

UGANDA - Demography and Social Inclusion

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Curbing unsustainable demographic growth

Harnessing remaining opportunities for a real demographic dividend

Impact on:

- People's livelihoods, fulfilment of their human rights
- Environmental sustainability (planned urbanisation, disaster risk reduction)

Support critical sectors such as:

- Education, to bring higher school completion rates (importantly for girls)
- Health, (financial) access to quality SRHR services, including family planning
- Social protection, to reduce risks of falling back into extreme poverty and all its consequences

Assist Uganda in customizing tailor-made (sub)regional responses

Address existing narratives on gender roles and demography & culturally sensitive topics:

- Cooperation with the Government and partnerships with the civil society
- Building and scaling block-chain solutions for more transparent and accountable social investments

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MODALITIES/TOOLS

Emphasizing cross-sectoral social outcomes through:

- Strengthening the transparency and inclusiveness and the Governance of Uganda's National Development Plan
- Social investments
- Support to the national Public Sector Performance Management system

Medium to High probability for co-financing agreements:

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| • Education | Human Rights |
| • Health | • Potential areas of mutual interest for co-financing agreements: |
| • Water and Sanitation | • Nutrition / |
| • Gender | • Food Security |
| • Refugee response | |
| • Governance & | |

TRANSFORMATIONAL POTENTIAL

- Reposition social investment in the national agenda
- A strengthened and inclusive human development policy-, investment-, dialogue- and accountability framework

KEY DELIVERABLES

To date the below has been achieved. This action will be scaled up, with a stronger emphasis on education for adolescent girls.

1. Close to 5 million people reached with messages challenging prevalent negative social norms,
2. 2,600 victims accessing legal aid clinics and essential services,
3. 430 community, religious and cultural leaders making commitments of ending violence against women and girls
4. Close to 100 private companies reinforcing gender equality at work,
5. 2,000 adolescent girls benefiting from SRHR services, improved safety in refugee centers through street lighting and call centers and training of police officers.

Going forward, it will:

- Construction of Wash facilities in schools
- 2000 adolescent girls benefitting from access to SRHR services
- Scholarships for girls in vulnerable communities
- Policy implementation and awareness raising on SGBV
- Supporting Uganda First Lady's campaign "Protect the girl, save the nation"

*This Team Europe Initiative is work in progress

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NATIONAL CONTEXT

Situation:

- **Sustainable development threaten by:**
 - Exponential population growth
 - Insufficient investment in people
- **Food insecurity and undernutrition**

75% of the population is less than 30 years old

Low secondary education completion rates, especially girls:

- Very few options outside of the informal
- Sector or subsistence farming on agricultural plots

Child labour

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Low availability of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) services
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High total fertility rate (5.4)

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Doubling of the current population within the next 25 years

- Significant challenges for social services and employment
- Huge implications on the support ratio between the working and dependent populations

- **Significant reduction in the budget allocated to the education sector between 2003 and 2020**

Gender-based violence & violence against children

- **Land conflicts:**
 - Inequalities & poverty among regions
 - Refugees (85% of the 1.4 million refugees in Uganda are women and children)
- **Access to basic services prevented by:**
 - High cost of health services & pharmaceuticals
 - Lack of inputs, equipment and staffing in
 - Health centres

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Negative impact on human and economic development

Needs:

- Improve the social services/determinants for inclusive growth and reduced vulnerability
- Restore the LGs developmental and service delivery function

GEOPOLITICAL CONTEXT AND RELEVANT SDGs

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



4 QUALITY EDUCATION



5 GENDER EQUALITY



COVID-19 crisis (exacerbating the country's vulnerabilities)

Gender Action Plan 3 (2021-2025)

2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

EU 'leave no one behind' policy

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Five partnerships 'Towards a comprehensive strategy with Africa'

**SDGs included based on a new JRC electronic text mining tool, which identifies SDGs (targets)