



About Us

Skills Initiative for Africa (SIFA) is an African Union Commission intervention implemented by the African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD), financed by the German Government and the European Union.

SIFA promotes young Africans' occupational prospects by supporting innovative skills development initiatives in close cooperation with the private sector as an integral stakeholder. Specific attention is directed at fostering the employment and entrepreneurship of youth, women, and vulnerable groups.



Skills development and the creation of employment and income opportunities are recognized as key elements for attaining the vision laid out in the African Union's **Agenda 2063**. Since its inception, several frameworks have been designed to achieve the seven aspirations formulated within the Agenda, such as the **Continental**

Education Strategy for Africa and the **Continental Strategy for TVET**. SIFA's objectives contribute to the set targets outlined in these strategies by providing skills necessary for employment while supporting creativity, innovativeness, and entrepreneurship. Synchronised with these greater African endeavours, SIFA works with Member State ministries to ensure the programme aligns with national priorities and strategies to transform and enhance the African TVET ecosystem collectively.

SIFA Financial Cooperation

SIFA FC, with financing through KfW Development Bank, provides grants for selected projects through a competitive evaluation process in the following eight countries: Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Togo, and Tunisia. Grant projects must directly engage the private sector by addressing labour market demand aligned to priority growth sectors that demonstrate regional impact, all with the perspective of improving quality-based employment-oriented skills development.

The projects under SIFA FC are agile and responsive solutions to common challenges in the TVET sector, designed to coherently strengthen local and regional skills development systems to be more creative, innovative and sustainable for the African continent.



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