



How does the international ORIO facility work?

ORIO is a grant facility for infrastructure development. Governments in developing countries team up with businesses to implement major infrastructure projects.

What is ORIO? ORIO is financed by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs and supports governments in developing countries in their efforts to create major infrastructure in partnership with the international business community. Besides resources, developing countries often lack the know-how needed for setting up large-scale projects for drinking water, irrigation, wastewater, the environment, transport, energy, civil works, health care or education. ORIO covers part of the funding, thus enabling the local authorities to buy in the goods, knowledge and expertise they need.

What are the criteria for applications to be eligible for ORIO? Applications can be submitted when the Call for Proposals is open. NL Agency appraises complete applications on a 'first-come, first-served' basis. Applications are assessed against formal requirements and criteria. Furthermore, NL Agency assesses applications on feasibility, sustainability,

relevance to end users, and contribution to private sector development and human development. The proposed projects usually include knowledge sharing and training in order to make the infrastructure more sustainable. The cooperation between government and business is spread over several years. Applications are submitted by central government authorities and may be based on an initiative from the business community.

Which countries are eligible for ORIO funding? The eligible countries and the grant percentage per country are listed overleaf. To prevent individual countries from receiving disproportionate amounts, upper limits have been set: the total maximum ORIO funding for a single country is limited to 25% of the ORIO budget available for that year.

Do you want to read more? Visit www.orio.nl. The application documents can also be found there.

You can also call the ORIO secretariat on +31 (0)88 602 8104 or send an email to orio@info.agentschapnl.nl.

>> *Focus on international
business and cooperation*

The following countries are eligible to submit applications to ORIO in 2013

ORIO will fund 100% of the budget for the Development Phase and 50% of the budget for the Implementation and Operation & Maintenance Phases in:

Angola	Mozambique
Bangladesh	Niger
Benin	Rwanda
Bhutan	São Tomé and Príncipe
Burkina Faso	Senegal
Djibouti	Tanzania
Ethiopia	Uganda
Gambia	Yemen
Malawi	Zambia
Maldives	

ORIO will fund 100% of the budget for the Development Phase and 35% of the budget for the Implementation and Operation & Maintenance Phases in:

Bolivia
Ghana
Nicaragua

ORIO will fund 50% of the budget for the Development Phase and 35% of the budget for the Implementation and Operation & Maintenance Phases in:

Albania	Kosovo
Algeria	Macedonia
Armenia	Moldova
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Mongolia
Cape Verde	Morocco
Colombia	Peru
Egypt	Philippines
Georgia	South Africa
Guatemala	Suriname
Indonesia	Sri Lanka
Kenya	Thailand
	Vietnam

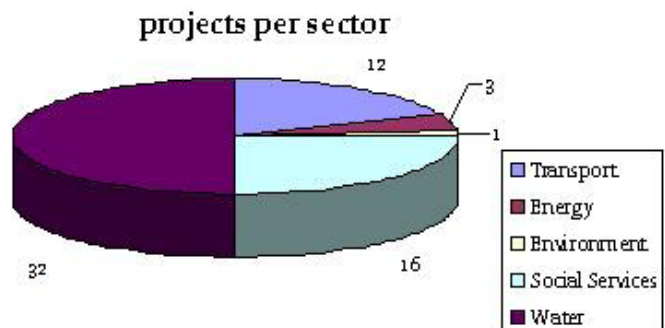
ORIO will fund 100% of the budget for the Development Phase and 80% of the budget for the Implementation and Operation & Maintenance Phases in:

Afghanistan
Burundi
Democratic Republic of Congo
Pakistan
Palestinian Territories
South Sudan

Visit www.orio.nl for the latest information.

ORIO was founded in 2009 as a successor of the ORET-program. Between 2009 and 2012, one or two Calls for Proposals have been published each year. Of the 179 project proposals that have been assessed on the eligibility criteria, 66 projects have been selected for a grant. The total project budget of these selected projects was around 2,1 billion Euro and the total grants applied for around 740 million Euro. The most popular sector is the water sector, followed by health care and transport.

The timeline from application until construction of the infrastructure is around three years. Currently ORIO has 64 projects; two projects have been withdrawn after selection. Of sixteen selected projects the Grant Arrangements for the Development Phase need to be signed by ORIO and the central government of the recipient country. 40 Projects have initiated the Development Phase. Six projects have entered the Implementation Phase by signing of the Grant Arrangement for the Implementation and Operation & Maintenance Phase.



This is a publication of:

NL Agency

In cooperation with:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs