

Cooperatives Europe

Europe Region of the ICA

Innovation & Partnerships for Development

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Cooperatives Europe

KEY Figures

Cooperatives Europe represents:

250.000 co-operative enterprises
giving jobs to **5,4 million** European citizen
owned by **160 million** co-operators.

It is the largest membership organisation in the EU

Cooperatives Europe

Who we are ...

Cooperatives Europe is the European cross-sector Representative Business organisation for Cooperative Enterprises, recognized by the EU Institutions

Cooperatives Europe is the voice of:

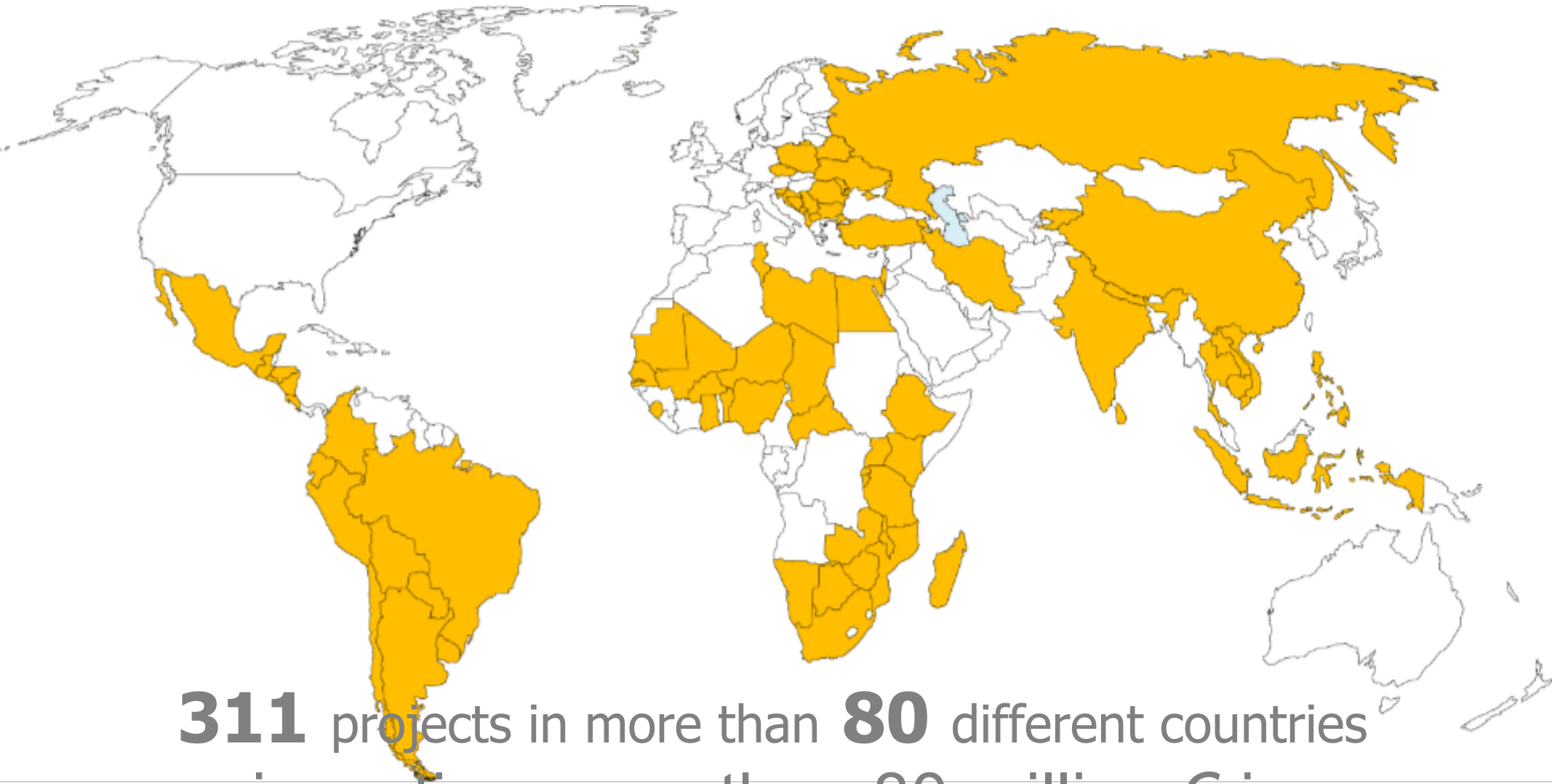
- **175** national Cooperative organisations
- **6** European Business Sector organisations

Cooperatives Europe a future partner in the development dialogue

Cooperatives Europe Development Projects Compendium - Edition 2008 -

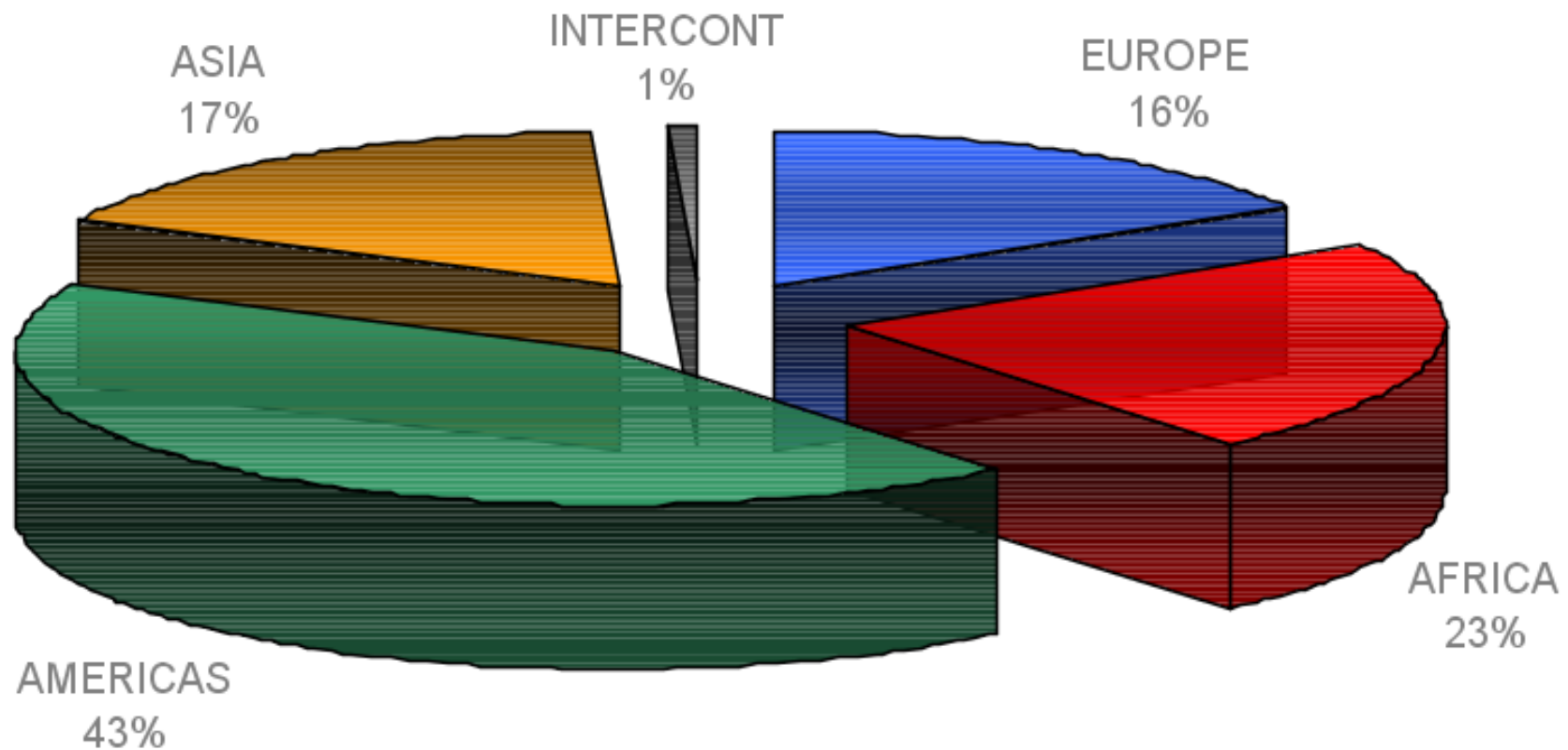
- **Idea** launched at the 2nd Cooperative Convention (Manchester, Nov 2006)
- **Objective** to create synergies and multiply the potential of project development and increase impact through reinforced cooperation & coordination
- **Realization** and presentation of a 1st edition of the compendium April 2008
- **Creation** of an Excel data base for internet updating (in process)
- **Updating & Improvement** in a near future ...

Development Projects Compendium

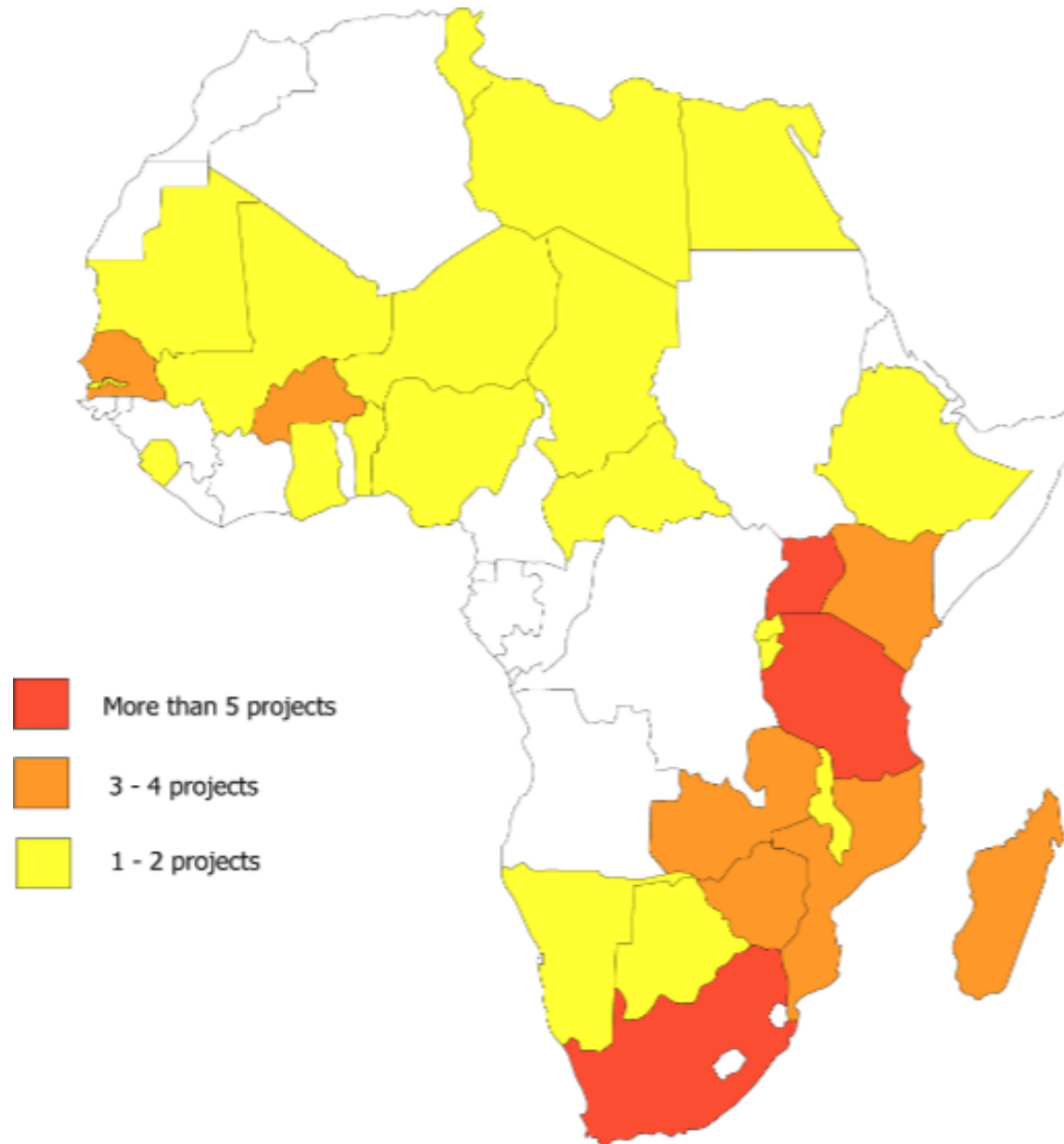


311 projects in more than **80** different countries
investing more than 80 million € in
development (162)

Development project distribution



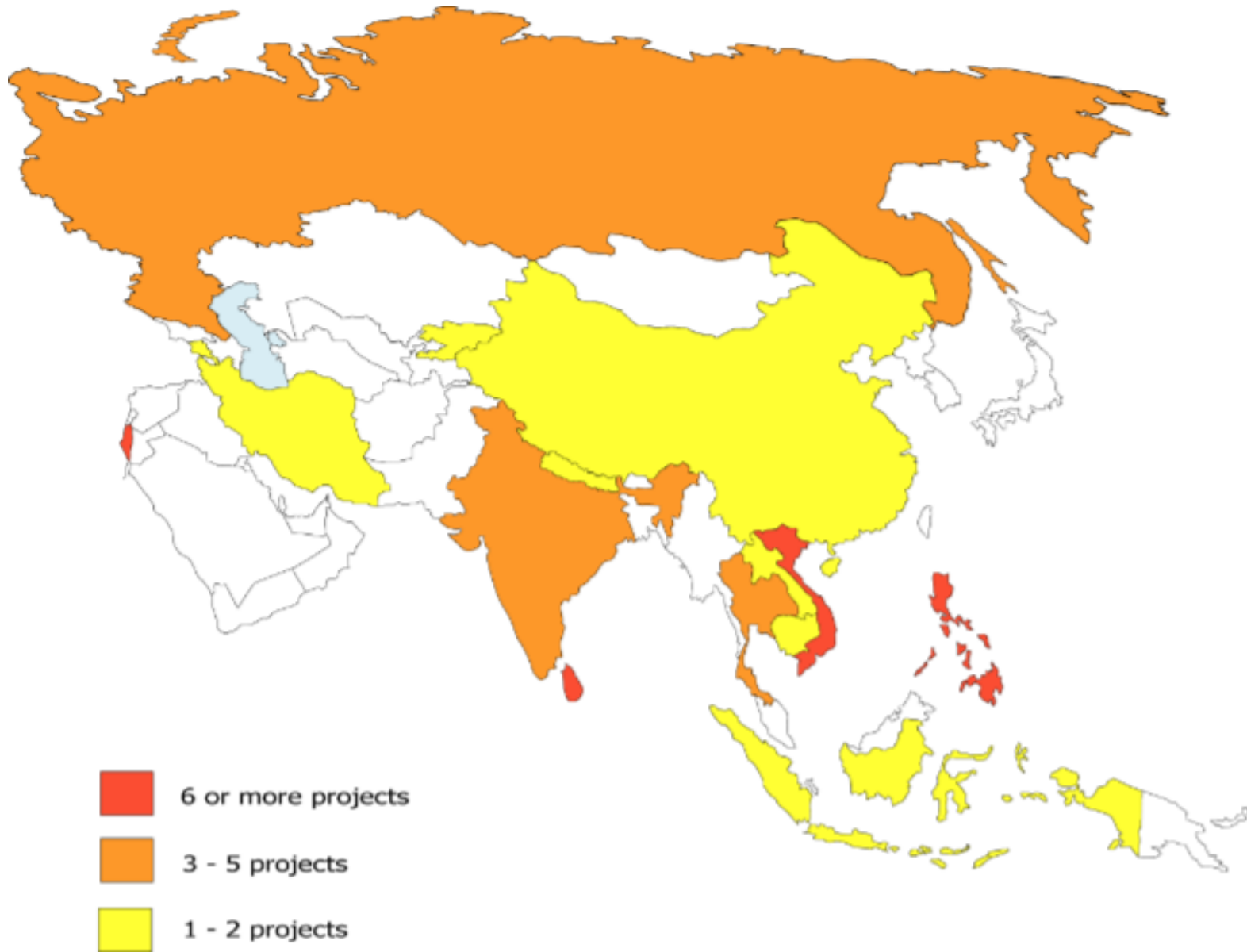
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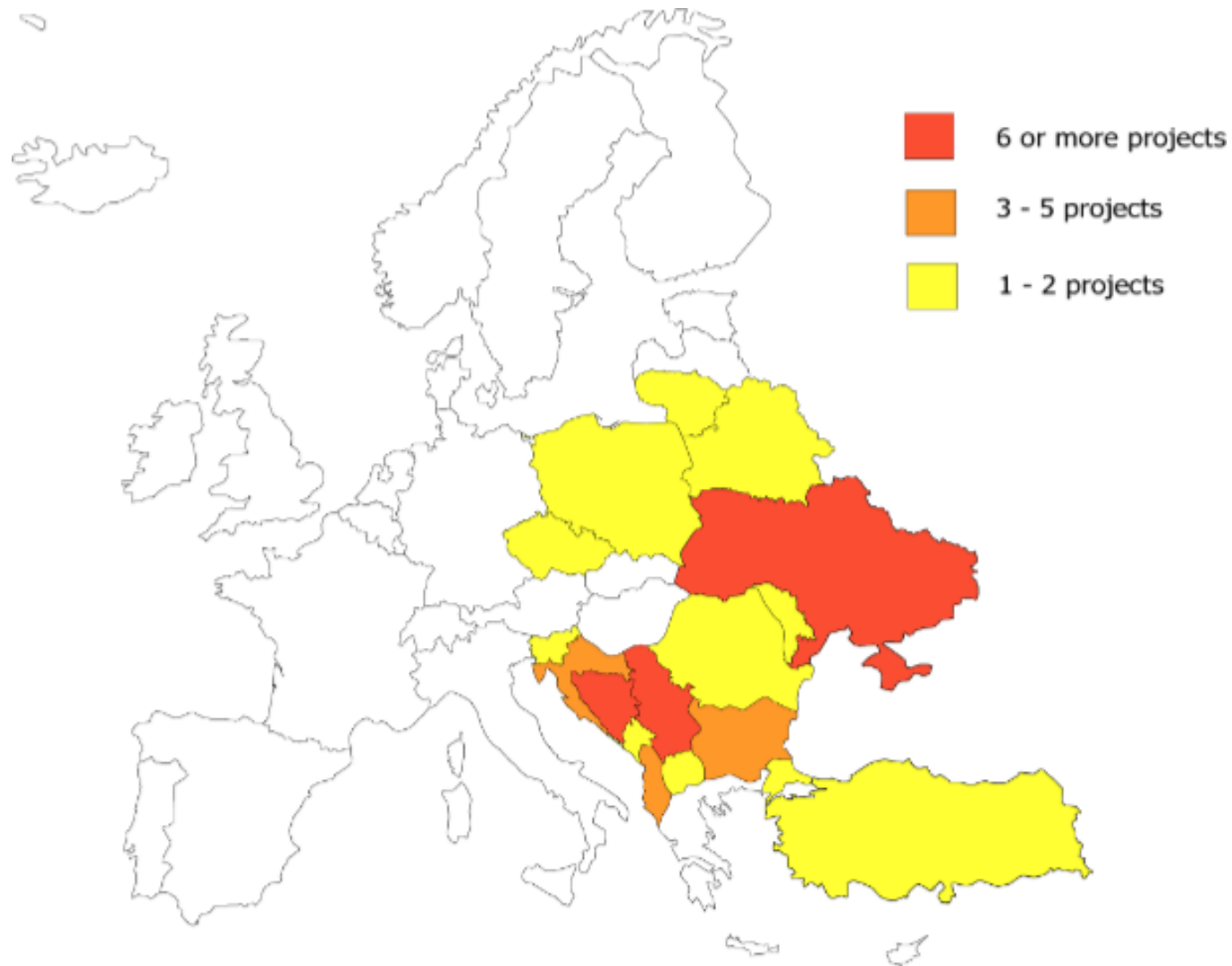
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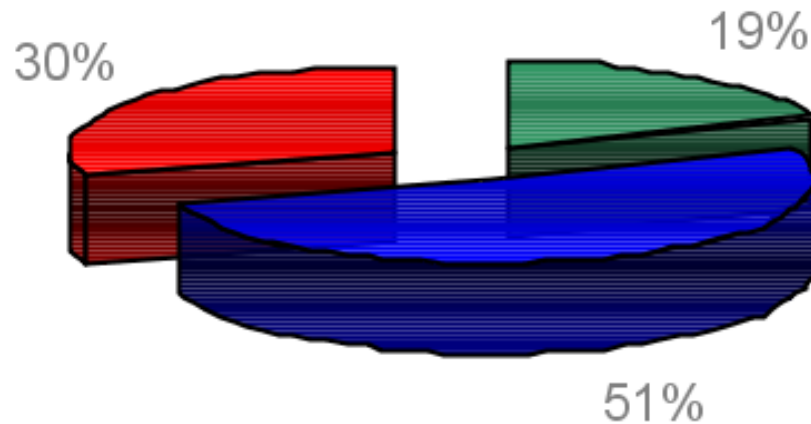


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Project nature

70% of the development projects have as objective the promotion and development of **co-operatives as instruments of self-help and empowerment for the many and the poorest**



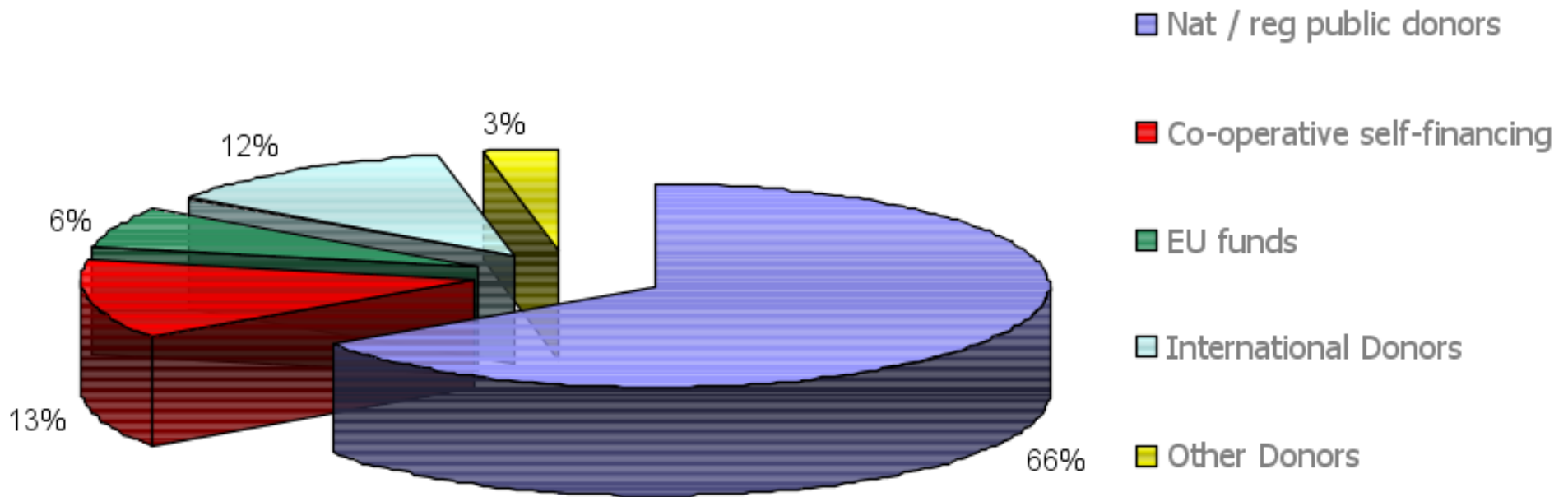
■ Agriculture & credit coops

■ Other coops (consumer, education, social, housing,...)

■ Other interventions

Project financing

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Challenges

- Integration and coordination of projects
- Pool and share the expertise and human resources
- Increase impact through common strategies
- Multiplying financial resources
- Build institutional dialogue with EU and other International Donors
- Build on the ICA as a global organisation with members world wide