



Malawi-Scotland
Partnership
(MaSP)



THE MALAWI SCOTLAND PARTNERSHIP



HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Established in 2005 under the Company's Act, the Malawi Scotland Partnership (MaSP) is a Malawian owned and Malawian led national network which exists to support, represent, coordinate, inspire and develop the many civic between Malawi and Scotland. Partnership between Scotland and Malawi is 165 years old dating back to 1859 when Dr David Livingstone first came to Malawi. Today, over 46% of Scots know someone with links to Malawi. By creating a coordinating hub for Malawian organizations linked with Scotland, MaSP provides advocacy, training and capacity building, resulting in less duplication, sharing of relevant skills and experience and the establishment of a resource base which will enable vulnerable and isolated communities to be better equipped to counter poverty.

In the words of Colin Cameron who said; *'in everything that you do, if the principle is right, everything will fall into place'*. We are confident of one important factor, that what we do is founded on the right principles and that in so far we know, we are doing it well. There is no blue print to what we do as no-one has ever done what we do anywhere across the world. Additionally, our work is not every day classical CSO because by bringing the south and the north together, we practically change the stereotypes that exists between developed and developing countries and introduce a different way of working that is purely based on partnerships and friendships.

OUR OBJECTIVES

Specifically, the Malawi Scotland Partnership has three core objectives:

-  Support the coordination of Malawi's links with Scotland
-  Contribute to effective advocacy in Malawi
-  Build capacity within the Malawian civil society



WHAT WE DO UNDER THESE OBJECTIVES:



Connecting;
supporting our members to build connections with each other and with key external partners



Informing;
disseminating information about Scotland, the Scotland Malawi partnership and member's work



Representing;
publishing success stories



Supporting;
giving practical meaningful support to assist our members to work with Scotland



Influencing;
advocating for key issues with government and parliament of Malawi



Advising;
responding to members inquiries and advising

THEMATIC AREAS

The MaSP supports its members in the following five (5) thematic areas:

- 1 Health
- 2 Energy
- 3 Sustainable economic Development
- 4 Civic Governance

The MaSP coordinates this work by working closely with the line ministries in the Government of Malawi. The coordination is through Strand Leads, which are usually senior government officials; these are assisted by heads of CSO network organizations.

OUR IMPACT: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



MaSP is proud to be part of the Global Campaign to improve the welfare of people worldwide through the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). All our members are working towards all the 17 goals across

Malawi. Out of the 17 SDGs however, the following 9 stand out:



- Goal 1: No poverty
- Goal 2: No hunger
- Goal 3: Good health and well being
- Goal 4: Quality education
- Goal 5: Gender equality
- Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 8: Decent work and Economic growth
- Goal 16: Peace and justice
- Goal 17: Partnerships for the goals

OUR STAFF



Linda Dembo: Acting Chief Executive Officer. She is responsible for the management of the partnership's work and is managed by the Board of Directors. Much of Linda's work is focused on strategic development of the organization, engagement with the respective government departments and ministries, and external partnership working.

Mphatso Sapangwa, Finance and Administration Officer: is responsible for managing the financial and internal processes of the partnership ensuring that head office and regional offices operate smoothly.

Ruth Maluwa, Regional Coordinator, South: Ruth is responsible for the management of southern regional activities and members ensuring that the communication and resource center is well equipped to support member's work. She also provides success stories from members to be published in the news bulletin which is published bimonthly. Ruth also works to inspire the next generation to be engaged with Scotland through the school partnership programme.

Young Jere – Assistant Finance and Administration Officer: is responsible for assisting the Finance and Administration Officer in managing the financial and internal processes of the partnership ensuring that head office and regional offices operate smoothly.

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OUR VISION

Our vision is to foster mutually beneficial links between Scotland and Malawi and encourage the development of sustainable projects in Malawi.

OUR MISSION

To act as an umbrella organization for all organizations and individuals involved with Scotland; this fosters links, consistent with our values, between the two nations.

OUR PRINCIPLES

The Malawi Scotland Partnership holds itself accountable to, and promotes and encourages members to work within the following principles:

1. Planning together
2. Appropriateness
3. Respect, trust and mutual understanding
4. Transparency
5. No one left behind
5. Effectiveness
6. Reciprocity
7. Sustainability
8. Do No Harm
9. Interconnectivity
10. Parity (equality)



The following are the areas of partnership between Malawi and Scotland:

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| 1. Culture | 10. Primary and Secondary education |
| 2. Diaspora | 11. Sports |
| 3. Environment and energy | 12. Sustainable economic development |
| 4. Faith based | 13. Tourism |
| 5. Further and higher education | 14. Trade and Agriculture |
| 6. Gender | 15. Water |
| 7. General interests | 16. Youth |
| 8. Governance | |
| 9. Local Authorities | |

MEMBERSHIP

We have about 380 members across Malawi. Out of this number 110 have links with Scotland and 271 do not yet have links with Scotland. Of the 380, about 53 are individual members. The members comprise of community groups, churches, schools, NGOs, individuals, universities as well as local authorities.

We are a diverse community but the common thread which binds us together is our belief in partnership, friendship and solidarity. As MaSP, our project is to build connections and collaboration on a multi-sectoral basis between two small nations in ways that are transformational for both.



WHY JOIN MASP

Any individual, organization, school, church or company interested in Scotland can join the MaSP as a member. If you already have a link with Scotland, or are looking to establish one, then being a member of MaSP will help you to strengthen and develop your work by:

☒Connecting you with others

☒Keeping you informed of news from Scotland

☒Offering you advice and support through our head office in Lilongwe and in our regional communication and resource centers in Mzuzu and Blantyre or when you attend our regional and national events and forums or indeed through practical advice guides

☒Helping you develop and strengthen your links with Scottish partners

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