB, ADH, BMZ, ECHO, EuropeAid, GF, GIZ, UNHCR, UNOPS, WFP	ADRA, CERA, MERN, MILI, Sisters of the Good Shepherd
Nepal³	1	WASH and inclusive DRR for flood prone villages.	BMZ	RSDC
Pakistan⁽¹⁾	6	Health, health for mothers and newborns, community-based inclusive DRR.	AA, ADH, DCV, ECHO, SDC, WFP	ADMC, Afghanischer Frauenverein e.V., Handicap International, Islamic Relief, Union Aid
Philippines⁽²⁾	3	Distribution of relief items, construction of houses with latrines and water supply, rehabilitation of schools including water supply and sanitation, health and hygiene promotion activities, income-generating activities, community-based DRR and distribution of DRR equipment, provision of medical care, repair and equipment of health centers.	AA, ADH, Caritas International, Deutsche Bank Stiftung, MHDA, NiN	Philippine Association of the Order of Malta
Syria³	1	Emergency relief for IDPs.	AA	
Thailand¹	3	Health care and WASH for refugees.	ECHO, EuropeAid, GF, WCFE	PPHO
Turkey³	2	Health services in temporary field hospital, psychosocial support, capacity building, school support for Syrian refugee children.	AA, BMZ	IBC
Vietnam¹	3	Promoting preservation and sustainable use of forests, community-based inclusive DRR.	AA, ADH, BMZ, WCFE	PC, CRD, DP Hanoi, VIRI

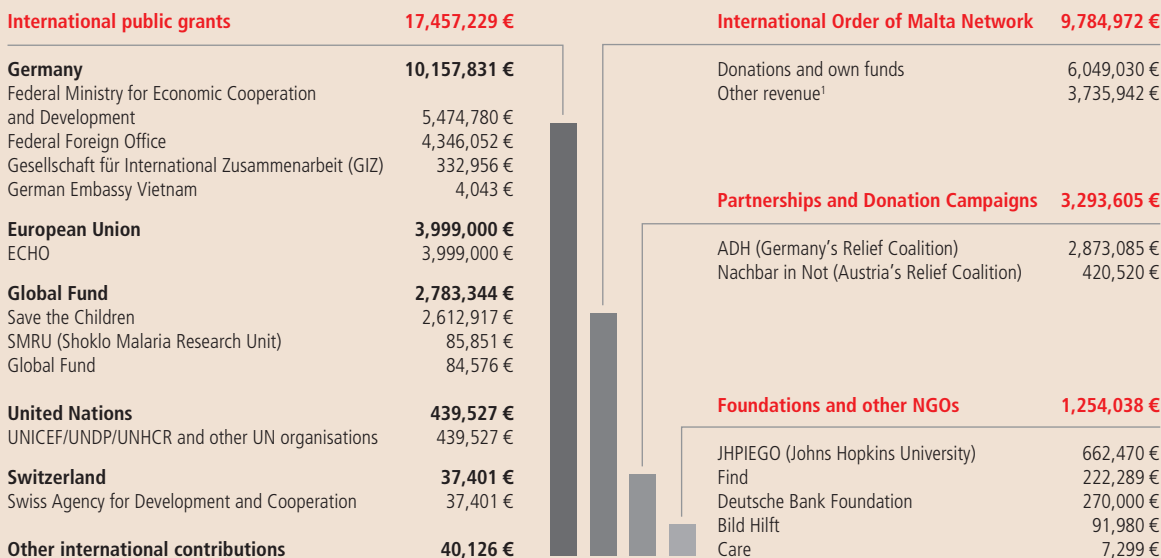
Local Partners:
ADMC: Area Development and Management Consulting
ADRA: Adventist Development and Relief Agency
CERA: Community Empowerment and Resilience Association
CHAI: Catholic Health Association of India
CHC: Cambodian Health Committee
CHHRA: Cambodian Health and Human Rights Alliance
COTEDO: Comisión de Trabajo Ecueménico Dominicano (Dominican Republic)
CRD: Center for Rural Development
DP Hanoi: Disabled People Hanoi
IBC: International Blue Crescent
MERN: Myanmar Environment Rehabilitation conservation Network
MILI: Myanmar Independent Living Initiative
PC: People's Committee
PPHO: Provincial Public Health Office
RSDC: Rural Self Reliance Development Center
SHPA: Social Health Protection Association
SSK: Sabhaki Shiksan Kendra
TCCF: Turkmeneli Cooperation and Cultural Foundation (Iraq)
UDD: Udruženje Distrofijara Dobo
UJEDCOSIS: Union des Jeunes pour le Développement durable de la commune de Cité Soleil
VIRI: Vietnam Rural Industries Research and Development Institute
YEU: Yakkum Emergency Unit (Indonesia)

1) Program implementation through Malteser International and partner organizations
 2) Program implementation through National Associations and relief services of the Sovereign Order of Malta supported by Malteser International
 3) Program implementation through local partner organizations supported by Malteser International

* Unless otherwise specified, all our projects include own funding and financial support from the international network of the Order of Malta.

Financial overview 2014

Revenue sources

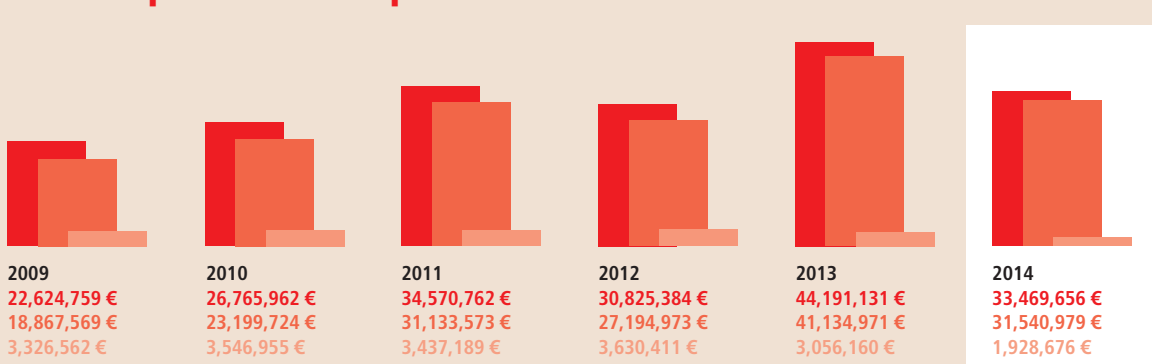


Development of Revenue



Deficits are covered by reserves and funds from previous years. Surpluses are transferred to the reserves.

Development of Expenses

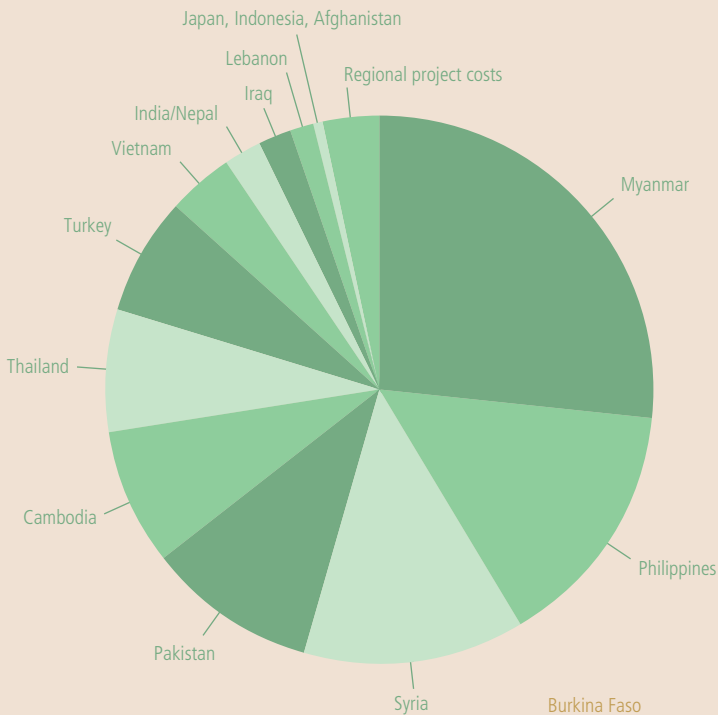


¹ Other revenue: unused earmarked donations from the previous year, interest, service charges.

² Inclusive of 'other revenue' prior to 2014

Expenses by region and country*

Management and administration costs: 1,928,676 €



Asia

16,455,345 €

Previous year 18,900,474 €

Myanmar	4,398,919 €
Philippines	2,443,556 €
Syria	2,127,955 €
Pakistan	1,654,636 €
Cambodia	1,329,391 €
Thailand	1,172,313 €
Turkey	1,167,048 €
Vietnam	624,064 €
India/Nepal	372,944 €
Iraq	339,299 €
Lebanon	211,839 €
Japan ²	68,814 €
Indonesia	35,313 €
Afghanistan ²	31 €

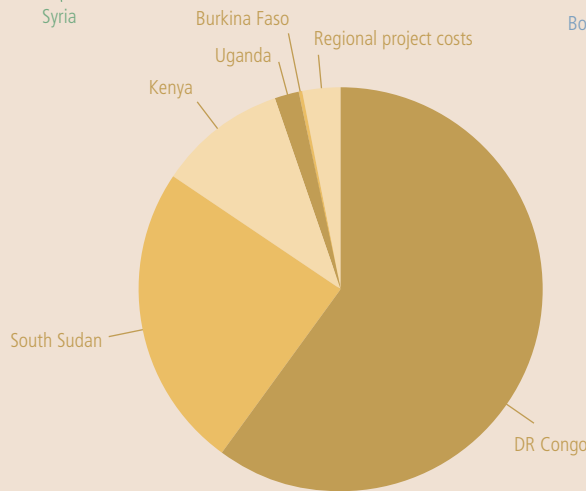
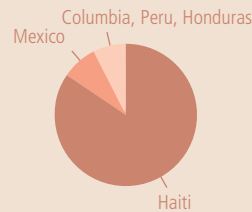
Regional project costs 509,223 €

Americas

1,165,773 €

Previous year 2,314,019 € **

Haiti	984,059 €
Mexico	91,980 €
Columbia	82,025 €
Peru	4,072 €
Honduras ¹	3,637 €



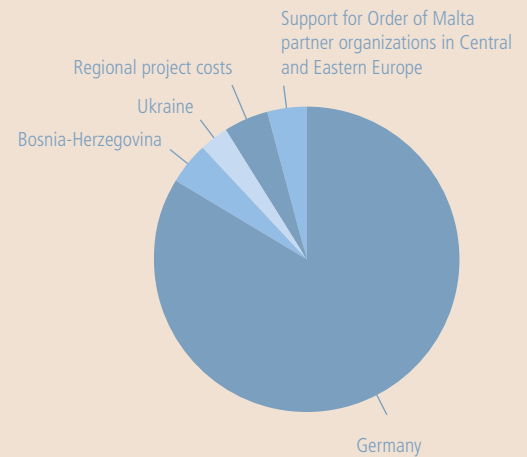
Africa

8,879,218 €

Previous year 11,976,510 €

DR Congo	5,337,466 €
South Sudan	2,165,191 €
Kenya	910,127 €
Uganda	170,960 €
Burkina Faso ²	40,664 €

Regional project costs 254,810 €



Europe

5,040,643 €

Previous year 11,000,128 € **

Germany	4,226,064 €
Bosnia-Herzegovina	225,509 €
Ukraine	145,243 €

Regional project costs 240,196 €

Support for Order of Malta partner organizations in Central and Eastern Europe 203,631 €

¹ Project planning costs
² Trailing costs from projects in previous years

* Rounded numbers. The listed program volumes correspond to the amounts booked in the 2014 annual accounts and thus do not reflect the actual outflow of funds for multi-annual projects.
** including management and administration costs

Annual accounts 2014

Balance Sheet as of 31 December 2014

Assets	31.12.2014 EUR	Previous year EUR
A. Fixed Assets		
I. Fixed Assets		
1. Other equipment, operating and office equipment	183,186.10	316,041.64
2. Prepayments	0.00	29,179.14
	183,186.10	345,220.78
B. Current assets		
I. Receivables and other assets		
1. Trade receivables	394,874.23	69,233.28
2. Receivables from other long-term investees and investors	0.00	2,299.81
3. Receivables from related corporate entities	3,358,749.23	3,774,715.85
4. Receivables from Malteser Hilfsdienst e.V. - internal-	7,382,942.43	13,411,491.19
5. Other assets	16,348,334.17	13,386,182.35
	27,484,900.06	30,643,922.48
II. Cash-in-hand, bank balances and checks	8,319,415.42	9,159,117.37
	35,804,315.48	39,803,039.85
C. Repaid expenses	73,294.26	183,254.25
	36,060,795.84	40,331,514.88

Equity and Liabilities	31.12.2014 EUR	Previous year EUR
A. Equity		
I. Assets of the association	3,365,114.12	3,357,678.07
II. Equity Difference resulting from currency conversion	-33,352.52	0.00
III. Loss	1,679,811.81	9,218.76
	1,651,949.79	3,348,459.31
B. Provisions	649,470.81	729,011.60
C. Liabilities		
1. Trade payables	311,835.03	168,725.32
2. Liabilities to other long term investees and investors	0.00	9,948.38
3. Liabilities to related corporations	12,750.52	1,839.07
4. Liabilities to Malteser Hilfsdienst e.V. – internal –	3,057,550.04	3,723,771.95
5. Liabilities arising from grants awarded for a particular purpose	26,449,817.18	28,737,601.95
6. Other liabilities	3,827,422.47	3,612,157.30
	33,659,375.24	36,254,043.97
D. Prepayments and accrued income	100,000.00	0.00
	36,060,795.84	40,331,514.88

Income statement from 1 January to 31 December 2014

	2014 EUR	Previous year EUR
1. Revenue	3,053.42	13,188.12
2. Other operating income	29,472,642.69	41,316,567.91
3. Cost of materials		
a) Costs of raw materials, consumables and supplies of purchased merchandise	4,326,688.99	5,640,542.70
b) Cost of purchased services	1,941,874.76	4,432,879.81
4. Personnel expenses		
a) Wages and salaries	9,358,348.76	8,408,465.52
b) Social security, post-employment and other employee benefit costs of which post employment costs: EUR 259,158.28 (previous year: kEUR 255)	878,947.67	875,537.89
5. Income from the release of liabilities related to earmarked allocations	28,738,982.85	31,512,373.57
6. Expenses due to addition to liabilities related to earmarked allocations	26,449,583.43	28,737,601.95
7. Amortization and write-downs of intangible assets and depreciations and write downs of property, plant and equipment	172,375.03	251,044.92
8. Other operating expenses	16,710,454.70	24,528,539.06
9. Other interest and similar income of which from Malteser Hilfsdienst e.V. – internal –: EUR 52,184.68 (previous year: kEUR 64)	62,396.47	77,384.13
10. Interest and similar expenses	7,381.76	6,281.82
11. Result from ordinary activities	-1,568,579.67	38,620.06
12. Other taxes	111,232.14	47,838.82
13. Loss	1,679,811.81	9,218.76

Notes on the income statement 2014

The following points explain the figures presented in the consolidated profit and loss statement of Malteser International:

- The activities of Malteser International are as a rule financed by donations or public grants. The service charges referred to here as **Revenue** are of negligible volume.
- Donations and grants are subsumed into the figure for **Other operating income**. For the most part, this refers to earmarked donations and grants which must be used for designated projects. These funds come from public donors in Germany, the EU and other countries, as well as from private donors (see also the diagram Revenue Sources on p. 26). They are supplemented by unearmarked donations, which can be used freely without reference to a particular designation.
- Donations are expended in the course of our work on **material costs** such as medical and aid supplies, or payment of building contractors in reconstruction projects.
- Furthermore, we require local and international staff to carry out and coordinate our aid projects. These costs can be seen under the item **Personnel expenses**. This includes a proportion of costs for personnel administration.
- Our aid projects often have a duration of more than one year. Donations that cannot be completely used during the course of the relevant fiscal year are included as liabilities related to earmarked allocations. When the project is continued in the following year, this liability is resolved. This leads to the **Income from release of liabilities related to earmarked allocations** seen in the statement.
- In the relevant fiscal year, the liability for these unused donations leads to the **Expenses due to addition to liabilities related to earmarked donations**.
- Planned and regular **Amortization and write-downs** of intangible assets and depreciation and write-downs of property, plant and equipment are shown here.
- A number of items are included under **Other operating expenses**. Among these are, for example, direct project costs, such as support of project partners, vehicle expenses, cost of premises, cost of maintenance and repair; indirect project costs such as communications and coordination, as well as IT infrastructure and finance management. In 2014, the share of administrative expenses was less than 10 per cent of total expenditure.
- Funds that are not needed for aid activities in the short term are deposited. The resulting interest and income from securities can be seen under **Other interest and similar income**.
- Interest and similar expenses** are as a rule the result of project funds not being disbursed in a timely fashion.
- The **Result from ordinary activities** is the result before taxes.
- Other taxes** are most often due to tax legislation in project countries.
- As the income statement shows, the difference between income and expenses resulted in a **Loss** for the financial year 2014, as the expenses of ongoing projects from the previous year were higher than the donations and grants received in 2014.

Independent auditors' report



To Malteser International e.V., Cologne/Germany

We have audited the appended combined set of annual financial statements of Malteser International, comprising the balance sheet as well as the income statement, for the financial year from 1 January to 31 December 2014. This combined set of annual financial statements is derived from the combination of the respective balance sheets and income statements of the sets of annual financial statements prepared in accordance with German commercial law by Malteser International e.V., of the Malteser International Europe Division of Malteser Hilfsdienst e.V. and of the Order of Malta Worldwide Relief Malteser International Americas Inc. (hereafter referred to in the aggregate as "Malteser International"). As part of this combination, mutual receivables and liabilities as well as the income and expenses which arose between the legal entities are eliminated. The purpose of combining the balance sheets and income statements is to give a true and fair view of the actual circumstances of the international activities of Malteser.

Responsibility of the legal representatives

The legal representatives of Malteser International e.V., Cologne/Germany, are responsible for the preparation of the combined set of financial statements by largely analogous application of the accounting regulations under German commercial law. The legal representatives are also responsible for the internal controls they deem to be necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements which are free from material misstatements - intended or unintended.

Responsibility of the auditors of the financial statements

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this set of financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit of the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted German standards for the audit of financial statements promulgated by the Institute of Public Auditors in Germany (IDW). Those standards require that we comply with our professional duties and plan and perform the audit of the financial statements in such a way that misstatements materially affecting

the financial statements can be detected with reasonable assurance. The audit of financial statements includes conducting audit procedures in order to obtain audit evidence for the values recognized in the financial statements and the related disclosures. The selection of the audit procedures is at the due discretion of the auditors. This includes assessing the risks of intended or unintended material misstatements in the financial statements. In assessing these risks, the auditors take into account internal control systems which are relevant to the preparation of the financial statements. The related goal is to plan and perform audit procedures which, under the given circumstances, are appropriate, rather than to issue an audit opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control systems of the entity. The audit of financial statements also includes assessing the accounting methods applied, the reasonability of the estimated values in the books and records determined by the legal representatives, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit evidence as obtained provides a sufficient and reasonable basis for our audit opinion.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, based on the findings of our audit, the combined set of annual financial statements of Malteser International, for the financial year from 1 January to 31 December 2014 have, in all respects, been prepared in accordance with the relevant accounting regulations described in the disclosures regarding the financial statements.

Düsseldorf, Germany, 24 April 2015

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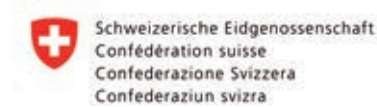
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Our donors and cooperation partners

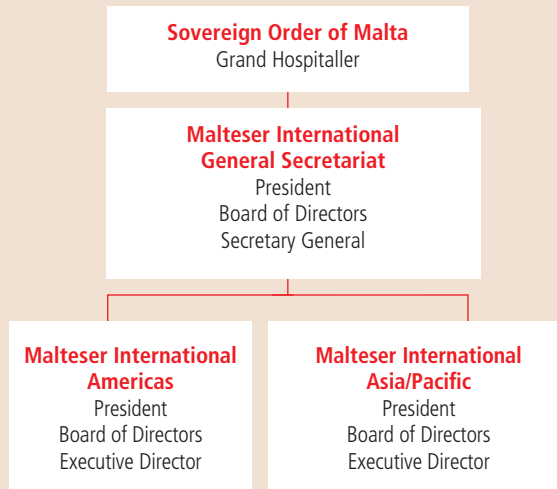
Our work would not be possible without the logistical and financial support of the international Order of Malta network, as well as that given by our many public and private partners and donors: who help us to provide fast, efficient and sustainable relief throughout the

world. On behalf of the countless number of people who we have been able to help, thank you for your support!

The following overview gives an insight into the multitude of public donors and partners who supported our work in the year 2014:



Our structures



The current membership of Malteser International consists of 26 National Associations and Pories of the Order of Malta, who actively support the organization within their jurisdictions. Currently, both regional branches in Europe and the Americas serve as associate members. Their representatives, together with the Board of Directors, the Grand Hospitaller of the Order of Malta, the Chaplain, the Secretary General and the Vice-Secretary General form the General Assembly: the organization's highest decision-making body. The General Assembly is responsible for electing and discharging the Board of Directors, accepting the annual accounts, ordering financial audits as well as passing amendments to the by-laws. The President convokes the General Assembly once a year. The Board of Directors, which is elected for a four-year term, consists of the President, the Vice-President, the Treasurer, and up to two additional elected members, as well as the representatives from the regional branches in Europe and the Americas, and from the Asia-Pacific region. The Board of Directors works on a purely voluntary basis and is responsible for approving the financial plans and the annual budget, as well as commissioning the financial auditing of the annual accounts. The Board of Directors bears the overall responsibility for the organization's operative tasks. The salaried Secretary General manages the organization's General Secretariat. He is responsible for the operational management activities in line with the financial plan and the annual budget.

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Malteser International – a work of the Sovereign Order of Malta

More than nine centuries of service to the poor and sick



The Order of St. John of Jerusalem, Rhodes and Malta can trace its origins back to 1048, when it began providing medical assistance to pilgrims of all races and faiths in Jerusalem.

To this day, the principal task of the Order remains the same as at its foundation: “Tutio fidei et obsequium paupreum”: serve the poor, guard and witness the faith. Malteser International is an essential

tool for the Order in fulfilling this mission in the modern world. For centuries, the Order has been recognized as a sovereign entity under international law. It is based in Rome and maintains diplomatic relations with 105 countries, as well as international organizations including the UN. This special status gives the Order a unique flexibility as an impartial international actor. Fra’ Matthew Festing is the current head, and 79th Grand Master of the Order, elected for life in 2008.

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Malteser International’s member associations (as of June 2015)

Australia

www.orderofmalta.org.au

Austria

www.malteserorden.at
www.malteser.at

Belgium

www.ordredemaltebelgique.org

Canada

www.orderofmaltacanada.org

Colombia

www.orderofmaltacolombia.org

Cuba

www.ordendemaltacuba.com

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Germany

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United Kingdom

www.orderofmalta.org.uk

Hungary

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www.orderofmaltaireland.org

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www.ordinedimaltaitalia.org

Lebanon

www.orderofmaltalebanon.org

Malta

www.orderofmalta-malta.org

Mexico

www.ordendemalta.mx

Netherlands

www.ordevanmalta.nl

Philippines

www.orderofmalta.int

Poland

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