



## FACTS:

- **Operational presence:** in Mali since 2013.
- **Offices:** coordination in Bamako, field Office in Sévaré, bases in Bankass, Douentza and Niafunke.
- **Beneficiaries in 2021:** 25,000 people.
- **Turnover in 2021:** 1.486.000 EUR.
- **Projects 2022:** 6
- **Employees:** 35 staff (30 national, 5 expats)
- **Strong national partnerships with:** AAPPOR, ASDAP, FEJEDENOM, TASSAGHT, SOLIDEV (Burkina Faso).

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## OPERATIONAL CONTEXT:



Mali has been experiencing instability and conflict since 2012. The series of coup d'état in recent years and resulting sanctions have led to further insecurity.



The absence of the state in the North and Center, the increasing pressure from non-state armed groups, the proliferation of weapons and community self-defence mechanisms exacerbate intra- and inter-community conflicts and negatively affect local mechanisms for conflict prevention and peaceful resolution.



The contamination of explosive remnants of war and the use of improvised explosive devices by armed groups is a real threat for civilians and reduces humanitarian access.



The frequency of climate change-induced shocks in Mali has led to a deterioration in the population's livelihoods, an increase in prices, and displacement.



7.5 million people in need of humanitarian assistance, of which 2.4 million are in acute need (HNO 2022).

## WHAT WE DO:

- DCA Mali seeks to build safer communities and contribute to social cohesion, resilience to shocks and climate change, in addition to livelihood opportunities in Central Mali.
- At the **individual level**, this is achieved by supporting vulnerable individuals through the provision of Explosive Remnants of War & Small Arms and Light Weapons Risk Education, livelihood projects and multipurpose cash grants to improve their ability to cope with the effects of armed violence, mitigate food insecurity and enhance their economic resilience.
- At the **community level**, DCA supports and builds the capacity of local civil society organizations, so these networks can effectively represent their members, identify and prevent safety concerns and protection issues, and engage with local authorities.
- At **regional and national levels**, DCA facilitates CSO involvement in decision-making processes and implementation of policies and activities tackling protection and safety. DCA also participates in: the international NGO forum in Mali (FONGIM); the Forum of Actors for Peace; the Food Security Cluster; the Protection Cluster; and co-facilitates the Humanitarian Mine Action Working Group.



Photo: Mali staff

## HOW WE WORK:

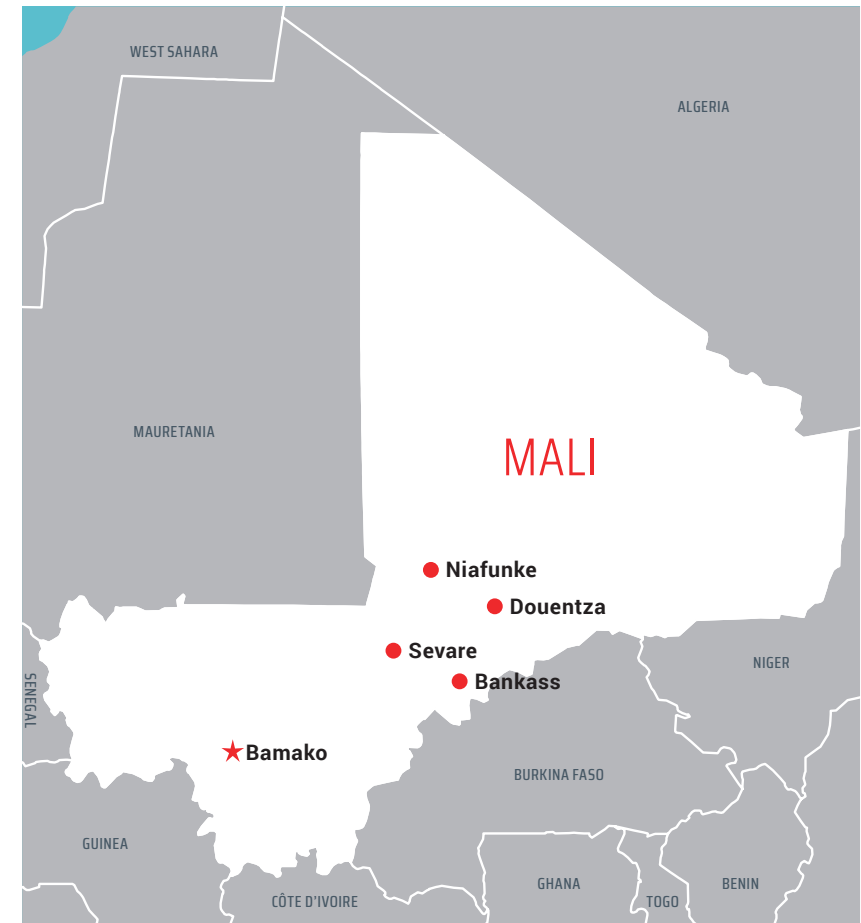
DCA in Mali applies a **holistic approach** linking programmatic pillars with cross-cutting themes to work towards a coherent, integrated, impact-focused, regional and cross-border response.

**Humanitarian Mine Action (HMA)** projects focus on strengthen national NGOs on HMA activities, improve people's safety, basic rights and socioeconomic development, prevent risks of injury or death, and provide emergency assistance. Through activities such as: capacity building and provision of training on Explosive Ordnance Risk Education and first aid; Non-Technical Surveys; psychosocial support; medical referrals and coverage of costs; individualised socioeconomic support.

**DCA Mali's Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding (CPPB)** concentrates on strengthening and fostering networks within and between communities, identifying common ground for peaceful coexistence, action planning and access to resources, in addition to promoting community resilience. Through the following activities: capacity building and provision of training on conflict and gender sensitivity analysis; community action planning; conflict prevention; non-violent communication; dialogue facilitation; advocacy.

**Food Security and Livelihoods (FSL)** Strengthen national NGOs on FSL activities, improve people's basic rights and socioeconomic development, build community resilience, provide rapid response assistance. By implementing the activities: capacity building and provision of training on climate change adaptation techniques (agroecology); natural resource management; sustainable and resilient agropastoral livelihoods and businesses; multipurpose cash distributions; community loans.

**The supported populations are:** Local partners; civil society organisations; local authorities; community leaders/focal points; host and internally displaced communities including children, youth, vulnerable households; victims of explosive ordnance and small arms/light weapons related accidents; rural farmers and herders; youth-led and women-led cooperatives and businesses.



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