# Capacity Building Project for the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Peace Support Training Institute (FDRE-PSTI)



**FACTSHEET** 

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KEY PARTNERS: Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia-Ministry of National Defense FDRE-Peace Support Training Institute (FDRE-PSTI, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, IPSS, AU, ISS, ACCORD, IPSTC, ACPST

# **Objectives**

The overall objective of the project is to enhance the technical skills and knowledge of local and international peacekeeping practitioners.

As a result of this project, the Institute is expected to enhance the capacity of Ethiopia and more broadly the Africa region to develop the necessary skills & abilities required in all PKOs; and improve the quality/quantity of Ethiopia's peacekeepers' participation/contribution to the UN, AU and to the African Standby Forces (ASF).

# **Project Outputs**

Output 1: Strengthened Enabling Environment for PSTI to fulfil its mandate

Output 2: Enhanced human capacity through provision of various local/international training

### **Contribution to SDGs**

The project will contribute to SDG 16.









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## **Development Challenges**

The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Peace Support Training Institute (FDRE-PSTI) was established by the Ethiopian Ministry of National Defense in 2010. The Institute, established as part of Ethiopia's commendable and leading contributions to regional security and stability, helps to build and share Ethiopia's long years of experiences and good practices in PSO with other states in East Africa. It also enhances the regional standby capacity of military, police, and civilian experts for Peacekeeping missions. Ethiopia is one of the top contributing countries to the United Nations with more than 8,300 peacekeepers on the ground.

There is a need for African nations to increase their role in peacekeeping as it is indispensable to maintain peace and security and to realize sustainable development in the region. With the rise of terrorism and violent extremism on the continent, the African peacekeeping efforts and operations need to adapt to new and evolving threats. According to IGAD's recent report, terrorist organizations like Al-Shabaab, have already become a threat to peace and stability in the Horn of Africa.