

# Session 2

## EUTF Strategic Objective 1:

Greater economic and employment opportunities in the context of the refugee crisis in Horn of Africa

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**Africa Trust Fund**  
**Horn of Africa**

# **EUTF intervention logic and expected outcomes**

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# The EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa

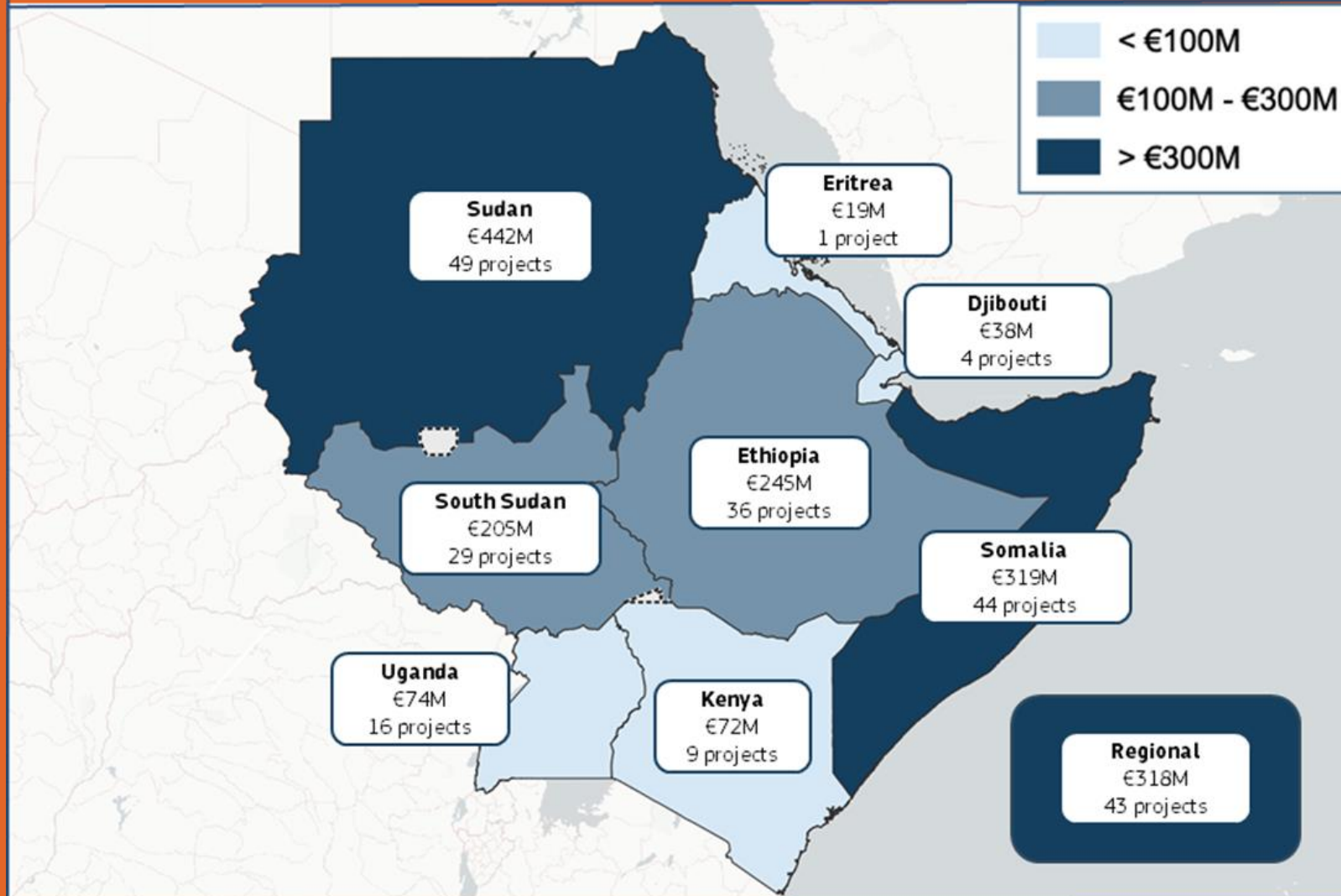
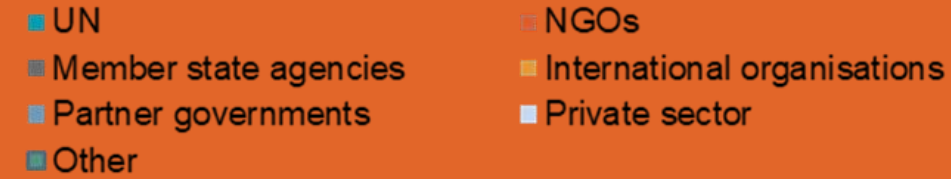
- Launched in 2015 in a very specific context
- Objective: Deliver an integrated and coordinated response to the diverse causes of instability, irregular migration and forced displacement
- Focus on the EUTF in Eastern Africa: restore regional stability & address large-scale FD

**€1.73B**

combined HoA budget

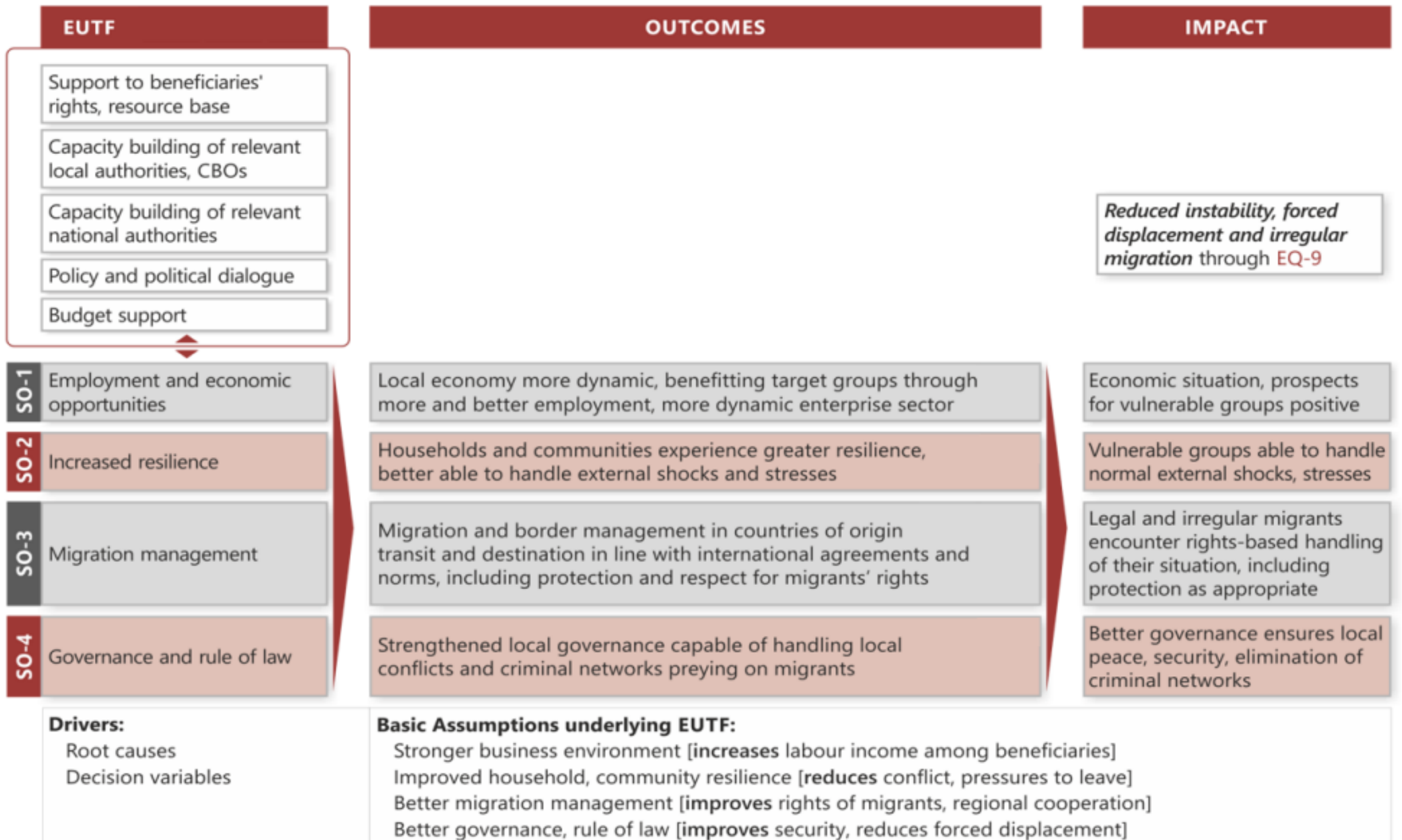
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operational contracts



# EUTF strategic objectives

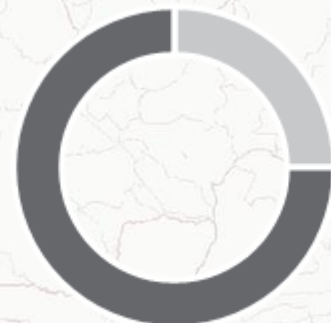
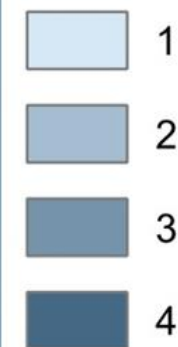
- 4 Strategic Objectives "SO"s
  - Greater economic and employment opportunities
  - Strengthening resilience of communities and in particular the most vulnerable including refugees and other displaced people
  - Improved migration management in countries of origin, transit and destination
  - Improved governance and conflict prevention and reduction of forced displacement and irregular migration
- What is addressed in all the interventions selected in this evaluation?



# Strategic Objective 1 (SO1) in Eastern Africa & HOA

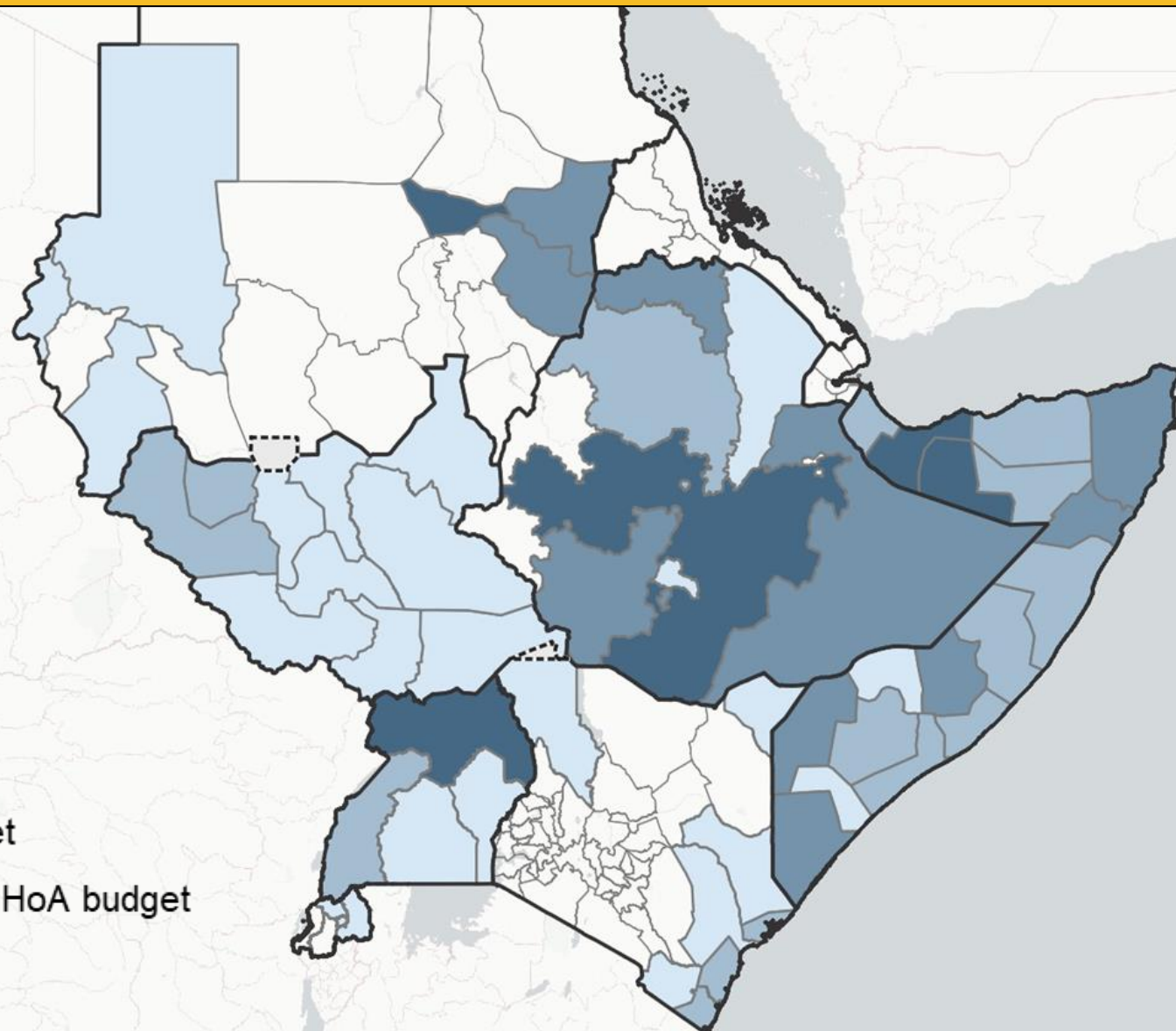
*Greater economic and employment opportunities*

Number of projects



€421M SO1 budget

24% of the total EUTF HoA budget



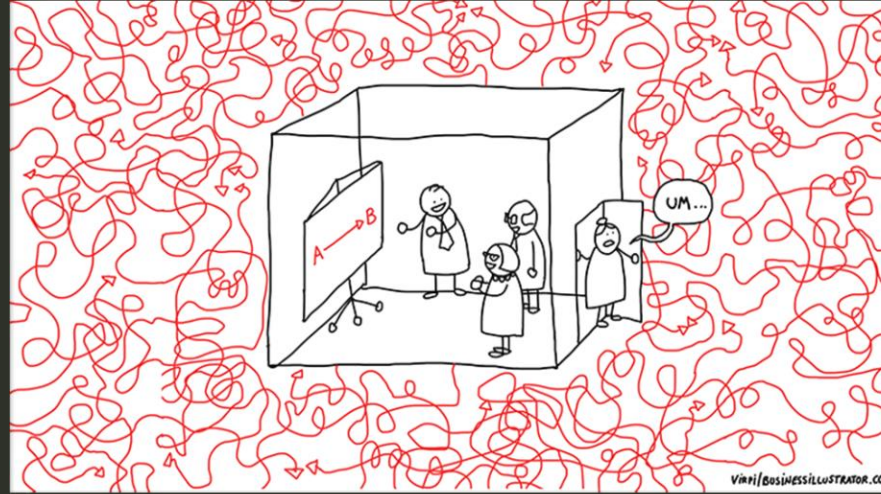


# Focus on Employment and economic opportunities

ACTIVITIES	OUTPUTS	INTERMEDIATE OUTCOMES	OUTCOMES	IMPACT
Improve fiscal, regulatory frameworks for econ development; build capacities of actors responsible for implementation	Improved rules, regulations of relevance to beneficiary groups' economic activities Local bodies with capacities to provide economic sector services relevant to beneficiary groups	Public bodies implementing more economics-friendly policies, procedures, practices benefiting intended target populations	Local economy more dynamic, benefitting target groups through more and better employment, more dynamic enterprise sector	Economic situation, prospects for vulnerable groups positive, "stay" factors strengthened
Provide training, support to SMEs, self-employment for beneficiaries	Vulnerable groups have more market-relevant skills Vulnerable groups empowered to set up own business	Increased employment levels among beneficiary groups Increased entrepreneurship, micro-business among intended beneficiary groups		
Support voluntary return/reintegration, assist returnees, host communities	Those returning voluntarily have access to reintegration support Host communities of returnees receive support, advice	Returnees well integrated into host communities Host communities benefit from contributions of returnees		



# Our expectation for this event:




- LEARN **TOGETHER**
- Enrich the discussion with the experience and expertise of **all**
- **No taboo** around successes and failures
- Discussions on **human mobility** for better support and protection

- This is the end of the road for the EUTF...but the journey continues through new paths



*Lake Kayumbu - Uganda*

# Introduction of the evaluation's rationale and team at EU and C4ED



Pablo Molina del Pozo Martin (EUTF)

# Rationale

- Objective and focus of this evaluation.
- Variety of strategic interventions.
- Expectations from the conclusions.



# Rationale

- The objective of this four-year evaluation project.
- The focus of the EUTF-funded projects.
- What is the theory?



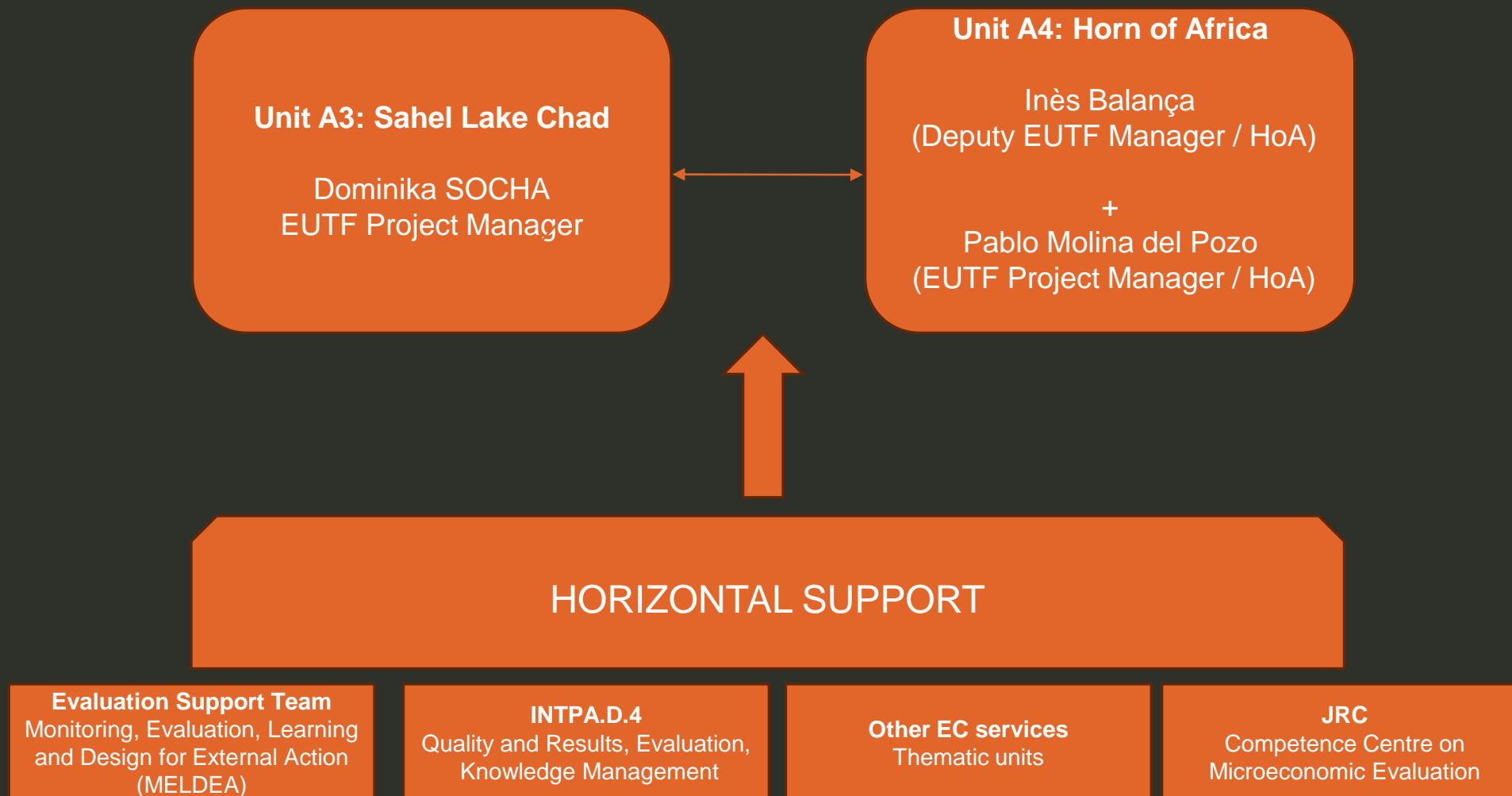
# A (quasi-)experimental research

- Comprehensive mixed methods: impact + effectiveness.
- Learnings from this evaluation.
- The selection of this evaluation team vs. innovative methodology.
- A lot of challenges BUT with first results.

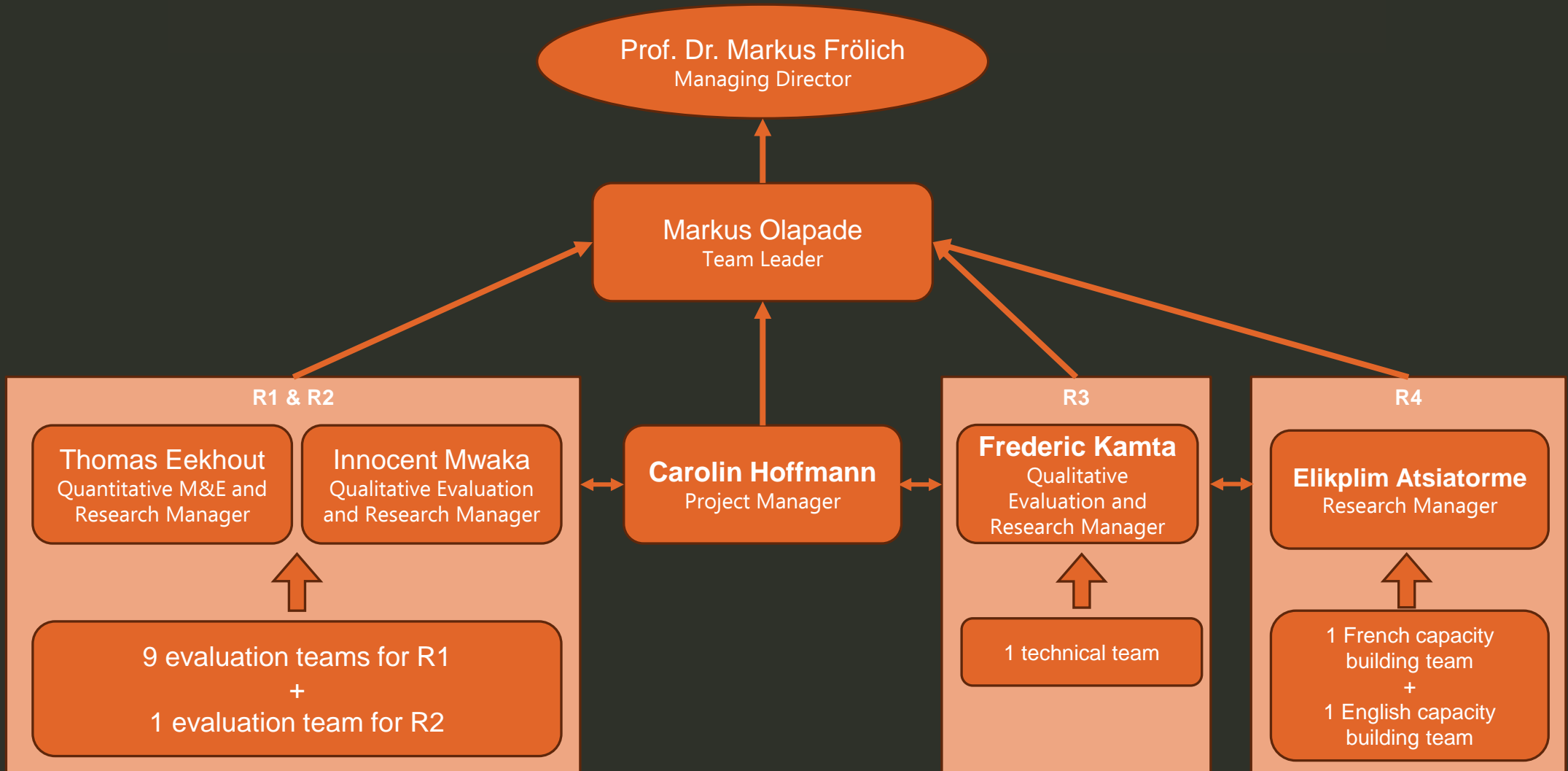




# EU evaluation team



# C4ED evaluation team





**Thank you**