

ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

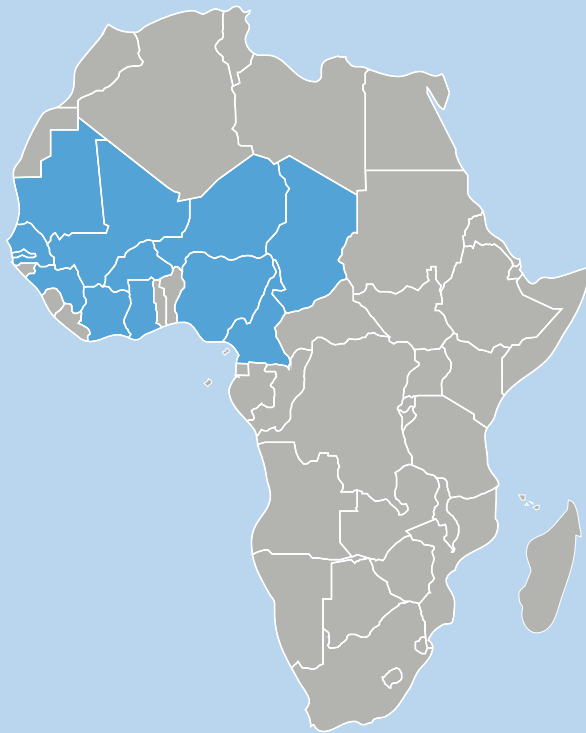
ARCHIPELAGO is a programme financed by the European Union Emergency Trust Fund (EUTF) for Africa whose main objective is to improve the employability of youth through targeted technical and vocational training measures and strengthen the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in 12 countries in the Sahel and Lake Chad region (Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Ivory Coast, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal).

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an African-European partnership
for vocational training



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and implemented by a Consortium composed of:*



THE PROGRAMME OVERALL OBJECTIVE

The overall **ARCHIPELAGO** objective is to better match the supply of labour to the demand generated by a growing economy and thriving private sector.

AFRICAN-EUROPEAN PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERSHIPS

The **ARCHIPELAGO** approach is based on the implementation of projects between African and European Business Support Organizations (BSOs) and Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions, in order to provide training that responds to existing needs in the labour market.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND DUAL VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Following an open and transparent selection process, the partnership projects develop adapted entrepreneurship and dual (workplace and TVET centre) vocational training programmes.

WHOM DO WE FUND?

The partnership projects are jointly designed and implemented by African and European private sector support and vocational training organizations.

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

The direct beneficiaries of the programme are young people with a special focus on women and returnees, micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs), business support organizations, entrepreneurship and vocational training service providers.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Private Sector and young people are made aware of the training opportunities offered by TVET Institutions in order to better match the training opportunities offered by TVET institutions of labour to market needs.
- Young people are provided with training and skills that match the needs of businesses in the private sector.
- Local economic development and entrepreneurship are enhanced.
- The services and overall performance of Business Support Organizations (BSOs) and entrepreneurship & vocational training centres are improved.

