

ACBF's cooperation with South Sudan

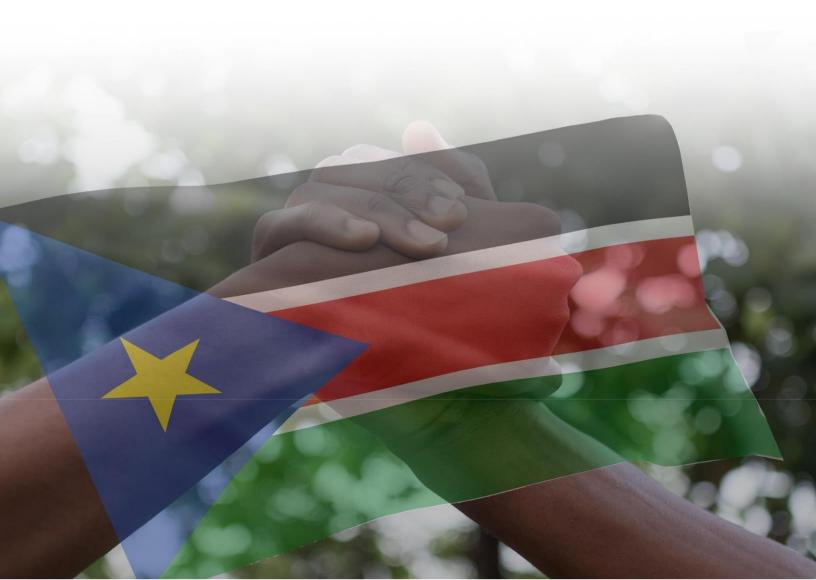


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LIST OF ACRONYMS

ACBF African Capacity Building Foundation

ACR Africa Capacity Report

CPIA Country Policy and Institutional Assessment

PSMT Public Sector Management Training

SMTP Medium Term Strategic Plan

USD United States Dollars

ACBF STRATEGIC PLANNING		
PHASE 1	1991-1997	
PHASE 2	1998-2001	
SMTP 1	2002-2006	
SMTP2	2007-2011	
SMTP3	2012-2016	
ACBF STRATEGY	2017-2022	
ACBF STRATEGIC PLAN	2023-2027	

INTRODUCTION

The Republic of South Sudan enjoys a good relationship with the African Capacity Building Foundation though the country is not yet a member of ACBF. The Foundation has made some investments in the country to support its development agenda.

ACBF'S INVESTMENTS IN SOUTH SUDAN

The Foundation's investment in the Republic of South Sudan, to date has reached about US\$ 1.19 million. ACBF is proud to have supported human and institutional development in the country.

Table 1: ACBF-supported projects and programs in South Sudan

NATIONAL PROJECTS/PROGRAMS	PHASES	INVESTMENTS
Support to Crisis/Conflict-Affected Countries - South Sudan	SMTP III	210,175
South Sudan Capacity Building Project (SSCAP)	SMTP III	976,726
TOTAL NATIONAL PROGRAMS		1,186,901

Table 2: Current ACBF-Supported projects benefiting South Sudan (2023)

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DETAILS
African-Finnish Partnerships on Taxation Capacity in Africa	The aim is to strengthen the capacity of selected African governments and pan-African organizations to increase Domestic Resource Mobilization (DRM) through informed policy-
	making and effective tax administration
African Union Transformative Climate Finance program	The project aims at addressing the capacity gaps in climate change adaptation in Africa. Key activities include scoping and mapping of green growth landscape in Africa, conducting of a Capacity Needs Assessment and Development of a Capacity Development Program.

ANNEX 1: ACBF SUPPORT TO SOUTH SUDAN- PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name	Key objectives/Focus
The South Sudan Capacity Building Project (SSCAP)	To improve skills and competencies to support Public Financial Management and Fiduciary institutions. To strengthen systems in public institutions involved in core fiduciary management.

STRENGTHENING PUBLIC SECTOR CAPACITY IN SOUTH SUDAN

Following the attainment of the country's independence in 2011, the African Capacity Building Foundation, in collaboration with the United Nations Development Program, moved in to assist the country in its recovery agenda. As a new nation, South Sudan was faced with the challenge of delivering quality goods and services to its people. The country did not have adequate institutional and human capabilities including skilled personnel to lead and manage national institutions and the development processes. The capacity challenges were further exacerbated by the devastating conflict which caused many civil servants and public sector officials to flee from the country.

The African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF) provided a Grant worth about one million two hundred dollars to strengthen capacity for effective public sector delivery and impact in South Sudan. Working together with the various Government Ministries and Departments, ACBF supported the country in identifying urgent capacity needs and to propose appropriate strategies to effectively perform the selected Government Departments' core functions. The specific goal of the South Sudan Capacity Building Project (SSCAP) project was to strengthen macroeconomic and public financial management, through (i) improving skills and competencies to support Public Financial Management and Fiduciary institutions; and (ii) strengthening systems in public institutions involved in core fiduciary management. It focused on strengthening fiduciary functions through human and institutional support to the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MoFEP), Ministry of Labour, Public Service and Human Resources Development (MoLPSHRD), Bank of South Sudan (BoSS) and the Audit Chamber, to mention just a few.

The South Sudan Capacity Building Project (SSCAP) has improved the capacity of over 157 officials (Director Generals, Deputy Directors, and Directors) from 19 Public Ministries and Institutions. The tailor-made executive trainings equipped the targeted officials with skills and competencies in financial management and human resources development including human resource planning, developing and implementation of strategic plans, leadership, and people's management etc. Feedback from beneficiaries shows that the training was relevant, and it has empowered them to effectively do their work.

ACBF continues to support countries affected by conflict or crisis, to enhance their capacity to leapfrog from their socio-economic and political challenges.

ACBF's KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

The Foundation has benefitted from the African and global political influence of African governments. With this political support, the African Capacity Building Foundation has been able to leverage resources from the international community to support capacity development across Africa and to achieve significant results in support of the continent's development process. Notably, ACBF has been catalyzing change in Africa by investing in capacity development initiatives in the public and private sectors and in civil society organizations; providing technical assistance in implementation of capacity development interventions; generating, managing, and sharing knowledge on best practices in capacity building and development management.

The Foundation has strengthened public policy across Africa, produced highly skilled public sector economists and managers, strengthened institutions of financial accountability and enhanced the effectiveness of non-state actors. ACBF has also supported the creation of platforms for dialogue on, and coordination in capacity development, supported improvements in trade and regional integration, empowered women and strengthened parliaments.



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