

EUTF FOR AFRICA

The EU Emergency Trust Fund for stability and addressing root causes of irregular migration and displaced persons in Africa

The EUTF for Africa complements the long-standing and comprehensive partnership that the European Union and Africa enjoy together. Established at the Valletta Summit on Migration in November 2015, the EUTF for Africa was created to address the root causes of instability, forced displacement and irregular migration and to contribute to better migration management.

After more than three years, the EUTF for Africa has demonstrated its added value as a swift and effective implementation tool which facilitates political dialogue with partner countries, applies innovative approaches and produces concrete results by pooling funding and expertise from a variety of stakeholders. The EUTF for Africa is worth over **€4.5 billion**, with over 89% of the contributions coming from the EU, and around 11% from EU Member States and other donors.

The EUTF for Africa benefits **26 African countries** among the most fragile and affected by instability, forced displacement and irregular migration.

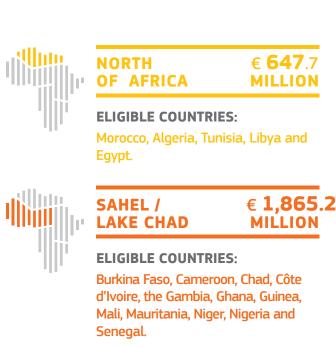
The main beneficiaries are refugees, migrants and potential migrants, internally displaced persons, returnees and the local communities hosting them, and other vulnerable or marginalised populations, such as victims of human trafficking and smuggled migrants, youth, women and children. Civil society actors such as community or women's organisations are also supported.

STATE OF PLAY

To date, **205 actions** have been approved across the three regions for a total amount of approximately **€3.92 billion,** divided as follows: **Horn of Africa €1,406.1 million, North of Africa €647.7 million, Sahel/Lake Chad €1,865.2 million.** This includes **5 cross-**

window programmes.

Actions are implemented by different categories of implementers including EU Member States' development agencies, international and local NGOs and international or UN agencies.







ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES:

Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda.





EXAMPLES OF ACTIONS FUNDED BY THE EUTF FOR AFRICA



Economic and employment opportunities through inclusive programmes for young people, women and local communities

€ 13 million - The Gambia

Helping young people to find and create jobs closer to home

In the Gambia, the Youth Empowerment Project aims to contribute to economic development and thus reduce migration pressure by improving the skills and employability of potential and/or returning migrants.

The programme directly supports the development and diversification of the local economy by (i) enhancing employability and self-employment opportunities of youth, with a focus on vocational training and the creation of micro and small-sized enterprises (MSMEs), and by (ii) creating and improving employment opportunities in selected sectors, such as agri-business, eco-tourism, the creative industries or information technologies.

Since its formal launch in February 2017, the programme has supported more than **2,000 youths,** enhanced capacities of six training institutions and assisted more than **400 MSMEs**.

€ 20 million - Uganda

Bringing host communities and refugees closer

With almost 1.2 million refugees, Uganda is now the largest refugee country in Africa and the third largest refugee hosting country in the world. The Support Programme to Refugee Settlements and Host Communities (SPRS-NU) has equipped 2,693 people from both refugee and host communities with professional training and/or skills development with the aim to help them secure jobs

and improve their livelihoods. The programme supports the objectives of the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework (CRRF) strategy that Uganda has been piloting.

€ 12,8 million - Tunisia

Developing economic opportunities and diaspora mobilisation

The EUTF for Africa has been working towards mobilising human talent and financial capacity of Diasporas network. The project *«Développement des opportunités d'emploi et d'investissement à travers la mobilisation de la diaspora»* has started working with the Tunisian Diaspora in Europe to raise awareness about existing opportunities to invest in the socioeconomic development of Tunisia.





Strengthening resilience of communities, in particular the most vulnerable, including refugees and displaced people.

€ 30 million - Burkina Faso

Strengthening resilience of vulnerable communities through food and nutrition security

Launched in 2017, the programme "*Renforcement de la résilience des communautés vulnérables à l'insécurité alimentaire et nutritionnelle*" has already supported 151 constituencies, addressing the basic needs of **937,934 vulnerable people**. It also allows beneficiaries to diversify their livelihoods and create economic opportunities to better cope with potential shocks.

€ 32 million - South Sudan

Supporting teachers and education

South Sudan still faces great uncertainties with large numbers of people in need of assistance and basic services in health and education. The IMPACT programme is helping to keep children in school by providing more than **28,000 primary teachers** in almost **3,000 schools** with salary supplements across all states of the country. These salary supplements aim to encourage teachers to remain in service and increase their attendance. **Improved migration management** by contributing to the development of national and regional migration strategies, fighting against trafficking in human beings, smuggling of migrants, promoting effective voluntary return and sustainable reintegration, legal migration and mobility.

€ 29 million - Libya

Protecting and assisting vulnerable and stranded migrants in Libya

This initiative is one of many others supported by the EUTF for Africa to offer viable alternatives to the arbitrary detention system in Libya and prevent the deadly journeys that many refugees and migrants take along the Central Mediterranean Route.

A Gathering and Departure Facility (GDF) has been set up in Tripoli to bring vulnerable refugees to a safe environment while UNHCR seeks durable solutions, such as refugee resettlement, family reunification, or evacuation to emergency facilities in other countries. This is the first centre of its kind in Libya.

Since the start of its implementation, the EUTF for Africa has delivered more than **two million basic services** in the region.

Since November 2017, with EUTF for Africa support, UNHCR evacuated **3,890** refugees and asylum seekers from Libya.

€ 350 million - Cross Regional

The EU/IOM Joint Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration in Africa

Launched in 2016 through the EUTF for Africa, the EU-IOM Joint Initiative aims to strengthen mechanisms to protect and assist migrants along the Central Mediterranean migration route, ensuring that migrants' rights are respected, and that the migration process is safer and better governed.

Initially launched in 14 countries of the Sahel and Lake Chad region and Libya, it now covers 26 African countries across three regions for a total budget of EUR 350 million.

From May 2017 until the end of May 2019, the EU-IOM Joint Initiative supported the voluntary return of over **60,200 migrants** mostly from Libya and Niger as well as from Mali, Mauritania and Djibouti. In countries of origin, the Joint Initiative provided assistance to **over 72,300 migrants** upon arrival whose return were supported by the EUTF for Africa or other donors.

€ 46 million - Horn of Africa

Improving Border Management in the Horn of Africa The Better Migration Management programme aims to improve migration management in the Horn of Africa, and in particular to address trafficking in human beings and smuggling of migrants. Through the programme, thousands of migration and border officers or front line officers have been trained to address these issues more effectively. More than **500 representatives of the judiciary** in Kenya, Uganda, Ethiopia, Sudan and Djibouti have been trained on investigation and prosecution techniques, to ensure the protection of victims. Over **12,000 trafficked victims and vulnerable migrants** have been also assisted with protection services



Improved governance and conflict prevention in particular by addressing human rights abuses and enforcing the rule of law and border management. Some actions may also contribute to preventing and countering radicalisation and extremism.

€ 87 million - Libya

Support to integrated border and migration management in Libya

The EUTF for Africa supports capacity development of the Libyan Coast Guards, the establishment of the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre, and the development of the integrated border management in the south of Libya. Human rights training is a key component to guarantee that the Libyan authorities targeted by this action comply with human rights standards in their operations. Through the first phase of the programme, **44 crew members** of the coastal guard received practical and theoretical training, among other activities.

€ 6 million - Niger

Dismantling criminal networks in Niger

Joint investigation teams bring together 12 Nigerien police officers and six European counterparts (Spanish and French). To date, the teams have been investigating cases in Niamey, in Agadez and Zinder, shared best practices and introduced new modern investigation techniques. As a result, the volume and quality of cases has improved: **197 smugglers and traffickers** have been prosecuted and **29 human trafficking networks** have been dismantled.





In April and September 2018, the Board of the EUTF for Africa agreed on the need to further prioritise future actions based on the six following priority areas:

- 1. return and reintegration;
- 2. refugees management (Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework)
- 3. completing progress on the securitization of documents and civil registry
- 4. anti-trafficking measures
- 5. essential stabilization efforts in the Horn of Africa (in particular in Sudan, South Sudan and Somalia) and in the Sahel/Lake Chad region
- 6. Actions supporting migration dialogues.

The North of Africa window will continue contributing to an improved migration management by focusing, in particular, on supporting improved migration governance; supporting labour migration and mobility; protecting vulnerable migrants, voluntary return and sustainable reintegration, as well as community stabilization and integrated border management.

