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UNDP is the leading United Nations organization fighting to end the injustice of poverty, inequality, and climate change. Working with our broad network of experts and partners in 170 countries, we help nations to build integrated, lasting solutions for people and planet. UNDP's Regional Programme for Africa contributes to regional development by addressing challenges facing the continent and amplifying opportunities related to the priorities and aspirations defined by the African Union and other regional entities.

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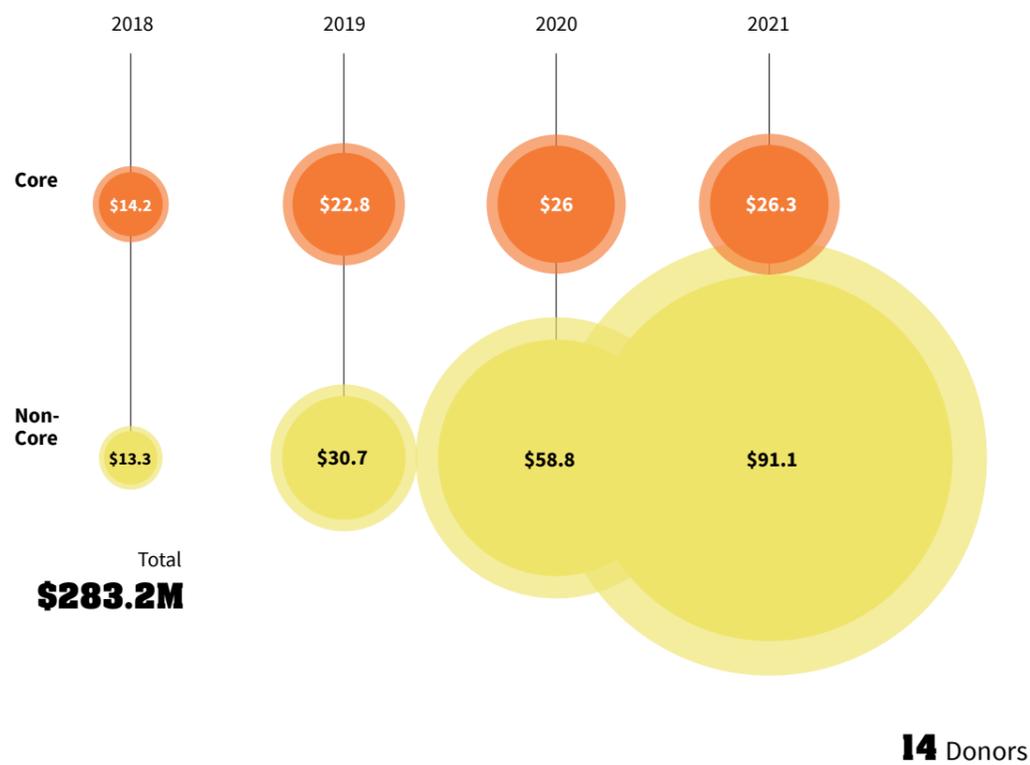
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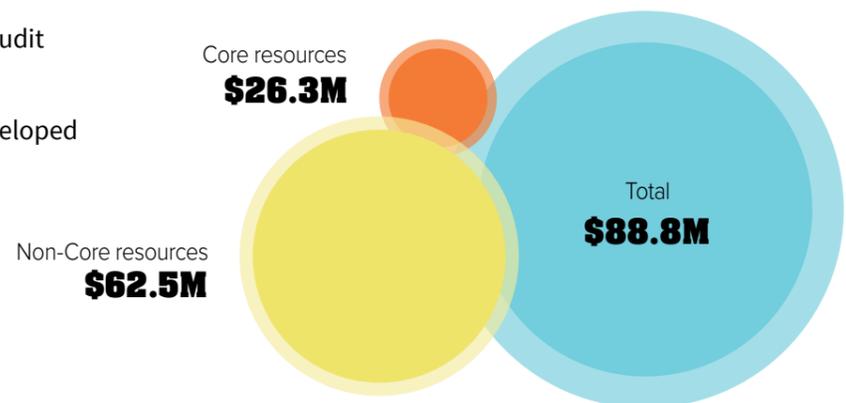
# 2021 Infographic

## Resource mobilization trend 2018-2021



## 2021 Delivery

- ✓ Successful audit
- ✓ New 4-year strategy developed



**31**  
projects and initiatives

**585,344**  
people reached since 2018

**170**  
knowledge products

**200+**  
partners

**400,000**  
people received COVID-19 education and support

**300,000**  
testing labs integrated for safe travel

**1,000**  
infrastructures rebuilt in the Lake Chad Basin



**200**  
SMEs supported

**4**  
Podcast episodes produced

**35**  
auditors certified to promote gender equality

**21**  
African Young Women Leaders graduated



# Foreword

Together, we are telling a different story about Africa than the one that is so often told.

Africa is a continent of great hope. Its steady economic growth, critical investments in infrastructure and technology, and continuing policy reforms bode well for a promising future. The continent came together during the worst of the pandemic and started to bounce back much stronger and faster than anticipated.

Regional approaches to the COVID-19 vaccine, famine, environmental protection, and trade disruptions made the difference. Meaningful regional integration is charting a more secure, safer and fairer future for all Africans, regardless of gender, creed or ethnicity.

This is why UNDP's flagship Regional Programme for Africa is so important. It promotes regional approaches to capitalize upon the continent's boundless opportunities and responds to persistent challenges such as violent conflict, weak governance institutions, persistent inequalities, and climate change.

Through this landmark programme, UNDP is able to reinforce the priorities and aspirations of Africa as articulated by the African Union and other regional entities.

The year 2021 marked the end of our 2018–2021 programming cycle. Throughout those four years, the Regional Programme worked alongside our partners, including the African Union Commission,

Regional Economic Communities, and sub-regional bodies in the Sahel, Lake Chad Basin, Southern Africa and Horn of Africa to support African countries as they made progress towards the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals.

This Regional Programme Annual Report 2021 describes the results of 31 regional initiatives and projects and shows our scope and financial standing throughout 2021. Through programmatic investments, generating knowledge, strengthening policy, building capacity, promoting dialogue and providing catalytic resources, we reached thousands of people across the continent, helping them to achieve their goals and priorities for the regions, countries and communities.

Guided by the programme's three pillars --- peace, resilience and inclusive growth --- we were able to cement UNDP's position as Africa's premier development institution of choice.

In 2021, we established the Africa Borderlands Centre, which targets and empowers marginalized populations with tailored solutions and opportunities; we rolled out the Gender Equality Seal in public and private institutions to promote accountability for gender equality and women's empowerment; and, together with partners, we extended the Regional Stabilization Facility for the Lake Chad to the Liptako-Gourma regions as a validation of UNDP's transformational approach to

stabilization. Africa's aspiration towards a single market through the implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Area was also effectively supported.

As a strategic tool of UNDP's Regional Bureau for Africa, the Regional Programme operates as an integrated continental coordination mechanism, linking regional, sub-regional and country development planning processes for greater effectiveness and results. It also capitalizes upon new opportunities for cooperation, inclusiveness and innovation.

Together with you, our partners, we are telling a different story about Africa than the one that is so often told. It is a story that Africans have known was true all along. It is a story of promise.

Thank you for your partnership over the past year, and we look forward to closer collaboration in the years ahead, to fulfil Africa's immense promise.

## Ahunna Eziakonwa

UN Assistant Secretary-General,  
Assistant Administrator and Director,  
Regional Bureau for Africa (RBA)  
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)



# Introduction

At UNDP's Regional Programme for Africa, we share in the vision of a thriving Africa where people live in peace, freedom and collective prosperity.

Our 2021 annual report captures a year of impact, growth and results, rounding off a four-year vision of adaptability and innovation.

Africans are not fragile. They are doing the hard, daily work of building peace and prosperity. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, the UNDP Regional Programme for Africa supported community groups to pool resources, resolve local disputes, preserve the environment, and protect the health and safety of even the most vulnerable. Companies and business associations are recognizing the big positive impact they can have. They are going green, and they are taking gender equality seriously.

Dedicated public servants in government, legislatures, the African Union, the Regional Economic Communities, and other institutions are continually improving the workings of government. They do the complex work of making sure schools have teachers and books, clinics are equipped, roads are smooth, and streets are safe.

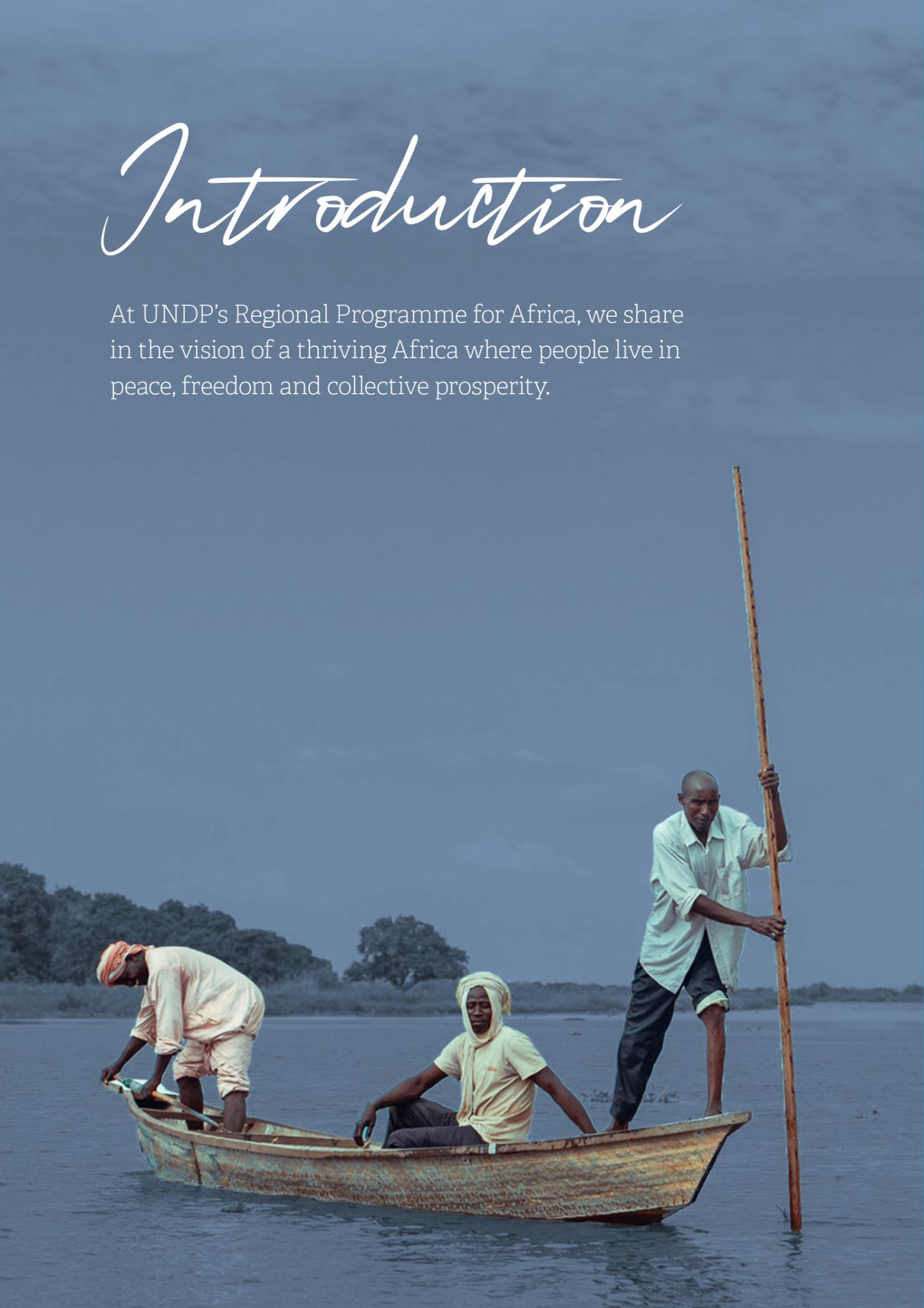
The work is hard. All countries face the growing ravages of climate change. Violence and conflict beset some societies, harming women and young people especially. Diseases break out and spread. And, despite their best work, people in some places are lacking the tools and skills they need to run a health system or protect against disasters.

These are just some of the obstacles facing the continent's 1.4 billion people. And yet they go onward, with a love of their communities, an appreciation of their histories, and a vision of a thriving Africa where people live in peace, freedom and collective prosperity.

At UNDP's Regional Programme for Africa, we share in that vision. And we join with partners who are seeking to realize it. This report outlines our:

- **Methods:** How we generate knowledge, support systems, build skills, facilitate exchange and provide resources.
- **Outcomes:** What results we achieved in the areas of resilience, peace and inclusive and sustainable growth.
- **Principles:** How we practice our principles of partnership, gender equality, risk preparedness, innovation and sustainability.

As we look back on four years of progress to go forward with confidence, you will discover how the Regional Programme for Africa serves as a centre for learning, exchange and action for partners in this work. We hope you'll join us.



# Overview of the Regional Programme

See the project specification on page 36.

UNDP Regional Bureau for Africa (RBA)  
**NEW YORK**

Based at the Regional Service Centre for Africa (RSCA) in Addis Ababa, the Regional Programme works closely with the AU, Regional Economic Communities (RECs)/Regional Mechanisms (RMs) and other regional actors and partners across the continent. Supporting the Regional Bureau for Africa in New York, we also collaborate and coordinate with UNDP sub-regional hubs in Dakar, Nairobi and Pretoria, and their thematic mandates in stabilization, resilience and financing enabling us to engage directly with society, governments and partners on joint priorities.

### Collaboration with regional institutions

- Collaboration with 21 African Union Commission offices
- 7 projects with the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)
- 5 projects with the Southern African Development Community (SADC)
- 4 projects with the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)
- 4 projects with the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)

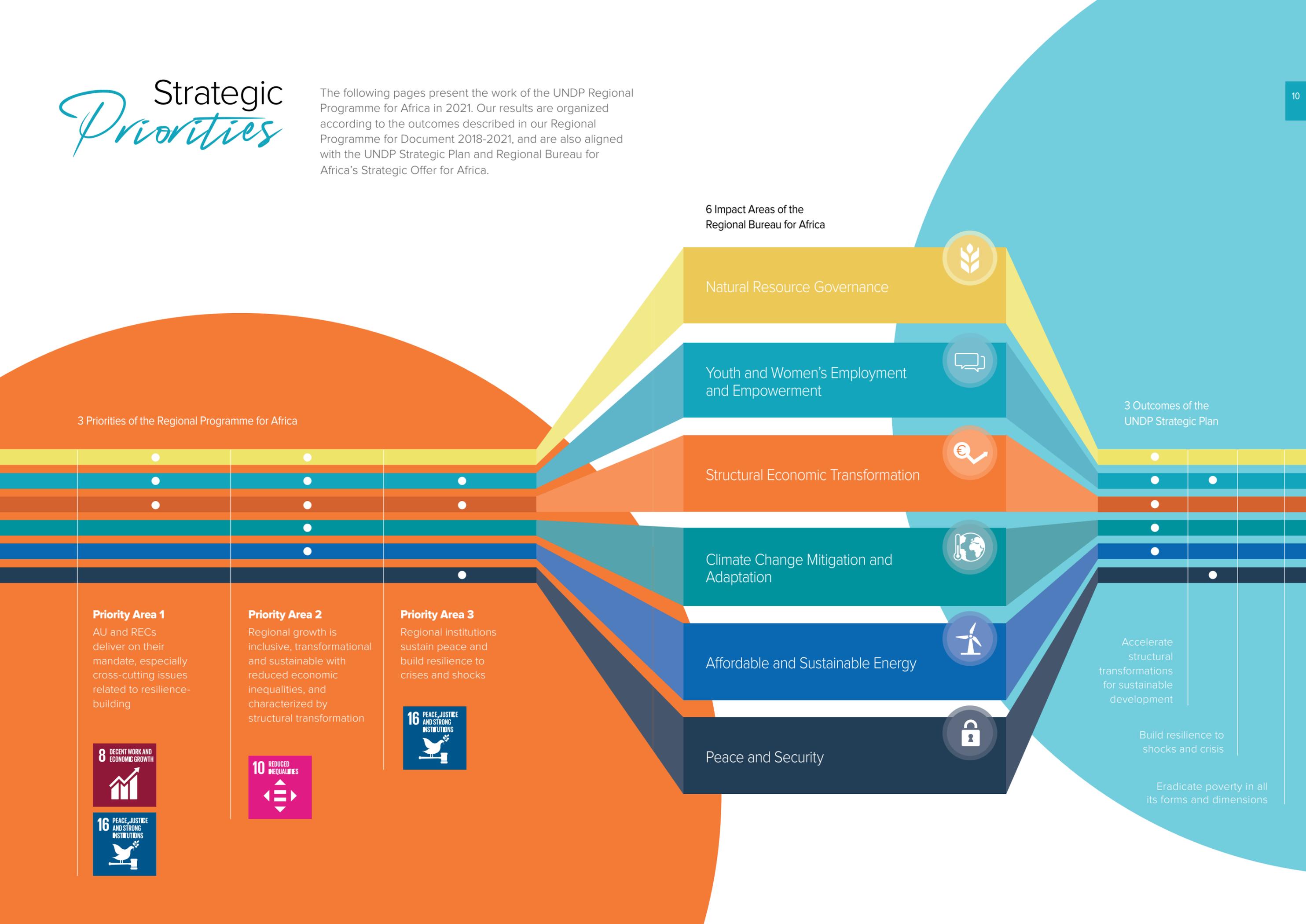
### Project implementation at the country level

- **Addis Ababa** Governance · Youth · Gender equality · Climate change · COVID-19 response · Conflict prevention · Social protection · Free trade · Inclusive transitions · Health
- **Dakar** Youth · Stabilization · Disaster risk reduction · Governance · Sahel
- **Nairobi** Borderlands · Digital transformation · Climate change · Disaster risk reduction · Resilience · Human mobility
- **Pretoria** Private sector · South-South cooperation



# Strategic Priorities

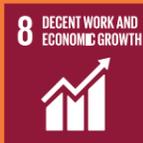
The following pages present the work of the UNDP Regional Programme for Africa in 2021. Our results are organized according to the outcomes described in our Regional Programme for Document 2018-2021, and are also aligned with the UNDP Strategic Plan and Regional Bureau for Africa's Strategic Offer for Africa.



3 Priorities of the Regional Programme for Africa

### Priority Area 1

AU and RECs deliver on their mandate, especially cross-cutting issues related to resilience-building



### Priority Area 2

Regional growth is inclusive, transformational and sustainable with reduced economic inequalities, and characterized by structural transformation



### Priority Area 3

Regional institutions sustain peace and build resilience to crises and shocks



6 Impact Areas of the Regional Bureau for Africa

Natural Resource Governance



Youth and Women's Employment and Empowerment



Structural Economic Transformation



Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation



Affordable and Sustainable Energy



Peace and Security



3 Outcomes of the UNDP Strategic Plan

Accelerate structural transformations for sustainable development

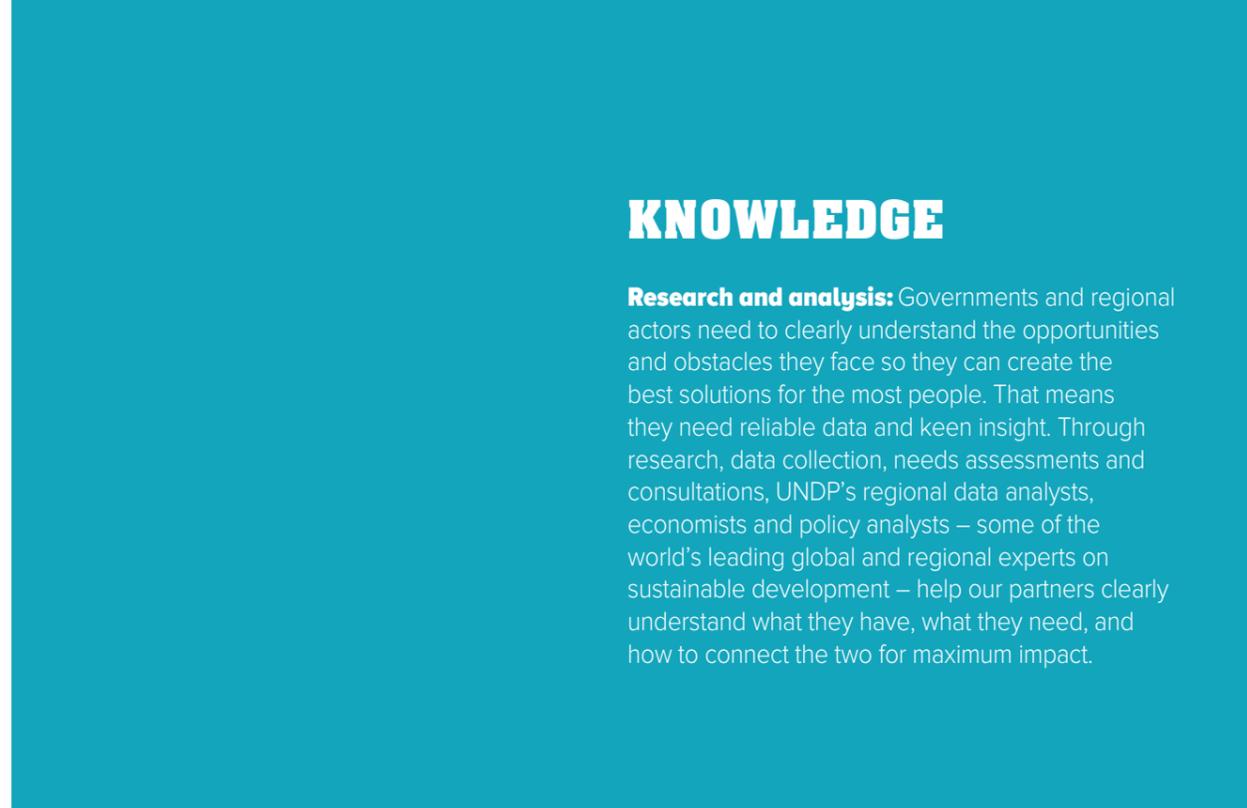
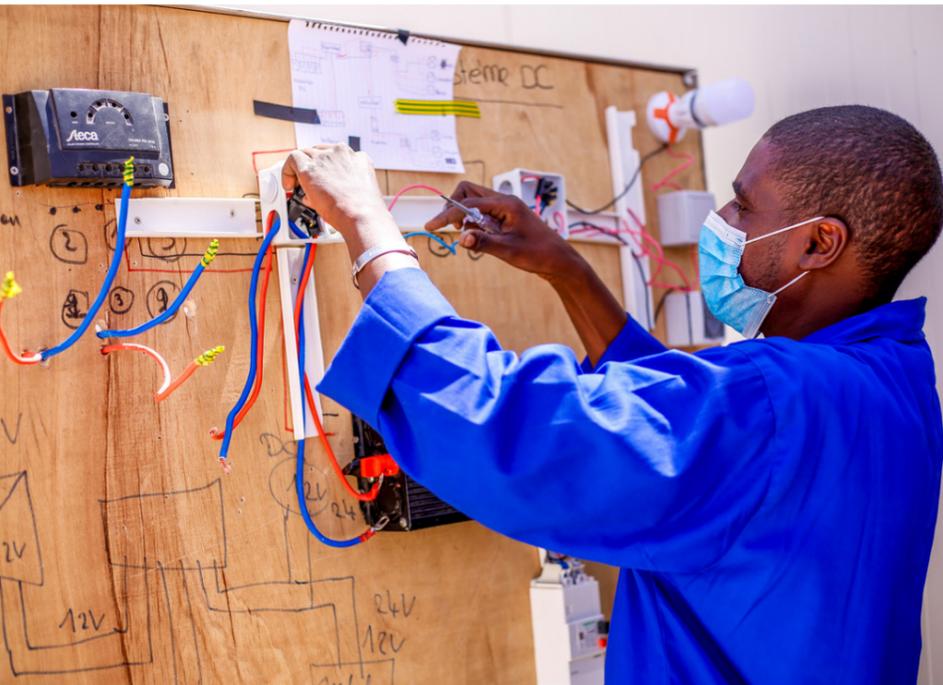
Build resilience to shocks and crisis

Eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions

# Methods

The Regional Programme works with governments, organizations and communities to build peace and prosperity in Africa. It's big, complex work that requires big, bold action at scale.

This section describes how we do what we do using five broad methods: we generate knowledge, support systems, build skills, facilitate exchange and provide resources.



## KNOWLEDGE

**Research and analysis:** Governments and regional actors need to clearly understand the opportunities and obstacles they face so they can create the best solutions for the most people. That means they need reliable data and keen insight. Through research, data collection, needs assessments and consultations, UNDP's regional data analysts, economists and policy analysts – some of the world's leading global and regional experts on sustainable development – help our partners clearly understand what they have, what they need, and how to connect the two for maximum impact.



## SKILLS

**Training:** To create policy, maintain public safety, lead a programme, start a business, secure financing for development projects, or do anything else in public service, it takes skills. The Regional people, women leaders, and others in the skills they need to drive progress for their families, their countries and their continent. Programme trains public government officials, young

## SYSTEMS

**Policy frameworks:** For any machine to run, all the parts must be in place and work together in a system. The same principle holds true for the 'machinery' of government to function in education, health, safety and beyond. The Regional Programme works with governments and institutions to help them create systems that serve the people. Those systems go by many names, whether it's "framework," "mechanism," or "strategy." By providing support to create and maintain systems, we are helping public institutions work better for all people.

## EXCHANGE

**Publications, platforms and conferences:** The Regional Programme helps create forums for African citizens, institutions and partners to share their collective wisdom. These forums take the shape of reports, toolkits, workshops, dialogues, and digital and real-life platforms. For example, we co-organized a hackathon, published reports on social protection, created pandemic action plans, produced a guidebook for small and medium-sized enterprises, and hosted conferences or supported sessions on, gender diversity, climate action and peace and security.

## RESOURCES

**Funding, equipment and jobs:** To maximize our impact, we complement our technical support with financial support, equipment, tools and jobs. For example, we rebuilt more than a thousand pieces of physical infrastructure such as roads, bridges and markets in the Lake Chad Basin region. We supplied thousands of households with agricultural equipment. We provided cash-for-work opportunities to over 5,000 women and young people. And we supported local cooperatives to produce over 100,000 affordable face masks.

# 2021 in Impact

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“Throughout Africa, people are looking inward for the innovations that will move the continent forward. We are looking ahead, to anticipate the needs of the next generations and envision a better future. And we are looking to each other, to build the communities, the countries and the continent that we all know are possible.”

Dr. Ahmed Ogwel Ouma,  
Acting Director,  
Africa Centres for Disease  
Control and Prevention (CDC)

## January

New partnership to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the African Union

## July

Advancing gender equality and women’s empowerment in Africa through the Gender Equality Seal

## February

Africa Borderlands Centre launched to empower and elevate borderland communities

## August

Extension of the Regional Stabilization Facility (RSF) for the Boko Haram-affected areas of the Lake Chad Basin region

## March

Through the Pandemic report captures Africa’s innovative continental strategy against COVID-19

## September

Report: scaling up Made-in-Africa solutions through good practices in South-South and Triangular Cooperation

## April

Maximizing opportunities for women in the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)

## October

Young people at the YouthConnekt Africa Summit call for more conducive and inclusive policies for Africa’s prosperity

## May

Trade for Peace: strengthening peacebuilding and social cohesion for cross-border communities

## November

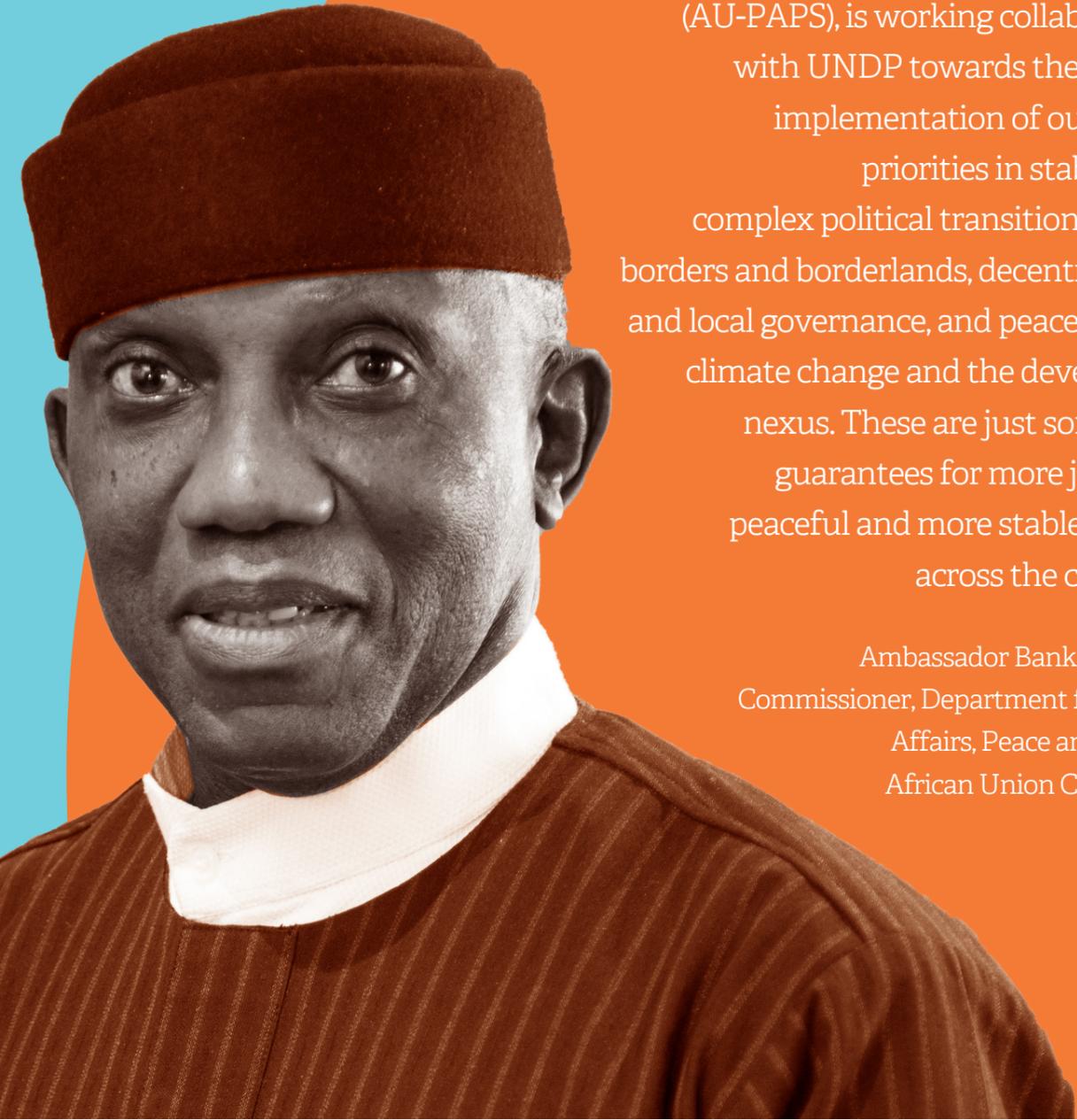
African Union podcast series connects young people with Africa’s thought leaders and influencers in the public and private sectors

## June

Launch of the Africa Leading the 4th Industrial Revolution (AL4IR) initiative to drive the responsible adoption and use of emerging technologies

## December

Understanding the AfCFTA: a guide for small and medium-sized enterprises in the ECOWAS region



“The leadership of the African Union Commission, through the Department of Political Affairs, Peace and Security Department (AU-PAPS), is working collaboratively with UNDP towards the effective implementation of our mutual priorities in stabilization, complex political transitions, Africa’s borders and borderlands, decentralization and local governance, and peace, security, climate change and the development nexus. These are just some of the guarantees for more just, more peaceful and more stable societies across the continent.

Ambassador Bankole Adeoye,  
Commissioner, Department for Political  
Affairs, Peace and Security,  
African Union Commission

# Outcome



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African Union and Regional Economic Communities deliver on their mandate, especially cross-cutting issues related to resilience-building.

### AFRICAN CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA (AfCFTA)

Multi-faceted support on fulfilling the inclusive and sustainable growth opportunities the AfCFTA presents to governments, Regional Economic Communities (RECs), and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Support to the implementation of the AfCFTA included the following: Dialogues and trainings for 200 SMEs across Africa. An Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) guide for SMEs. Support by the UNDP Economist Programme to mainstream the AfCFTA in 14 member states, such as through women’s consultations in Mauritius and Niger and a policy dialogue in the Central African Republic. AfCFTA orientation clinics for over 1,000 people in more than 20 UNDP Country Offices, many of which are developing projects to support women and youth exporters to seize opportunities in the integrated African market.

### AFRICAN UNION TREATIES AND ENTITIES

Advocacy and training for the legislature of Kenya to ratify the African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance (ACDEG). Monitoring unit in Senegal for treaties targeting human rights, especially those concerning women and children. Gap analysis of Tunisia’s legal framework on corruption. In addition, financial and technical support for transitioning the African Minerals Development Centre into an agency of the African Union Commission. Support for the African Union Commission (AUC) to prepare a COVID-19 Recovery Framework.



### DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

Strong support for disaster management capacity in countries and regions. For example, in Mauritania, a needs assessment that led to the establishment of a national emergency response system. In Senegal, support for a procedural manual and management plan for disaster management centres. Support for the establishment of two new disaster operation centres in Addis Ababa (with the AUC) and Nairobi (with IGAD), which will monitor hazards and issue early warnings for drought, flood, pests, extreme rainfall and food insecurity. This initiative is a big step towards a continental multi-hazard early warning system (MHEWS).

### SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Support from the UNDP Economist Programme for 20 countries to prepare national development plans, Voluntary National Reviews, and SDG monitoring and reporting systems. Workshop on resilience and borderlands development in the Horn of Africa, in partnership with IGAD. Support to Kenya to complete its national strategy and investment plan on REDD+ deforestation and forest management. Landmark report on nearly 40 UNDP-supported African development solutions in *Good Practices in South-South and Triangular Cooperation: Scaling up Made-in-Africa Solutions*.

### FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Broad support for governments on Integrated National Financing Frameworks (INFFs), a framework for financing national sustainable development priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals at the country level. Support included a three-day training on INFFs for 450 government officials from 49 countries, organized by the Africa Sustainable Finance Hub with partners across the UN. The training marked the start of a series of South-South peer-exchange webinars marked the start of a series of South-South peer-exchange webinars on specialized INFF topics. Further support for the INFF.org learning platform and production of videos on INFF innovations in Cabo Verde, Gabon, Nigeria and Tanzania.



We must place utmost importance on enhancing the role and participation of women in political and social spaces for sustainable peace and development. The ECOWAS Commission, together with UNDP, is working to promote gender equality and women's empowerment in the region by ensuring the effective inclusion and protection of women and girls in their countries and communities.

H.E. Finda Koroma  
Vice President, Economic Community  
of West African States (ECOWAS)

# Outcome 2

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Regional growth is inclusive and sustainable, with reduced economic inequalities and characterized by structural transformation.

## YOUTH

Technical and financial support for the YouthConnekt Africa Summit in Ghana, with 3,000 in-person delegates and 1,400 online participants representing 66 nationalities. Launch of new YouthConnekt chapters in Botswana, Chad, Eswatini, Mauritania and Niger, bringing the total number of national chapters to 25. Support for a communique by 60 young people from key populations in Angola, Madagascar, Mozambique, Zambia and Zimbabwe, demanding urgent action on HIV/AIDS.

## GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

Roll-out of the Gender Equality Seal for Public Institutions in four Regional Economic Communities/ Regional Mechanisms, namely ECCAS, ECOWAS, IGAD, and SADC. Certification of 35 new auditors for the Gender Equality Seal in the Private Sector, including some who initiated reviews of companies in Rwanda, Uganda and beyond. The Seal enables entities to track and meet gender equality goals. Inauguration of 10 women parliamentarians in the Sahel as Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Ambassadors to champion the WPS agenda at national and community levels. Training for 21 participants of the African Young Women Leaders Fellowship Programme, who then undertook year-long fellowship assignments in 20 UNDP Country Offices across Africa.



## CLIMATE ACTION AND GREEN ENERGY

Cross-cutting support on diverse aspects of climate action. Support for three delegates from the Africa Group of Negotiators to attend the COP26 climate conference in Scotland. Support for the government of Ghana to conduct a second Climate Public Expenditure and Institutional Review. Training for 44 public officials in Eswatini on climate “budget tagging” to record public expenditures on climate to meet reporting requirements and make green transition policies. Studies on renewable energy access with Djibouti, Eritrea and Somalia to support the UN’s renewable energy strategy for the Horn of Africa.

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Support for 44 sub-Saharan countries to raise the ambitions of their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). Support for governments, civil society and regional economic entities in 31 sub-Saharan countries to deliver outcomes on HIV, health and development, reaching over 400,000 people with COVID-19 education, vaccine delivery and emergency support. Publication of the *Training Manual for Resilient and Sustainable Food Value Chain Development in Africa*. Trainings on greening the food value chain for east, west and southern Africa (in partnership with Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa, or AGRA).

## COVID-19

Action to support countries and regions in the ongoing pandemic. Support for PanaBIOS, a digital platform innovated by AfroChampions integrating 300,000 labs globally and adopted by the African Union and 19 member states to promote safe travel. Support for the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) to respond to COVID-19. At the UN General Assembly, a high-level side event for African leaders on how to stimulate economies when emerging from the pandemic.



“ Many borderland regions experience challenging security issues, and we need to support initiatives that promote all the positive aspects of dynamic borderland areas in the joint strive for a peaceful and secure Africa. We are particularly looking forward to following how this partnership will enhance the involvement of women and youth.

Ulla Andrén,  
Head of Regional Development  
Cooperation, Embassy of  
Sweden in Addis Ababa

# Outcome 3

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Regional institutions sustain peace and build resilience to crises and shocks.

## LAKE CHAD BASIN

Regional stabilization programming is increasingly becoming UNDP’s corporate approach to undertaking development in crisis Support for countries across the Lake Chad Basin(LCB) region included the following: Adoption of 18 joint action plans for stabilization of target areas of Cameroon, Chad, Niger and Nigeria. Cash-for-work projects supporting 5,000 people (40% women) in Cameroon and Chad. Across LCB countries, agricultural equipment for 3,500 households and rebuilding of 1,000 pieces of infrastructure to provide basic services and livelihoods. Regional support for the establishment of the Lake Chad Basin Civil Society Organizations Network on Inclusive Reintegration, the first chapter of the Peace by Africa network. The established proof of concept in the Lake Chad led to an expansion of UNDP’s stabilization approach to the Liptako-Gourma Authority region, and in northern Mozambique.

## BORDERLANDS

270 million African citizens living in borderland communities across the continent could catalyze Africa’s development. Therefore, the Regional Programme through the Africa Borderlands Centre provided financial support, market infrastructure, and research and analysis for borderlands communities in and across Burkina Faso, Guinea Bissau, Kenya, Mali, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger and Sierra Leone. In the Mano River Union, we also provided critical resources to support communities affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

## THE SAHEL

Five policy and advocacy papers to support the United Nations Integrated Strategy for the Sahel (UNISS), including an assessment of UN investments in the region. In 2021, the Sahel Offer was also launched by RBA as UNDP’s contribution to the implementation of UNISS in the areas of governance, climate and youth.

## PREVENTING AND RESPONDING TO VIOLENT EXTREMISM (PVE)

UNDP’s Regional PVE Project takes a development approach. Through this project, we help prevent violent extremism, reduce recruitment and support the rehabilitation and reintegration of former members of violent extremist groups. Participation of women in these projects in 2021 was typically 25% or more and is becoming more gender-equal over time. Examples of PVE work include the following: In Chad, training and security equipment for 10 local community safety committees to resolve conflicts and act as early-warning bodies. In Kenya, training for counsellors, mentors and others on re-integrating former combatants, in partnership with the National Counterterrorism Centre. In Morocco, training for penitentiary administration officials on PVE in prison. In Sudan, PVE support for staff of national counterterrorism commission. In Tanzania, training for nearly 600 police officers on community policing, conflict, radicalization and violent extremism.

## CLIMATE SECURITY

Mapping of women and youth livelihoods groups in Kenya, to identify participants for a livelihoods project addressing water stress and scarcity, in partnership with the National Drought Management Authority. Financial and technical support for youth and women’s participation in the seventh Devolution Conference in Kenya, to show their innovations on climate action.

## GOVERNMENT TRANSITIONS

Missions by teams of experts to support inclusive development in countries undergoing government transitions, including Chad, Tanzania and The Gambia. Launch of a flagship research project to examine the drivers and processes shaping political transition across 10 country settings. The forthcoming AU-UNDP Africa Facility to Support Inclusive Transitions (AFSIT), in partnership with REC/RMs, the UN system and other key regional and national stakeholders, will support countries going through or at risk of Unconstitutional Changes of Government to peacefully navigate pathways to more stable democratic development, with a specific focus on ensuring the inclusion of women, young people and other marginalized groups.



# Principles in *Practice*

**PARTNERSHIP IS POWERFUL**

**EQUAL IS BETTER**

**ALWAYS INNOVATING**

**LASTING RESULTS**

**READY FOR ANYTHING**

At the Regional Programme for Africa, we want to have a big impact, and we want it to last. To deliver results, we put our most cherished principles into practice every day. Among our greatest principles are partnership, gender equality, risk readiness, digitalization, innovation and sustainability.



### EQUAL IS BETTER

In Africa and around the world, women and girls face discrimination, prejudice, violence and exploitation. This harms women and girls most directly, of course, but it also deprives men and boys of the fruits of a gender-equal society. Gender equality and women’s empowerment is a top priority for the Regional Programme. Here is what we’re doing:

- Maintaining a gender balance at all levels of UNDP staff.
- Ensuring women’s participation at all levels of every project.
- Conducting projects that focus explicitly on women and gender equality.
- Having gender experts consult on project design and implementation.
- Gathering project data disaggregated by sex to find the best ways to ensure equality.
- Applying a gender lens in all our research, analysis and recommendations.
- Supporting countries to ratify the AU’s Maputo Protocol on the Rights of Women in Africa.
- Sharing our findings on gender equality.

The more that women and girls are involved in efforts for peace, health, security, jobs and every other area of development, the better those efforts are. At UNDP, we are committed to fostering gender equality.



### READY FOR ANYTHING

The pandemic gave still more evidence of the ever-changing nature of the world. At all levels of UNDP, we do extensive risk analysis and planning. That way, we are always ready to deliver, come what may.

When pandemic restrictions were imposed, we rapidly shifted our work online. As COVID-19 continued on its deadly path, we redirected funds to respond to the crisis and support long-term development.

We always prepare for security threats, train project partners on safety measures, and stand ready to monitor human rights. Still, the work we do has its risks. We anticipate as many of those risks as we can, and we strive to be adaptable and respond effectively to those we can’t.



### LASTING RESULTS

The Regional Programme takes on the toughest challenges in Africa. The best way we know of to make our impact sustainable is to build it into the lives of the countries where we work. That means helping to create better policies, upgrade government systems, and build institutional capacities.

You will see this approach in all our partnerships. It’s why we work with countries to ratify African Union treaties, help governments create climate budgeting systems, or partner with Regional Economic Communities to advance gender equality in the private sector.

In all this work, we are supporting communities today, even as we help build systems that will support people for many years to come.



### ALWAYS INNOVATING

At UNDP, innovation is not a one-time proposition. It’s an ongoing opportunity to find new ways of delivering results.

Sometimes the innovation is technological. For example, the Regional Programme launched a flagship initiative on Africans Leading the Fourth Industrial Revolution through the UNDP Resilience Hub based in Nairobi, Kenya. We supported digital solutions proposed by young entrepreneurs, and we launched the Sahel Conversation on SparkBlue, UNDP’s online community engagement platform.

Other times innovation is a fresh solution to a pressing challenge. Drawing on ideas from indigenous communities, the Africa Borderlands Centre worked with Country Offices and Accelerator Labs to promote informal cross-border trade.

Whether it’s in community dialogues, online platforms, or innovation challenges, we are always looking to identify and support the most promising innovations. UNDP’s Digital Strategy will continue to guide the Regional Programme in enabling countries to build inclusive, ethical and sustainable digital societies.



### PARTNERSHIP IS POWERFUL

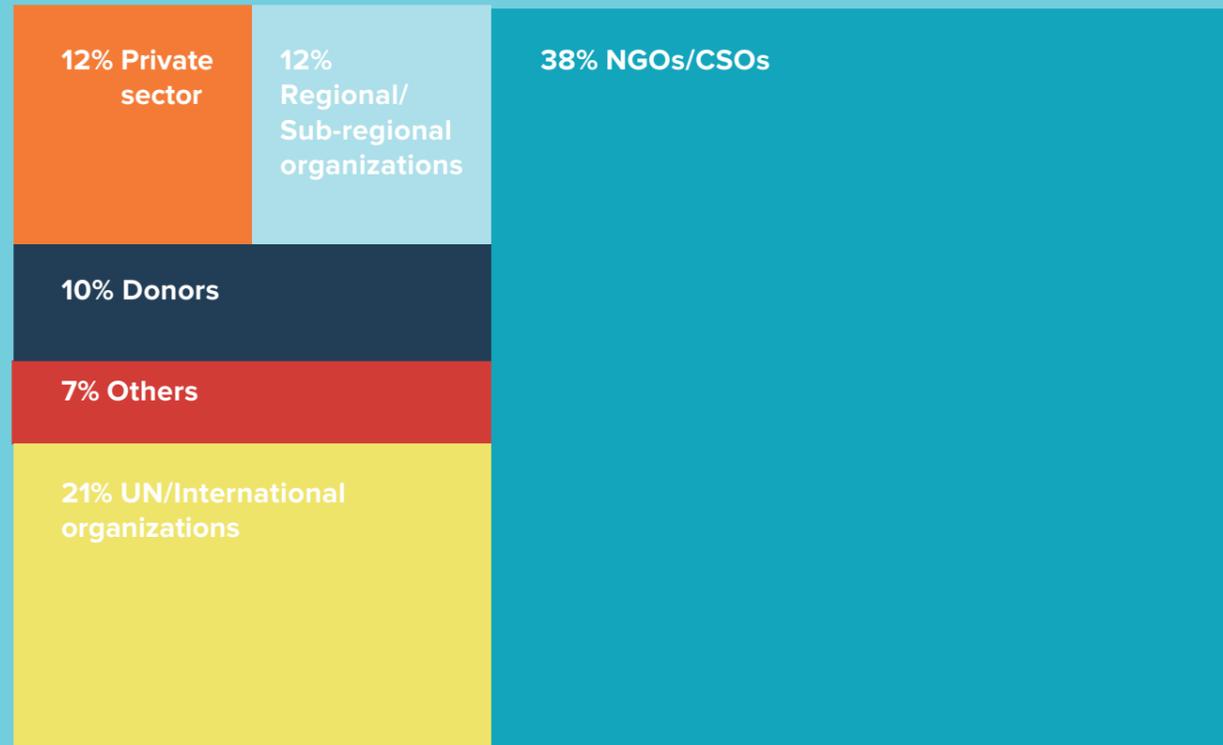
The challenges facing Africa are great. But people in partnership are greater. In everything we do, the Regional Programme for Africa fosters collaboration with governments, civil society, the private sector and other UN agencies.

To make these partnerships the most effective they can be, we use all our resources. We create online platforms, organize public forums and provide operations support from our Country Offices, our Regional Hubs in Dakar, Nairobi and Pretoria, and our Regional Service Centre in Addis Ababa.

In these and in the thousands of smaller exchanges that we take part in every day, we are always looking for ways to connect people to support peace and prosperity in Africa.

# Our Partnerships

Among our central partners are the African Union and the Regional Economic Communities. In 2021, we also partnered with dozens of entities in all sectors, and across UNDP teams and projects in all areas, such as gender, climate and health.



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Initiatives for Media Development  
Local Development Research Institute  
NASA  
Open Governance Partnership  
Orion AI & NWiMLDS  
The International Network of Financial Centers for Sustainability  
World Economic Forum - WEF  
World Wide Web Foundation

## Private sector

4RSA, South Africa  
AeTrade  
Africa Investor  
African Technology and Creative Group  
African Tourism and Film Association  
Busara Center  
Center for Behavioral Change and Communication  
Center for the 4th Industrial Revolution, Rwanda  
Ecobank  
Elton Oil Company  
Equality Now  
Equity Bank  
Ezone Electronics  
Facebook  
Global Négoces  
Google  
Groupement inter professionnel des Entrepreneurs du Cameroun  
Insurance and Risk Financing Facility  
MFS Africa  
Microsoft  
Planete Tours  
Relax Voyages  
Satguru Travel  
Sonatel/Orange Group  
UBA  
Uber

## Regional/Sub-regional Organizations

African Union Commission  
Adaptation of African Agriculture Programme  
AFREXIM Bank  
African Development Bank  
African Risk Capacity Agency  
AGRHYMET  
Alliance Sahel  
Collaborative African Budget Reform Initiative  
COMESA  
EAC  
ECCAS  
ECOWAS  
G5 Sahel  
Great Green Wall Initiative  
Green Revolution in Africa  
IGAD  
IMF  
International Conference on the Great Lakes Region  
International Institution for Environment and Development  
Lake Chad Basin Commission/Multinational Joint Task Force  
Liptako Gourma Authority  
Manu River Union  
Organisation of African Caribbean and Pacific States  
SADC  
West African Economic and Monetary Union

## UN/International organizations

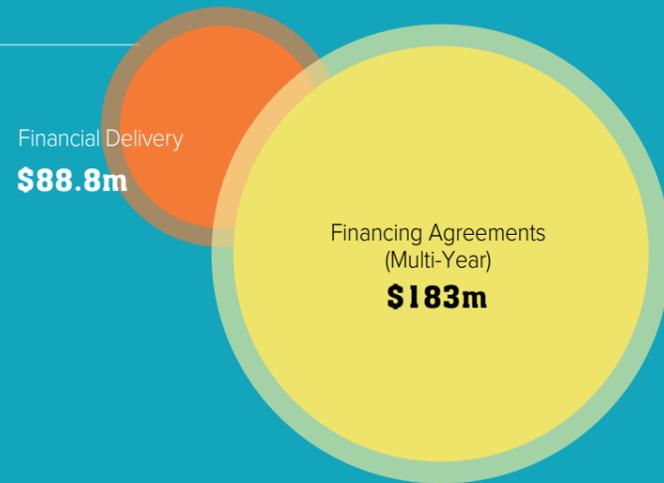
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IFAD  
ILO  
International Trade Centre  
IOM  
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OECD  
Office of the Special Envoy for:  
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b) the Great Lakes  
c) Sahel  
OHCHR  
Peacebuilding Fund  
SEforALL  
UNAIDS  
UNCCT  
UNCDF  
UNCTD  
UNCTED  
UNDESA  
UNDPO  
UNDRR  
UNECA  
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UNOPS  
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UN University  
UN WOMEN  
UN-Habitat  
WFP  
WHO  
World Bank

## NGOs/CSOs

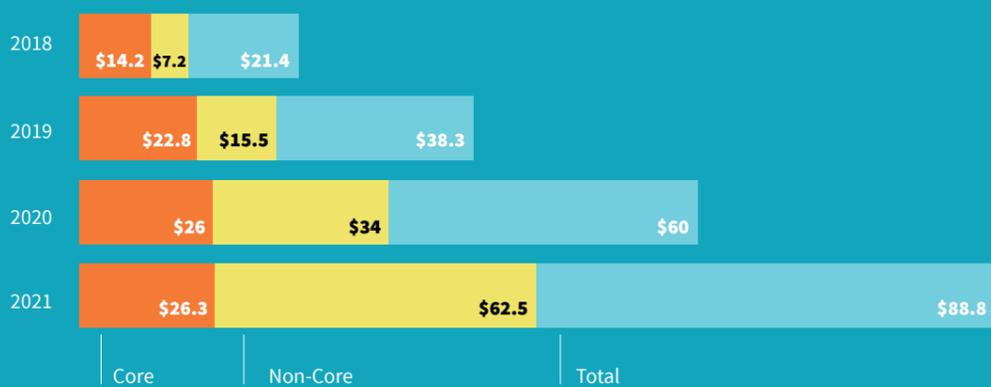
ABORNE  
African Capacity Building Foundation  
Accountability International  
Africa Council for Religious Leaders  
Africa Diaspora Network  
Africa Women Leadership Network  
African Institute of Remittances  
African Tax Administration Forum  
Afrochampions  
AfronomicsLaw  
Allamin Foundation for Peace and Development, - Nigeria  
ATAF Women in Tax Network  
Care for Basotho  
CEDEP  
CIVICUS  
Civil Society Budget Action Group  
CMI  
Coast Education Center - Kenya  
Committee of fiscal studies at University of Nairobi  
Elman Peace  
FEMNET  
German Institute for Global and Area Studies  
GIN-SOGIE  
GIZ  
Global Peace Foundation (Tanzania)  
Historically black colleges and universities  
Human Rights Observatory in Far North of Cameroon  
ICAN  
iDOVE  
IMMAP  
Impact Initiatives  
INFOTRAK  
Institute for Security Studies  
LCB CSOs Network on Inclusive Reintegration  
Legal and Human Rights Centre (Tanzania)  
LENEPWHA  
LPI  
LPPA  
MATRIX  
Medica Liberia  
NANHRI  
National Women Coalitions  
National Youth Council Senegal  
National YouthConnekt Chapter: Cameroon, Chad, Guinea, Cameroon, The Gambia, Senegal, Mali, Niger and Mauritania  
NETHIPS  
Network of African Women in Conflict Prevention and Mediation  
Network of Peace and Security for Women in the ECOWAS Region  
NORCAP  
NRC  
Pan Africa ILGA  
Pan African Chamber of Commerce and Industry  
Pan African Federation of Accountants  
Phelisanang Bophelong  
Positive Vibes  
Radio Ndarason Internationale/Okapi Consulting  
Rift Valley Institute  
Root & Transition  
SEND  
Southern African Research and Documentation Centre  
Tanzania Center for Democracy  
The African Population and Health Research Center  
The Commons Project Foundation  
Tony Elumelu Foundation  
TRANSFormar  
Uganda Key Population Consortium  
WANEP  
WIEGO  
Women in Law in Southern Africa  
Young Ancestors Foundation  
Youth Connekt Africa Hub

# Financial reporting

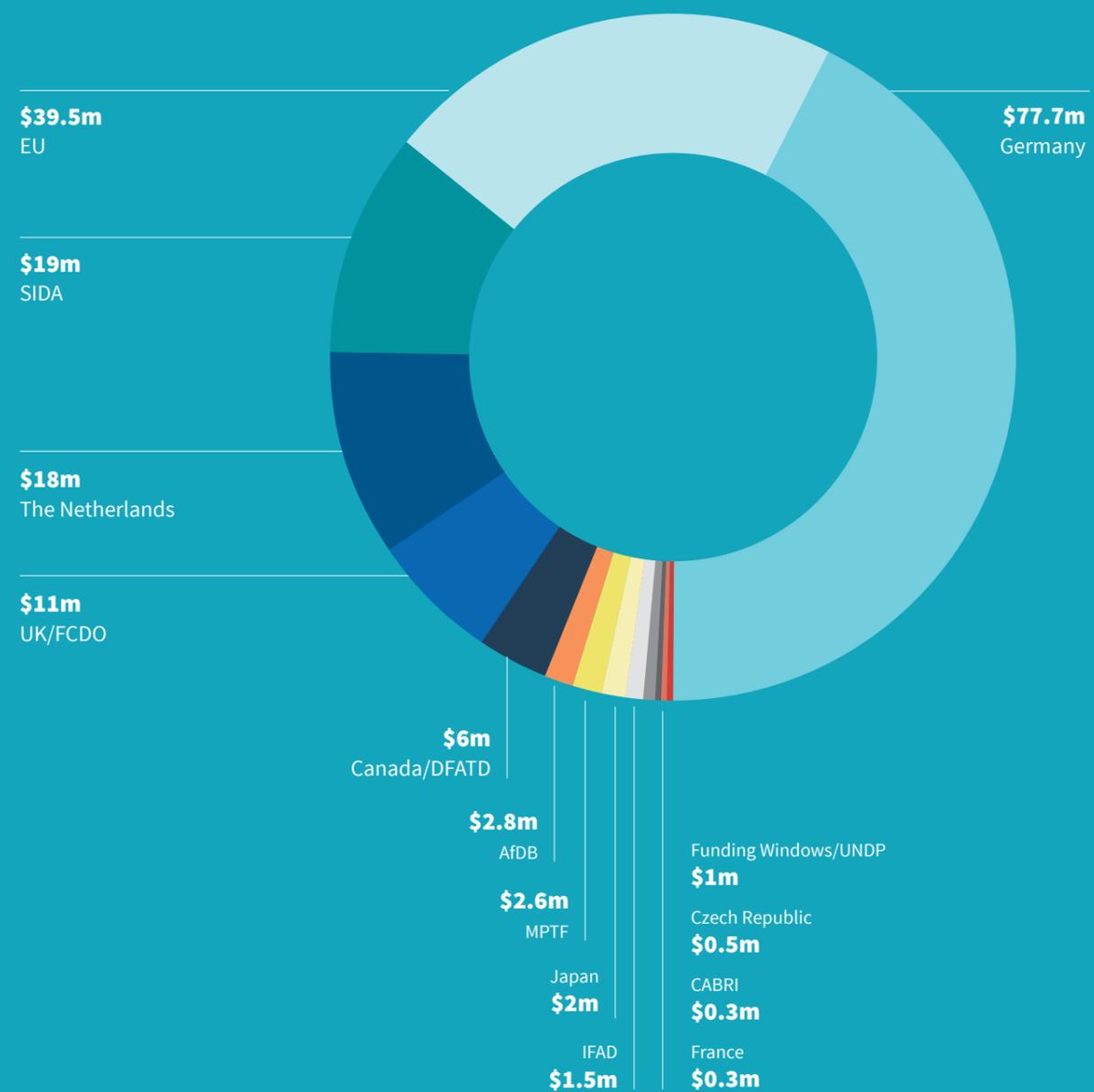
Overall delivery



Delivery Trend 2018-2021 (\$million)



Non-Core Financing Donors



## Overview - 2021

	TRAC/Core	Non-Core	Total
Opening Balance	-	46.766.967	46.766.967
Income Received	26.316.310	91.127.987	117.444.297
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>26.316.310</b>	<b>137.894.953</b>	<b>164.211.264</b>
Total Budgets	26.316.310	77.642.121	103.958.431
Utilization/Delivery	26.316.310	62.504.240	88.820.551
Closing Resource Balance	-	75.390.713	75.390.713
Delivery Budgets %	100%	81%	85%

## Non-Core/ Cost Sharing - Active Agreements Value -Status as of 31 Dec 2021

Donor	Total Amount	Project	Opening Balance	Received in 2021	"Future Milestones"	Total
Germany	77.751.539	Lake Chad Stabilization Facility	20.419.402	40.195.417	-	60.614.819
		LGA Stablization Facility	5.875.441	11.261.279	-	17.136.720
EU	39.523.851	Lake Chad Stabilization Facility	1.243.664	2.313.357	-	3.557.021
		LGA Stabilization Facility	-	9.058.596	4.853.004	13.911.600
		SECCCI	2.810.850	-	-	2.810.850
		Informal Enterprises in ACP	-	3.615.007	15.629.373	19.244.380
SIDA	19.083.870	Regional PVE	1.079.024	1.215.510	-	2.294.534
		AU Treaties	661.299	879.314	2.831.691	4.372.304
		Lake Chad Stabilization Facility	5.974.716	-	-	5.974.716
		Africa Boarderlands	-	570.321	-	570.321
		DRR/Resilience in the Sahel	1.697.114	2.571.896	1.602.985	5.871.995
Netherlands	18.034.512	Lake Chad Stabilization Facility	1.351.204	3.658.537	-	5.009.740
		LGA Stabilization Facility	-	3.378.378	8.089.512	11.467.890
		Regional PVE	63.452	1.493.429	-	1.556.881
UK/FCDO	11.091.047	Lake Chad Stabilization Facility	1.631.286	2.757.348	6.702.413	11.091.047
Canada DFATD	6.112.292	Regional Gender Project	2.701.076	1.918.630	1.492.586	6.112.292
AfDB	2.857.200	Lake Chad Stabilization Facility	-	1.634.318	1.222.882	2.857.200
MPTF	2.631.856	Regional Gender Project - the Spotlight	409.842	353.914	1.270.565	2.034.321
		GLR Cross Border Fund	247.423	337.170	12.942	597.535
Japan	1.980.457	Africa Borderlands Center-Trade for Peace -the Sahel	-	1.980.457	-	1.980.457
IFAD	1.479.982	GEF Integrated Approach Programme (IAP) for Food Security	1.708	697.432	780.843	1.479.982
Funding Windows-UNDP	1.000.000	Supporting Inclusive Transitions Facility	-	1.000.000	-	1.000.000
Czech Republic	470.452	Regional PVE	-	237.677	232.775	470.452
CABRI	305.694	Climate Finance Governance Project	305.694	-	-	305.694
France	293.772	Lake Chad Stabilization Facility	293.772	-	-	293.772
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>46.766.967</b>	<b>91.127.987</b>	<b>44.721.569</b>	<b>182.616.523</b>

## Delivery per Regional Project/Initiative

#	Project	"Core Utilization"	"Non-Core Utilization"	Total
1	Accelerating the Ratification and Domestication of African Union Treaties	484.435	701.115	1.185.550
2	Preventing Violent Extremism (PVE) in Africa: A Development Approach	586.276	3.370.890	3.957.165
3	Support for Effective Cooperation and Coordination of Cross-border Initiatives in Southwest Ethiopia-Northwest Kenya, Marsabit-Borana & Dawa, and Kenya-Somalia-Ethiopia	103.079	2.172.704	2.275.783
4	Lake Chad Basin Regional Stabilization Facility	1.462.397	46.660.177	48.122.574
5	Liptako Gourma Regional Stabilization Facility	317.018	1.217.741	1.534.759
6	African Mining Governance Project	248.313	-	248.313
7	Private Sector - Global Environment Facility (GEF) Integrated Approach Programme (IAP) on Food Security	176.424	612.392	788.816
8	Transforming the development cooperation landscape in Africa to implement the SDGs through South-South Cooperation	105.258	-	105.258
9	Upscaling the Regional Youth Programme for Africa (incl YouthConnekt)	3.043.627	-	3.043.627
10	Social Protection for Sustainable Development in Africa (SP4SD Africa)	214.936	-	214.936
11	Strengthening Africa's resilience and capacities for adaptation and disaster risk reduction	341.767	2.215.206	2.556.973
12	Strengthening Climate Finance Governance in Africa	99.478	197.689	297.167
13	Advancing Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Africa	362.335	2.294.114	2.656.449
14	Africa Borderlands Center	3.926.191	1.268.793	5.194.984
15	African Young Women Leaders Fellowship Programme	218.928	-	218.928
16	Regional SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) Project	1.019.176	-	1.019.176
17	Support to the Sahel Programme (Youth and Governance)	629.006	-	629.006
18	Conflict prevention and early response in Africa	786.375	-	786.375
19	Digital Transformation (AL4IR)	486.925	-	486.925
20	African Continental Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	475.683	-	475.683
21	Regional RBA COVID-19 Response	232.647	589.428	822.075
22	Supporting Inclusive Transition in Africa	1.443.268	905.300	2.348.568
23	Africa Governance Platform	284.468	100.791	385.260
24	Human Mobility/Migration	218.555	-	218.555
25	Lake Victoria Initiative	163.880	-	163.880
26	UNDP partnership with SESG-GL, ICGLR and coordination of GLRSF	104.810	197.899	302.710
27	Scale Up RBA Strategic Offer for Africa -Country Support Projects	1.025.219	-	1.025.219
28	Regional Energy Innovations	79.916	-	79.916
29	UNICEF-UNDP Flagships	35.418	-	35.418
30	African Influencers for Development	223.604	-	223.604
31	Stabilization Academy	89.662	-	89.662
32	Regional Project to Support Oversight of the Regional Programme for Africa	2.388.841	-	2.388.841
33	Senior Economist Programme	3.510.234	-	3.510.234
34	RBA (HQ, Addis, Dakar) Salaries and HQ common services	1.428.163	-	1.428.163
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>26.316.310</b>	<b>62.504.240</b>	<b>88.820.551</b>

Initiatives

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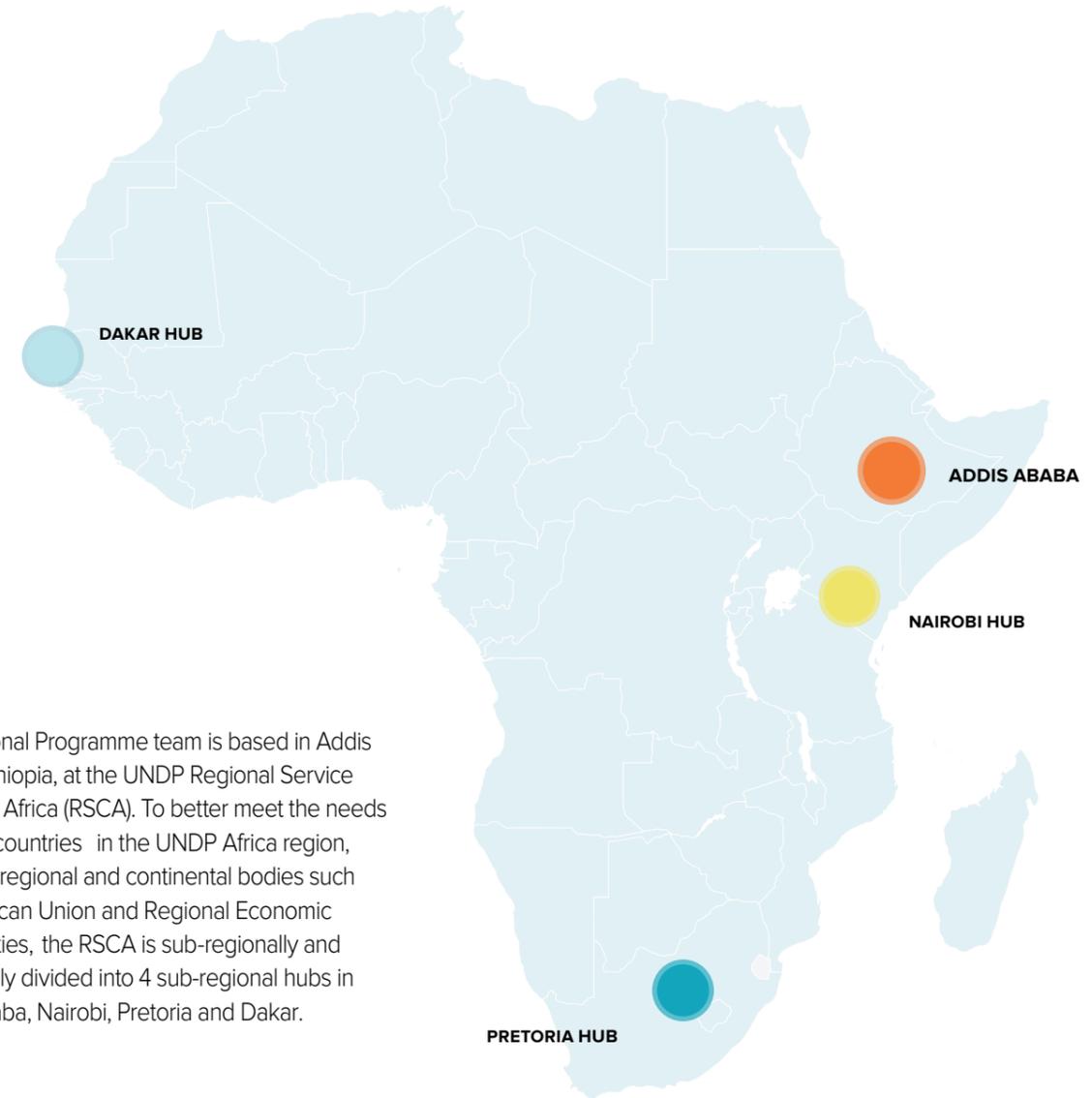
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### Location of Technical, Programme and Policy Teams

- Directorate (Communications, Partnerships, Innovation)
- Results-Based Monitoring, Monitoring and Evaluation
- Operations
- Regional Programme for Africa
- Inclusive Growth
- Gender and Women's Empowerment
- HIV, Health and Development
- Nature, Climate and Energy
- Governance and Peacebuilding
- Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience
- Africa Borderlands Centre
- Sub-Regional Hub for West and Central Africa
- Resilience Hub for Africa
- Africa Sustainable Finance Hub
- Country Support Teams



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