

# ENABEL

Support to Skilling Uganda (SSU) &  
Support Program for Refugee Settlement - Northern Uganda (SPRS-NU)

# SSU approach

## **Belgian Government**

16m EUR

Sept 2015-Sept 2020

**Target Area:** Western Uganda:  
Kabarole, Hoima, Masindi and  
Kasese

## **Irish Government**

6m EUR

Aug 2016-Nov 2020

**Target Area:** Karamoja region

## **European Union Trust Fund**

4.9m EUR

July 2016-June2020

**Target Area:** A Northern Uganda  
(including Adjumani, Yumbe, Arua)  
and Kiryandongo

## **Overall Objective**

*The **employability** of youth is increased through better quality of instruction and learning in **Skills Development***

## **Specific Objective**

*The **quality of skills development** is enhanced and responsive to labour market needs, **in Western Uganda, Karamoja & Northern Uganda** in line with the **Skilling Uganda reforms***



# SSU approach

- *5-year project jointly implemented by Enabel and MoES & stakeholders*
- *Support the implementation of the 10-year BTVET strategic plan “Skilling Uganda”*
- *Making the BTVET paradigm shift a reality on the ground*

## 3 different levels:

- National/Policy* Contribute to a systematic change towards the formation 1-stop-shop for Skills Development
- Funding instrument* Develop and support mechanisms for pooled funding and diversification of financing for BTVET skills development
- Pilot & practice* Empowering the public and private partnerships to implement modern, relevant, demand driven, flexible and qualitative skills development provision at the level of 5 +2 BTVET institutions



# Nexus Guiding Principles

- **Mainstreaming** of skills development for refugees and host communities in the national BTVET strategy (**Skilling Uganda**)
- Increase the **absorption capacity** of existing institutional service to adapt and absorb specific caseload of refugees
- Innovate, **adapt** curricula, ensure quality & flexible training modalities
- Augmented results for beneficiaries through **coordination** and enhanced division of labour



# Training 4 sustainable growth

*'refugees', 'idle youth', 'massive influx', ...*

burden => opportunity

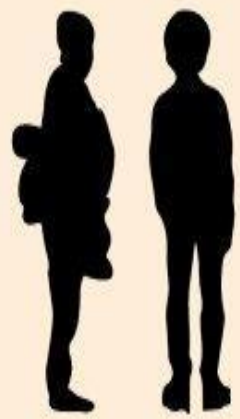
- Training as catalyst in greater local economic development (LED) service economy; relevance country of origin; refugee & host community local markets
- Green skills for the green economy
- Livelihoods & IGA





# 1. SDF mechanism

## What is the goal of the Skills Development Fund?



Unskilled youth cannot generate an income or find employment.



Current situation



Youth receive relevant skills training through joint ventures with support from the Skills Development Fund.



Solution



Youth get skills that are needed on the market.



Skills boost



Youth, including girls and women, find jobs easier, earn money and improve their livelihoods.



Market access



## 2. Instant Skills Training (Voucher Scheme)


**1** ANALYSIS



Livelihood actors gather training needs of refugee and host community youth and women

BTC identifies training operators that provide quality and certified training of 10-100 hours

**2** SELECTION



● BTC runs a voucher scheme for instant skills trainings

● NGOs apply for training vouchers for the refugee and host community youth and women they support in livelihood and income generating activities

**3** TRAINING



● Refugees/host community redeem the voucher to the selected training institute

● Training takes place

● Beneficiaries receive comprehensive support (food, transport) & a performance certificate

**4** START UP



● NGO's provide support for micro and small business creation and job search

Redeem voucher for:

- Matching skills development with ongoing livelihood activities
- Green skills for the green economy such as sustainable construction of homes (eco-friendly brickmaking), energy efficient cooking instruments, solar energy, etc.
- Specialized skills required by operators in support of “emerging local economy” e.g. “refugee settlement economy” in Northern Uganda



# Thank You

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