

# Asian Development Bank & The Netherlands

## FACT SHEET

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is dedicated to reducing poverty in the Asia and Pacific region through pro-poor sustainable economic growth, social development, and good governance. Established in 1966, it is owned by 67 member nations—48 from the region—who have committed \$143.53 billion to the vision of a region free of poverty.

Despite the region's many successes, it remains home to two thirds of the world's poor: 1.8 billion people who live on less than \$2 a day, with 903 million struggling on less than \$1.25 a day.

The Netherlands is the 19<sup>th</sup> largest shareholder. It has contributed \$561.76 million in capital subscription and \$811.51 million to special funds since joining in 1966.

Companies and consultants from the Netherlands have been awarded \$526.9 million in procurement contracts (based on nationality of contractor) on ADB-financed projects since 1967.

In 2008, lending volume was \$10.49 billion (86 projects), with technical assistance at \$274.5 million (299 projects) and grant-financed projects at \$811.4 million (49 projects). This also generated \$1.65 billion in direct value-added cofinancing from financing partnerships operations.

Over the last 5 years (2004–2008), ADB's annual lending volume averaged \$7.70 billion, with technical assistance averaging \$231.5 million and grant-financed projects \$655.1 million.

As of 31 December 2008, the cumulative totals were \$143.53 billion in loans for 2,147 projects in 41 countries, \$4.08 billion for 263 grant projects, and \$3.55 billion for 6,599 technical assistance projects.

In addition to loans, grants, and technical assistance, ADB uses guarantees and equity investments to help its developing member countries.

With headquarters in Manila, it has 26 offices around the world and more than 2,000 staff from over 50 countries.

### Shareholding and Voting Power

The Netherlands is the seventh largest shareholder in ADB among its nonregional members. Overall, the Netherlands is the 19<sup>th</sup> largest shareholder.

Number of shares held:	36,294 (1.02% of total shares)
Votes:	49,526 (1.12% of total membership, 3.20% of total nonregional membership)
Overall capital subscription:	\$561.76 million
Paid-in capital subscription:	\$39.33 million

### Contributions to Special Funds Resources

The Netherlands has contributed to the original and all subsequent replenishments to the Asian Development Fund (ADF), which is ADB's window for concessional lending to its borrowing members, and to the Technical Assistance Special Fund (TASF), which provides grants to borrowing members to help prepare projects and undertake technical or policy studies.

Contributions to the ADF (committed):	\$798.35 million
Contributions to the TASF (committed):	\$13.16 million

### Cofinancing

ADB arranges cofinancing from bilateral, multilateral, export credit agencies, and commercial sources, in the form of grants for technical assistance and components of loan projects, loans, and credit enhancement such as guarantees and syndications. Cofinancing brings additional resources to ADB's project financing. In 2008, total direct value-added (DVA) cofinancing amounted to \$1.65 billion for 101 projects, of which \$1.57 billion was for 25 investment projects and \$84.2 million was for 76 technical assistance projects. Cumulative DVA cofinancing for the period 1970–2008 amounted to \$15.74 billion for 1,221 projects, of which \$14.97 billion was for 305 investment projects and \$772.65 million was for 916 technical assistance projects.

Cofinancing with the Netherlands from 1 January 2004 to 31 December 2008 comprised the following.

Investment Projects:	11 projects, cofinancing of \$92.77 million
Commercial:	1 project, cofinancing of \$5.56 million
Grants:	10 projects, cofinancing of \$87.22 million
Technical Assistance:	18 projects, cofinancing of \$33.51 million

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## Trust Fund Agreements

Trust funds are key instruments to mobilize and channel grants from external sources to finance technical assistance and components of investment projects. They play an important role in complementing ADB's own grant resources. So far, bilateral, multilateral, and private sector partners have contributed more than \$2.0 billion in grants to ADB operations. Initially, trust funds were established through single-donor channel financing agreements targeting numbers of specific sectors. Over time, ADB has been increasingly switching to multidonor trust funds covering thematic issues. A more recent development is the establishment of trust funds under theme-focused umbrella initiatives called financing partnership facilities, which support priority areas in ADB Strategy 2020, such as water, clean energy, and regional cooperation and integration.

The Netherlands has contributed to the following trust funds:

### Single-Donor Trust Fund

- Channel Financing Arrangement – established in 1991 for rehabilitation and social development activities in ADB's developing member countries  
Cumulative commitment: \$1.36 million
- Cooperation Arrangement Establishing the Dutch Cooperation Fund for Promotion of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency – established in 2001  
Cumulative commitment: \$6.0 million
- Channel Financing Arrangement for the establishment of the Netherlands Trust Fund for the Water Financing Partnership Facility – established in 2006  
Cumulative commitment: \$19.75 million

### Multidonor Trust Fund

- Cooperation Fund in Support of the Formulation and Implementation of National Poverty Reduction Strategies – established in 2001  
Cumulative commitment: \$15.0 million
- Cooperation Fund for the Water Sector – established in 2001  
Cumulative commitment: \$19.42 million
- Cooperation Fund in Support of Managing for Development Results – established in 2004  
Cumulative commitment: €0.7 million

## Share of ADB's Procurement Contracts

Each year, ADB provides loans to fund projects and activities in its Asian and Pacific developing members and several billion US dollars' worth of contracts to procure goods and consulting services.

Procurement contracts for goods and works, and consulting services under loan and technical assistance operations totaled \$6.97 billion in 2007 and \$7.52 billion in 2008. Cumulative procurement as of 31 December 2008 was \$92.83 billion. Most contracts were awarded on the basis of international competition, which is open to firms and individuals from any ADB member country, regional or nonregional.

### The Netherlands's share of procurement contracts, 2007–2008 Loans (project and program loans combined) and technical assistance based on nationality of contractor

Item	2007		2008		Cumulative (as of 31 Dec 2008)	
	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total
Goods and Works	–	–	2.93	0.04	313.17	0.36
Consulting Services	5.52	1.67	0.95	0.25	213.71	3.08

– = nil.

## Contractors/Suppliers Involved in ADB Projects

### Contractors/suppliers from the Netherlands involved in ADB loan projects, 1 January 2004–31 December 2008

Contractor/Supplier	Sector	Contract Amount (\$ million)
Gemco International BV	Transport and Communications	3.68
DRC Medical	Multisector	2.62
Trimble Europe BV	Multisector	0.87
Herder BV Company	Agriculture and Natural Resources	0.56
Homburg Machinehandel BV Company	Agriculture and Natural Resources	0.30
Institute for Housing and Urban Development	Multisector	0.19

## Investment projects cofinanced with the Netherlands, 1 January 2004–31 December 2008

Country	Project	ADB Amount <sup>a</sup> (\$ million)	Cofinancing Amount (\$ million)	Type of Cofinancing <sup>b</sup>
Bangladesh	Emergency Flood Damage Rehabilitation	152.30	13.00	G
	Southwest Area Integrated Water Resources Planning and Management	20.01	12.50	G
Indonesia	Community Water Services and Health	64.69	5.00	G
	Decentralized Basic Education	13.51	28.00	G
	Earthquake and Tsunami Emergency Support	290.00	3.50	G
	Infrastructure Reform Sector Development Program	26.50	7.56	G
	State Audit Reform Sector Development	25.00	5.00	G
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Nam Theun 2 Power Co. Ltd. for the GMS Nam Theun 2 Hydroelectric Project	50.00	5.56	C
Pakistan	Supporting Public Resource Management Reforms in Balochistan	3.00	1.92	G
Sri Lanka	Dry Zone Urban Water and Sanitation	83.00	2.00	G
	Tsunami-Affected Areas Rebuilding Project	3.00	8.74	G

<sup>a</sup> Loan, grant, or blend.

<sup>b</sup> C = commercial cofinancing, G = grant cofinancing.

## Consultants Involved in ADB Projects

As of 31 December 2008, 10,330 consultant contracts were awarded under ADB loan projects worth \$4.17 billion, of which 149 contracts were awarded to Dutch consultants worth \$141.8 million.

### Top consultants (individual consultants and consulting firms) from the Netherlands involved in ADB loan projects, 1 January 2004–31 December 2008

Consultant	Number of Times Contracted	Contract Amount (\$ million)
DHV BV	10	12.77
Kema International in Association with E-Gen	3	1.26
Arcadis Euroconsult	3	1.24
Dutch Individual Consultants*	2	0.08

\* Consultant may have one or more contracts within the period covered.

From 1 January 1985 to 31 December 2008, 18,104 consultant contracts were awarded under ADB technical assistance projects worth \$2.33 billion, of which 230 contracts were awarded to Dutch consultants worth \$68.97 million.

### Top consultants (individual consultants and consulting firms) from the Netherlands involved in ADB technical assistance projects, 1 January 2004–31 December 2008

Consultant	Number of Times Contracted	Contract Amount (\$ million)
Dutch Individual Consultants*	67	3.44
Haskoning Nederland BV	2	1.73
GRM International BV	2	0.70
Euroconsult Mott MacDonald	1	0.59
Span Consultants	1	0.33
Andel Consultants	1	0.30
DHV BV	1	0.25
Ecorys-NEI (ECORYS Nederland BV)	1	0.22

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## Depositary Libraries

ADB's Depositary Library Program was established in response to increasing public interest in the activities of multilateral development institutions. Many ADB documents available to the public are stored in 157 depositary libraries worldwide.

### ADB depositary libraries in the Netherlands

Host Institution	Contact Information
Royal Tropical Institute	Tilly Minnee P.O. Box 950001 Mauritskade 63 1090 HA Amsterdam The Netherlands Tel +31 20 568 8341 Fax +31 20 665 4423 acquis@kit.nl www.kit.nl
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## ADB Governor

**The Honorable Bert Koenders**, Minister for Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is the Governor for the Netherlands in ADB.

## Alternate Governor

**Ms. Yoka Brandt**, Director General, International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is the Alternate Governor for the Netherlands in ADB.

## ADB Executive Director

**Mr. Howard Brown** is the ADB Executive Director for the Netherlands. Mr. Brown, who is from Canada, was Assistant Deputy Minister of the Energy Policy of Natural Resources Canada before joining ADB. Prior to that, he served as Assistant Deputy Minister in Large Final Emitters Group of Natural Resources Canada.

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## ADB Alternate Executive Director

**Mr. Torben Bellers** is the ADB Alternate Executive Director for the Netherlands. Mr. Bellers, who is from Denmark, served initially as Director's Advisor for the same constituency office for 1 year. He was the Resident Coordinator of the Liaison Office of Denmark in Thimpu, Bhutan, before joining ADB in 2007.

## ADB Executive Director's Advisors

**Mr. Jacob Rooimans**, who is from the Netherlands, was Senior Policy Advisor, Financial Planning and Control Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Netherlands, before joining ADB in 2008.

**Mr. Joar L. Strand**, who is from Norway, was Senior Advisor, Section for East Asian Affairs of the Royal Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, before joining ADB in 2008.

## Constituency Represented

The constituency that Executive Director Brown and Alternate Executive Director Bellers represent on ADB's Board of Directors also includes Canada, Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Norway, and Sweden.

## ADB Staff Members

As of 31 December 2008, there were 15 professional staff members from the Netherlands in ADB (12 men and 3 women), which represents 1.72% of the total professional staff, including two senior staff members.

## Annual Meeting

ADB's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting was held in Amsterdam on 25–27 April 1984.

## Commercial Liaison to ADB

The ADB Liaison Office at the Netherlands Embassy in Manila provides technical advice and assists Dutch firms in pursuing business opportunities resulting from ADB activities. The Netherlands Embassy is located at the 26<sup>th</sup> Floor, Equitable PCI Bank Tower, 8751 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City, Philippines.

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