



The History of the Partnership

- Started in 1982
- Wish of the German federation: Commitment of the federal states in development aid
- The idea: new way of development aid with participation of the population in both countries
- Meanwhile: role model of a state partnership

Contact of the Partnership

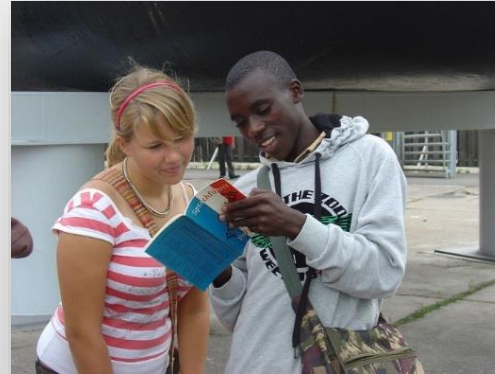
- State Government of Rhineland-Palatinate, Ministry of the Interior
- Since 1983: Association Partnership Rhineland-Palatinate/Rwanda
- Coordination Office Kigali

Actors in Rhineland-Palatinate

- Around 230 schools and kindergartens
- 3 universities, 4 technical colleges
- 49 municipalities
- 58 associations, foundations and institutions
- 14 parishes

Partnership Rhineland-Palatinate/Rwanda

- from the grass roots into a strong network -



Project Focus

- Education
- Vocational Training
- Promotion of Women
- Health/Inclusion
- Capacity Building/Economic Contacts
- Environmental Protection
- Sport/Culture
- Income-generating measures
- Encounters and Exchange

Project Volume

- Realization of more than 1.900 projects
- Since 1982 a volume of around 72 million € have flown into the partnership
- Annual budget of approx. 1,3 Mio. Euro state funds plus approx. 1 Million by donations
- Every Euro of donation flows directly into the projects
- All management costs are borne by the state of Rhineland-Palatinate

Project Process: Principle „Help for Self-help“

- The Rwandan partner proposes the project and submits an application to the Coordination Office
- The office considers the application on feasibility, sustainability and formulates a detailed project proposal for the partner in Rhineland-Palatinate
- Mainz consults the partner about the project proposal
- If the partner in Rhineland-Palatinate agrees on the project, it is either financed by donations only or co-financed with state funds. The implementation, supervision and an final accounting is done by the office in Kigali
- The project accounting is audited in Mainz and finally forwarded to the partner