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# **SECTION I: ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT**

#### **ACRONYMS**

AHDP Africa Health Diagnostic Platform

ASNET Agriculture Sector Network

ASRH DIB Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health Development Impact Bond

AY TWG Adolescents and Youth Technical Working Group

ASALS Arid and Semi-Arid Lands CHAI Clinton Health Initiative

CERF Central Emergency Response Fund

COP Conference of Parties
CSO Civil Society Organization

COG Council of Elders
DP Development Partners

EAHF East Africa Healthcare Federation ECD Early Childhood Education

EU European Union

ECHO European Commission Humanitarian Aid

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of United Nation

FBOs Faith Based Organizations

FCDC Frontier Counties Development Council

FSDO Financing for Sustainable Development Office FSNWG Food Security and Nutrition Working Group

FSS Food Systems Summit GEN U Generation Unlimited

GHACOF Greater Horn of Africa Outlook Forum

GOK Government of Kenya

GSG Global Steering Group for Impact Investing

HCT Light Humanitarian Country Team - Light

HSIGF Health Sector Intergovernmental Forums for Health

HIV Human Immunodeficiency Virus

HOA Horn of Africa

IHD Institute for Human Development

IGAD InterGovernment Authority on Development

IGRTC Inter Governmental Relations Technical Committee

KEPSA Kenya Private Sector Alliance KEYOPA Kenya Young People's Agenda

KHPT Kenya Humanitarian Partnership Team

KRCS Kenya Red Cross Society
LNOB Leave No One Behind
MOH Ministry of Health

NCPD National Council for Population and Development

NDMA National Drought Management Authority

NDOC National Drought Operation Centre

NYC National Youth Council
PPC Public Private collaboration
PPM Public and private Mix
PPP Public Private Partnership
RC Resident Coordinator

RCO Resident Coordinator's Office

RK-FINFA Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility SAGAS Semi-Autonomous Government Agencies

SDGS Sustainable Development Goals

SDG AIMS SDG Africa Investment Mobilization Summit

SDG PP Sustainable Development Goals Partnership Platform SDG MPTF Sustainable Development Goals Multi Partner Trust Fund

TTC Technical Thematic Committee

TVET Technical and Vocational Education and Training

UHC Universal Health Coverage

UNAIDS Joint United Nations Programme on HIV And AIDS

UNCT United Nation Country Team

UNDAF United Nations Development Assistance Framework

UNDESA United Nations Department on Economic and Social Affairs
UNESCO United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

UNICEF United Nations Children Fund

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund

UNHCR United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

UNSDCF United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Fund UNOCHA United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

USAID United States Agency for International Development

UHC Universal Health Coverage WHO World Health Organization

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The SDG Multi-Partner Trust Fund for Kenya (SDG MPTF Kenya or simply the Fund) was established in July 2022 as a country-pooled fund aimed at supporting the implementation of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals through the Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF 2022-2026). This framework is specifically tailored to align with Kenya's national priorities, as outlined in the Kenyan Government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) and the Mid-Term Plan IV (MTP IV), with the overarching goal of advancing progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The UNSDCF adopts a holistic and multi-faceted approach, focusing on three strategic priorities aligned with the "five Ps" of the 2030 Agenda: People and Peace (Strategic Priority 1); Prosperity and Planet (Strategic Priority 2); and Partnerships (Strategic Priority 3), which serves as a strategic enabler for the achievement of the other priorities.

The SDG MPTF Kenya holds significant promise in facilitating joint action and pooled funding for implementing the UNSDCF. Anticipated growth in the pooled fund's capitation in the forthcoming years is foreseen due to increasing interest from development partners in fostering more collaborative efforts. Furthermore, the commitment of UN Kenya to deliver 50% of the UNSDCF through joint action will bolster the utilisation of pooled funding mechanisms. Within the Cooperation Framework, all heads of the entities comprising the UN Kenya Country Team (UNCT) have emphasised joint action and pooled funding. Over the past year, the UN, the Government of Kenya, development partners, civil society, and private sector stakeholders have collaboratively developed approximately 15 Joint Programmes. These programmes are designed to enhance efficiency in contributing to the Government's development priorities while catalysing transformative and scaled-up actions for the SDGs. Each of these joint programmes aims to contribute more efficiently to the realisation of the Government's development priorities and provide transformative and scaledup action for the SDGs. Throughout the inclusive co-creation process, there has been a focus on Leaving No One Behind, with a particular attention to women and girls; children and youth; persons living in urban informal settlements; and persons living in ASALs. The first 5 of these new-generation joint programmes were endorsed at the end of 2023 and are currently being rolled out. And another 7 joint programmes are in the pipeline. The joint programmes currently under implementation focus (with a total programmatic value of more than USD 165 million) on Empowering Youth; Strengthening Child and Social Protection; Strengthening Nutrition; Fighting Gender-Based Violence; and Responding to the Triple Threat (HIV/AIDS, Teenage Pregnancies and Sexual and Gender-Based Violence). The next batch of joint programmes to be launched in 2024 will fall primarily under the Strategic Priority 2 "Prosperity and Planet" and will include themes such as Integrated Water Management; the Shirika Plan; Circular Development in the Green and Blue Economies; and Biodiversity and Carbon Markets in Kenya.

To enhance the development and execution of UN Kenya joint actions, the Swedish government provided backing to the SDG MPTF Kenya Secretariat (referred to as the *Fund Secretariat or the Secretariat*). This support aimed to strengthen the Fund's capabilities by facilitating the recruitment of specialised professionals through the Funds Direct Cost Enabler Window. This provision has resulted in strengthened capacity within the Secretariat to support the UN Country Team (UNCT) in driving pooled funding, providing expert advice on advancing the SDGs, and supporting Kenya's development agenda outlined in the UNSDCF. The Secretariat coordinates and manages the Fund, encompassing programmatic activities and facilitating crosscutting initiatives. Below are the main results achieved by the Secretariat under the *Direct Cost Enabler Window*: Under the **Youth Advisory Component**, the Fund Secretariat, led by the Resident Coordinator and UNICEF Kenya leadership, actively engaged in various events to strengthen coordination and empower young people in sustainable development efforts. As part of International Youth Week 2023, the Fund Secretariat participated in a town hall meeting with young individuals, where the Resident Coordinator served as the keynote speaker. Moreover, the Resident Coordinator and the UNICEF Resident Representative were keynote speakers at the

International Youth Day celebrations hosted by the Cabinet Secretary of the Ministry of Youth and Sports. The Secretariat also provided technical support and coordination for the successful Youth Connekt Africa Summit 2023, a significant gathering that brings together youth, government officials, corporate leaders, and development advocates to empower African youth. Furthermore, technical assistance was extended towards the harmonisation of government investments in the youth sector, aligning initiatives like Generation Unlimited and the Kenya Young People's Agenda (KEYOPA). This effort, championed by the Deputy Chief of Staff and the UN Resident Coordinator, involved high-level bilateral meetings and ongoing technical engagements to ensure coherence and complementarity between government and the UN initiatives. The Secretariat also contributed to the technical meeting preceding the Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) inter-ministerial meeting, resulting in the adoption of the IGAD Youth Policy, a crucial framework promoting youth rights in the IGAD Region.

At the technical level, engagements are underway to facilitate this harmonisation process, ensuring that both the government and UN Kenya initiatives are well-coordinated and complementary in their efforts to empower and support Kenya's youth population and the government's investments in the sector. By participating in these processes and events, the Fund Secretariat demonstrated its dedication to amplifying youth voices, addressing their concerns, and promoting their rights and opportunities for meaningful participation in society.

Under the **Environmental and Climate Component** the Secretariat achieved notable progress across multiple fronts. The Secretariat successfully hired two technical experts, an Environment and Climate Specialist and a Climate Finance Advisor, who play crucial roles in assisting the UNCT with coordinating, designing, and implementing joint programmes under Strategic Priority 2. During the Africa Climate Summit (ACS), the team assisted both the Government of Kenya and coordinated UN agencies to actualize their participation in the Summit. This encompassed drafting and ultimately finalizing the Nairobi Declaration, a significant document that underscored Kenya's dedication to climate action.

Substantial strides have been made in advancing joint programmes focusing on circularity, water, and the Shirika Plan. At the Africa Climate Summit, the Secretariat collaborated with the Government of Norway to craft a circularity programme targeting the reduction of post-harvest losses. While the water and circularity joint programmes have been fully developed, progress on the Shirika joint programme aligns with the advancements of the Government's Shirika Plan. Currently, the Secretariat has initiated plans for an innovative joint programme addressing biodiversity and innovative finance. This initiative is slated to progress in the coming months, showcasing a proactive approach to tackling challenges related to biodiversity conservation and financing in Kenya. To facilitate the implementation of these joint programmes, the Secretariat is in the process of designing catalytic financing models and forging strategic partnerships.

Under the Fund's **Disaster Risk Reduction Capacity**, the Secretariat played a pivotal role in coordinating UN Kenya's endeavors concerning disaster response and management, alongside contributing to the development of a National Disaster Risk Management Bill in Kenya. This legislative framework has been designed to strengthen coordination and coherence in Disaster Risk Management (DRM) initiatives. It aims to establish institutional structures across different administrative levels, including national, county, sub-county, and ward levels. Moreover, the bill seeks to enhance coordination between national and county governments, fostering more effective disaster preparedness and response mechanisms. A significant milestone was achieved with the formalisation of the Disaster Risk Management and Response (DRRM) joint programme. This programme focuses on enhancing capacity, refining coordination mechanisms, and executing tailored interventions to mitigate disaster risks and improve community resilience. By tackling the underlying causes of vulnerability and strengthening local capacities, the programme aims to cultivate resilient communities capable of enduring and rebounding from future disasters.

Under the **Peace and Development Team (PDT),** with assistance from the SDG MPTF Kenya Secretariat, the team provided technical and financial support to the Government of Kenya in a multi-stakeholder exercise to review Kenya's Peacebuilding Architecture, culminating in the groundbreaking report titled 'A New Agenda for Peace in Kenya'. Additionally, the PDT collaborated with Code for Africa to conduct social media monitoring and analysis, as well as a review of Kenya's Digital Peacebuilding Architecture (DPA). Detailed and informative reports from the social media monitoring were generated and utilised by various stakeholders, including mediators involved in resolving mass protests and violence reported between March and August 2023.

Through the Fund's support, early warning information from both offline and online spaces was consistently collected, analysed, and acted upon by national and subnational actors alike. The PDT further supported national actors in managing the national crisis that ensued following post-election demands for political dialogue and public protests over the high cost of living in Kenya. Mediation efforts conducted behind the scenes paved the way for bipartisan talks, which were subsequently supported by Parliament.

In 2022, the cross-cutting *Strategic Enabler of Partnership* (SE) *window* was adapted from the successful SDG Partnership Platform. In this reporting period, the platform played a crucial role in fostering and mobilising partnerships aimed at advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly in the areas of universal healthcare and food security. These partnerships were forged through various initiatives, including the acceleration of innovative financing for health programmes, facilitating dialogues between the public and private sectors to strengthen Universal Health Care (UHC), and developing supportive regulatory frameworks to strengthen UHC efforts.

Under the **Strategic Enabler of Partnership,** the Secretariat played a key role in the co-creation of the joint programme on Strategic Enabler of Partnerships, financing and investments where strategic partners identified solutions to private financing challenges, especially targeting those in the Leave No One Behind' (LNOB) groups. During the co-creation workshop the platform ensured wide representation across civil society and the LNOB groups providing a robust platform where each voice would be heard and acted upon. Similarly, the platform convened a meaningful youth engagement meeting with the target beneficiaries of the Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health Development Impact Bond (ASRH DIB) programme to inclusively build the programme together with the main users. This, together with the SE's role in establishing the LNOB sounding board, ensured civil society took a front seat on social accountability towards local development and the attainment of SDGs. Additionally, the platform organised consultative and planning meetings with both national and county government teams, including offering vital support to the Council of Governors in their endeavours to align objectives with the SDGs. The SE has specifically been integral in driving collaboration opportunities between the Geneva-based Building Bridges financiers, a European investment ecosystem and networks within Kenya.

#### 1. BACKGROUND

The SDG MPTF Kenya builds upon the existing foundation laid by the Partnerships Platform (SDGPP), which was established in 2017. The SDGPP demonstrated effectiveness in fostering multiple "ecosystems" designed to facilitate partnerships and financing initiatives in Kenya. It achieved this by bringing together leaders from diverse sectors, including the Government, development partners, the private sector, philanthropy, civil society, and academia. Through these collaborative efforts, the SDGPP endeavoured to catalyse SDG partnerships, identify financing opportunities, and promote innovative approaches that align with the Government's development priorities. Adapted from the successful SDG Partnership Platform, a flagship initiative launched

in 2017, the SDG MPTF Kenya supports the platform by relying on a cross-cutting Strategic Enabler of Partnerships.

The SDG MPTF Kenya Secretariat is located within the UN Resident Coordinator's Office. Sweden was the first donor to contribute to the Fund, significantly enhancing the Secretariat's capacity to manage the Fund and support the UN Country Team (UNCT). Sweden allocated resources towards staffing positions responsible for coordinating SDG MPTF-funded activities, including roles such as the Youth Advisor, DRR & Resilience Advisor, Management Specialist, and Environment and Climate Specialist. Additionally, France seconded a Senior Expert on climate financing, who also serves as the lead for the Fund Secretariat, contributing 40% of her time. Over the years, the Fund has received contributions from various governments and organisations. Norway and Switzerland jointly support the Fund to improve coordination at the devolved level in the ASALS (arid and semi-arid lands). Additionally, the Netherlands, along with philanthropic organisations such as the Rockefeller Foundation, Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, Merck & Co., Inc., AstraZeneca, and Koninklijke Philips N.V., have played a significant role in creating conducive platforms and ecosystems to facilitate mutual knowledge sharing between the UN and private sector entities. The Fund is currently in the process of securing a grant from the government of Canada. This grant aims to support UN Kenya in achieving its gender scorecard objectives, further reinforcing the commitment to advancing gender equality initiatives within the framework of the SDGs. Overall, funding through the SDG MPTF Kenya has significantly contributed to strengthening collaborative efforts within UN Kenya, particularly in implementing joint programmes across various counties. In 2023 the annual contributions to the Fund amounted to USD 5.818.361.

#### **Fund Board**

The SDG MPTF Kenya Fund Board was established in July 2022 to oversee the Fund's operations. The UN Resident Coordinator serves as the chair of the Fund Board, which comprises members representing various UN agencies, including the heads of UNDP, UNFPA, UNAIDS, and UNICEF. Other signatories to the Fund include UNESCO, FAO, UN Women, WFP, UNOPS, IOM, UNIDO, UNODC, UNHCR, and OHCHR.

During this reporting period, the Fund Board convened twice, in the months of February and October 2023.

#### 2. PURPOSE

The primary objective of the Fund is to facilitate the implementation of the UNSDCF, as well as SDG Financing initiatives. This goal is realised by promoting collaboration among UN Kenya agencies, development partners, and other stakeholders to work together through joint programmes. To enhance these collaborative efforts, stakeholders of the SDG MPTF Kenya have supported pivotal interventions outlined within the Kenya UNSDCF in the form of joint programmes. Consequently, thematic and enabler windows have been established to synchronize with UNSDCF strategic priorities, outcomes, and government priorities, all aimed at advancing the SDGs.

By pooling resources and expertise, the Fund assists the country in making progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Through these coordinated efforts and strategic investments, the Fund aims to drive sustainable development outcomes and contribute to the overall prosperity and well-being of Kenya's population.

#### 3. DETAILED RESULTS IN 2023

This section provides a narrative report for the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023, outlining the results achieved by the Fund under the *Direct Cost Enabler Window*, which aims to strengthen the capacity of the Fund Secretariat, the *People and Peace thematic window* (Strategic Priority 1), the *Prosperity and Planet thematic window* (Strategic Priority 2) and the cross-cutting *Strategic Enabler of Partnership window*, which was adapted from the successful SDG Partnership Platform.

Activities and accomplishments under the *Planet and Prosperity thematic window* (Strategic Priority 2), are presently in the design phase. Therefore, results will be available for reporting in next year's report.

#### 3.1. DIRECT COST ENABLER WINDOW

The Direct Cost Enabler Window funded by the Government of Sweden encompasses support for all cross-cutting functions, including staffing and operational costs of the SDG MPTF Kenya Secretariat (*the Secretariat*).

The Secretariat situated within the Resident Coordinator's Office (RCO) and incorporating the Strategic Enabler of Partnership is pivotal in coordinating and managing the Fund's activities. This entails facilitating programmatic initiatives and crosscutting endeavors in alignment with the UNSDCF. The following are the highlight achievements of the Secretariat:

- Enhanced Coordination: Under the leadership of the climate finance expert and SDG MPTF Kenya lead, the Secretariat successfully coordinated various activities related to the Fund, ensuring alignment with the UNSDCF's overarching goals.
- **Efficient Management**: With support from the Fund Management Specialist, the Secretariat effectively managed the Fund's resources, overseeing budgetary allocations and expenditures to recipient joint programmes optimising impact and ensuring accountability.
- **Programmatic Facilitation for Joint Action**: The Secretariat, with technical expertise from the Youth Advisor, Climate and Environment Specialist, and Disaster Risk Reduction Specialist, played a pivotal role in facilitating and driving joint programmatic initiatives by UN agencies in Kenya under the UNSDCF, with financial support from the Fund. Throughout these processes, the emphasis was on fostering co-creation and inclusion of stakeholders from the outset of any initiative, thereby propelling progress towards achieving the SDGs.
- Crosscutting Catalytic Support: The Secretariat, acting under the guidance of the Resident Coordinator (RC), who also serves as the Chair of the SDG MPTF Fund Board, offered assistance to UN agencies (UNDP, ILO, FAO, UNON (Common Back Office initiative)) and the office of the Deputy President. This support was directly sourced from the RC's emerging Seed Fund, aimed at fostering crosscutting catalytic initiatives crucial for advancing the SDGs in Kenya. The objective of RC's emerging Seed Fund is to support crosscutting transformative innovations aligned with the UNSDCF. Overall, the Secretariat demonstrated its commitment to support all UN Kenya agencies in advancing sustainable development objectives and the UN Development System Reform's objective of delivering collective impact as detailed below:

#### 3.1.1. The Fund's Advisory Capacity on Youth

#### 1.1. UNSDCF and the New Generation Joint Programme.

During this reporting period, the Secretariat played a crucial role in supporting the technical coordination of key governance structures outlined in the UNSDCF. This included Strategic Priority areas, Strategic Enabler, and Program Management Team processes. One key focus was on mainstreaming youth perspectives within their mandated UNSDCF implementation roles, particularly within the development processes of the new-generation joint programme.

The Secretariat facilitated the representation of young people in all joint programmes development processes, aligning with the principle of leaving no one behind (LNOB) and recognising youth as a core target group of UNSDCF interventions. Throughout the co-creation conferences for joint programmes, supported by the Fund, youth voices were actively included to ensure their perspectives were integrated into the programme design and implementation. This concerted effort by UN Kenya, facilitated by the Secretariat, aims to empower young people as direct beneficiaries contributing to their meaningful participation in sustainable development initiatives.

A significant outcome of the efforts to mainstream youth perspectives within the UNSDCF processes was the development of a joint programme specifically focused on the youth. This programme, centred on youth empowerment through skills development, employment, and civic engagement, has progressed to the implementation stage as part of the new generation joint programmes. Through tailored interventions and collaborative efforts, this joint programme equips young people with the necessary skills, resources, and opportunities to actively participate in and contribute to their communities and society at large.

#### 1.2. Coordination of Youth Empowerment Technical Working Groups & Platforms

While various actors, including the government, private sector, civil society, development partners, and the UN, have made significant investments in the youth empowerment agenda in Kenya, a notable challenge lies in the fragmented nature of these efforts. The lack of coordination and collaboration among stakeholders has led to duplication of efforts, inefficient use of resources, and gaps in coverage. The fragmented nature of these initiatives makes it difficult to achieve sustainable and holistic solutions to the complex challenges faced by young people in Kenya. During this reporting period, the Secretariat provided technical support and coordination to the UN Adolescent and Youth Technical Working Group. This group serves as a platform for UN agencies to coordinate joint efforts towards youth empowerment, working closely with the government. Additionally, the Secretariat supported UN Kenya's active participation in various high-level multi-stakeholder youth empowerment technical working groups. These include the Development Partners (DPs) TVET working group and government-led youth sector initiatives housed in various Ministries, State Corporations, and Semi-Autonomous Government Agencies (SAGAs) such as the National Youth Council (NYC) and Public Funds.

With support towards youth initiatives, the Fund aims to foster synergies and pool resources towards scaling up initiatives focused on youth education, skills development, and employment. These areas remain top priorities for the government of Kenya, and through collaborative efforts, the Fund seeks to enhance opportunities for youth advancement and socioeconomic inclusion in Kenya.

#### 1.3. Harmonisation of Generation Unlimited and the Kenya Young People's Agenda (KEYOPA)

Generation Unlimited (GenU) is part of a global initiative to equip young people aged between ten (10 years) and twenty-four (24 years) with the skills necessary to thrive in the society and the workforce. In Kenya, this category of young people comprises over three in five (63 percent) of the population. GenU operates as a partnership co-chaired by the Presidency and the UN Resident Coordinator.

During this reporting period, the Secretariat provided technical support towards the ongoing harmonisation of government investments in the youth sector. The process involved high level technical alignment involving the GenU and the Government of Kenya's youth empowerment flagship dubbed the Kenya Young People's Agenda (KEYOPA). This effort was championed by the Deputy Chief of Staff and the UN Resident Coordinator through

high-level bilateral meetings facilitated by the Fund. At the technical level, engagements are underway to facilitate this harmonisation process, ensuring that both the government and UN Kenya initiatives are well-coordinated and complementary in their efforts to empower and support Kenya's youth population and the government's investments in the sector.

#### 1.4. The 2023 YouthConnekt Africa Summit

During the reporting period, the Secretariat provided technical support and coordination for the successful delivery of the YouthConnekt Africa Summit 2023. This summit serves as a significant event that brings together young people, government officials, corporate leaders, and development champions to empower African youth. Hosted in Nairobi by the Government of Kenya in partnership with the YouthConnekt Africa Hub and UNDP, with support from the Fund and other UN agencies, the summit aimed to enhance the knowledge, experiences, and skills of African youth while investing in their ideas, innovations, and initiatives. The overarching goal of the summit was to harness Africa's demographic dividends by 2030. UNDP Kenya continues to lead the outcome of this summit on behalf of UN Kenya, while the Secretariat plays a lead role in supporting the UN interagency coordination to ensure continued coordinated support to this platform.

Through these initiatives, the Fund aims to empower young people, promote innovation and entrepreneurship, and contribute to the realisation of sustainable development goals in Africa.

#### 1.5. The IGAD Youth Policy

With technical support from the Secretariat, UN Kenya contributed to the experts' technical meeting preceding the Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) inter-ministerial meeting held in Kenya in September 2023. This collaboration involved the IGAD Secretariat, the Horn of Africa Youth Network (HoAYN), and Save the Children Kenya. The meeting resulted in the adoption of the IGAD Youth Policy, a significant framework aimed at promoting youth rights in the IGAD Region. This policy emerged from extensive consultations with technical experts responsible for Youth Affairs from IGAD member states, National Youth Councils, Youth-Led Organizations, and the IGAD Secretariat.

The IGAD Youth Policy is a crucial tool for guiding and mainstreaming youth priorities in policies, laws, and programmes designed to empower youth and ensure their meaningful participation in political processes. This initiative represents a collaborative effort to advance youth empowerment and foster their active engagement in shaping the future of young people in the IGAD Region.

#### 1.6. The 2023 International Youth Week Celebrations

As part of International Youth Week 2023, the UN participated in a town hall meeting with young people, where the UN Resident Coordinator, as the key speaker, amplified the role of young people in achieving sustainable development. The UN represented by the Resident Coordinator and the UNICEF Resident Representative were also keynote speakers at the International Youth Day celebrations hosted by the Cabinet Secretary in charge of the Ministry of Youth and Sports. These engagements underscore the UN Kenya's commitment to engaging with and supporting young people, as well as its recognition of the importance of youth empowerment and participation in decision-making processes. By participating in these events, the Fund Secretariat demonstrated its dedication to amplifying youth voices, addressing their concerns, and promoting their rights and opportunities for meaningful participation in society.

#### 3.1.2. The Fund's Advisory Capacity on Environment and Climate

During the reporting period, the Secretariat provided support to the Resident Coordinator and the UN Country Team (UNCT) on environment and climate initiatives, aligning with Kenya's national ambitions and the implementation of the UNSDCF. Key areas of focus included:

**Strategic Support**: During the Africa Climate Summit, the Secretariat offered strategic and financial support to UN agencies, the government, and the African Union, and facilitated collaboration and coordination on climate-related initiatives.

Participation in Advocacy Platforms: The Secretariat participated in government-driven and private-sector advocacy and learning platforms, such as the Kenya Carbon Markets Conference hosted by the office of the President, the Mobile World Congress (MWC) Africa and GSM Association (GSMA). Additionally, the Secretariat assisted the UNCT in seeking alternative financing sources to complement the rollout of joint programmes. The Secretariat convened meetings with the governments of Norway, Sweden, the UK, and Denmark, alongside International Finance Institutions (IFIs) like the African Development Bank. These initiatives were directed towards securing sustainable funding for climate-related joint programmes and enhancing their impact. Below are the detailed results achieved under this capacity:

#### 1.1. The 2023 Africa Climate Summit (ACS)

The 2023 Africa Climate Summit (ACS) 2023 held in Nairobi served as a central platform for key stakeholders across the continent to come together and address the pressing climate challenges facing Africa. It allowed UN Kenya to showcase its joint leadership in climate action, mobilise support for ambitious climate goals, and advance the continent's sustainable development agenda in the face of climate change.

UN Kenya hosted the two joint high-level side events during the margins of the Africa Climate Summit and Week.

Sustainable Production and Consumption in the Green and Blue Economies Joint Programme: with support from the Fund, UN Kenya held an inaugural side event during ACS that focused on stakeholder engagement regarding "sustainable agriculture, land, and water/ocean use." The event addressed climate-related social vulnerabilities and the transition to more sustainable food systems in Africa, highlighting various risks affecting sustainability and environmental crime. This event was marked by a grant signing ceremony between the Fund and the Development Cooperation of Norway making a financial contribution towards the implementation of this joint programme that will support the government's ambitions on food security and/or post-harvest losses representing a significant step towards enhancing sustainable agricultural practices and addressing food security challenges in Kenya.

Journeys and Experiences for a Just Transition in Africa: At the sidelines of Africa Climate Week, UN Kenya, with support from the Fund, organized an exchange and learning side event focusing on just transition experiences in Africa and strategies to integrate just transition principles into the implementation of national environment and climate policies across the continent. The event, led by ILO & UNDP, provided a platform to review national experiences, progress, and challenges in developing cohesive policies and programmes for a just transition. Central to the plenary discussions was the role of private sector investment in addressing biodiversity loss, climate change, and land and ecosystem degradation, while also promoting economic growth and job creation within the Green Economy framework. Participants explored innovative approaches and best practices for leveraging private sector involvement to advance environmental sustainability and social inclusivity. The event served as an important forum for sharing knowledge, exchanging insights, and

encouraging collaboration among stakeholders towards achieving environmentally sustainable and socially equitable development pathways in Africa.

Furthermore, under the guidance of the Resident Coordinator, the Secretariat facilitated a high-level dialogue organized by the UN Conference on Trade and Development. This dialogue focused on how Kenya can unlock trade and financing opportunities while leveraging the expertise and resources of its vibrant private sector. It provided a platform to share insights on new technologies and trends in green manufacturing, which are essential for spurring local production and attracting foreign investment to support Kenya's sustainable development goals.

During the summit, the Secretariat also provided support for the following initiatives:

Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL): Under the leadership of the Resident Coordinator, the Secretariat provided support to Sustainable Energy for All, in the launch of its Green Growth and Investment Plan. This plan outlines pathways for Kenya to develop its energy systems in alignment with its economic ambitions and the goal of achieving net-zero carbon emissions. The plan also emphasised the investment required to achieve net-zero emissions across various economic sectors in Kenya. The Green Growth and Investment Plan served as a crucial tool for the government to engage with the international community, as well as local and regional private sectors, to attract investments in the country's energy transition opportunities. By highlighting investment needs and potential opportunities, the plan facilitated discussions and collaborations aimed at advancing Kenya's sustainable energy agenda and contributing to global climate action efforts.

The Nairobi Declaration: Under the guidance of the Resident Coordinator, the Secretariat coordinated the UN agencies' technical support to the Government of Kenya in the drafting of the Nairobi Declaration, an eleven-point call to action proclaiming African States' unified stance on climate action ahead of the 28<sup>th</sup> United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP28). The Secretariat also served as an intermediary liaison between the Office of the Secretary-General in New York, other diplomatic officers, and the Government of Kenya. During this period, the Resident Coordinator provided strategic guidance and support towards enabling the participation of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, António Guterres, and the heads of UN agencies from headquarters globally by providing the context of Kenya on the environment and other related topic such as climate justice.

#### 1.2. Secretariat Participation in Advocacy Platforms

The 2023 Africa Mobile World Congress (MWC): During Africa MWC 2023, the Secretariat, through the climate and environment specialist, participated in several sessions on the utilisation of mobile and digital technology in implementing joint programmes. These sessions provided valuable insights into leveraging technology for sustainable development initiatives under the UNSDCF. A number of discussions that the environment specialist participated in include:

Round table discussions on climate financing: The session focused on engaging stakeholders in discussions surrounding carbon finance, particularly in relation to carbon markets and the process of obtaining carbon accreditation. Participants were provided insights into carbon markets and the application process for carbon accreditation. The session aimed to equip start-ups and other stakeholders with the necessary knowledge and skills to enter the carbon credits space, potentially creating new revenue streams while contributing to climate resilience and adaptation efforts. Additionally, participants discussed the challenges involved in participating in the carbon space. These hurdles included the costs associated with integrating digital technologies into commercial business models, navigating country-specific regulations governing operations in carbon markets, and the lack of information on accessing carbon financing. With this knowledge, the environment specialist will

be better equipped to provide guidance to the joint programmes on climate and environment currently in the design phase.

Round table discussions on Climate and humanitarian: The round table discussed the role of mobile and digital technology in disaster preparedness and response, early warning systems, cash transfers, and carbon markets. In response to the discussions and outcomes of the round table, the Secretariat, through the environment specialist committed to connecting with participating partners, including VISA, VISA Foundation, World Bank, GSMA, and the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), on the joint programme focusing on biodiversity and carbon markets. Additionally, the specialist will further engage with UNHCR innovation in Geneva to explore their refugee model, which integrates digital technology, as a best practice for the Shirika Plan. As a result of the bilateral and convened sessions, the Fund sought alternative financing and strategic partnerships that would build the capacity of the UN Kenya in the implementation of the joint programmes. Bilateral meetings held included:

**Safaricom**: Discussions focused on exploring collaboration opportunities in youth empowerment, sustainable production and consumption, and potential involvement in biodiversity and innovative finance initiatives.

**Finnfund**: The Fund sought partnership opportunities with Finnfund, particularly in leveraging its expertise in financing commercial businesses in the agriculture and forestry sectors to support sustainable development initiatives.

Immediate results from the bilateral meetings and sessions include:

- The inception of a biodiversity and innovative finance joint programme.
- The secretariat has commenced discussions with custodians of digital technologies and various development partners to explore optimal strategies for integrating digital technologies into the design and implementation of SP 2-related initiatives.

#### 3.1.3. The Fund's Advisory Capacity on Disaster Reduction and Resilience

The Government of Kenya has been actively investing in enhancing disaster risk reduction, response, and post-disaster recovery efforts in alignment with the priorities outlined in the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030. Collaboration with the United Nations, Kenya Red Cross Society, and other partners has been instrumental in providing support, offering concepts, tools, and resources for disaster response and risk reduction initiatives. However, challenges persist due to the inadequate mainstreaming of Disaster Risk Management (DRM) into the country's development agenda and the absence of an enabling legal and policy framework. These factors hinder the effective implementation of programs and projects across various sectors of the economy. The Fund Secretariat acknowledges the importance of optimizing human, technical, and financial resources to scale up and strengthen DRM within national and county governments' development planning processes. During the reporting period, the Secretariat achieved the following results:

#### 1.1. Disaster Risk Reduction Joint Programme

The Secretariat played a crucial role in developing the Disaster Risk Reduction joint programme. This collaborative effort aims to address both the immediate needs of communities affected by disasters and long-term resilience-building initiatives. The overarching goal is to strengthen systems and institutions to enhance community resilience, particularly for those most vulnerable and at risk of being left behind. Through a collaborative approach, the joint programme aims to build capacity, improve coordination mechanisms, and implement targeted interventions to reduce disaster risks and enhance community resilience. By addressing the

root causes of vulnerability and strengthening local capacities, the programme strives to create more resilient communities capable of withstanding and recovering from future disasters.

By coordinating with various stakeholders, including government agencies, humanitarian organizations, and community representatives, the joint programme seeks to implement interventions that respond to immediate disaster impacts and invests in sustainable solutions for long-term resilience.

#### 1.2. The National Disaster Risk Management Bill No. 24 of 2023

Thanks to the coordination efforts of UN Kenya led by the Secretariat in the disaster response and management sector, progress is being made in the development of a National Disaster Risk Management Bill in Kenya. This legislative framework aims to enhance coordination and coherence in Disaster Risk Management (DRM) efforts, establish institutional structures at various administrative levels (national, county, sub-county, and ward), and improve coordination between national and county governments. Including the disaster risk management cycle and mainstreaming gender and other inclusion issues within the NDRM Bill No.24 of 2023 demonstrates a commitment to comprehensive and inclusive disaster risk management practices. Currently, the bill is awaiting its second reading at the National Assembly.

The bill also envisions that counties will develop their DRM Bills to further strengthen disaster risk management capacities at the local level. However, in the absence of an overarching national legislative framework, many counties have proceeded to develop their DRM Bills independently. Given the evolving nature of disaster risk realities, some counties are now in the process of amending their existing DRM Bills.

A mid-year vacancy in the Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) position prompted climate and environment specialists to step in as an interim measure. The Secretariat is seeking to fill this role to maintain seamless coordination and effectiveness in DRR initiatives. An update on recruitment progress will be provided in the 2024 report.

#### 3.1.4. The Resident Coordinators Seed Fund for Emerging Opportunities

The Fund, through resource allocation by the Governments of Sweden and Norway, empowers the UN Resident Coordinator by allocating a flexible seed fund budget, at his discretion, to support innovative initiatives and catalytic projects and programmes addressing emerging challenges or opportunities aligned with the objectives of the UNSDCF. This flexible financing kick-starts new initiatives and approaches with the potential to make a significant impact and advance sustainable development priorities. By providing resources for early-stage interventions, the UN Resident Coordinator facilitates the exploration of innovative solutions and fosters collaboration within UN Kenya and among other stakeholders to effectively address pressing development issues. During this reporting period, the seed fund was allocated to:

#### 1.1. The Peace Building Architecture Component:

The National Steering Committee on Peacebuilding and Conflict Management (NSC) of the Ministry of Interior and National Administration (MINA), with support from the UN Resident Coordinator's seed fund, has initiated an independent review of Kenya's Peacebuilding Architecture (PBA). The purpose of the PBA Review is to evaluate the achievements and obstacles encountered by Kenya's Peacebuilding Architecture, its ability to address emerging challenges such as violent extremism, climate security issues, digital peacebuilding, and the utilisation of data for prevention and sustaining peace. Additionally, the review aims to explore sustainable strategies for peacebuilding financing and to provide recommendations to the Government, the UN, and key stakeholders.

The PBA Review process is coordinated by a Secretariat, a Technical Working Group, and an Independent Panel of Advisors (IPA). The Secretariat, led by the NSC, is supported by two consultants: a national and an international consultant provided by the UN Resident Coordinator's Office (UN RCO) and the Inter-religious Council of Kenya (IRCK). The Technical Working Group serves as the technical lead for the process, overseeing research, analysis, and report writing. It comprises members from over 20 organizations forming the Conflict Analysis Group. The review encompasses 33 counties in Kenya and involves expert-level consultations at the national level, along with futures workshops to formulate recommendations. Data collection and analysis are conducted through a comprehensive process guided by the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics, complemented by a survey of Kenya's digital peacebuilding architecture.

The funds allocated to PBA also played a significant role in facilitating the IPA National Consultations. These funds enabled the facilitation of IPA members and the organization of two sessions crucial to the process. Firstly, a consultation with Community-Based Organization (CBO) leaders, focusing particularly on youth and women leaders active in Nairobi's informal settlements. This engagement allowed for the involvement of often overlooked but highly impactful grassroots groups within peacebuilding in Kenya. Secondly, the funds supported national and international peacebuilding experts to discuss and comment on specific outstanding content questions arising during the Kenya Peacebuilding Architecture Review. Bringing together this diverse group of peacebuilding leaders provided expertise and nuanced perspectives on common challenges and concerns articulated throughout the process. Finally, the funds contributed to the drafting process by facilitating technical research that supported the IPA in drafting the report produced under the Peacebuilding Architecture in Kenya.

The Resident Coordinator's Seed Fund also supported UN Kenya's collective efforts to deliver as one during the 2023 Africa Climate Summit (ACS), as outlined in *section 3.2* above. Furthermore, the fund facilitated the coordination of UN Kenya's climate initiatives led by UNDP, food security resilience initiatives led by FAO, and the drafting of the Roadmap for the Public Service Continuous Improvement Programme 2024-2028 by the office of the President. These efforts will be elaborated upon in the 2024 report.

#### 3.2. PEOPLE AND PEACE THEMATIC WINDOW

The People and Peace Thematic Window is funded by the Governments of Norway and Sweden. The joint programmes under this window include:

#### 3.2.1. Integrated Social Protection and Child Protection Bridging Programme

In December 2023, participating UN organizations (UNICEF & WFP) received funds to execute the joint programme on Integrated Social Protection and Child Protection Bridging Programme for Strengthening Child and Social Protection Systems in Kenya. However, no activities were carried out during this reporting period, resulting in the unavailability of a report at this time. A detailed report will be provided by the next reporting date.

#### 3.2.2. Designing Joint Programmes under Strategic Priority 1

With Support from the Fund, the UN Kenya team is designing a joint programming project document on "Integrating Peacebuilding and Social Cohesion in Refugee Management in Kenya including in Implementation of Shirika Plan." The programme seeks to address the root causes of conflict and displacement by integrating inclusive peacebuilding and social cohesion processes and interventions in implementation of Shirika Plan that involve refugees, host communities and key stakeholders. A key risk to the implementation of the Shirika plan is migration-induced conflict amongst refugees and host communities due to scarce resources, climate shocks,

misconceptions about refugee privileges, and limited land, water, and sustainable energy sources. Through a political economy lens, the programme will strengthen and scale up skills, interventions, capacities, resources, tools and institutions for community dialogue, mediation, reconciliation, digital peacebuilding, trust building and capacity development of refugees, host communities and key stakeholders in order to manage, resolve and prevent violence and conflict. This will be underpinned by a human rights-based approach, joined up risk-informed analyses such as political economy analyses, LNOB analyses, peace and conflict analyses, and social cohesion assessments, among others. To promote social cohesion, the programme will deploy human-centered design principles to co-create solutions to shared challenges amongst refugees and host communities with a focus on food security and livelihoods. The geographical focus of the project is the refugee-hosting sub-counties of Dadaab, Fafi, and Lagdera in Garissa County.

#### 3.3. PROSPERITY AND PLANET THEMATIC WINDOW

The Prosperity and Planet Thematic Window is funded by the Governments of Norway and Sweden. The joint programmes under this window include:

#### 3.3.1. Drought Response and Resilience Building in Kenya

The SDG Multi-Partner Trust Fund has supported UNDP and UNICEF in implementing a 'Drought Response and Resilience Building in Kenya' targeting six (6) counties. The project was designed to address the impacts of drought, including building long-term resilience through strengthening access to state and adequate water, water management, and climate-smart food production for households. The project is aligned with Kenya's current national priorities of long-term resilience transitioning from humanitarian response to sustainable development. The project responds to the UN Flash Appeal issued to address the debilitating impacts of drought. The programme's implementation is progressing well and the activities will be completed by May 2024. Over this reporting period, the project reached a total of 85,914 direct beneficiaries (41,109 male; 44,805 female) and 54,615 people (30725 female and 23625 male) indirect beneficiaries.

The programme has witnessed a strong collaboration with the County Governments, where some of the counties contributed to project implementation through the provision of equipment and staff. UNICEF, and UNDP have closely worked together to ensure synergy and complementarity and also identify areas of convergence for integrated programming to enhance the impact on the communities affected by drought. Some of the crosscutting issues include the Accountability to Affected Population (AAP), which is an integral part of the project to ensure the communities are sensitized about the project activities, and they provide any complaints, feedback and the response is provided by the partners and relevant stakeholders.

Further, the project worked in collaboration with relevant National Government partners, including the Council of Governors (CoG), Kenya Institute of Public Policy Analysis (KIPPRA), the National Disaster Operations Center (NDOC), and the National Drought Management Authority (NDMA). The partnership with these specialized agencies ensured that project interventions were well aligned with the Government's priorities and contributed to Kenya's long-term aspirations as foreseen in MTP IV and also the UNSDCF.

#### 3.3.2. Designing Joint Programmes Under Strategic Priority 2

Joint Programme on Sustainable Production and Consumption in the Green and Blue Economies: With support from the Fund, the joint programme is crafting an innovative model for circular economy in the agroindustrial parks (CAIPS) targeting the County Governments of Nyamira and Laikipia. The UN agencies involved in this initiative, namely FAO, UNIDO, and IOM, are currently collaborating on the development of a comprehensive Programme Document (ProDoc) that will encompass both green and blue economies. This

ProDoc will serve as a roadmap for guiding the implementation of activities aimed at advancing sustainable practices, promoting economic growth, and enhancing environmental conservation within the agro-industrial parks. This pioneering approach has captured the attention of the African Development Bank, particularly from the perspective of Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) operating within the CAIPS framework.

The Secretariat, leveraging the expertise of the climate and finance expert, is actively developing a resource mobilisation plan. This plan is designed to support the ongoing development and subsequent implementation of the joint programme. Concurrently, the Secretariat is planning for a financier's roundtable aimed at attracting investments to this innovative model. Strategically, the roundtable will invite relevant private sector entities, development partners, and innovators for discussion and collaboration.

Joint Programme on Sustainable Integrated Water Management: The Secretariat facilitated the design of the water joint programme which was collaboratively developed by UN Kenya, the government, groups representing the Leave No One Behind (LNOB) principle, civil society organizations, and the private sector. The joint programme seeks to strengthen collaboration within the UN, while leveraging resources, and advancing initiatives geared toward improving water accessibility, water quality, and management in Kenya. Currently, lead agencies, with technical support from the Secretariat, are actively working on a financing strategy to realise the joint programme's financial ambition of USD 500 million over ten years looking at climate finance. So far, the Secretariat has facilitated technical discussions between the lead agencies, the African Development Bank, and the Government of Denmark. Additionally, under the guidance of the climate finance expert, the Secretariat is in the process of developing a resource mobilisation plan. This plan is aimed at supporting the ongoing implementation of the joint programme.

#### 3.4. STRATEGIC ENABLER OF PARTNERSHIP

In 2022, the cross-cutting *Strategic Enabler of Partnership* (SE) *window* was adapted from the successful SDG Partnership Platform. The objective of the cross-cutting Strategic Enabler of Partnership platform is to support UN Kenya and the Government's endeavors towards achieving SDG target 17.17, which focuses on fostering effective public-private and civil society partnerships. This initiative builds upon the experience and resource strategies advocated in Kenya. The strategic enabler of partnership thematic window is funded by the Governments of Norway, Switzerland, and the Netherlands, including philanthropists Rockefeller Foundation, Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, Merck & C o., Inc., AstraZeneca and Koninklijke Philips N.V. The platform conducted the following interventions:

#### 3.4.1. Support through the SDG Partnership Platform

#### 1.1. Convening and Catalysing Partnerships for the Achievement of SDGs

The partnership platform plays a central role in identifying and curating SDG multi-stakeholder partnerships as well as financing and investment opportunities for UNSDCF joint programmes. The platform has become a vital and fully institutionalized mechanism for the SDG financing agenda for the UN in Kenya. During this reporting period, the platform strategically co-created new networks and platforms of private, philanthropic, and financial actors with a proven commitment to shared value social engagements and 'profit for purpose investing'. The platform includes the Impact Investing Kenya group, the Finance Trade & Investment Network with the Kenya Private Sector Alliance, and the Agricultural Sector Network. These platforms will explore opportunities for diaspora funding to support the delivery of SDGs in Kenya.

A series of high-level meetings were to this effect facilitated by the platform in Nairobi, including bilateral and multilateral development partners, UN agencies, private sector, and investment networks, to discuss the modalities of an "SDG Investment Bridge" between Europe and Africa, anchored in Geneva and Nairobi. Plans are in place for the staging of a joint summit between the two parties, scheduled for mid-2024.

The platform was also part of the steering team for the Kilifi County round table discussion which H.E Gideon Munga'ro, governor of Kilifi County and the senior leadership of the County Government led. The overall aim of the roundtable was to seek avenues that would promote ease of doing business in the County through public-private partnerships anchored on the County integrated development plan III (CIDP). The engagement was successful, with most of the investors showing interest in working closely with the county government to realise the CIDP priorities as well as other levels of development. The County committed to provide an enabling environment for the private sector, investors, women, and youth to realise growth and development. The convening noted some remarkable ongoing partnerships between banking institutions and the County Government towards establishing a revolving fund for small businesses towards addressing the prevailing access to capital for this segment of investors in the County.

#### 1.2. Accelerating Innovative Financing for Health Impact

The platform worked as the convener and coordinator across a consortium of UN agencies (UNAIDS, UNFPA and WHO), financiers, outcome funders and implementing partners for the Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health Development Impact Bond (ASRH DIB) scale-up program designed to impact 500,000 adolescent girls aged between 15 and 19 years, across 10 counties in Kenya, with access to quality reproductive health (RH) and HIV services. In deepening financing and investment flows to local communities for their priority needs including through innovative financing instruments and Public Private Partnerships, the platform successfully launched the ASRH DIB programme. A development impact bond, utilising investment flows to local communities in 10 counties in Kenya. The first phase of the joint programme was successfully structured with relevant commitments being secured from key stakeholders. This was achieved by dividing the programme into two phases equivalent to three years with the first phase having secured \$10.1 million. Consequently, the programme secured an outcome funding commitment from the Children Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF) equivalent to \$5 million and an additional \$125,000 towards independent evaluation. Bridges Outcomes Partnership reaffirmed its commitment to pre-finance the programme as social investors. The commitments from both CIFF and Bridges coupled with the catalytic funding from the Joint SDG fund grounded the structuring of the first phase of the DIB with a value of \$10,126,897. Legal contracts were signed between parties and the programme was eventually rolled out on 1st July 2023 with the official launch being held on September 21st, 2023.

#### 1.3. Consultative and planning meeting with the National and County teams

The platform with the joint ASRH DIB team held a kick-off meeting with County health management teams in August 2023, in Naivasha. The county directors of the 10 implementing countries led the meetings, which included the Ministry of Health, Council of Governors, UN agencies (UNFPA, UNAIDS, WHO) and Tiko and aimed to facilitate the effective rollout of the program. The key objectives of this engagement included providing a progress update on the programme, promoting facility incentivisation, and agreeing on the governance mechanisms of the JP. As a result, key stakeholders, particularly the new county teams, developed a deeper understanding of the programme. The meeting also outlined a clear pathway for facility incentivisation aimed at encouraging public health facilities to provide quality services to adolescents. Governance mechanisms were resolved, including the roadmap for signing the Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with counties. As of 31st December 2023, 8 out of the 10 counties had signed the MOU which sets out responsibilities and expectations from programme parties throughout the implementation period. Further, consultative and quarterly meetings

between the county teams and the implementing partner Tiko have been ongoing in the counties, for purposes of last-mile implementation and activation of performance across the result metrics.

#### 1.4. Capacity Building for National and County Government Officers

The ASRH DIB joint programmes facilitated a refresher training targeting county Trainers of Trainers from all the 10 programme counties on the provision of Adolescent and Youth Friendly Services. Eighteen county Trainers of Trainers were re-oriented and will cascade the training to 300 health care providers from 150 public health facilities in the programme counties. Regarding HIV programming, capacity-building activities will take place in the first quarter of 2024 and will be conducted in collaboration with national and county teams. The changes in the Adolescent and Young People Package and the transition to three-test HIV algorithms necessitated the postponement of the training to ensure that healthcare workers are trained on the latest guidelines.

A two-day training event took place in October 2023 to support advocacy and community empowerment concerning the elimination of mother-to-child transmission of HIV and care for adolescents and children living with HIV in Kenya. The workshop focused on achieving the 95-95-95 targets aligned with the Global AIDS strategy 2022-2026, emphasizing the challenges in paediatric HIV treatment and care. Participants from seven ASAL counties, along with representatives from People Living with HIV (PLHIV) organizations and Implementing Partners gathered to enhance their knowledge. The training contributed to HIV prevention and treatment efforts by raising awareness and accountability among stakeholders.

The implementation of primary care networks (PCN) in Kenya is taking shape with a number of counties successfully mapping PCNs. In June 2023 the partnership platform collaboratively with WHO and the Council of Governors embarked on a learning agenda to document the journey of PCN implementation for Kisumu and Garissa County focusing on a political lens. The documentation of promising practices from each county revealed diverse models given that the two counties are in a unique geographic setting with one having more urban facilities (Kisumu) and the other being in ASAL and encompassing refugee setup (Garissa). The findings of the study on implementation of PCNs in the county are key in shaping how the remaining counties form primary care networks as well as operationalise it.

#### 1.5. Supported Public and Private Sector Dialogues and Engagements for the Achievement of UHC

In September 2023, the platform participated in the international conference on primary health care hosted by the Ethiopian Ministry of Health with support from the Primary Health Care Institute Ethiopia and the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. The platform contributed to the high-level advocacy discussions on financing for primary health care (PHC) emphasising utilising private sector resources; capacity and capital through Public-Private collaborations; innovations in result-based programming and enhancing community health services to achieve universal health coverage and meaningful partnerships. The conference provided a good opportunity to network with PHC thinkers and global leaders around the world to learn from, collaborate with and build resilient PHC systems in Kenya in support of the Government agenda on primary health care.

#### 1.6. Facilitation Support to the Council of Governors

The Annual Devolution Conference took place in August 2023. UNAIDS with funding from the partnership platform supported the Council of Governors to hold a side session themed Celebrating a Decade of County-Led Health Service Delivery for Economic Growth in Kenya. The side event was attended by senior government officials, private sector representatives as well as development partners. One of the sessions focused on repositioning primary health care in the county; accelerating the mapping of primary health care networks;

improving referrals and improving access to health care to the last mile. The other session focused on digital innovations showcasing innovations that County Governments can leverage using private sector capital to unlock potential in the health sector, especially in service delivery. Key areas of discussion included digitising health information reporting, community health reporting and portability of health information. It was also a high-level platform to advance policy dialogue and mainstream HIV issues in primary health care and digitisation in alignment with the current government priorities.

# 1.7. Creation of an Enabling Regulatory and Policy Environment for the Achievement of the Universal Health Care

In February 2023, an inaugural meeting brought together sixty-seven newly appointed Chief Officers of Health, representing various counties, to align strategies for effective execution of their responsibilities. The five-day orientation covered critical aspects such as an overview of the health sector post-devolution, assessment of achievements and gaps, examination of policies, and discussions on roles in service delivery and human resources management. The program received support from key development partners, including Think well, CHAI, AMREF, CBM, UNAIDS, and KHF. Notably, UNAIDS with support from the platform played a vital role by providing financial support for the induction manuals and procuring essential merchandise. H.E Gladys Wanga, the Governor of Homa Bay and Vice Chair of the Health Committee, graced the occasion, emphasising the collaboration between government entities and development partners.

Additionally, through the resource focal point seconded by the platform to the Council of Governors, UN Kenya was been able to position counties as the centre of investments through convening catalytic meetings with private sector companies such as the Global Council (GC) of Sustainable Development Goal which aims to help countries accelerate progress on the health related SDG targets, via a set of commitments to strengthen collaboration across agencies to take joint action and provide more coordinated and aligned support to national plans and strategies, including support which reduces inefficiencies in national health systems.

In July, the platform coordinated the convening of the Hilton Foundation delegation led Council of Governors' president Peter Laugharn, the Ministry of Health and the office of the Prime Cabinet Minister. The consultative dialogues strategically advocated for the localisation agenda, aiming to increase funding to local institutions in the implementation of early childhood development and health.

#### 1.8. Support for Universal Health Coverage – Mashujaa day

The H.E. President of Kenya reshaped the nation's approach to national celebrations, dedicating a week in Kericho County to champion UHC ahead of Mashujaa day. Attended by top government officials and diverse stakeholders, the event aimed to leverage its visibility for high-level advocacy on UHC, highlight projects aligning with the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), and the interconnectedness of health with various sectors such as nutrition, housing, agriculture, and water among others. Four key bills including the facility improvement bill, the primary health care fund, the digital health bill and the chronic disease fund bills were accented to law as accelerators to UHC. The UN Partnership Platform collaboratively with the UNFPA erected booths to showcase and disseminate impactful work done on Public-Private collaborations and innovative financing through the ASRH DIB. The week-long commemoration emphasised the importance of digital health innovations, health labour workforce dynamics, health financing and how they play pivotal role in shaping the health system. In addition to the programmatic technical assistance and facilitation support accorded towards supporting governments in Kenya, the SDGPP seconded a staff to support county

governments in the achievement of UHC. It therefore covers salaries, travel expenses and administration expenses through its funds at UNFPA.

#### 1.9. Support for Food and Nutrition Security

The platform played a critical role in Kenya's visionary Food Systems Plan which aims to revolutionise its food system and address critical challenges of food security. The comprehensive strategy encompassed sustainable agricultural practices, the promotion of diversified diets, and bolstering value chains to ensure equitable access to food.

The platform contributed to the plan which evolved through multiple Food Systems Dialogues throughout the country which crystallised the vision "to build prosperity through inclusive, innovative, collaborative and dynamic food systems, that are based on data-driven decisions to ensure access to diverse diets from climate resilient production in every region of the country." This was underpinned by concrete actions geared at reinforcing the attainment of Kenya's Vision 2030 of food and nutrition security. The concrete actions sought to operationalise the Food Systems Dialogue's vision where four intertwined pathways were identified. Firstly, increasing the number of young people and women with access to productive resources that they require to thrive in Kenya's food systems. Secondly, increasing the uptake of digital agricultural solutions. Third, to improve the diversity of diets including fruits, vegetables, dairy, meat and fish, as well as grains. Lastly, to heighten climate action to build the resilience of our people.

#### 3.4.2. UN Kenya Deepened Presence in the ASALs ("UN at Devolved Level")

The development of ASALs require a more concerted effort that brings together all the development actors to work more coherently and to reduce duplications and enhance synergies. The UN at Devolved Programme aim to enhance delivery of development programmes at the selected ASAL counties (Turkana, Marsabit & Garissa), through better coordination and alignment with county priorities as stipulated in the County Integrated Development Plans (CIDPs). Based on the lessons learnt from the Delivering as One Office in Turkana, the programme supports coordination through the three regional offices, namely, Garissa regional office (covering Garissa, Mandera and Wajir); Marsabit regional office (covering Marsabit, Isiolo and Samburu) and Turkana regional office (covering Turkana, Pokot and Baringo). The programme is now in the initial stages of implementation.

The programme has been positively received by the leadership in the three (3) counties, who see the strategic and catalytic value of support to improved coordination and facilitation for development activities. During this reporting period, the Secretariat completed the internal recruitment process approvals and selected candidates to be interviewed for the Project Coordinators roles and UN Volunteers positions. The interviews for the selected candidates are scheduled for the first quarter of 2024, with the expectation that they will be ready for duty by the start of quarter two. While awaiting the arrival of the programme staff, initial kick-start initiatives were conducted to lay the groundwork for a quick start. The Secretariat struck up a very fruitful and warm collaboration with the Frontier Counties Development Council (FCDC) Secretariat on this project. It's expected that UN Kenya will work with the FCDC Secretariat to onboard this programme. The Secretariat also met with the Governors from Marsabit and Garissa in a joint meeting. This was very much "a meeting of minds," and the Governors are ready to put their weight behind UN Kenya to ensure the programme contributes to development in their respective counties. Plans are in place to meet with the Governor of Turkana.

Due to the overall delay in commencing this programme, it is envisioned that an extension beyond the initially foreseen three years will be sought. This extension is necessary to ensure that "UN at devolved level" achieves its desired long-term impact and is synchronised with the lifetime of the UNSDCF.

#### 4. CONCLUSION

The SDG MPTF Kenya secretariat's capacity was considerably strengthened in 2023 by the addition of technical and fund management expertise that helped bring the secretariat's support towards joint programmes to speed. This enabled the Secretariat to fully play its role as a driving force in the orientation and design of joint programs not only in the social sectors (SP1) but also around environmental and climate issues (SP2), which is an absolute priority for the Kenyan government, as evidenced by the holding of the ACS in 2023. The strategic reinforcement of the Secretariat's staff has not only strengthened the Fund's management capacities but has also catalysed efforts to enhance the governance and structure of the SDG MPTF. The aim is to elevate the standards of the Fund and gradually transform it into a comprehensive platform for funding joint programmes. The anticipated results of these endeavours are expected to manifest in 2024, marking a significant step forward in achieving UN Kenya collective goals.

# SECTION II: ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT of the Administrative Agent

#### **DEFINITIONS**

#### Allocation/Total Approved Budget

Amount approved by the Fund Board for a project/programme. The total approved budget represents the cumulative amount of allocations approved by the Fund Board.

#### Approved Project/Programme

A project/programme including budget, etc., that is approved by the Fund Board for fund allocation purposes.

#### **Contributor Commitment**

Amount(s) committed by a contributor to a Fund in a signed donor agreement with the UNDP Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTF Office), in its capacity as the Administrative Agent. A commitment may be paid or pending payment.

#### **Contributor Deposit**

Cash deposit received by the MPTF Office for the Fund from a contributor in accordance with a signed donor agreement.

#### **Delivery Rate**

The percentage of funds that have been utilized, calculated by comparing expenditures reported by a Participating Organization and Non-UN Organization against the 'net funded amount'. This does not include expense commitments by Participating Organizations.

#### **Donor Agreement**

Standard Administrative Arrangement and/or European Commission contribution agreement between contributor/donor and MPTF Office.

#### **Net Funded Amount**

Amount transferred to a Participating Organization less any refunds transferred back to the MPTF Office by a Participating Organization.

#### **Participating Organization**

A UN Organization or other intergovernmental Organization that is a partner in a Fund, as represented by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the MPTF Office for a particular Fund.

#### **Project Expenditure**

The sum of expenses and/or expenditure reported by all Participating Organizations for a Fund irrespective of which basis of accounting each Participating Organization follows for donor reporting.

#### **Project Financial Closure**

A project or programme is considered financially closed when all financial obligations of an operationally completed project or programme have been settled, and no further financial charges may be incurred. MPTF Office will report a project financially closed once the financial report(s) has been received and any balance of funds refunded.

#### **Project Operational Closure**

A project or programme is deemed operationally closed once all activities funded for Participating Organization(s) have been concluded.

#### **Project Start Date**

Project/ Joint programme start date as per the programmatic document.

#### **US Dollar Amount**

The financial data in the report is recorded in US Dollars.

#### **Transferred Funds**

Funds transferred to Participating Organizations by the Administrative Agent in accordance with the Fund Board's request.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This Consolidated Annual Financial Report of the SDG Multi-Partner Trust Fund Kenya is prepared by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTF Office) in fulfillment of its obligations as Administrative Agent, as per the terms of Reference (TOR), the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between the UNDP MPTF Office and the Participating Organizations, and the donor agreement signed with contributors/donors.

The MPTF Office, as Administrative Agent, is responsible for concluding an MOU with Participating Organizations and donor agreements with contributors/donors. It receives, administers and manages contributions,

and disburses these funds to the Participating Organizations. The Administrative Agent prepares and submits annual consolidated financial reports, as well as regular financial statements, for transmission to stakeholders.

This consolidated financial report covers the period 1 January to 31 December 2023 and provides financial data on progress made in the implementation of projects of the **SDG Multi-Partner Trust Fund Kenya**. It is posted on the MPTF Office GATEWAY (https://mptf.undp.org/fund/ken00).

#### **2023 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

This chapter presents financial data and analysis of the **SDG Multi-Partner Trust Fund Kenya** using the pass-through funding modality as of 31 December **2023**. Financial information for this Fund is also available on the MPTF Office GATEWAY, at the following address: https://mptf.undp.org/fund/ken00.

#### 1. SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

As of 31 December 2023, 9 contributors deposited US\$ 12,122,132 and US\$ 80,220 was earned in interest.

The cumulative source of funds was US\$ 12,202,352.

Of this amount, US\$ 9,052,021 has been net funded to 6 Participating Organizations, of which US\$ 4,126,058 has been reported as expenditure. The Administrative Agent fee has been charged at the approved rate of 1% on deposits and amounts to US\$ 121,221. Table 1 provides an overview of the overall sources, uses, and balance of the SDG Multi-Partner Trust Fund Kenya as of 31 December 2023.

Table 1 Financial Overview, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

	Prior Years up to 31 Dec 2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec 2023	Total
Sources of Funds			
Contributions from donors	6,303,771	5,818,361	12,122,132
Sub-total Contributions	6,303,771	5,818,361	12,122,132
Fund Interest and Investment Income Earned	20,456	59,764	80,220
Total: Sources of Funds	6,324,227	5,878,125	12,202,352
Use of Funds			
Transfers to Participating Organizations	2,028,422	5,127,741	7,156,163
Transfers to Participating Organizations for Direct Cost - Fund Secretariat etc	929,162	966,696	1,895,858
Sub-Total Transfers	2,957,584	6,094,437	9,052,021
Administrative Agent Fees	63,038	58,184	121,221
Bank Charges	41	60	101
Total: Uses of Funds	3,020,662	6,152,681	9,173,343
Change in Fund cash balance with Administrative Agent	3,303,565	(274,556)	3,029,009
Opening Fund balance (1 January)	102,160	3,303,565	-
Closing Fund balance (31 December)	3,303,565	3,029,009	3,029,009
Net Funded Amount (Includes Direct Cost)	2,957,584	6,094,437	9,052,021
Participating Organizations Expenditure (Includes Direct Cost)	1,921,891	2,204,167	4,126,058
Balance of Funds with Participating Organizations	1,035,693	3,890,270	4,925,963

#### 2. PARTNER CONTRIBUTIONS

Table 2 provides information on cumulative contributions received from all contributors to this fund as of 31 December **2023**.

The **SDG Multi-Partner Trust Fund Kenya** is currently being financed by **9** contributors, as listed in the table below.

The table includes financial commitments made by the contributors through signed Standard Administrative Agreements with an anticipated deposit date as per the schedule of payments by 31 December 2023 and deposits received by the same date. It does not include commitments that were made to the fund beyond 2023.

Table 2. Contributions, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

Contributors	Total Commitments	Total Deposits
AstraZeneca	500,000	500,000
CONRAD HILTON FOUNDATION	400,000	250,000
Government of Netherlands	590,658	590,658
Government of Norway	4,429,636	3,927,022
Government of Switzerland	333,332	166,666
Koninklijke Philips	750,000	750,000
Merck & Co.	200,000	200,000
Rockefeller Foundation	200,000	200,000
Sida	5,537,785	5,537,785
Grand Total	12,941,411	12,122,132

#### 3. INTEREST EARNED

Interest income is earned in two ways: 1) on the balance of funds held by the Administrative Agent (Fund earned interest), and 2) on the balance of funds held by the Participating Organizations (Agency earned interest) where their Financial Regulations and Rules allow return of interest to the AA. As of 31 December **2023**, Fund earned interest amounts to US\$ **80,220**. No interest was received from the Participating Organizations. Details are provided in the table below.

Table 3. Sources of Interest and Investment Income, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

Interest Earned	Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2023	Total
Administrative Agent			
Fund Interest and Investment Income Earned	20,456	59,764	80,220
Total: Fund Interest Earned	20,456	59,764	80,220
Participating Organization			
Total: Agency Interest Earned	-	-	-

Grand Total	20,456	59,764	80,220
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#### 4. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Allocations to Participating Organizations are approved by the Fund Board and disbursed by the Administrative Agent. As of 31 December 2023, the AA has transferred US\$ 9,052,021 to 6 Participating Organizations (see list below).

Table 4 provides additional information on the refunds received by the MPTF Office, and the net funded amount for each of the Participating Organizations.

Table 4. Transfer, Refund, and Net Funded Amount by Participating Organization (in US Dollars)

	Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2022			Financial Year Jan-Dec-2023				Total	
Participating Organization	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded
FAO	139,000	-	139,000	-	-	-	139,000	-	139,000
UNAIDS	100,000	-	100,000	-	-	-	100,000	-	100,000
UNDP	1,835,264	-	1,835,264	3,123,331	-	3,123,331	4,958,595	-	4,958,595
UNFPA	883,320	-	883,320	90,829	-	90,829	974,149	-	974,149
UNICEF	-	-	-	2,290,581	-	2,290,581	2,290,581	-	2,290,581
WFP	-	-	-	589,696	-	589,696	589,696	-	589,696
Grand Total	2,957,584		2,957,584	6,094,437		6,094,437	9,052,021		9,052,021

# 5. EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL DELIVERY RATES

All final expenditures reported are submitted as certified financial information by the Headquarters of the Participating Organizations. These were consolidated by the MPTF Office.

Joint programme/ project expenditures are incurred and monitored by each Participating Organization, and are reported to the Administrative Agent as per the agreed upon categories for inter-agency harmonized reporting. The expenditures are reported via the MPTF Office's online expenditure reporting tool. The **2023** expenditure data has been posted on the MPTF Office GATEWAY at https://mptf.undp.org/fund/ken00.

## 5.1 EXPENDITURE REPORTED BY PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATION

In 2023, US\$ 6,094,437 was net funded to Participating Organizations, and US\$ 2,204,167 was reported in expenditure.

As shown in table below, the cumulative net funded amount is US\$ 9,052,021 and cumulative expenditures reported by the Participating Organizations amount to US\$ 4,126,058. This equates to an overall Fund expenditure delivery rate of 45.58 percent.

Table 5.1 Net Funded Amount and Reported Expenditures by Participating Organization, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

Participating Organization	Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount			Delivery Rate %	
			Prior Years up to 31-Dec- 2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2023	Cumulative	
FAO	139,000	139,000	77,185	1,329	78,514	56.48
UNAIDS	100,000	100,000	63,037	36,067	99,104	99.10
UNDP	6,872,746	4,958,595	963,409	1,745,572	2,708,981	54.63
UNFPA	974,149	974,149	818,259	4,801	823,061	84.49
UNICEF	2,290,581	2,290,581	-	416,398	416,398	18.18
WFP	589,696	589,696	-	-	-	-
Grand Total	10,966,172	9,052,021	1,921,891	2,204,167	4,126,058	45.58

<sup>\*</sup>The expenditures reported represent payments made against obligations made by PUNOs prior to the operational closure of projects

#### **5.2. Expenditures Reported by Category**

Project expenditures are incurred and monitored by each Participating Organization and are reported as per the agreed categories for inter-agency harmonized reporting. In 2006 the UN Development Group (UNDG) established six categories against which UN entities must report inter-agency project expenditures. Effective 1 January 2012, the UN Chief Executives Board (CEB) modified these categories as a result of IPSAS adoption to comprise eight categories.

Table 5.2. Expenditure by UNSDG Budget Category, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

Category		Percentage of Total Programme Cost		
	Prior Years up to 31-Dec- 2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2023	Total	
Staff & Personnel Cost	628,698	230,521	859,220	22.26
Supplies, commodities and materials	37,037	42,977	80,014	2.07
Equipment, vehicles, furniture and depreciation	44,402	340,685	385,087	9.97
Contractual Services Expenses	510,292	316,989	827,281	21.43
Travel	105,975	382,072	488,046	12.64
Transfers and Grants	-	372,907	372,907	9.66
General Operating	469,757	378,426	848,183	21.97
Programme Costs Total	1,796,160	2,064,577	3,860,737	100.00
<sup>1</sup> Indirect Support Costs Total	125,730	139,591	265,321	6.87
Grand Total	1,921,891	2,204,167	4,126,058	-

**<sup>1</sup> Indirect Support Costs** charged by Participating Organization, based on their financial regulations, can be deducted upfront or at a later stage during implementation. The percentage may therefore appear to exceed the 7% agreed-upon for on-going projects. Once projects are financially closed, this number is not to exceed 7%.

#### 6. COST RECOVERY

Cost recovery policies for the Fund are guided by the applicable provisions of the Terms of Reference, the MOU concluded between the Administrative Agent and Participating Organizations, and the SAAs concluded between the Administrative Agent and Contributors, based on rates approved by UNDG.

The policies in place, as of 31 December 2023, were as follows:

- The Administrative Agent (AA) fee:
   1% is charged at the time of
   contributor deposit and covers
   services provided on that contribution
   for the entire duration of the Fund.
   Cumulatively, as of 31 December
   2023, US\$ 121,221 has been charged
   in AA-fees.
- Indirect Costs of Participating **Organizations:** A general cost that cannot be directly related to any particular programme or activity of the Participating Organizations. Participating Organizations may charge 7% indirect costs based on UNSDG policy, establishing an indirect cost rate as a percentage of the programmable costs for interagency pass-through pool funds. In the current reporting period US\$ 139,591 was deducted in indirect costs by Participating Organizations. Cumulatively, indirect costs amount to US\$ 265,321 as of 31 December 2023.

#### 7. ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

In order to effectively provide fund administration services and facilitate monitoring and reporting to the UN system and its partners, the MPTF Office has developed a public website, the MPTF Office Gateway (<a href="https://mptf.undp.org">https://mptf.undp.org</a>). Refreshed daily from an internal enterprise resource planning system, the MPTF Office Gateway has become a standard setter for providing transparent and accountable trust fund administration services.

The Gateway provides financial information including: contributor commitments and deposits, approved programme budgets, transfers to and expenditures reported by Participating Organizations, interest income and other expenses. In addition, the Gateway provides an overview of the MPTF Office portfolio and extensive information on individual Funds, including their purpose. governance structure and key documents. By providing easy access to the growing number of narrative and financial reports, as well as related project documents, the Gateway collects and preserves important institutional knowledge and facilitates knowledge sharing and management among UN Organizations and their development partners, thereby contributing to UN coherence and development effectiveness.

#### 8. DIRECT COSTS

The Fund governance mechanism may approve an allocation to a Participating Organization to cover costs associated with Fund coordination covering overall coordination, and fund level reviews and evaluations. These allocations are referred to as 'direct costs'. Cumulatively, as of 31 December 2023, US\$ 1,895,858 has been charged as Direct Costs.

Participating Organization	Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount		Expenditure		
			Prior Years up to 31-Dec- 2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2023	Cumulative	
UNDP	1,895,858	1,895,858	61,530	830,200	891,729	47.04
Grand Total	1,895,858	1,895,858	61,530	830,200	891,729	47.04

#### **Annex. EXPENDITURE BY PROJECT**

The Annex displays the net funded amounts, expenditures reported and the financial delivery rates by Window/thematic area by project/ joint programme and Participating Organization

#### **Annex: Expenditure by Project**

	roject No. and Project	Participating Organization	Project Status	Total Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount	Total Expenditure	Delivery Rate %
Direct Cost	Enabler Window						
00132749	Strengthened Capacity SDG MPTF	UNDP	On Going	1,895,858	1,895,858	891,729	47.04
Direct Cost	Enabler Window: Total			1,895,858	1,895,858	891,729	47.04
Enabling S	upport to the SDG PP						
00108116	Establishing and operationaliz	UNDP	On Going	881,500	881,500	629,670	71.43
00115127	Implementation of the SDG Part	UNFPA	On Going	90,829	-	-	-
Enabling States	upport to the SDG PP:			972,329	881,500	629,670	71.43
People and	Peace Thematic Window						
00140512	Integrated social protection	UNICEF	On Going	1,179,391	1,179,391	-	-
00140512	Integrated social protection	WFP	On Going	589,696	589,696	-	-
People and	Peace: Total			1,769,087	1,769,087	-	
Prosperity	and Planet Thematic Wind	low					
00140116	Drought Response build resilie	UNDP	On Going	853,286	853,286	732,140	85.80
00140116	Drought Response build resilie	UNICEF	On Going	1,111,190	1,111,190	416,398	37.47
Prosperity	and Planet: Total			1,964,476	1,964,476	1,148,539	58.47
Strategic E	nabler-Partnerships Wind	ow					
00140096	UN Kenya Deepened Presence in	UNDP	On Going	2,871,000	956,849	86,857	9.08
Strategic E Total	nabler-Partnerships:			2,871,000	956,849	86,857	9.08
TW1 SDG 3	Cluster PHC						
00108117	SDG3 Primary Healthcare Accele	UNDP	On Going	312,102	312,102	309,608	99.20
00115127	Implementation of the SDG Part	UNAIDS	On Going	100,000	100,000	99,104	99.10

00115127	Implementation of the SDG Part	UNFPA	On Going	883,320	974,149	823,061	84.49
TW1 SDG 3	Cluster PHC: Total			1,295,422	1,386,251	1,231,772	88.86
TW2 SDG2	Cluster FSN						
00125404	Inception of the SDG Partnersh	FAO	On Going	139,000	139,000	78,514	56.48
00125404	Inception of the SDG Partnersh	UNDP	On Going	59,000	59,000	58,977	99.96
TW2 SDG2	Cluster FSN: Total			198,000	198,000	137,491	69.44
Grand Tota	ı			10,966,172	9,052,021	4,126,058	45.58