

Strengthening the Capacities of the Rwanda Peace Academy

FACTSHEET



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BUDGET: Japan (US\$296,000), UNDP (US\$30,000)

KEY PARTNERS: Ministry of Defense and the Rwanda Peace Academy (RPA)

Objectives

The overall objective of the project is to strengthen the capacities of the RPA to become a center of excellence in peace keeping training within the region by among other others improving its training, research and financial sustainability capacities.

As a result of this project, the training and research and financial capacities of the RPA to provide high quality training in peace building as well as in conflict prevention and management will be strengthened.

Project Outputs

Output 1: Capacities of regional and national actors in peace support operations enhanced

Output 2: RPA's research and resource mobilizations capacities enhanced

Contribution to SDGs

The project will contribute to SDGs 5, and 16.

5 GENDER EQUALITY



16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS



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Development Challenges

The Rwanda Peace Academy (RPA) is a regional peacekeeping training and research institution. The establishment of the RPA was informed by the need to deliver training that focuses on practical elements of peacekeeping and peacebuilding and that uses real world situations and scenarios drawn from current peace support operations. More importantly, it was also informed by Rwanda's active and significant contribution to regional and international peacekeeping. Rwanda is the second largest African Troop and Police Contributing Country to the UN peacekeeping operations and the 4th largest globally. The RPA equips the military, police and civilian personnel mainly from the Eastern Africa Standby Force (EASF)¹ region with the competences and knowledge required to meet Africa's present and future complex peace and security challenges. In so doing, the RPA contributes to the full operationalization of the EASF and consequently, the African Standby Force (ASF). In particular, the Academy contributes to the enhancement of national, sub regional and regional capacity for conflict prevention, management, resolution and peace building. The RPA is the only peacekeeping training centre in Rwanda that trains the military, police and civilians.