

AUSTRALIAN DOCTORS FOR AFRICA	
Policy:	Development and Non-Development
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1. Rationale

ADFA is a leading medical humanitarian organization providing medical training and services assistance, hospital equipment and structural redevelopments for vulnerable communities in East Africa, to enable greater access to treatment and long term sustainable development.

ADFA is a not-for-profit organisation. It has no political or religious affiliations.

The purpose of this policy is to guide ADFA and its partners to make a clear separation between aid and development and non-aid and development objectives and activities. This policy addresses ACFID compliance obligations when communicating with or soliciting donations from private donors and the public, including fundraising for restricted and unrestricted purposes from aid agencies, sponsors and supporters, and fundraising from the general public.

2. Scope

This policy applies to all ADFA office bearers, staff and volunteers, donors, partners and funding bodies.

3. Definitions (adapted from the ACFID Code of Conduct)

Aid and development - activities undertaken in order to reduce poverty and address global justice issues via direct engagement through community projects, emergency management, community education, advocacy, volunteer sending, provision of technical and professional services and resources.

Non-Development - evangelical activities and partisan political activities.

4. Guiding Principles

1. ADFA does not engage in non-development activities or any activity whose objectives include the promotion of religious adherence, or partisan activities that are associated with facilitating or supporting specific political individual or parties to gain power.

2. ADFA is only concerned with providing aid and development in the form of medical training and services assistance, hospital equipment and structural redevelopments for vulnerable communities in East Africa, to enable greater access to treatment and long term sustainable development.

3. ADFA would not accept funds, donations, advice, support or enter into project partnerships intended to influence the political or religious affiliations of the vulnerable communities with which it works.