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EDITORIAL

NEW LEADERSHIP,
STRONG FUTURE

Dear friends,

2019 brought a lot of change for us. After five years of leading the organisation into a new era of professionalisation, Daniel Bolomey retired from his position as executive director in July. Succeeding him after eight years in charge of programmes at VSF-Suisse is Nicole Litschgi. Nicole is an experienced, skilled leader and has a truly excellent eye for all the aspects that running an organisation such as VSF-Suisse entails. I am looking forward to the next years with her at the helm.

Newly in charge of programmes at VSF-Suisse and new deputy executive director is Esther Schelling. Esther joined us from the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Insti-

tute in Basel where she has established a long and distinguished career, fully establishing herself as a specialist in One Health. This is crucial for her new role, and Esther brings this in spades. Thank you Esther for joining us!

Esther being a veterinarian also completes our head office team - veterinary services are, after all, our core business. Indeed, we often work where there are no other veterinary services available, be they public or private, so nonprofit organisations like us bridge the gaps. Unfortunately, even with the help of trusted partners the needs of the populations in distress for whom we work cannot fully be met. But we cannot let this discourage us.

We will continue to reinforce the veterinary services in the places where we work: strengthen the public services, build strategic and lasting relationships with the private sector and work hand in hand with our partners.

Putting the health and care of humans in need and the animals that make their livelihoods possible front and center is what drives us. Thank you, our supporters, for making it possible.

Kind regards,
Ueli Kihm



Ueli Kihm, President of VSF-Suisse

FOREWORD BY THE DIRECTOR

SUPPORTING THE CORE OF OUR WORK

It is with pleasure that I am writing this foreword – my first as executive director of VSF-Suisse. I am proud of the organization and the impact we have with the communities for whom we work. As our main activity, we strengthen the veterinary services in the countries in which we are active. We support all “five pillars” of veterinary work: herd management and health; prevention; disease surveillance and response; hygiene and food safety/veterinary public health and legislation and regulatory frameworks. This annual report shows how we support these activities to foster local animal health services to effect change.

My goal as new executive director is to ensure that our colleagues in the field

have everything they need to deliver on the ground. Therefore, my priorities are the following:

Continuity

We have a motivated team and strong processes in place. I will ensure that we consolidate what we have built.

Strategic partnerships

As a small organisation, we are dependent on building and maintaining strong strategic partnerships. I will focus on investing in and fostering strong partnerships.

Quality programming

The quality of our work is our *raison d'être*. Measuring and improving what we do is therefore vital, and I will make sure that we continue to do so.

Security

Many countries in which we work are highly fragile, but our commitment to security is strong. I will ensure that we do our maximum to ensure staff safety and security.

Thank you, dear reader, for your support. Only because of you can we work and truly make an impact.

Sincerely,
Nicole Litschgi



Nicole Litschgi, Executive Director

SDGS

MOVING AHEAD TOGETHER

Under the overarching pledge to “leave no one behind”, we work tirelessly towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). To achieve them, we partner with international organizations, public authorities, research institutes, civil society organizations, or the private sector.

SDG 1: No Poverty

Increased access to basic services and economic resources is critical to reducing poverty. While veterinary services are at the heart of our endeavours, we also work towards strengthened human health services and local market development.

SDG 2: Zero Hunger

Often operating in conflict-affected and fragile contexts, we are committed to ensure access by all people to safe, nutritious and sufficient food during times of crises, but also to promote sustainable agricultural practices in the long term.

SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation

Increasing levels of water stress pose a severe threat to human lives and livelihoods. We build and rehabilitate water infrastructure to ensure the sustainable and safe supply of the essential asset for both people and their livestock.

SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities

Pastoralist communities, traditionally remote from public infrastructure and poorly connected to markets, often benefit less from development efforts. We work to strengthen their capacity to get their voices heard.



FOCUS VETERINARY SERVICES

A community animal health worker treats animals
at a cattle camp, South Sudan, 2012.

FOCUS

STRENGTHENING VETERINARY SERVICES: VSF'S CORE REMIT

How can public and private veterinary services in Africa fulfil their core tasks and meet the needs of livestock owners and stakeholders like public health, economy and biodiversity conservation? VSF-Suisse helps bridge the gaps.

Mobility in pastoral livestock systems can guarantee the sustainability of the vast dry grasslands, but the remoteness of many of the areas in which VSF-Suisse works, combined with the mobility of the beneficiary groups, complicate service provision. Most livestock is kept in mixed crop-livestock systems, where it plays multiple roles, such as providing manure and power for the fields. Livestock owners in the Sahel have robust methods to protect their animals, however, they also need – and appreciate – quality drugs, vaccines and veterinary services.

The roles of the different veterinary service providers

Operational veterinary services improve livelihoods and human health (reduction of zoonoses). Uncontrolled deadly animal diseases pose an economic threat also to national economies. Their control and elimination are public goods. National veterinary services are typically responsible for ensuring the protection of the 'public good' animal health, including safety of food products of animal origin, the control of major animal diseases,

border control, the quality control of veterinary pharmaceuticals and legislation. Public good services do not necessarily need to be delivered by the government. It may subcontract these to private veterinarians and non-governmental organizations.

Veterinary services need additional support

According to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), veterinary services in least developed countries and in many middle-income countries need technical and financial assistance to ensure a satisfactory animal health management.

Past efforts to modernize livestock production focused on the performance of the animals but have neglected range-land improvement, and they largely failed because they did not involve the concerned communities. Recent international funds invested in the veteri-



nary sector are within rural development programmes.

However, governmental veterinary services that can absorb, manage and effectively implement these funds are scarce in Sahelian countries. The 250 registered veterinarians in Chad are supposed to take care of 94 million livestock.

In Chad, the livestock sector counts for more than 50 % of agricultural gross domestic product, yet the veterinary services receive less than 1% of the governmental budget. Veterinary services largely rely on veterinary technicians and community animal health workers (CAHWs), and on technical and financial assistance.

A pharmacy in South Sudan selling human and veterinary drugs. VSF works with service providers to ensure that all the core veterinary health needs are met.

VSF-Suisse's work in strengthening veterinary services

Since its very first programmes in 1995 in what today is South Sudan, VSF-Suisse has been engaged in strengthening veterinary services. Importantly, no parallel structures to the existing services and actions are created, but interventions are in concertation, partnerships and mandated programmes or regions that are not sufficiently covered.

Husbandry and herd management programmes include improving reproduction of dairy cows in Mali or fodder production in Somalia. Prophylactic interventions are manifold with deworming, vaccinations, surveillance and timely reporting of diseases from community members linked to veterinarians using mobile technology.

Capacity building is done at all levels – we work with communities, train and

follow-up on community animal health workers (CAHWs) and give trainings to veterinarians on topics such as case management, detection and food safety.

Dealing with new and emerging topics

An emerging topic is animal welfare such as the donkey programme in South Sudan. In the Horn of Africa, a new multi-coun-

try programme implements community-defined One Health units that make use of synergies in service provision between the animal, human, and environment health sectors (see Dr. Onyango's personal account about this topic to the right).

Finally, VSF-Suisse is also involved in legislative work, for example in Kenya, regarding border certifications, public-private partnerships and food safety policy.



South Sudan: a community animal health worker (CAHW) deworming cattle. CAHWs are key to cover the vast support areas.

VOICES FROM THE FIELD

IMPROVING SERVICE DELIVERY USING ONE HEALTH APPROACHES

“My name is Dr. Diana Onyango, I am a Kenyan veterinarian working with VSF-Suisse Ethiopia where I am the Regional Project Manager for a One Health project in Kenya, Somalia, and Ethiopia. I have worked with VSF-Suisse for over 7 years in Kenya and Ethiopia as well as with other development and humanitarian organizations in the Horn of Africa.

In my work, I have interacted closely with pastoralist communities and seen the challenges they face, from natural or man-made disasters, recurrent droughts and floods to animal and human disease outbreaks, including zoonotic diseases.

The biggest gaps are an inadequate access to infrastructure and basic social services, and a lack of conflict-resolu-

tion mechanisms for competition over resources.

To effectively address these challenges, we bring together sectors and disciplines all working on the same problems. The project employs a bottom-up approach with the full participation of the communities we support.

The solutions identified will be suitable for the community context and integrated to reshape service delivery in the form of One Health Units. They will facilitate a combination of services from human, livestock and natural resources disciplines, and help interactions and coordination between governmental departments, private service providers and communities.

The units thus have the power to sustainably strengthen human, livestock and rangeland health services and support communities to develop their strategies to cope with changing environments and threats related to climate change.”



Dr. Diana Onyango in a fodder farm supported by a VSF-Suisse project in Mandera, Kenya



COUNTRY REPORTS

OUR ACTIVITIES 2019

Villagers herd goats in the arid landscape, north of Merti, Northern Kenya, 2011.

OUR PROJECTS

VSF-SUISSE PROJECTS 2019

MALI

Poverty alleviation, improving the income of dairy farmers and the nutritional situation of the population.

- 6 projects, 3 staff and 2 partner organizations
- 949,000 CHF
- 22,400 people supported
- 509,540 l milk produced
- 390,462 l milk pasteurised
- 63 dairy staff trained

IVORY COAST

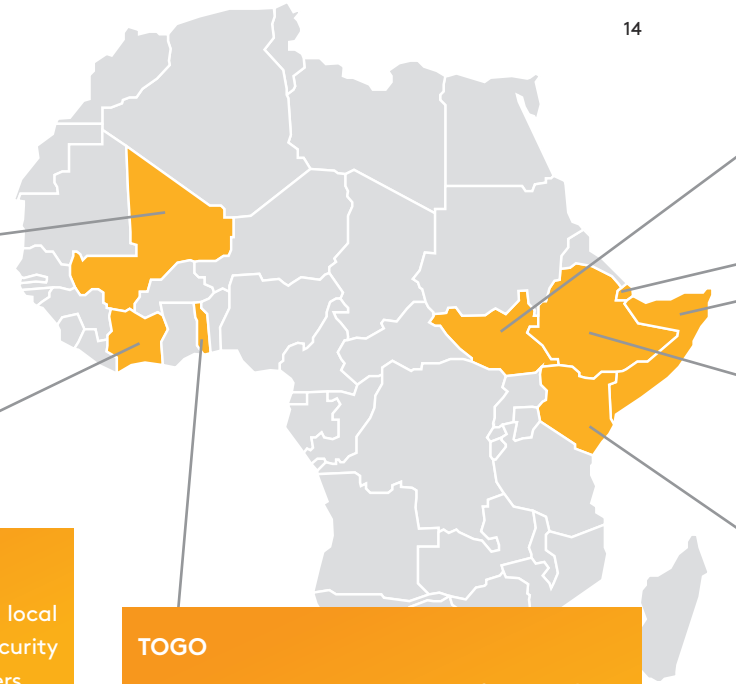
Strengthening the actors of the local dairy industry, improving food security and the income of livestock farmers

- 1 project, 2 partner organisations
- 53,000 CHF

TOGO

Nature conservation, protection of species diversity, sustainable use of the natural resources of the forest, improving food security and income

- 2 projects, 3 staff and 3 partner organizations
- 269,000 CHF
- 11,000 seedlings distributed for reforestation
- 325 farmers and 11 CAHWs trained



SOUTH SUDAN

Emergency response and recovery, community animal health services, equine welfare, rabies control, child protection

- 18 projects, 45 staff
- 3.0 million CHF
- 560,293 people supported
- 1,262,316 animals vaccinated or treated

DJIBOUTI AND SOMALIA

Small ruminant husbandry and breeding, community animal health services, sustainable rangeland management, water supply and hygiene, fodder production, emergency response

- 4 projects, 11 staff
- 1.3 million CHF
- 346,129 people supported
- 360 ha fodder planted

ETHIOPIA

Emergency response and recovery, community animal health services, basic health and nutrition, water supply and hygiene, sustainable rangeland management

- 11 projects, 31 staff
- 1.9 million CHF
- 253,585 people supported
- 8,114 people trained
- 1,983,301 animals vaccinated

KENYA

Camel husbandry, camel milk marketing and food safety, livestock disease surveillance, livestock emergency response

- 3 projects, 12 staff
- 216,000 CHF
- 2,748,350 l milk sold

EAST AFRICA

BOOSTING WELL-BEING AND LIVELIHOODS

In East Africa, our teams work with dedication and determination to strengthen all five pillars of veterinary services for the benefit of communities who depend on healthy livestock for food, income, transport, savings, and social capital.

Improving breeding in Djibouti and Somaliland

Despite the fact that sheep and goats make a significant contribution to pastoralist livelihoods in Djibouti and Somaliland and are an important economic resource for export, knowledge on their genetic resources and breeding has remained scarce.

In a project aimed at enhancing technologies to improve livelihoods in the region's drylands, our animal geneticist gathered

herd data, collected blood samples for analysis and started to work on a plan for genetic improvement and conservation in collaboration with the authorities.

To preserve genetic resources and provide an extensive basis for different breeding goals in the future, it was decided to set up reference sheep and goat flocks that will keep our experts busy over the next years.

South Sudan: we make it possible for humans and animals to live together without fear through managing zoonoses and dangerous epidemics.



Promoting fodder production in Somalia

In Southern Somalia, many agro-pastoralist communities still suffer from the impacts of the devastating drought of 2016 and 2017. To support the most vulnerable families and internally displaced people, we promoted fodder production to restore livelihoods and build resilience against future natural disasters.

Our agronomists and livestock technicians worked with lead farmers to share information about suitable fodder cultivation and conservation techniques, animal feeding practices, and marketing skills with over 1,200 households. The increased availability of livestock feed now boosts milk production, consumption, and sales on the local market.

Preventing rabies in South Sudan

Years of conflict in South Sudan have not only displaced thousands of families, but also their pets. Strays have started to become a risk for public health. To prevent the outbreak of zoonoses such as rabies, our veterinarians trained community animal health workers on population control, vaccination and treatment, and on reporting of notifiable diseases. Radio programmes and meetings with local communities further provided information about responsible pet ownership.

Disease surveillance in Ethiopia

In Ethiopia, we continued to work with the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, the British Royal Veterinary College, and our colleagues at VSF Germany to strengthen the animal health delivery

system in the country's most remote pastoral areas.

Following the global strategy for the control and eradication of the highly contagious and damaging "Peste des Petits Ruminants" (PPR), we boosted disease surveillance, reporting, and control by engaging with livestock keeping communities and training public and private veterinary practitioners. Hundreds of community animal health workers then rolled out the vaccination campaign to over 21,000 households.



Participatory disease surveillance in Ethiopia is part of our fight against animal diseases.

Ensuring milk safety in Kenya

In 2019 we started the last phase of our project to help livestock keepers adapt to climate change through the promotion of camel husbandry and milk marketing.

To consolidate our efforts along the milk value chain, our dairy specialist organized more vigorous food safety checks and intensified hygiene trainings for milk producers, processors, and sellers. Guaranteed milk quality extends shelf life, allows for further processing, improves the profits of producers and traders and finally benefits consumers.

Camel milk delivery at a women-led cooperative in Kenya. It is supported by us with great success.



WEST AFRICA

HEALTHY LIVESTOCK FOR QUALITY MILK AND MEAT

Veterinary services are important for all VSF-Suisse project activities in West Africa. The aim of improving animal health is to sustainably increase the income from livestock farming.

A strong milk value chain in Mali

Veterinary services are crucial in the milk value chain to ensure high milk quality and productivity. Our projects in Mali improved milk production, and the bottleneck moved from low productivity to commercialising increasing quantities of milk. Today, the challenge is to make services sustainable.

To increase the efficiency and thereby the income of smallholders, the project's extension workers advise livestock breeders on herd management, joint milk

collection and feeding planning. We also provide training, manuals and technical support for the advisory activities.

A new project regarding the competitiveness of local milk supports advocacy of the livestock sector, improves service delivery and reduces environmental impact of dairy collection and commercialisation (e.g. through replacing plastic containers).

Two additional new initiatives focus on a more inclusive livestock sector as a

A farmer discusses his homemade chicken feed mix, grown from his own land, with VSF-Suisse country director Dr. Géraud Hellow.



means of conflict transformation and offering economic prospects to vulnerable groups. We help produce fodder for livestock fattening and find means of commercialising milk.

A new project in Ivory Coast

With a new project in Ivory Coast, we bring dairy know-how from Mali to a region where livestock is competing with cash crops (esp. cashew) and where veterinary services are scarce. The project evaluates the potential of the milk sector.

Reduced morbidity and mortality of small ruminants in Togo

In our activities in Togo, veterinary services help unfold alternatives to the use of protected areas. We promote the production of small ruminants, pigs, and poultry to increase the income of farmers and reduce their need for poaching.

The support of community animal health workers by VSF-Suisse is designed to reduce morbidity and mortality rates and increase reproduction rates of livestock.



A farmhand at work in a newly constructed barn. The new building conforms to animal welfare standards.

13/01/2018

Date	Averse	Verser	#
05/01/2018	794.175	794.200	25
06/01/2018	112.1025	112.1200	175
07/01/2018	1169.150	1169.505	355
08/01/2018	250.000	250.000	OK
09/01/2018	628.850	628.525	OK
10/01/2018	618.500	618.650	OK
11/01/2018	701.775	701.800	25
Total	5.283.475	5.283.880	405

Solde à la date du 11/01/18 = 5.381.891,71 CHF

Variations en retard = $\begin{cases} 794.200 \text{ CHF} \\ 1.121.200 \text{ CHF} \\ 618.650 \text{ CHF} \\ 701.800 \text{ CHF} \end{cases}$

De payer achat lair du 13 au 19/01/18 = $\begin{cases} 3.441.200 \\ 6.617.701,71 \text{ CHF} \\ 1.747.175 \text{ CHF} \end{cases}$

Credit Mabi lair du 07 au 12/01/18 = $\begin{cases} 4.870.566,71 \text{ CHF} \\ 6.262.018,61 \text{ CHF} \\ 11.132.577,32 \text{ CHF} \end{cases}$

Credit fournisseur du 01 au 12/01/18 = $\begin{cases} 11.769.110 \text{ CHF} \\ 636.522,66 \text{ CHF} \end{cases}$

06/01/2018

Date	Averse	Verser	#
29/12/2017	1074.600	1072.150	OK 550
30/12/2017	1163.850	1162.250	OK 1400
31/12/2017	753.950	754.200	OK 250
01/01/2018	722.850	722.925	OK 75
02/01/2018	299.600	299.250	OK -350
03/01/2018	529.350	529.425	OK 75
04/01/2018	560.825	560.975	OK 150
Total	5.102.025	5.103.175	1450

Solde à la date du 05/01/18 = 2.676.836,71 CHF

Variations en retard = $\begin{cases} 299.250 \\ 529.425 \\ 560.975 \end{cases}$

Depenses achat lair du 01 au 12/01/18 = $\begin{cases} 4.066.916,71 \text{ CHF} \\ 1.506.400 \text{ CHF} \end{cases}$

Retour versement par verse = $\begin{cases} 2.560.036,71 \text{ CHF} \\ 1.164.210 \text{ CHF} \end{cases}$

Credit Mabi lair du 01 au 07/01/18 = $\begin{cases} 1.395.336,71 \text{ CHF} \\ 2.800.715,41 \text{ CHF} \end{cases}$

Credit fournisseur du 01 au 12/01/18 = $\begin{cases} 6.270.571,21 \text{ CHF} \\ 4.870.566,71 \text{ CHF} \end{cases}$

06/01/2018

Achat lair captant
Veil Achat lair du 30/12 au 05/01/2018
 $2.900 \times 350 = 980.000$
Remis = 98.000
Reliquat = -20.000

Depense
Veil Depense du 30/12 au 05/01/2018
Remis = 500.000
Depense = 516.400
Reliquat = -16.400

Achat lair captant
Achat lair du 06/01 au 24/01/2018
Remis = 350.000
Reliquat = -20.000

Depense
Depense du 24/01 au 02/02/2018
Remis = 450.000
Reliquat = -20.000

Achat lair captant
Achat lair du 03/02 au 30/02/2018
Remis = 350.000
Reliquat = -20.000

Achat lair captant
Achat lair du 01/03 au 05/03/2018
Remis = 350.000
Reliquat = -20.000

FINANCES

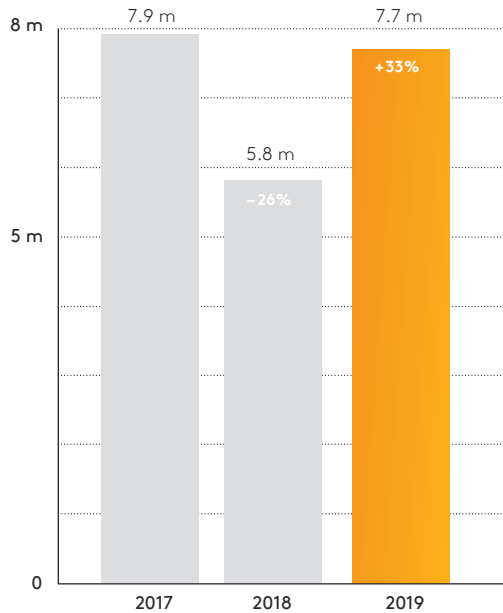
ONGOING STABILITY

Mali: The list of milk deliveries in a milk collection centre
which is part of the VSF-Suisse project

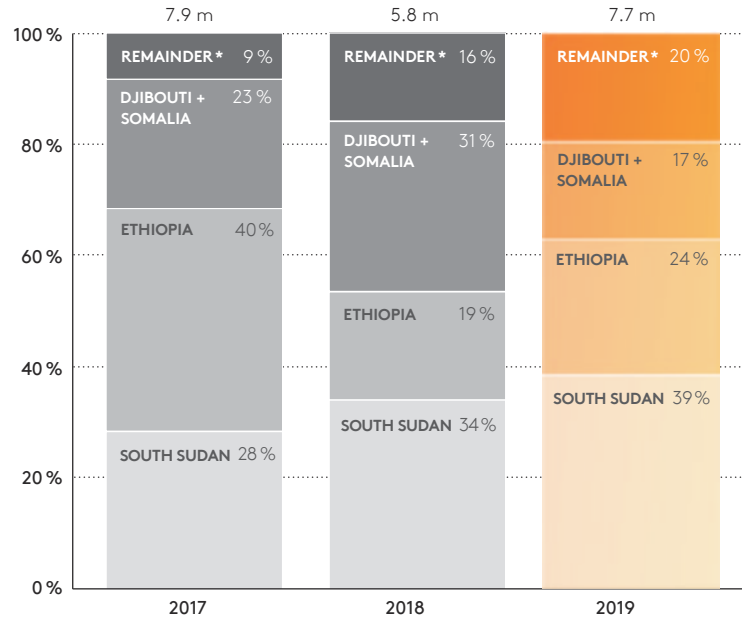
FINANCES

PROJECT VOLUME (IN CHF)

TOTAL PROJECT VOLUME



TOTAL PROJECT VOLUME BY COUNTRY



* Remainder: Ivory Coast, Kenya, Mali, Togo

FINANCES

BALANCE SHEET AND STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (IN CHF)

BALANCE SHEET as at 31.12.

	2019	2018
Current assets	2,359,958	1,794,354
Non-current assets	597	4,695
TOTAL ASSETS	2,360,555	1,799,049
Current liabilities	627,850	506,264
Non-current liabilities	40,000	50,000
Fund capital	1,354,488	907,370
Organisation capital	338,217	335,415
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,360,555	1,799,049

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	2019	2018
Operating income	8,842,070	6,721,245
Operating expenses	-8,137,339	-7,325,964
Other income	-270,672	-86,946
Change in fund and organisation capital	-427,722	709,721
NET INCOME	6,337	18,056

Our Audit Reports contain more in-depth information.

They are available for download on our website www.vsf-suisse.org

FINANCES

SERVICES AND STAFF

EXPENSES	2019		2018	
Project expenses				
Material, goods and services	4,204,786		3,456,521	
Personnel expenses	2,353,766		2,220,034	
Other operating expenses	575,227		693,142	
Depreciation and amortisation	4,117		3,373	
Total	7,137,896	87.7 %	6,373,070	87.0 %
Fundraising expenses				
Material, goods and services	–		–	
Personnel expenses	44,625		35,838	
Other operating expenses	183,937		189,898	
Depreciation and amortisation	–		–	
Total	228,562	2.8 %	225,736	3.1 %
Administrative expenses				
Material, goods and services	10,076		40,347	
Personnel expenses	490,979		453,909	
Other operating expenses	269,826		232,214	
Depreciation and amortisation	–		688	
Total	770,881	9.5 %	727,158	9.9 %
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	8,137,339	100 %	7,325,964	100 %

SERVICES AND STAFF	2019	2018
Services		
Number of project countries	8	7
Number of projects	46	48
Staff		
Number of staff	114	138
Full time equivalent	110.9	134.9
Number of volunteer hours	350	285
Number of members	335	350



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FOR YOUR DONATIONS
AND YOUR SUPPORT FOR
THE COMMUNITIES FOR
WHOM WE WORK

Children play in a temporary hut in northern Kenya.

SUPPORT FROM OUR COMMUNITY

DONATIONS AND VACCINATIONS

Vaccinate for Africa

Our special thanks go to the veterinary community in Switzerland who supported the 14th annual “Vaccinate for Africa” campaign (made possible by our exclusive sponsor, Virbac Suisse SA). Last year, 90 veterinary practices from all over Switzerland signed up to raise funds to support our work!

Dear vets, staff, helpers, sponsor and community: **thank you so much!**
See you next year!



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Simply register at
vsf-suisse.org/membership
we'll see you at the next AGM!

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Who are the “Friends of VSF”? This group of dedicated persons supports VSF with a donation of CHF 1,000 per year or more. **Our work wouldn't be possible without their support and we are very grateful for their generosity!**

In return, we organise get-togethers exclusively for friends. They get a closer look at what we do, an insight into “behind the scenes” and learn more about topics that they care about.

Would you like to join the “Friends of VSF-Suisse”?

Find out more on our website or contact Nina Privitera at service@vsf-suisse.org or 031 332 77 65. She is looking forward to telling you more about what being a friend could mean for you!

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Since 2019 VSF-Suisse is member of a Swiss NGO coalition called Alliance for Sustainable Food Systems and Empowered Communities (SUFOSEC) with Swissaid, Fastenopfer, Vivamos Mejor, SKAT Foundation, Aqua Alimenta. The Alliance has submitted a joint proposal to SDC in order to achieve shared goals in the frame of SDC's new NGO policy.

Senior Management 2019

- **Daniel Bolomey**, Executive Director Jan-Jun
- **Nicole Litschgi**, Deputy Executive Director, Director of Programmes, Jan-Jun; Executive Director Jul-Dec
- Dr. med. vet., PhD, **Esther Schelling**, Deputy Executive Director, Director of Programmes Jul-Dec
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Governmental bodies

EU European Union | **ICAT** Institut de Conseil et d'Appui Technique | **IGAD** Intergovernmental Authority on Development | **LED** Liechtenstein Development Service | **SDC** Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation | **USAID/OFDA** Bureau of Humanitarian Assistance United States Agency for International Development

International Organisations

FAO United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization | **IFAD** International Fund for Agricultural Development | **OCHA** Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs of the United Nations | **UNDP** UN Development | **UNICEF** United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund

Research Institutes

CSRS Centre Suisse de Recherches Scientifiques en Côte d'Ivoire | **HAFL** School of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences | **ILRI** International Livestock Research Institute

NGOs

ACPA Aged and Children Pastoralists Association | **ADRA** Adventist Development and Relief Agency | **AJT** Action Jeune Togo | **APROMORS** Association pour la promotion du monde rural au Sahel | Association **AE2D** Action Environnement pour le Développement Durable | **CAB Démésé** Support Committee of Regional Initiatives | **CCM** Comitato Collaborazione Medica | **COOPI** Organization for International Cooperation | **Cordaid** Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid | **ETD** Entreprises et Développement des Territoires | **GEVAPAF** Gestion de l'Environnement et Valorisation des Produits Agropastoraux et Forestiers | **GRAT** Groupe de Recherches et Applications Techniques | **HeRY** Help Restore Youth South Sudan | **NARDO** Nasib Relief and Development Organization | **OADEL** Organisation pour l'Alimentation et le Développement Local | **RACIDA** Rural Agency for Community Development and Assistance | **SOMIRENEC** Social Ministry Research Network Centre | **VSF Canada** | **VSF Germany** | **We World Onlus**

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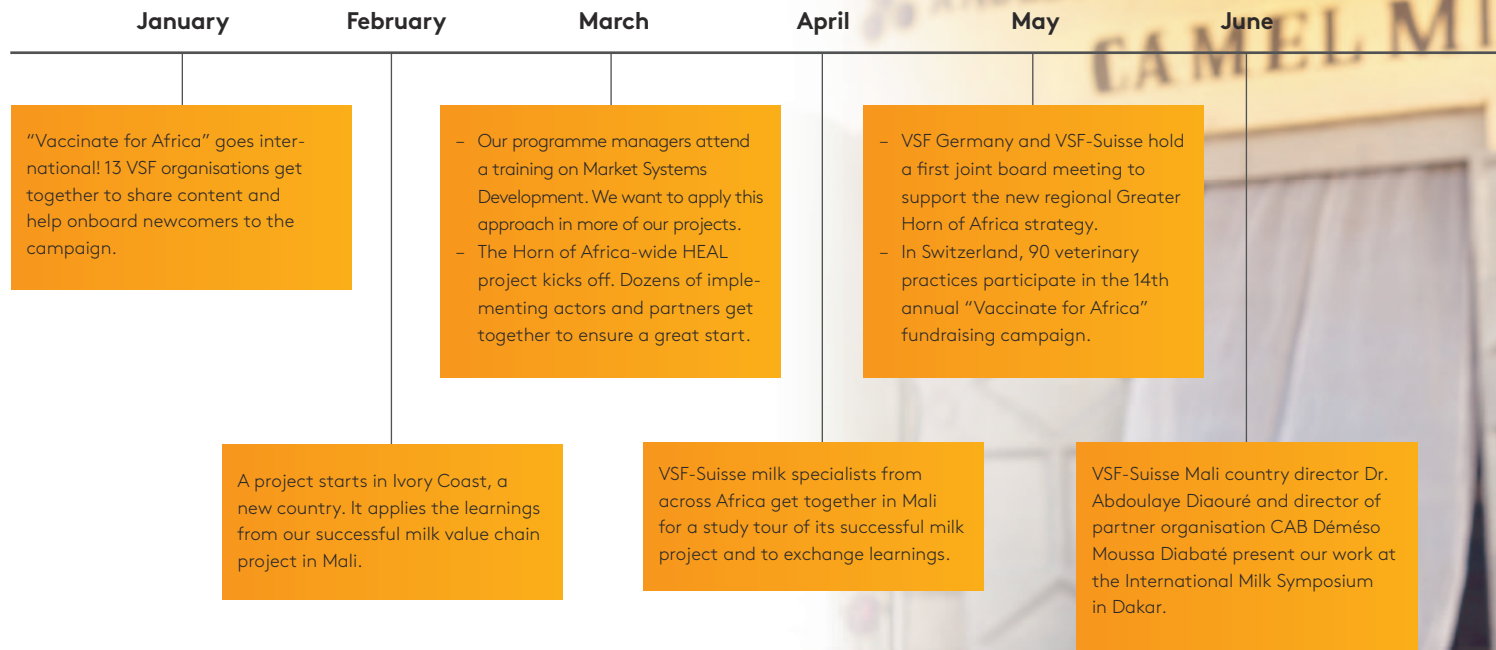
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TIMELINE 2019



PERATIVE
LK SHOP.

July

August

September

October

November

December

VSF-Suisse welcomes Nicole Litschgi as executive director taking over from Daniel Bolomey and Dr. med. vet., PhD, Esther Schelling as new programme director.

- All VSF organisations in West Africa hold a workshop to strengthen cooperation. Main topics are One Health and the development of a joint regional strategy.
- HAFL student Melina Gerhard presents her research on our UPICAM project at the 2019 Tropentag.

Esther Schelling conducts a consultancy in Chad, the first time VSF-Suisse is present in the country. We are hoping this will be the first of many activities we will conduct in Chad.

The 3rd annual "Friends of VSF-Suisse" event features a Q&A with our new leadership and a Skype conversation with the head of our Ethiopia PPR eradication programme, Dr. Wesinew Adugna.

- At the VSF International general assembly, the focus is on cooperation, joint strategies and activities.
- Representatives of 4 VSF sections attend a training to further strengthen security across our activities.

The year ends with busy year-end fundraising. Donations improve the lives of humans and animals and make sure they have a healthy environment in which to live. Thank you.



VSF INTERNATIONAL

VSF INTERNATIONAL – THE SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION

To be part of the VSF-Int network means having strong and reliable partners—and being able to do more and better work. In 2019 we established and implemented joint strategies, shared knowledge and resources and strengthened bonds across our organizational boundaries.

A joint regional strategy for the Greater Horn of Africa

The collaboration between VSF Germany and VSF-Suisse in the Horn of Africa was cemented with the finalization and approval of a joint regional strategy developed in 2018. The implementation of this strategy has begun.

“Vaccinate for Africa” International

2019 was a big year for “Vaccinate for Africa”: the campaign went international for the first time. In total, 13 VSFs conducted a campaign in their country and the results are promising!

A road map for better collaboration in West Africa

In September, 4 VSFs met for a workshop in Senegal to focus on collaboration in One Health, pastoralism, and sustainable dairy systems. The result was a road map towards and the establishment of a steering group for a VSF-Int strategy in West Africa.



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2019 International General Assembly

At this year’s annual general assembly, key outcomes were a commitment of all members to fostered security management and the presentation of the work of the One Health working group.



The participants of an international meeting on security: Belgium, France, Germany, Switzerland and VSF International.




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