

CSSF PROGRAMME SUMMARY

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| PROGRAMME TITLE: Regional Executive Masters Programme in Security Sector Management | | | |
| HMG Partners (Lead in bold) | Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) | | |
| COUNTRY/REGION: | East Africa | | |
| PROGRAMME DURATION: April 2017-March 2018 | | | |
| FY17-18 BUDGET: | | ODA: £331,000 | Non-ODA:£ 0 |
| PROJECT/COMPONENT | LEAD DEPT | IMPLEMENTING ORGANISATION | FY17-18 BUDGET |
| Regional Executive Masters Programme in Security Sector Management | FCO | Cranfield University | £331,000 |
| WHAT SUPPORT IS THE UK PROVIDING? | | | |
| <p>The programme is designed to address the role that African security sector actors play across the continent’s peacekeeping missions, and the support that these national security sectors provide to the regional (Africa Union) and sub-regional (Intergovernmental Authority on development (IGAD)) organizations which mandate and lead these peacekeeping deployments.</p> <p>The programme provides UK funding for a Regional Executive Masters (MSc) programme for senior and mid-ranking officials from across the security sectors in eight eastern African countries, as well as high ranking officers in regional institutions such as the African Union (AU), IGAD and East Africa Standby Force. It aims to create a cadre of highly educated officials, able to develop and implement a coherent approach to security sector management which addresses conflict prevention, peacekeeping and good governance.</p> <p>The syllabus is focused on issues around institutional capacity-building, improved governance, institutional management, enhanced accountability and a range of soft skills such as critical thinking, problem solving and decision-making. It includes modules in, for example, International Security, Development and Conflict theory, Rule of Law; environmental security (food, water and climate), and economics of security.</p> | | | |
| WHY IS UK SUPPORT NEEDED? | | | |
| <p>Africa accounts for around 60% of the world’s crises and around 80% of the UN’s peacekeeping budget. Building capacity and capability to make African peacekeeping efforts better coordinated and more effective is therefore crucial to achieving the UK and Africa’s peace and security objectives on the continent. As well as providing African partners with academic expertise, it is also important to build relationships across the region to enable more effective partnering in times of crisis.</p> <p>The programme is a component of a broad set of UK initiatives to improve Peace Support Operations (PSOs) in Africa including regional PSO decision-making processes and efficiency. It supports UK objectives to build African capacity to resolve conflict and build stable, prosperous and secure states by gaining traction within national security sectors and regional institutions including the African Union. Engagement of leaders and officers in dialogue, critical debate, shared experiences and critical reflection will strengthen the development of common peacekeeping guidance or doctrine for African peacekeeping missions, support development of the Africa Standby Force and enable East African security sectors work more harmoniously with United Nations peacekeeping approaches.</p> | | | |
| WHAT RESULTS DOES THE UK EXPECT TO ACHIEVE? | | | |
| <p>The UK hopes to contribute to the development and implementation of a coherent approach to security sector management across Africa which addresses conflict prevention, peacekeeping and good governance, through the creation of an Eastern African cadre of highly educated senior and mid ranking officials. By supporting officials with the capacity to take forward key reform, the UK is helping to reduce the risk of</p> | | | |

unpredictable and uncontrollable escalation of conflict; increase the capacity of the AU to be a key player in building effective, efficient and accountable security institutions; and increase efficacy of regional PSOs by Troop Contributing Countries.