

European Union Trust Fund for Africa (EUTF) and Center  
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Boosting Employment and Combating Irregular  
Migration: Findings and Evidence-Based Solutions from  
Counterfactual Impact Evaluations in Africa

# Session 4

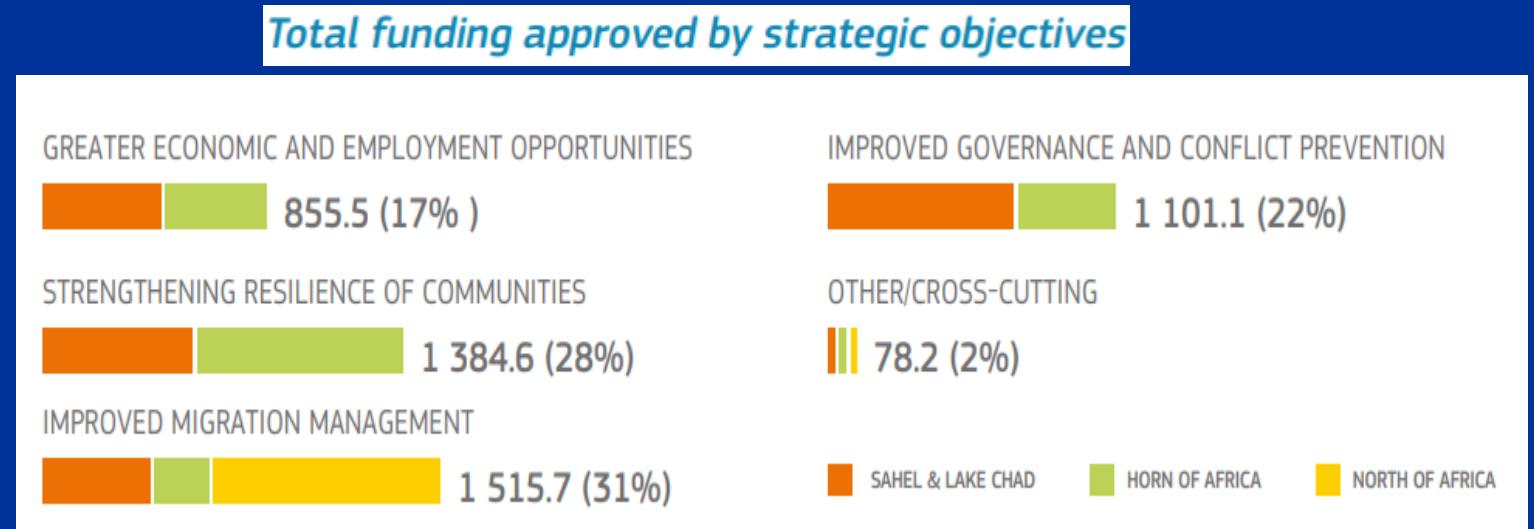
## Moving Forward: Experience on employment creation and migration management

**“Lessons learned for future actions:  
Horn of Africa perspective”**

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# HoA introduction

- Employment in the EUTF:



Main Focus:

- Skill development
- Support to MSMEs
- Agricultural development

- In the case of the HoA - Focus on refugees

# HoA Impact Evaluation: Lessons learned

## Key Insights

- **Technical training** helps refugees find jobs, but **business support** improves long-term employment prospects.
- However, the support provided by the EUTF-funded projects was not enough to promote decent employment among refugees. More **comprehensive approaches** are needed.

## Key Challenges & Solutions to get a decent job

- **Equal Rights & Mobility:** Refugees need **equal rights** as host communities.
- **Legal & Administrative Support:** Access to **documentation** is crucial.

## Promoting Social Cohesion: Success Example: RISE Project (Uganda)

- Refugees trained **alongside host communities**.
- Employment opportunities fostered **integration**.



# Success stories

Support Programme to the Refugee Settlements and Host Communities in Northern Uganda  
**(SPRS-NU) Enabel**



Conflict prevention, peace and economic opportunities for the youth  
- Kenya  
**(Youth programme)**



# Other resources of analysis:

## **JRC Validation Workshop (Nov 2024):**

- Examining the Impact of EUTF Interventions on Migration Drivers and Dynamics in the Horn of Africa
- 5 Analytical Approaches for EUTF Employment Projects: Direct Employment Access; Enhancing Employability; Promoting Self-Employment & Enterprises; Facilitating Income-Generating Activities; and Strengthening System Infrastructure.

## **Research and Evidence Facility**

- **Mobility and Livelihoods**
- **Impact of Climate Change and Conflict**

# Some Take aways

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1. Focus on Employment to Address Migration/Forced displacement
2. Embrace a Broader Perspective on Mobility
3. Enhance TVET with Life Skills and Empowerment
4. Strengthen TVET Institutions and Incorporate Private Sector Involvement
5. Link Skills Development with Job Creation
6. System Strengthening Beyond TVET and Business Support
7. Employment host communities + refugees => economic inclusion, alleviation of conflicts, stimulate local economies => Durable solutions



# Thank you



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