Theme 1
Investing in national services to support host communities and the inclusion of refugees
Best Practices

1.1. Integration of refugees within the national education system

- Towards favourable **legal** environments
- Attempts of **curriculum adaptation**
- **Costed education response plans**
- Gradual inclusion of refugee education **data** into national systems
- **Coordination** structures at all levels and inclusion into national **planning**
- Harmonisation of employment and training of refugee **teachers**
Challenges and lessons learned

1.1. Integration of refugees within the national education system

- High drop out rates
- Language barrier
- Recognition of qualification and certification
- Infrastructure (classrooms, furniture, instructional materials etc)
- Multi-year, predictable and sustainable funding
- Skill recognition
- Coordination
- Children with special needs

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Opportunities

1.1. Integration of refugees within the national education system

- Full integration
- Costed plans with adequate funding
- Coordination structures (national-local-donor community)
- Skill recognition
- Regional system for recognition of qualification and certification
- Increased development funding
- Global Refugee Forum – opportunity for more responsibility-sharing
Best Practices

1.2 Access to civil documentation

• Permissive legal framework for refugees to access civil documentation
• Civil documentation not mandatory for access to service and other rights
• One-stop-shops in camps which provide vital statistics service
• Comprehensive level 3 registration system linked to national immigration database for issuance of national IDs
• Good coordination between line ministries

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Challenges and lessons learned

1.2 Access to civil documentation

- Better harmonisation of national civil registration systems
- Digitalisation of civil registration system
- Backlog of birth registration for refugees and host communities
- Limited funding
- Limited awareness of refugee documentation by other stakeholders e.g. banks, private sector
Opportunities
1.2 Access to civil documentation

• Refugee access to civil documentation contributes to the national economy and other social services
• Acceptability of issued civil documents in IGAD countries
• Coordination between Government and partners
• Strengthening capacity of national and local institutions
• Use of existing systems and processes and promoting linkages

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