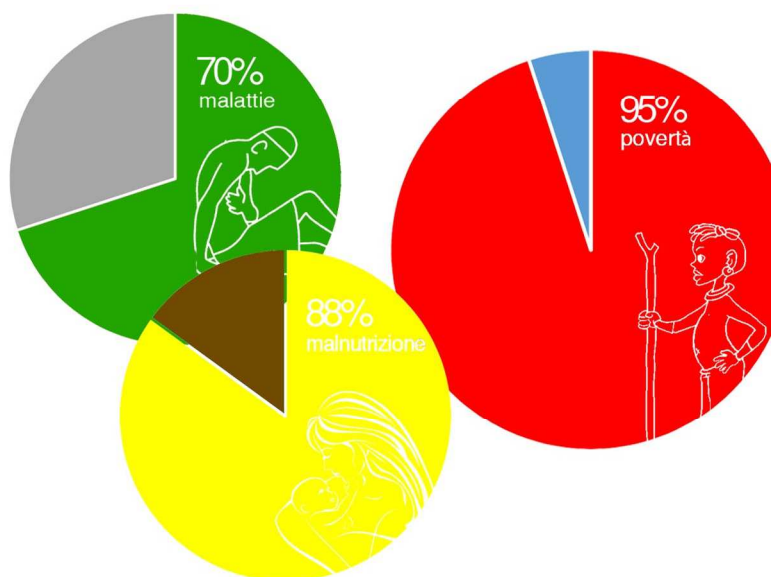




EMERGENZA SENEGAL

In the 1970s and 1980s years of last century, a devastating drought has invaded the Sahel, leading to the loss of agriculture and water resources, whose social consequences were more than a million deaths and 50 million people in famine. Today, in the region of Sedhiou, Senegal, drought has totally changed the ecosystem of the river Casamance and its tributaries, causing the loss of thousands hectares of potentially arable land, contamination of wells and thus poverty. In Sedhiou, 80,000 people today risk their lives because of the devastating effects of the drought, which has brought with it death and poverty.



88% of the population is malnourished
95% of the population is poor
70% of diseases are due to the emergency
infant mortality is the highest in the country

Why a "bridge" for life?

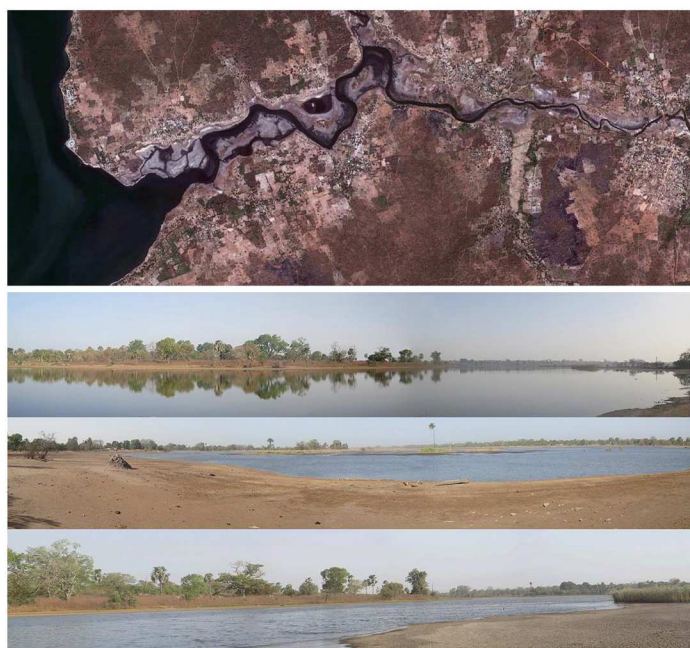
As a result of the drought, the flood tides from the Atlantic Ocean run up the river Casamance, making its 5 times saltier than the sea, flooding farmland and contaminating water wells. The no profit organization Balouo Salo intends to implement the project of a bridge-dam in the valley of Tanaff, that will makes 10,000 hectares of land fertile. The dam will allow the decontamination of water in wells and will promote agriculture for the benefit of 80,000 people in 350 villages.

Where?

The project will be implemented in the region of Sedhiou, in Senegal, in the valley of Tanaff, whose basin is 480 square kilometers.

Who?

The project will be carried out by volunteers of the no profit organization Balouo Salo, along with 20.000 people of the villages beneficiaries, and with the collaboration of municipalities, technical services in the region, and the government of Senegal.



The objectives

The main objective is to solve, in a sustainable way, the humanitarian emergency in Senegal, with a model project which could be reproducible in other nearby areas. The volunteers, professionals, partners and supporters of the project, who are involved in the project, share principles of the no profit organization and intend to make their contribution to address all of the issues of the place.

The project will be adopted at national level for the recovery of many other valleys of Casamance, allowing a significant development process of the country and promoting the welfare of the population.

The project wants to bring a solution for the problems, fundamental to the lives of beneficiaries. The project will:

- Bring down malnutrition in 350 villages;
- Restore 10,000 hectares of land for agricultural production;
- Offer new opportunity for 40,000 people to work;
- Decontaminate and desalinate the aquifer and water wells.

Our intervention

Thanks to the model developed, the objective will be achieved with a single, sustainable, economical and durable intervention, deployed by the cooperation with local and international authorities. The implication of all parties will allow the construction of the dam.

Expected Results

The bridge dam will allow the recovery of 10 thousand hectares of cultivable land during the first two years, with a progressive recovery, up to a maximum of 15,000 hectares.

The results from the project will be:

- the lowering of malnutrition and infant mortality;
- the improvement of water quality;
- the improvement of health conditions;
- the improvement in economic conditions.

Budget

Our non-profit organization has been using the "ALL TO DONATE" principle. All of donations received is allocated to the project, totally. The proceeds will not be used for administrative costs, travel or anything else which are, instead, borne by the individual volunteer or board. No component of the association receives awards or compensation of any kind. With this system the association promises to quickly reach the necessary budget to the project, with the support of local authorities in order to achieve a true work of cooperation.

BUDGET A BRIDGE FOR LIFE	€
Fund Onlus *	53.567
Funds of the partners in Senegal *	22.500
Funds from international partners *	11.123
Remaining Bottom	66.795
* Updated September 2015	

COSTS A BRIDGE FOR LIFE	€
Supply of construction material	97.520
Supply equipment	39.781
Formation	16.684
Transfers	0
Administrative expenses	0
Total costs	153.985

Structure

The non-profit organization is made up for 90% of graduates and professionals in engineering, architecture, sociology, psychology, agronomy and medicine, the remaining 10% from experts in cooperation and marketing. This heterogeneous composition enables us to maintain the high profile of our interventions, proven technical-scientific. The non-profit organization is also composed of interpreters, the Senegalese authorities, representatives of the villages who allow easier interaction with the population and better cooperation. The main structure of the organization is as follows:

President, Eng. Archt. Vecchio Raoul Raoul R. S.
Vice-President, Eng. Archt. Dario L. Distefano
Hon. President Jali Diabate
Hon. President Ibrahima Gomis (mayor Tanaf)
Hon. President Dr. Soaune Moussa (Pres. Sedhiou CC)
Counsellor, Eng. Archt. Tumminia Emanuele
Counsellor, Eng. Archt. Timpanaro Nicola
Counsellor, Eng. Archt. Ciramì Simona
Adviser, Dr. Tizzoni Giulia
Consultant, Prof. Sebastiano D'Urso
Consultant, Prof. Aurelio Gherzi
Consultant, Prof. Carlo Modica
Consultant, Dr. Vecchio Erasmo
Interpreter, Mamath Ndiaye

Partner

Because of the importance of the humanitarian project and the principles of solidarity and cooperation promoted by the non-profit Balouo Salo, "A Bridge to Life" is supported by major institutions, organizations, companies and associations who embrace the cause and support it in different ways .

Embassy and Consulate of the Rep. Of Senegal in Italy
Chamber of Commerce, Agriculture and Industry of Sedhiou
City of Tanaf, Dioudobou, Baghere, Simbandi.
Goudomp Department
Government of Sedhiou
University of Catania
City of Catania, Valverde, Acicatena, Acireale
Sicily Region
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Archimede Stampe
Foundation FL
Associazione L'impulso
Unimondo

They trust us, and you?

Your company can support the project with solidarity actions for consumers or employees

How to participate

To contribute to the achievement of A BRIDGE FOR LIFE you can make a deposit by:

- Cc banking at Bank Unicredit IBAN: IT6310200816942000103238460
- Donation with all credit cards on site www.balouosalo.com

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