

European Union Trust Fund for Africa (EUTF) and Center for Evaluation and Development (C4ED)

Boosting Employment and Combatting Irregular Migration: Findings and Evidence-Based Solutions from Counterfactual Impact Evaluations in Africa

Session 4

Moving Forward: Experience on employment creation and migration management

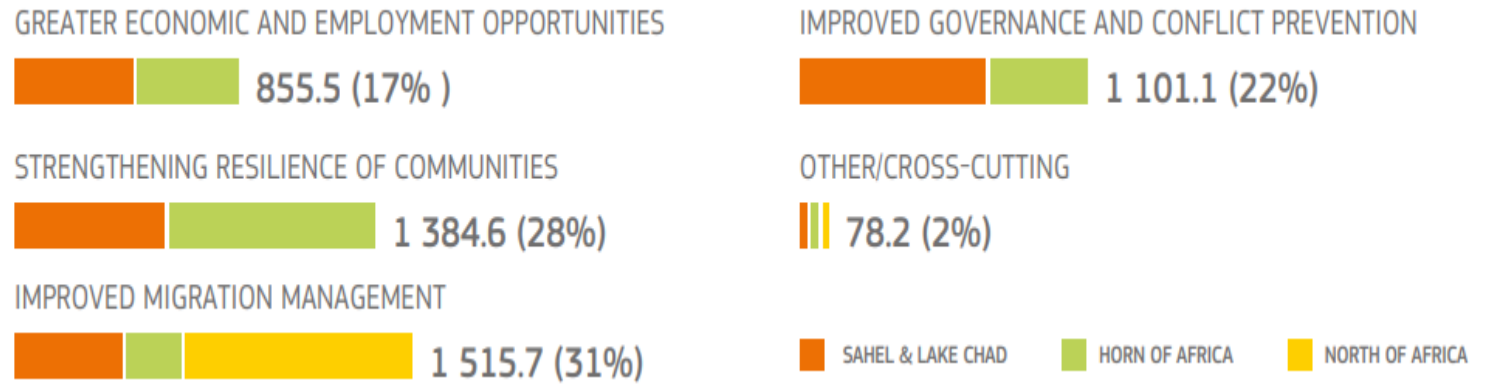
**“Lessons learned for future actions:
Horn of Africa perspective”**

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HoA introduction

- Employment in the EUTF:

Total funding approved by strategic objectives



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

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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