Investment in Integrated Demining through Development Cooperation towards Sustainable Development

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A lot of words but what for?

Is humanitarian demining such a “sexy” topic?
2015 – A Year of Change in the International Arena for Development Cooperation

- 13 – 16 July Addis Ababa Agenda for Action
- 25 September Transforming the World – the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- 30 November – 12 December United Nations Climate Change Conference
Addis Ababa Agenda for Action

- Technology
- Infrastructure
- Social Protection
- Health
- Micro, small and medium-sized enterprises
- Foreign Aid
- A package of measures for the poorest countries
Transforming the World – the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

1. No Poverty
2. Zero Hunger
3. Good Health and Well-being
4. Quality Education
5. Gender Equality
6. Clean Water and Sanitation
7. Affordable and Clean Energy
8. Decent Work and Economic Growth
9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
10. Reduced Inequalities
11. Sustainable Cities and Communities
12. Responsible Consumption and Production
13. Climate Action
14. Life Below Water
15. Life on Land
16. Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
17. Partnerships for the Goals

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United Nations Climate Change Conference

- Mitigation: Reducing Emissions
- Transparency and Global Stocktake
- Adaptation
- Loss and Damage
- Support
So What does Integrated Demining have to do with Sustainable Development?

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Financial Costs of Mines / Returns of Development Cooperation

- Mines are very affordable – anywhere from $3 to $50
- Removal of mines more whilst to remove the same landmine it could cost 50 times as much
- Other unseen costs: infrastructure, social protection, health
- 1 USD invested in development cooperation leads to a positive return of at least of 7-10 USD
- 1 USD invested in humanitarian demining activities leads to a positive of probably in excess of 5,000 USD
Humanitarian costs – Land vs. Air

Land Delivery

Air Delivery
Financial Burden to Government Finances

- 3,678 Casualties
- 39% Children
- 12% of casualties were women and girls
Integrated Demining as a Cross-Cutting Sector

- Integral part of rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts in development cooperation projects
- Demining components should never be independent but complimentary
- Integrated within specific framework conditions
- Can include: mine risk education to populations, mapping of minefields or even mine removal actions

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Why, What and How

- Reduce the number of accidents
- Reduce permanent threat to life and health
- Create freedom of movement
- Increase self-help structures
- Reduce dependencies for food aid
- Participation at national, regional and local levels – Government, NGOs, schools...
- Participatory and coordinated planning and distributions of tasks
- Use of adapted technologies
In emergency assistance should comprise of all measures, initiatives and responses to emergency situations in crises.

Preventative activities in these fields and it takes action before, during and after crises, conflicts and disasters.

Key duel areas of prevention and recovery.

Cooperation with all stockholders – Government, NGOs, scientific and academic institutions and the private Sector.
And is Humanitarian Demining a “sexy” topic?

The answer to the development cooperation community is YES