

Towards a self-sufficient poultry sector in DRC

Impact clusters of European and Congolese enterprises for poultry and feed

A programme to promote self-sufficiency in the poultry sector in the Democratic Republic of Congo, providing healthy and accessible food for the population while creating jobs.

Impact clusters



- Groups of companies and NGOs (Dutch and Congolese)
- Collaboration to develop the Congolese poultry sector, replacing the large-scale import of day-old chicks, frozen meat and eggs with sustainable domestic production
- Demonstrations and knowledge transfer

Participants

Congo Kinshasa Poultry Partners (2023-2026)

Feed for Poultry DRC (2023-2027)



KIEZEBRINK FOCUS ON FOOD	EGGS FOR CONGO
UNIVERSITE LOYOLA DU CONGO	KOBOHub
AGRISEM <small>Makasi et ma kati ya mbumba</small>	nu sana
NEDCON-NL DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL ECONOMY	Netherlands Enterprise Agency

Congo Kinshasa Poultry Partners

110 million Congolese, consumption 8 eggs per person per year

CKPP: production of 6 million day-old chicks per year in Kinshasa

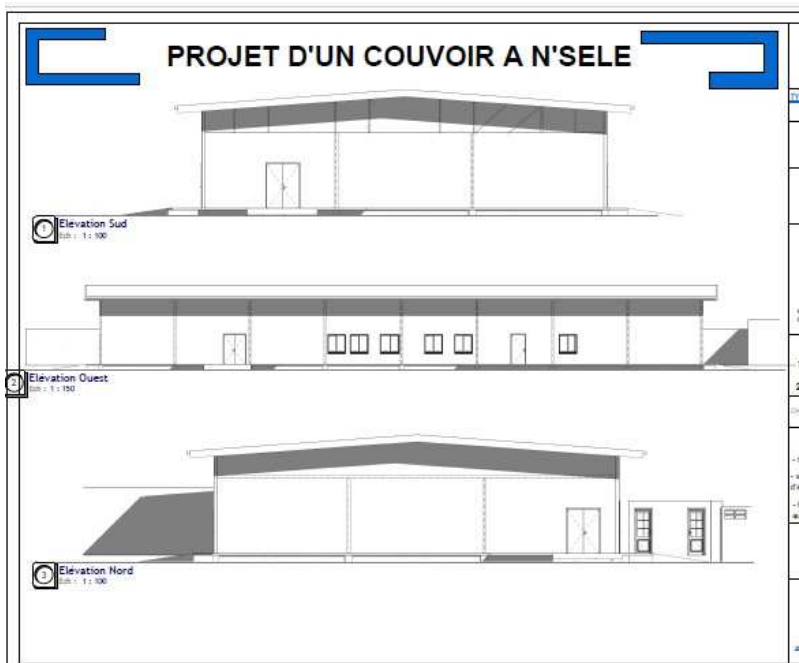
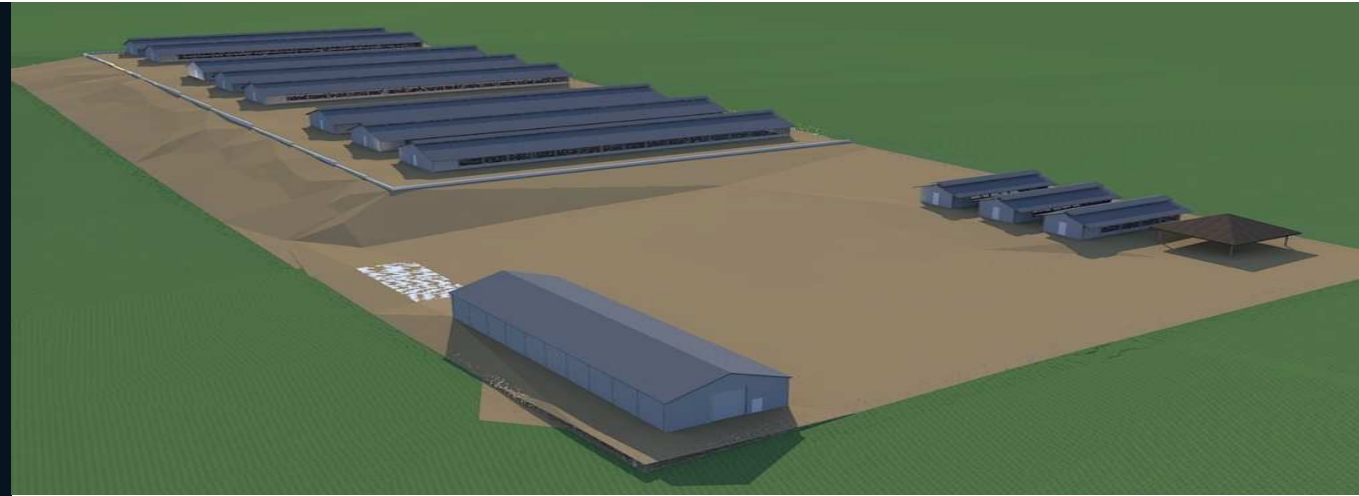
30% of egg demand, 10% of poultry meat demand

- EFC parent stock farm (Sasso and ISA)
- Hatchery
- Feed mill
- Demonstrations
- Knowledge transfer: Training centre and field schools
- Poultry sector development (PAK / Ministry of Livestock)
- Publicity



EGGS FOR CONGO S.A.R.L.

Emmanuel Molisho
Corporate Operations manager



- Founded in 2014, initially as egg layer farm – 30.000 layer hens
- Remodelled as Parent stock farm – 27.000 productive female capacity
- 6 laying houses and 2 rearing houses 64mt * 12mt
- Currently 4.500 ♀ ♀ (+ ♂ ♂) ISA Brown and 2.250 ♀ ♀ (+ ♂ ♂) SASSO Rainbow in production
- Hatchery under construction with capacity of 6.000.000 eggs – start-up in 6 months
- Feed mill operational, national training center construction planned in 2026
- Affiliated with Poussins Gertrude Congo in Pointe Noire (RC) : 5.500 ♀ ♀ (+ ♂ ♂) ISA Brown PS and 2.300 ♀ ♀ (+ ♂ ♂) SASSO Rainbow
- Shareholders:
Kiezebrink Putten BV, Didier Molisho, Jean-Pierre Mwipata, Wim Lemmens

Poultry

- Sasso dual objective: semi-rural regions small and medium-scale farms



- ISA: urbanised and peri-urban regions, small and large-scale farms



Mother units to supply SME farmers

The African Poultry Multiplication System in >13 African countries





Feed for Poultry

DRC



Constraints/ challenges

- Building the market
- Political and administrative situation
- Security
- Transport
- Banking sector



Results

- Establishment of a Poultry Platform in Kinshasa on the initiative of the Embassy and EFC
- Decision of the Cabinet of Ministers of 18 October 2024: pilot project to revive poultry production in eight centres
- PPP between the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock and EFC
- Significant direct and, above all, indirect jobs planned in the poultry and agricultural sectors in the Congo



Next

- FAO cooperation – need DRC government green light
- In cooperation between Eggs For Congo and Poussins Gertrude Congo in RC – created umbrella Congo Poultry – to optimise synergies, increased capacity and greater resilience in the event of veterinary diseases
- Early 2026: hatchery operational!?
- Rollout of the APMI model, start of ISA Brown laying strain day-old chicks





What we learned

- Adapt to commercial and political conditions but maintain a long-term perspective and European production standards (including biosecurity and animal welfare).
- Be flexible like the Congolese (to compensate for a lack of planning and unforeseen circumstances such as theft, accidents, breakdowns and huge traffic jams).
- Show that you are combining your commercial interests with the interests of Congolese society in general in a sensitive manner.
- CONGO need poultry!

Thanks

- Many thanks to the Embassy and RVO for their years of support – even when things did not go according to plan.
- Many thanks to every Congolese visitor for your interest in seeing how the sector has developed here in the Netherlands, and for showing your willingness to cooperate with the Dutch government and Eggs For Congo to make the development of poultry farming in the DRC a great success.
- We are sure you will take the lifetime experience of this visit back to Congo, with doubled enthusiasm, and make the poultry sector happen, where possible in cooperation with Eggs For Congo / Congo Poultry



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