

Country Focus Document

Orange Knowledge Programme (OKP)

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February 2023: To be more aligned with the policy '[Do what we do best](#)' of the Dutch Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation, some changes have been made in the country list of the Orange Knowledge Programme. For the scholarships and group training calls in 2023 only 30 countries are eligible. Eligible countries can be found in the table below.

Co-funding

Note that co-funding is only applicable for group trainings – not for individual scholarships. The percentages shown below in the “co-funding” column show the minimum percentage of co-funding required. At least half of this minimum percentage should come from the requesting organisation. The remaining required amount of co-funding is free to come from various other sources. Please note that the leniency measures concerning co-funding applied in the past years due to the Covid-19 pandemic are not extended to the calls in 2023. This means that the percentages as mentioned in the table below are the minimum requirements.

In order to enhance the effectiveness and sustainability of individual scholarships and TMTs, applications should be linked to the priority areas provided by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. The Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands would like to support the strategic partners or organisations in the table below.

For some countries, the focus for the TMT and TMT+ calls in 2023 are further specified. If so, this is mentioned in the respective country row. These further specifications for TMT and TMT+ are not applicable to the scholarships.

Country	Priority areas	Strategic partners and/or additional information	Co-funding	ODA Country Category	OKP Country Category
Bangladesh	<p>For scholarships:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Integrated Food and Nutrition Security (including water and climate change) - Integrated water resources management - Delta management - Maritime development including port development - SRHR <p>For TMT(+):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Integrated water resources management (as part of Integrated Food and Nutrition Security). 	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	0%	LDC	A

Country	Priority areas	Strategic partners and/or additional information	Co-funding	ODA Country Category	OKP Country Category
	<p>- Areas related to climate change, such as climate adaptation, climate mitigation and climate smart agriculture</p> <p>- Maritime development including port development and Blue Economy</p> <p>- SRHR. Special emphasis is given on applications addressing comprehensive sexuality education. Collaborations between (Dutch and local) NGOs, working together with government institutions and education institutes, is preferred. <i>Specific attention within all thematic areas goes out to gender equality, inclusion, access to the labour market and youth entrepreneurship.</i></p>				
Benin	Food and Nutrition Security, Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights.	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) and the regional context document for the Sahel on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	0%	LDC	A
Burkina Faso	<p><u>For scholarships:</u> Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, Security and Rule of Law, Food and Nutrition Security Water</p> <p><u>The TMT & TMT+ calls in 2023 should preferably focus on:</u> Food and Nutrition Security/Water management for agricultural production Preferably focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gestion durable des petites exploitations agricoles (inclut la gestion efficiente de l'eau dans l'agriculture) - Renforcement de capacité et connaissance sur la conservation des produits agricoles (systèmes de 	<p>Ministries and government agencies directly involved in policy development and implementation in the above-mentioned areas.</p> <p>Please find more information regarding this country in the regional context document for the Sahel on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>	0%	LDC	B

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	<p>conservation des produits agricoles frais ou secs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Digitalisation - Focus on entrepreneurship and development of the private sector. <p>Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights. Preferably focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Digitalisation - Strengthen and harmonise SRHR in pre-service education and training for health auxiliaries. - Collaboration with and development of the private sector 				
Burundi	Food and Nutrition Security, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights/gender	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	0%	LDC	A
Colombia	<p>For scholarships and TMT/TMT+ calls: Security, rule of law and human rights, with the aim to increase legitimate stability and respect for human rights. More specifically, peace building efforts are supported, with priority being given to activities in conflict-affected areas and to approaches that use land administration, sports for peace building and/or training in human rights issues (with specific attention to LGBTI, human rights defenders and press freedom).</p> <p>Sustainable economic development is another key sector in our bilateral relations. Efforts are particularly focused on Climate and Energy, Water, Life Science and Health and Agrifood & Horticulture in line with the policy priorities of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands and the Colombian Government.</p>	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	25%	UMIC	A

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Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)	Health, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, Education, Security and Rule of Law, Private Sector Development, Food and Nutrition Security, Water, Women's Rights and Gender Equality, Climate and Minerals.	Government staff, NGO's, entrepreneurs, researchers	0%	LDC	B
Egypt	Sustainable water management for WASH, agriculture and coastal protection, with special attention for adaptation to (and mitigation of) climate change impacts.	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	15%	LMIC	A
Ethiopia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food and Nutrition Security (with emphasis on dairy, horticulture and water in support of Food and Nutrition Security); • Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights; • Security and the rule of law 	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) and context documents on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	0%	LDC	A
Ghana	Food and nutrition security (FNS) and water management for agricultural production: focus on entrepreneurship and development of the private sector. Focus on Cocoa and Horticulture with emphasis on Climate smart agriculture, digitalization, soil health, access to water for food and entrepreneurship in the Colleges of Agriculture and other stakeholders involved in the sector.	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	15%	LMIC	A
Indonesia	<p>For scholarships:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Food and Nutrition Security Integrated Water Management - Security and the Rule of Law <p>For TMI(+)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Food and Nutrition Security through TVET with 	These focus areas complement the priorities and geographical regions as identified in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) and can be found on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	15%	LMIC	A

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	<p>a focus on the development of Sustainable Food Systems based on climate smart agriculture and circular principles with an integrated approach, mainly in horticulture in collaboration with the private sector. (TMT + 1st round)</p> <p>2. Integrated Water Management including River Basin Management Planning as one of the areas of cooperation that are defined to accommodate an integrated approach of the cooperation between Indonesia and the Netherlands for 2021-2025. (TMT 2nd round)</p> <p>3. Security and the rule of law focusing on legal certainty, specific focus on to alternative sanctioning within the context of the revised penal code. (TMT 1st round)</p>	<p>Please contact ms. Nanya Burki of Nuffic's regional in Jakarta for further information per thematic area: nanya.burki@nesoindonesia.or.id</p>			
Iraq	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food and Nutrition Security & Water • Climate smart agriculture • Climate resilience • PSD/youth employment 	<p>Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>	25%	UMIC	A
Jordan	<p>Food and Nutrition Security, Sustainable agriculture including water efficiency and reuse.</p> <p>For the TMT & TMT+ calls in 2023 focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Water and agriculture increasingly through a water lens - Climate Change 	<p>Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>	25%	UMIC	A
Kenya	<p>Food and Nutrition Security in a nexus with Water</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. professional education and vocational training in the agricultural value chains horticulture and dairy through strong collaboration with the private sector; 2. teacher training for agricultural TVET 3. water-smart and climate-smart agriculture 	<p>Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>	15%	LMIC	A

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	4. improved governance of water contributing to water-smart agriculture				
Lebanon	<p>Rule of law and anti-corruption, Sustainable rural development (agriculture and agri-food value chains), Upskilling and employment creation for youth, Education (curriculum reform; lifelong education; innovation in teaching; etc.), Program/project management and NGO management; Digitalisation.</p> <p>For TMT(+) TMT+ call (March): agriculture or agri-food, preferably one of the following topics (for Small and medium-sized enterprises): 1. Alcoholic and non-alcoholic distillation (advanced and practical) 2. Food additives: updates and new systems/technologies 3. Advancement in permaculture and/or organic farming 4. Lean manufacturing in food industries</p> <p>1st TMT call (March): training local civil society organisations on a combination of: MEL (in-depth processes, including how to make use of data to leverage funding), internal policies/procedures for donor compliance (HR, finance, etc.), Programme Development, and Proposal Writing</p> <p>2nd TMT call (May): Tentative: digitalisation</p>	<p>Public institutions Social enterprises Local private sector Local civil society organisations Education institutions</p>	25%	UMIC	B
Mali	<p><u>For scholarships:</u> - Food and Nutrition Security/Water - Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights - Security & Rule of Law</p>	<p>Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) and the regional context document for the Sahel on our website: Country themes -</p>	0%	LDC	A

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	<p>The TMT & TMT+ calls in 2023 should preferably focus on:</p> <p>Food and Nutrition Security/Water management for agricultural production</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Digitalisation - Focus on entrepreneurship and development of the private sector. <p>Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Digitalisation - Strengthen and harmonise pre-service education and training for health auxiliaries, health technicians (TS) and senior health technicians (TSS) - Collaboration with and development of the private sector <p>Strong preference given to proposals that are demand-driven from Malian partner</p>	<p>Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>			
Mozambique	<p>Food and Nutrition Security (focus nutrition), Energy & Maritime, Water, Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights.</p>	<p>Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>	0%	LDC	A
Niger	<p>For scholarships: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Security and Rule of Law Food and Nutrition Security/Water</p> <p>1st TMT and TMT+ call (March) should focus on: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SDR des adolescents au niveau scolaire et non-scolaire : Contribuer soit à l'éducation sexuelle des adolescents ruraux scolarisés, soit à l'éducation sexuelle des adolescents ruraux non scolarisés. 	<p>Please find more information regarding this country in the regional context document for the Sahel on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>	0%	LDC	B

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Renforcer la formation sur la SDR au niveau tertiaire <p>2nd TMT call (May) should focus on: Food and nutrition security</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gestion durable des petites exploitations agricoles - Conservation des produits agricoles. 				
Nigeria	Security and rule of law (human rights and good governance) Human rights and good governance (democratisation and elections, security and rule of law), Sexual and reproductive health and rights, health Water management, Economic development (food security and agriculture, agro food and horticulture, renewable energy, creative industries)	Both public and private sectors	15%	LMIC	B
Palestinian Territories	Efficient water use for climate smart agriculture and Improved access to water and sanitation through good governance and sound technical management.	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	15%	LMIC	A
Rwanda	Security and Rule of Law: Justice, Reconciliation Law and Order Sector (JRLOS) with special attention for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provision of legal services in the JRLOS institutions - increased access to, and quality of justice through capacity strengthening of forensics, law enforcement and rehabilitation centres. Food and nutrition security in a nexus with water: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - value addition through agro-business development and agro-processing - sustainable, water efficient and climate smart agriculture. <p><u>The TMT & TMT+ calls in 2023 should focus on:</u></p>	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	0%	LDC	A

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	<p>For Security and Rule of Law:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mediation as legitimate dispute resolution approach - Human Rights <p>For Food and nutrition security:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public private partnerships in sub sectors of Horticulture, Poultry, Dairy, and Potatoes aiming at strengthening TVET - Preferred focus on innovations in climate smart and sustainable agriculture in the preferred subsectors 				
Senegal	<p>Sustainable society (circular economy, agroecology, green mobility, Climate & Environment), Food security, Private sector Development, Human Rights (including Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights), Security (Sahel Region), Employment / Employability of youth, Vocational training, Rule of law, International justice, Climate & Environment, Food security.</p>	<p>The Embassy has many partners with whom we work depending on the projects we are working on. That is why the Embassy always supports any person/organisations interested by the OKP programme to apply (open system).</p>	0%	LDC	B
Somalia	<p>(Maritime) Security and the Rule of Law, Food Security and agriculture.</p>	<p>For (Maritime) Security and Rule of Law: NGO's, Civil society, government, media organisations.</p> <p>For Food Security and agriculture: Knowledge institutes and private sector actors focused on sectors such as fisheries and natural resources</p>	0%	LDC	B
South Africa	<p>Food and Nutrition, Security, Water management, TVET with a particular focus on FNS and Water.</p> <p>For the TMT and TMT+ calls the applications should preferably focus upon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water 	<p>Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>	25%	UMIC	A

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renewable energy <p>Within above sectors digitalization is prioritised, gender and youth are important cross cutting topics.</p>				
South Sudan	<p>For the scholarships: Food Security, Water, Private Sector Development</p> <p>For the 2023 TMT(+) calls: Entrepreneurship Capacity Development - with a focus on agricultural value chains</p>	Urban and rural youth, women, IDPs and returnees	0%	LDC	B
Sudan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Security and the Rule of Law Human Rights Food Security (including water management for agriculture) Business/Private Sector Development Democratisation (including media and journalism). 	We are keen to liaise future OKP activities closely with our ongoing programmes funded via a.o. the Human Rights Fund, PSD programmes and our economic diplomacy efforts. In particular we see a role for the OKP in complementing our private sector led development approach in both Eastern and south western Sudan, addressing migration issues at the same time. In Sudan, the Orange Knowledge Programme is available for (employees) non-governmental organisations.	0%	LDC	B
Tanzania	<p>Food and Nutrition Security, SHRH Energy (Renewable), (Media).</p> <p>Within above mentioned topics TMT and TIMT+ proposals should preferably focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sustainable agriculture in the areas of horticultural seeds and animal feed * Climate smart agriculture * Value chains * Entrepreneurship and youth employability * Vocational training 	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	0%	LDC	A
Tunisia	<p>Agricultural growth and sustainable employment in inclusive agriculture, with focus on climate smart agriculture including water efficiency</p> <p>Stability, Migration, security and the rule of law.</p>	Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic	15%	LMIC	A

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Uganda	<p>Food and Nutrition Security with special attention for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - climate smart agriculture, value chain development and business development in horticulture, potato and dairy. - regulatory systems for agricultural products to comply to international market requirements - agricultural training for relief and development in relation to refugee support programmes in Uganda. <p>Security and Rule of Law:</p> <p>1. Training capacity and organisational development of institutions in the established Justice Law and Order Sector (JLOS). Focus themes are specified in the CPI for Uganda</p> <p>2. Prioritized themes within JLOS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Juvenile and child justice - Sexual gender based violence in relation to human rights - Safety and security refugee settlements/host communities - Transitional Justice - Commercial Justice 	<p>Please find more information regarding this country in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p>	0%	LDC	A
Vietnam	<p>Scholarships:</p> <p>Sustainable Integrated Water Resource Systems and inclusive agriculture contributing to ecologically sustainable food security systems</p> <p>Specifically for TMI(+)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Transition toward a sustainable aquaculture in Mekong Delta 2. Saline agriculture in the Mekong Delta 3. Groundwater extraction in relation to the agro sector in the Mekong Delta 4. Improve water management in relation to agro and the aquaculture sector in the Mekong Delta 5. Mangrove reforestation in relation to the 	<p>These focus areas complement the priorities and geographical regions as identified in the Country Plan of Implementation (CPI) and can be found on our website: Country themes - Orange Knowledge Programme Nuffic</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. institutions based outside the Mekong Delta can apply, the proposal should however include a focus on the Mekong delta 2. For sustainability reasons, applicants are encouraged to include local government where relevant and possible. 	15%	LMIC	A

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	aquaculture sector in the Mekong Delta				
Yemen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Security and Rule of Law, including Human Rights, Women Rights, and gender equality. - SRHR, with more focus on MHPSS. - Integrated Water Resources Management and Food Security. 	<p>For SHRH: Ministry of Public Health and Population, relevant education and training institutions, NGOs, family counselling and development foundation</p> <p>For Human Rights and Gender: Relevant education and training institutions, National Commissions and NGOs</p> <p>For Water: Ministry of Water and Environment, relevant education and training institutions, Integrated Water Resources Management, NGOs</p> <p>For Security and the Rule of Law: Ministries, relevant educational training institutes, NGOs.</p>	0%	LDC	B

OKP Country category	Available instruments in 2023
A	Tailor-Made Training Plus, Tailor-Made Training, Individual scholarships for mid-career professionals
B	Tailor-Made Training Plus, Tailor-Made Training, Individual scholarships for mid-career professionals

ODA Country category	Explanation
LDC	Least Developed Countries
LMIC	Lower Middle Income Countries and Territories
UMIC	Upper Middle Income Countries and Territories