

Knowledge and technology
for sustainable development



WHO WE ARE

NOMADES Swiss Ltd is a private "not-only-for-profit" enterprise with headquarters in Neuchâtel, Switzerland. Founded in 1998 by Ashil K. Darmanger, our team today includes social entrepreneurs with academic backgrounds in technical engineering, agronomy, horticulture, food processing, economic development, ethnology and political science. We have work experience in emerging and conflict-affected regions and specialize in research-based technological and agricultural development projects in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Rwanda, Burundi, Benin and Mali.

WHAT WE DO

As official representative of many market leading manufacturers, NOMADES Swiss acts as a reliable bridge between private sector experts and development actors in our focus countries. We work on value chain improvement projects in agriculture, horticulture, livestock farming, food processing, flexible packaging and marketing. In close cooperation with private companies, governmental agencies and non-governmental organizations, we aim to build capacities, optimize agricultural productivity, improve product quality, avoid post-harvest losses and open access to new markets.



Ashil K. Darmanger with the economic attaché of the Rwandan embassy

Our activities cover the entire value chain including production, processing and marketing:

- First quality products for professionals including soil testing laboratories, improved CE standard seeds, IPM (integrated pest management) and biological inputs, animal health products, agricultural tools and technologies
- Turnkey food processing projects including technologies for fruits, vegetables, nuts, cereal grains and dairy processing, flexible packaging solutions and intensive training courses on hygienic food processing, machine operation and maintenance.
- *Best customer services* including logistics, technical assistance, after-sales services, product warranties, branding and international marketing services

OUR NETWORK

NOMADES Swiss closely cooperates with renowned research institutes and is official partner of many market leading manufacturers. We have full access to our partner's decade long experience, high-quality technology including product warranty and after-sales services as well as their training facilities. This enables us to transfer know-how, high-end technology and best customers services into our focus countries. Our customers benefit from a bundle of professional private sector experience resulting in tailored and viable solutions for sustainable development based on solid foundations.



Strategy meeting with representatives of Swiss, Afghan and African partners

OUR APPROACH

We don't do "business or development as usual". We are aware that there is no sustainable development without socially responsible investment, capacity building, and labor-intensive technology transfer. In our projects, we put great importance on multi-disciplinary and practice oriented research, social and environmental responsibility and promotion of women and youth. As a private social enterprise it is our explicit goal to contribute to the development strategies of governments, NGOs and the civil society. In order to achieve our goals, we prefer moderate, commercially driven, small- and medium sized projects rather than huge investments with industrial capacities but little sustainable impact. We carefully listen to the problems and dreams of motivated local entrepreneurs, we adapt our approaches to their ideas and continuously support them in long-term partnerships. Our humanitarian business approach allows local entrepreneurs to establish their company with support of private sector experts and to share their success by creating more value and jobs for their societies. Our experience shows that socially and environmentally responsible business activities can lead to profitable and sustainable results.



Small scale natural fruit juice production

Our References

- Private investors and agri-businesses
- Ministries of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock
- The World Bank
- Horticulture and Livestock Project of the World Bank
- United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
- Aga Khan Foundation
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- Danish Committee for Aid to Afghan Refugees (DACAAR)
- Dutch Committee for Afghanistan
- Roots of Peace
- Farm Service Center Associations

Our Partners

AGRICULTURAL TOOLS AND MACHINERY

- Felco SA, Switzerland. Horticultural tools
- Outils WOLF SAS, France. Gardening tools
- Rapid Technic AG, Switzerland. Alpine agricultural land-mowers
- Maquinas Agricolas Jacto, Brazil. Agricultural spraying equipment for crops protection
- Dal Degan Srl, Italy. Machinery for plant protection
- Micron Group, United Kingdom. Manufacturer of professional sprayers and weed control equipment
- Fischer Nouvelle Sarl, Switzerland. Motorized and manual sprayers
- Wieland-Werke AG, France. Grapeyard trellising
- Atago, Japan. Manufacturer of measurement instruments, refractometers and pH-meters

PHYTOSANITARY AND PUBLIC HEALTH PRODUCTS

- Burri Agricide AG, Switzerland. Agrochemical specialist, producer of fungicides, herbicides, insecticides and fertilizers
- Andermatt Biocontrol AG, Switzerland. Phytosanitary products
- Belgagri SA, Belgium. Public health products, rodenticides, domestic and garden insecticides, grain & seeds conservation products

PRACTICE-ORIENTED RESEARCH

- Swiss Peace Foundation, swisspeace, Switzerland. Business & Peace unit for Corporate Social Responsibility
- Sol Conseil, Switzerland. Federal association for laboratory analysis and practice-oriented research for agronomics and environmental protection

FOOD PROCESING TECHNOLOGIES

- voran Maschinen GmbH, Austria. Manufacturer of fruit and vegetables juice technologies
- MIA Food Tech Srl, Italy. Technology for processing of cereal grains and jam production
- Rollermac Srl, Italy. Manufacturer for confectionery technology, coated dry products
- Itaipast Srl, Italy. Machines for dry short pasta production
- Brinsea Products Ltd, United Kingdom. Manufacturer of Incubators, hatchers, brooders and veterinary care products

VETERINARY PRODUCTS

- CZ Veterinaria SA, Spain. Biotechnology company and producer of veterinary vaccines
- Dr. Graeub AG, Switzerland. Development, production and distribution of veterinary pharmaceuticals
- Socorex Isba SA, Switzerland. Liquids measuring, dosing, transferring, dispensing and injecting technologies
- Swissgenetics, Switzerland. Bovine genetics, dairy, beef or dual purpose cattle breeding solutions

IRRIGATION AND POWER SYSTEMS

- Abamotors Energia SL, Spain. Industrial irrigation pumps
- Claber Inc, Italy. High quality products for irrigation and gardening
- DEUTZ AG, Germany. Engines for mobile machinery, generator sets, agricultural machinery

Some impressions



Representatives of NOMADES Swiss with Swiss, Afghan and Rwandan partners.



NOMADES Swiss' local partners and distributors proudly presenting first-quality products



Technology and know-how transfer in Afghanistan



In close contact with local communities, entrepreneurs and governmental and non-governmental organizations



Results of our engagement: Added value, job creation, and sustainable development