



# 65% of Africans

practices subsistence farming, meaning they rely on their own crops for food and income.

More than **70%**, live in rural areas and depend on agriculture as their main economic activity.

Irish Aid will invest

**€810 Million**

on overseas aid this year.

The European Union is proposing to allocate an additional **€800 billion** in extra defence spending as part of its 'Readiness 2030' plan.

Through various Government departments, Ireland will invest more than

**€2.2 billion**

in official development assistance (ODA). *This includes contributions to the EU development cooperative budget, and various United Nations funding commitments.*

More than

**730 million people**

go hungry across the world, every day.

**2.8 billion people**

(35%) globally cannot afford a healthy diet.

**1 in 5 people**

in Africa goes hungry, each day.

If it were counted in seconds, Irish Aid's **€810m** is the equivalent of **25 years** whereas the **€800 billion** being proposed in increased European defence expenditure is the equivalent of **25,000 years** – the upper Paleolithic period of the early Stone Age.