

A Fact Sheet

The Netherlands

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The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is a multilateral development finance institution owned by 63 members, 45 from Asia and the Pacific and 18 from other parts of the globe. ADB's vision is an Asia and Pacific region free of poverty. Its mission is to help its developing member countries reduce poverty and improve their living conditions and quality of life. ADB pursues a strategic agenda—sustainable economic growth, inclusive social development, and governance for effective policies and institutions—with three crosscutting themes: private sector development, regional cooperation, and environmental sustainability.

ADB's main instruments in providing help to its developing member countries are policy dialogues, loans, technical assistance, grants, guarantees, and equity investments. In 2003, ADB's total lending volume was US\$6.1 billion. Technical assistance, which is used for preparing and implementing projects, supporting advisory activities, and undertaking regional activities, amounted to US\$176.5 million. Grants totaling US\$483.5 million were also provided.

ADB was established in 1966. The Netherlands was one of its 31 founding members.

ADB's headquarters is in Manila. It has 23 offices around the world.

ADB's staff numbers more than 2,000 employees from over 50 countries.

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Shareholding and Voting Power

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

Number of shares held:	36,294 (1.04% of total shares)
Votes:	50,179 (1.15% of total membership, 3.27% of total nonregional membership)
Overall capital subscription:	US\$539.32 million
Paid-in capital subscription:	US\$37.76 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):	US\$619.28 million
Contributions to the TASF (committed):	US\$6.67 million

Channel Financing Agreements

A channel financing agreement between The Netherlands and ADB was signed on 13 December 1991. As of 31 December 2003, all contributions (US\$1.6 million) were committed. An administrative arrangement establishing the Dutch Cooperation Fund for Promotion of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency for a contribution of US\$6 million was signed between The Netherlands and ADB on 1 February 2001.

The Netherlands also made a contribution of US\$6.0 million to a multidonor Cooperation Fund in support of Formulation and Implementation of National Poverty Reduction Strategies (NPRS) and another US\$13.0 million to a multidonor Cooperation Fund for the Water Sector. The agreements with The Netherlands were signed on 22 November 2001 for the Cooperation Fund for NPRS and on 13 December 2001 for the Cooperation Fund for the Water Sector.

Cofinancing

ADB arranges cofinancing from official, commercial, and export credit sources as additional resources for project financing. Cofinancing arrangements in 2003 amounted to US\$2.42 billion for 28 loan projects and US\$471.93 million in untied grant financing for 89 technical assistance projects and grant components of loan projects. At the end of 2003, cumulative cofinancing arrangements (beginning in 1970) amounted to US\$40.65 billion for 637 loan projects and US\$1.055 billion in grants for 590 technical assistance projects and grant components of loan projects.

Cofinancing with The Netherlands from 1 January 1999 to 31 December 2003 comprised the following.

Loans:	12 loan projects, cofinancing of US\$189.86 million
Official:	11 loan projects, cofinancing of US\$179.86 million
Commercial:	1 loan project, cofinancing of US\$10.00 million
Technical Assistance:	32 technical assistance projects, cofinancing of US\$199.72 million

Loan projects cofinanced with The Netherlands, 1 January 1999–31 December 2003.

Country	Project	ADB Loan Amount (US\$ million)	Cofinancing Amount (US\$ million)	Type of Cofinancing ^a
Bangladesh	Second Primary Education Development Program (Sector Loan)	100.00	50.00	O
Bangladesh	Small Scale Water Resources Development Sector II	34.00	24.30	O
Cambodia	Commune Council Development	10.00	2.40	O
China, People's Rep. of	Water Infrastructure Development	35.00	10.00	C
India	Modernizing Government and Fiscal Reform in Kerala	200.00	50.00	O
Indonesia	Participatory Irrigation Sector	73.00	15.00	O
Indonesia	Sustainable Capacity Building for Decentralization	42.22	8.80	O
Sri Lanka	North East Coastal Community Development	20.00	1.50	O
Sri Lanka	North East Community Restoration and Development	25.00	0.50	O
Sri Lanka	Protected Area Management and Wildlife Conservation	12.00	4.00	O
Sri Lanka	Coastal Resource Management	40.00	12.76	O
Viet Nam	Second Red River Basin Sector	70.00	10.60	O

^aC = commercial cofinancing, O = official cofinancing

Share of ADB's Procurement Contracts

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

From 1 January 1999 to 31 December 2003, ADB approved US\$27.66 billion in loans for 318 projects and US\$839.3 million in technical assistance for 1,503 projects. As of 31 December 2003, the cumulative totals were US\$105.07 billion in loans for 1,818 projects in 39 countries and US\$2.20 billion for 5,053 technical assistance projects, including regional technical assistance projects.

Procurement contracts for goods and related services, civil works, and consulting services under loan and technical assistance operations totaled US\$4.46 billion in 2002 and US\$3.50 billion in 2003. Cumulative procurement as of 31 December 2003 was US\$70.94 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, 2002–2003.

Item	2002		2003		Cumulative (as of 31 Dec. 2003)	
	Amount (US\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (US\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (US\$ million)	% of Total
Goods and Related Services, and Civil Works	7.19	0.17	8.67	0.27	474.36	0.72
Consulting Services	2.79	1.10	8.64	2.50	197.69	3.78

Contractors/Suppliers Involved in ADB Projects

Contractors/suppliers from The Netherlands involved in ADB loan projects, 1 January 1999–31 December 2003.

Contractor/Supplier	Sector	Contract Amount (US\$ million)
Escher Holland BV	Energy	6.73
IHE Delft	Social Infrastructure	4.16
Dutch Waste Solution BV	Social Infrastructure	2.22
Herder BV Company	Agriculture and Natural Resources	0.56
IHS Netherlands in association with Gadjah Mada	Social Infrastructure	0.49
Netherlands Education Center	Social Infrastructure	0.19
Homburg Machinehandel BV	Agriculture and Natural Resources	0.16
IMRES	Social Infrastructure	0.14
University of Twente	Others	0.14
University of Leiden at Leiden	Finance	0.10

Consultants Involved in ADB Projects

From 1 January 1985 to 31 December 2003, consultants were involved in 4,429 contracts for ADB loan projects worth US\$2.37 billion. During the same period, consultants from The Netherlands were involved in 102 contracts for ADB loan projects worth US\$84.26 million.

Top consultants (individual consultants and consulting firms) from The Netherlands involved in ADB loan projects, 1 January 1999–31 December 2003.

Consultant	Contract (number)	Contract Amount (US\$ million)
Arcadis Euroconsult	3	6.88
DHV Consultants BV	4	6.61
Dutch Individual Consultants	3	0.78
BMB Management Consultants	1	0.21
IHS	1	0.20
BKH Consultants	1	0.10
HVA International	1	0.07
PricewaterhouseCoopers N.V.	1	0.05

From 1 January 1985 to 31 December 2003, consultants were involved in 10,523 contracts for ADB technical assistance projects worth US\$1.60 billion. During the same period, consultants from The Netherlands were involved in 157 contracts for ADB technical assistance projects worth US\$61.80 million.

Top consultants (individual consultants and consulting firms) from The Netherlands involved in ADB technical assistance projects, 1 January 1999–31 December 2003.

Consultant	Contract (number)	Contract Amount (US\$ million)
Arcadis Euroconsult	3	11.15
Arcadis BMB Management Consultants	4	3.40
Dutch Individual Consultants	32	2.00
Haskoning Nederland BV	2	1.78
DHV (Environment and Infrastructure)	2	1.55
Royal Tropical Institute (KIT)	1	0.99
DHV Water BV	1	0.78
Arcadis Euroconsult (Urban Development)	1	0.69
Arcadis Euroconsult (Land and Water)	1	0.69

Depository Libraries

ADB's Depository 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 more than 160 depository libraries worldwide.

ADB depository libraries in The Netherlands.

Host Institution	Contact Information
Royal Tropical Institute	Information, Library and Documentation UN Collection P.O. Box 950001, Mauritskade 63 1090 HA Amsterdam The Netherlands Tel: (020) 568-8316 Fax: (020) 665-4423 E-mail: J.Roelfsma@kit.nl
Wageningen UR Library	Acquisitions Department/62550 Attention: M.M. Altorf P.O. Box 9100, 6700 HA Wageningen The Netherlands
Tilburg University Library	Attention: Mr. Rien Huijben, Information Officer Warandelaan 2, 5000 LE Tilburg The Netherlands
Royal Institute of Linguistics and Anthropology, KITLV Library	Attention: Dr. R.G. Tol, Head of the Library P.O. Box 9515, 2300 RA Leiden Reuvenplaats 2 The Netherlands

ADB Governor

The Honorable Gerrit Zalm, Minister of Finance, is the Governor for The Netherlands in ADB.

Alternate Governor

The Honorable Agnes van Ardenne-van der Hoeven, Minister for Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is the Alternate Governor for The Netherlands in ADB.

ADB Executive Director

Mr. Émile Gauvreau is the ADB Executive Director for The Netherlands. Mr. Gauvreau, who is from Canada, was the Canadian Ambassador to Ivory Coast, Benin, Nigeria, and Liberia prior to his first election as ADB Executive Director in 2003.

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ADB Alternate Executive Director

Mr. Tryggve Gjesdal is the ADB Alternate Executive Director for The Netherlands. Mr. Gjesdal, who is from Norway, was Deputy Head of Mission for the Norwegian Embassy in Cairo, Egypt. He was an Executive Director's Advisor at ADB before his current appointment as Alternate Executive Director.

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Constituency Represented

The constituency that Executive Director Gauvreau and Alternate Executive Director Gjesdal represent in ADB's Board of Directors also includes Canada, Denmark, Finland, Norway, and Sweden.

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 King's Court Building, 9th Floor, 2129 Chino Roces Avenue, Makati City, Philippines.

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ADB Staff Members

As of 31 December 2003, there were 14 professional staff members from The Netherlands in ADB (1.68% of the total professional staff), including four senior staff members.

Annual Meeting

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

European Representative Office

ADB's European Representative Office—which covers Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, and United Kingdom—is located at Rahmhofstrasse 2-4, 60313 Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

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