



# State of play of regional SSA MIP - AAP 2025

## 7<sup>th</sup> consultative discussion with CSOs-LAs

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*Unit A2 - Regional and Multi-country Programmes for Africa*

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# Agenda of today's discussions

## I. Presentation in plenary

- 1) State of play of the implementation of the Regional SSA MIP
- 2) Overview of AAP 2025
- 3) Feedback on the contributions received

## II. Thematic breakout groups on AAP 2025

- 1) Human development and culture
- 2) Democratic Governance, Peace and Security, Migration and forced displacement
- 3) Green transition
- 4) Sustainable growth and decent jobs

## III . Report back in plenary



## Previous dialogues with CSOs-LAs

1. Consultation on EU regional Multi-annual indicative Programme for Sub-Saharan Africa – 23 March 2021
2. Consultation on EU regional Multi-annual indicative Programme for Sub-Saharan Africa, including discussions on MAAP 2021– 13 December 2021
3. Information session on EU regional Multi-annual indicative Programme for Sub-Saharan Africa, including discussions on MAAP 2022-2024 Part 1 and MAAP 2022-2026 Part 2 – 30 June 2022
4. Consultation on EU regional Multi-annual indicative Programme for Sub-Saharan Africa, including discussions on MAAP 2023-2025 – 20 April 2023
5. State of play of regional SSA MIP – MTR : consultative discussion with CSOs-LAs – 11 July 2023
6. Consultation on EU regional Multi-annual indicative Programme for Sub-Saharan Africa, including discussions on MAAP 2024-2025– 29 January 2024



# 1. State of play of the regional Multi-Annual Indicative Programme for Sub-Saharan Africa

## Main Changes to SSA MIP - MTR

- **MTR confirmed that the 6 priority areas and the Support Measures are still relevant** and respond to the objectives and needs of the African partners and the EU.
- **Stronger alignment with the Global Gateway strategy and strengthening investments** is proposed by replacing the existing envelope of EFSD+ with a more comprehensive and increased envelope “Support to Investments” including:
  - Pooled grant funds for blending;
  - Additional funds for provisioning of guarantees and corresponding technical assistance.
- **Adjusting the priority areas:**
  - Integrating **social protection**;
  - Stronger emphasis on supporting **regional value chains** and partnerships on **critical raw materials**;
  - Stronger response on **migration management** with additional **EUR 100 M**;
  - Allocation of priority areas increased with **EUR 385 M** not yet programmed in the SSA geographic envelope.
- **Securing funding for countries in complex settings:** a dedicated envelope of **EUR 238 M** for "Actions in Countries in complex settings" is added, securing funding for: Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger, and Sudan.
- Overall, the proposed adjustments provide **greater flexibility** and the opportunity to seize strategic opportunities across the Global Gateway priorities. Furthermore, the dedicated envelope for countries in complex settings enables the cooperation to adapt to their evolving context and calibrate EU engagement as necessary.



## Priority areas and envelopes of the regional SSA MIP post MTR

### Human Development

Health  
Education & Skills

830 M EUR

### Democratic Governance and Peace

Governance, elections, etc.; Peace and Security, transnational threats, maritime security. Culture.

855 M EUR

### Green transition

Climate Change, renewable energy and regional interconnectivity; agri-food systems; biodiversity, environment and wildlife management; water basins management, oceans (incl blue economy)

1 706 M EUR

### Digital, Science, Technology & Innovation

Digital transformation and digital connectivity  
Science, Technology and Innovation

490 M EUR

### Sustainable Growth and Decent Jobs

Regional economic integration, trade & trade facilitation; strategic corridors (transport infrastructure – road, rail, ports); sustainable finance, investment climate and private sector

1 101 M EUR

### Migration and forced displacement

Return and readmission, migration management and legal migration; forced displacement; border management

1 860 M EUR

**Total SSA MIP**  
**EUR 12 Bn**

**SUPPORT TO INVESTMENTS 4 683 M EUR**

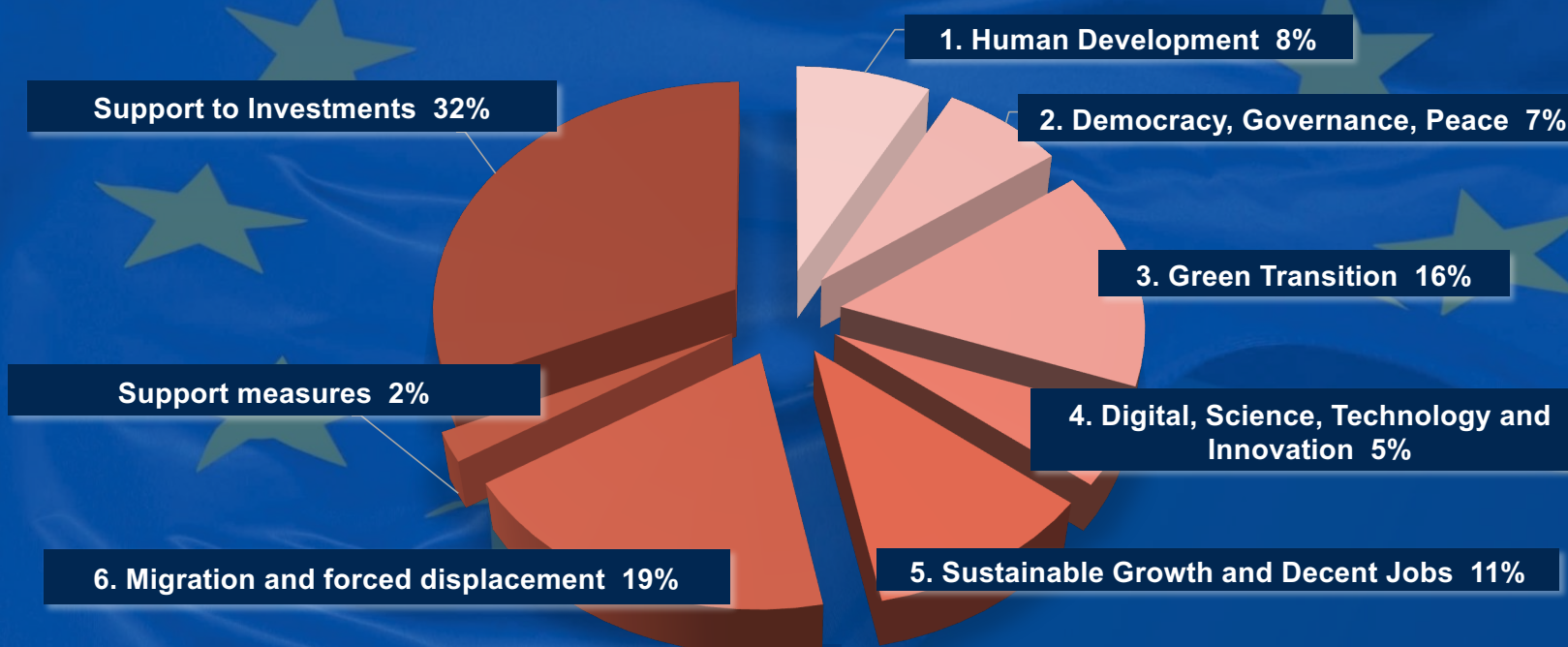
**ACTIONS IN COUNTRIES IN COMPLEX SETTINGS 238 M EUR**

**SUPPORT MEASURES 237 M EUR**



## MIP State of play 2021-24 - committed & planned to be committed Actions

148 Actions for an amount of EUR 8.55 Bn







## Adopted Multi-Annual Action Plans of SSA MIP

Regional SSA MIP - adopted in December 2021

- Multi-Annual Action Plan (MAAP) 2021 - adopted in December 2021; [7 actions, EUR 980 M]
- MAAP 2022-2024 Part 1 – adopted in October 2022; [10 actions, EUR 342.2 M]
- MAAP 2022-2026 Part 2 – adopted in December 2022; [32 actions, EUR 1 515 Bn]
- MAAP 2023-2025 – NIDICI Committee on 18/10/2023; [30 Actions, EUR 1 317.5 Bn]
- MAAP 2024-2025 – NDICI Committee 30/04/2024; [32 Actions, EUR 1 006 Bn]





## 17 SSA Regional Team Europe Initiatives (TEI)

- 17 regional Team Europe Initiatives have been developed in SSA
- 10 TEIs in the sectors of human development, green and digital transition as well as sustainable growth and decent jobs are also part of the Global Gateway Africa – Europe Investment Package
- 53 Actions from the SSA MIP contribute to these TEIs for an overall budget of **2,367 Bn EUR**
- Four health TEIs launched at the high-level on the EU-AU partnership on Global Health in March 2024 : *One health, Social Protection, Public Health Institutes in Africa and Digital Health*
- The Team Europe Initiative on Opportunity-driven Skills and Vocational Education and Training was also launched in April 2024 at the Global Gateway High-level Event on Education



## 2. Overview of the AAP 2025

# PLANNED SSA ACTIONS OF 2025

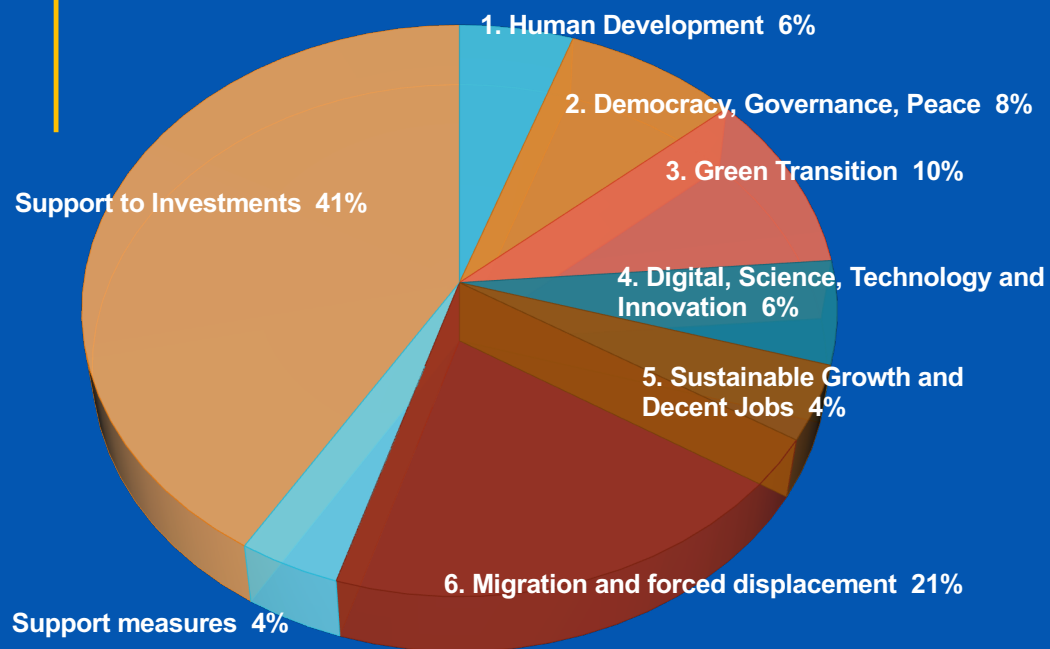
**20 actions for a total amount of EUR 627.5 M**

+ 3 Top-ups (2 on migration + 1 investments) programs for a total amount of EUR 770 M

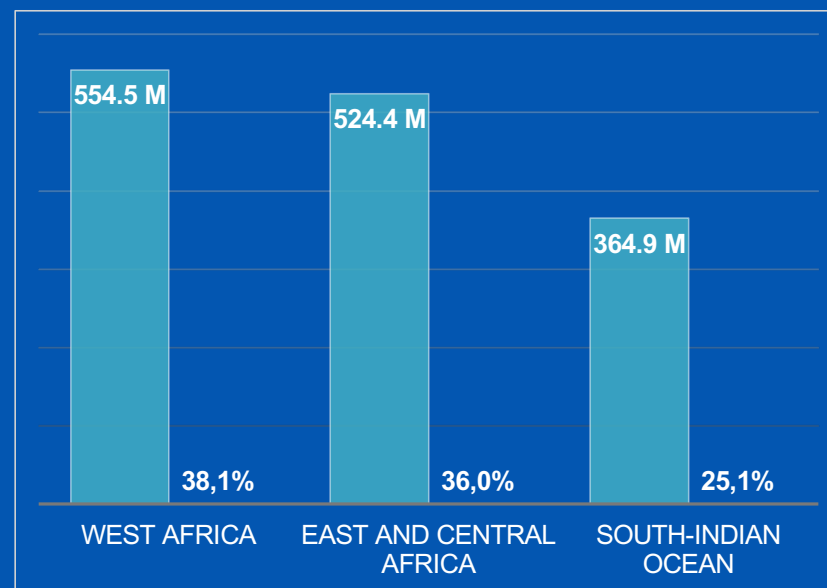
+ Support Measures 2025 of EUR 57.8 M (Individual measure)

**EUR 1.45 Bn**

## Priority areas



## Budget line per region





## PLANNED ACTIONS OF AAP 2025 (1/5)

### Priority 1 – Human Development

- **Health**

1. Social Protection Systems Strengthening (EUR 10 M)

- **Education**

2. Study in Africa (EUR 60 M)





## PLANNED ACTIONS OF AAP 2025 (2/5)

### Priority 2 – Democratic governance, Peace and Security and Culture

- **Democratic Governance, Peace and Security**

3. Support to the African Governance, Peace & Security Architectures (EUR 40 M)
4. Ending violence against women and girls in Africa (EUR 10 M)
5. La réintégration des ex-combattants et l'autonomisation des femmes: remparts communautaires à l'extrémisme violent en Afrique (REMPARTS) (EUR 11.5 M)
6. Countering illicit trade and Transnational Organized Crime in Africa: A targeted approach to Trafficking Corridors, Falsified Medical Products and Cybercrime (EUR 34 M)
7. Zones frontalières pacifiques et résilientes IV (EUR 20 M)

- **Culture**

8. PALOP-TL regional PROCULTURA II (EUR 10 M)



## PLANNED ACTIONS OF AAP 2025 (3/5)

### Priority 3 – Green Transition

- **Sustainable Energy**

9. Supporting Clean Cooking Solutions in Southern Africa (EUR 12 M)

10. Supporting Clean Cooking Solutions in Central and East Africa (EUR 20 M)

- **Agri-food systems**

11. Fit for Market for Africa 2030 (EUR 50 M)

- **Water basins management**

12. Lake Chad Basin Transboundary Water Resources Management (EUR 30 M)

13. Transboundary Water Management in Southern Africa (EUR 20 M)

14. Projet de Gestion intégrée des Ressources en Eau de Surface et Souterraines dans les bassins du fleuve Sénégal et de l'aquifère Sénégal-Mauritanien ('PROGIRESS') (EUR 15 M)



## **PLANNED ACTIONS OF AAP 2025 (4/5)**

### **Priority 4 – Digital, Science, Technology and Innovation**

- **Science, Technology and Innovation**

15. Africa-EU Space partnership programme (part 2 ) (EUR 55 M)

16. Africa Research Initiative for Scientific Excellence ARISE 2.0 (EUR 25 M)

### **Priority 5 – Sustainable Growth and Decent Job**

- **Regional Economic Integration, Trade and Trade Facilitation**

17. Enablers to Sustainable trade and Investment in Africa (EUR 40M)

- **Sustainable Finance, Investment Climate and Private sector**

18. Regional programme for “Responsible Business Conduct Africa” (EUR 30 M)





## PLANNED ACTIONS OF AAP 2025 (5/5)

### Priority 6 – Migration and Forced Displacements

- **Migration**

19. EU Support to the fight against human trafficking and migrant smuggling in the Horn of Africa Region (EUR 20 M)

- **Forced displacement**

20. Protection, assistance and solutions for forcibly displaced populations in sub-Saharan Africa (EUR 115 M)



## PLANNED ACTIONS OUTSIDE AAP 2025

### 3 Top-Ups and 1 Individual Measure [*Grand Total* EUR 827.8 M]

- Top-up of the Migrant Protection, Return and Reintegration Programme for Sub-Saharan Africa (MPRR-SSA) [EU 70M]
- Top-up to the Flexible Mechanism ACT 60666 (Substantial Amendment to the Decision) [EUR 100M]
- Investments top-up to AD “Investment on Regional Infrastructures” part of AAP 2021 [EUR 600M]
- Support Measure 2025 [EUR 57.8 M]



## Next steps

- Written contributions to be received by end of November
- AAP 2025 – formulation of actions, expected Decision by April/May 2025
- Contracting of adopted actions, implementation
- Continued work on TEIs
- Next CSOs-LAs consultation on AAP 2026 : 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2025



### 3. Feedback from the recommendations received



## 3.1 Human development – Health 1/2

**R°: Importance of social protection and linking the TEI to ongoing and planned programmes integrate comprehensive sexuality education**

=> AAP25 Social Protection under the TEI

**R°: integrate comprehensive sexuality education**

=> Being formulated in the programs under AAP24 SRHR

**R°: Maximise synergies and address the impact of climate change in access to SRHR**

=>TEI SRHR and AAP24 SRHR

**R°: Ensure gender responsive approach to digital tools, including in health**

=> Ex. Digital Health (AAP 2024) underlines the importance of analysis of population needs for improved health data systems and systemisation that ensures the integration of inclusive and intersectional perspectives



## 3.1 Human development – Health 2/2

**R°: Strengthen supply chains of contraceptive commodities like UNFPA supplies**

=> Contribution EC to UNFPA supplies

=> Synergies with Safe Birth Africa are being fostered as well as with the TEI MAV+

**R°: Synergies of TEIs (PHI, OH, Digital Health) with EDCTP & EU-Africa Innovation Agenda**

=> Increase the transformational impact of interventions by bringing together work being undertaken through programmes and TEIs

**R°: Update on African-Europe Platform on Education (PEERS)**

=> Need to leverage the engagement with the different stakeholders to support the development of more inclusive and gender-responsive practices



## 3.2 Democracy, Governance, Peace, Migration & forced displacement

### **R°: Broaden participation: assess the possibility of broadening calls for proposals**

=> CfPs organized for borderlands 3 (BF, Togo, Benin)

=> 2 CfPs for CSOs planned as part of the upcoming Support to African Governance, Peace and Security (GPS) programme [AAP 2025]: one on governance and one on peace and security

=> CfP foreseen for AAP 2025 REMPARTS – West Africa cluster (women & PVE)  
Planned for mid-2025

### **R°: Peacebuilding and conflict prevention efforts to take note of emerging issues such as climate change, migration and displacement**

=> CC included in our peace and security support programmes with SADC [AAP 2023], ECOWAS [AAP 2024] and the AUC [AAP 2025] under early warning & conflict prevention





## 3.2 Democracy, Governance, Peace, Migration & forced displacement

=> Borderlands & PCVE/CT programmes focus on conflict prevention mechanisms through creation of economic & social infrastructures adapted to CC, anticipatory actions, climate-related conflict mechanisms & awareness raising on the connection climate change-conflict  
=> The upcoming phase of Borderland programme focuses on reinforcement social cohesion & dialogue between host communities & displaced people to limit the impact of local conflict in border areas

### **R°: Capacity enhancement of local actors to respond to conflict and provide assistance to populations**

=> Urban displaced programmes: SUIDAC & 2025 forced displacement action  
=> Borderlands programmes : CB of local authorities & CS to provide basic services, strengthen border cooperation & resource management, & respond to conflicts & security needs of the population  
=> Under REMPARTS (AAP 2025), CB activities for local actors to raise awareness on PVE, radicalisation & SGBV



## 3.2 Democracy, Governance, Peace, Migration & forced displacement

### **R°: Explore integration of resilience building activities into actions related to the CAR refugee crisis**

=> Our forced displacement programmes in Cameroon and CAR, implemented by a consortium of CSOs, focuses also on economic resilience at individual, community, institutional and cross-border levels

### **R° : Ensure the protection needs of affected populations are adequately addressed in the actions**

=> Focus on protection on BMM/THB AAP 2025 and forced displacement 2025

=> Part of the Borderlands programmes activities cover the protection of vulnerable groups, notably refugees, IDPs and women and girls (gender as cross-cutting priority)



### 3.3 Green Transition

***R°: Support local food systems and the promotion of nutrition-sensitive value chains, including the promotion of nutritious indigenous food and food plants***

=> On the FO4A action – AAP2024 – one the main objective is to strengthen the ability of central and local government to improve access to better nutrition through participatory plans developed with local communities. The action will support FO to be more present in the task Force for a Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty that was proposed by Brasil's G20 presidency

=> The Fit for market for Africa 2030 action – AAP 2025 – is focused on strengthening fruits and vegetables value chain. These VC are the main ones contributing to improve access to nutritious food. Specific attention will be put on indigenous food and food plants, particularly relevant in smallholders' productions



### 3.3 Green Transition

**R°: Adequately consider interests & needs of coastal communities in the ocean related programmes (concern that too much emphasis is put on High-seas treaty vs local needs)**

=> Support to coastal communities is covered by all regional ocean programmes in Africa, including SWIOP

=> Several activities are aiming at the inclusive local economic empowerment & approaches to community-led coastal conservation. Particularly under Pillar 2

=> The implementation of both the Global Biodiversity Framework & the BBNJ/High Sea Treaty is also in full support of coastal communities, given the impact these Treaties are expected to have on marine biodiversity & the sustainable use of marine resources.



## 3.4 Sustainable Growth and Decent Jobs, Digital, STI

### **R°: CSOs to participate to projects indirectly via implementing partners**

=> Under 2024 Action AEDIB, we have included a component on “strengthened capacity and cooperation of Innovation Support Organisations for fostering industry-academia-institutional linkages within Africa and with Europe”

=> Under the 2024 Action AfCFTA TAF we included a sub-grant to a consortium of Think-Tanks “to strengthen the research and advocacy capacities of think-tanks and other civil society organizations under the TAF”.

=> Under the 2025 Action “Trade Enabler” within the activities of the “investment” component, we envisage : the “promotion of policy dialogues and peer learning between African main stakeholders, including CSOs”; & the “establishment of engagement platforms with the private sector – including business associations – CSOs, and academia to gather needs and discuss areas of support in order to enable sustainable investments in Africa”.



## 3.4 Sustainable Growth and Decent Jobs, Digital, STI

### **R° Adress informality**

=> Under the 2023 Action “Trade and Transport Facilitation”, in several corridors specific attention is given to enhancing small-scale and informal cross-border trade, which constitutes a substantial proportion of intra-regional trade in Africa, key for income generation, job creation and food security for many poor households and where women are overrepresented. Focus is on women traders, in their respective traders’ associations or cooperatives.

### **R° Target youth**

=> One of the main objectives of the programmes under the TEI of Investment in Young Businesses is in Africa the support to youth-led businesses. The activities of IYBA-Invest (AAP 2024) particularly target youth & women-led early-stage businesses with financial support. Project to be presented to EUMS for their approval in March 2025.



## 4. Q&A





**Thank you**