



**GOAL**

Enhance the informed and inclusive nature of continued peace implementation and political processes.

**ALLOCATIONS**

In 2020, allocations made through the TGW aligned to the stabilization pillar of the RSRTF Results Framework, specifically RSRTF Outcome 4: Communities, including women, youth and disadvantaged groups are empowered and increasingly able to meaningfully participate in local and broader political, peace and security processes.

Through the TGW programmes, the RSRTF supports the UNCF priorities of building peace and strengthening governance and empowering women and youth in South Sudan

**GRANT RECIPIENTS**

UNMISS CAD, PAD, IOM

**BUDGET**

US\$ 1,629,802

**RSRTF OUTCOME THE TWG CONTRIBUTES TO:**



Civic Participation  
and Governance

## RSRTF Thematic Grants Window: Peace and Governance

The Fund's Area Based Programmes (ABP) modality is reinforced through application of a smaller thematic grants funding window (TWG). This allows for nimbler application of funding within a shorter implementation timeframe to react to windows of opportunity and deliver quick impact, as well as to strengthen existing ABPs through allocation of funds addressing thematic gaps and priorities.

The overarching intention of the RSRTF is to reduce violence and build stability, nurturing conducive conditions that stimulate recovery and development and allow for the consolidation of peace. While the Fund takes a local focus through its ABPs, the activities of the Fund also contribute to create an enabling environment more broadly through engagement on political and policy processes that support implementation of the national peace process, as the ultimate guarantee of peace and stability.

The TGW, launched in 2020, specifically sought to capitalize on momentum resulting from the formation of the Revitalized Transitional Government of National Unity (R-TGoNU). The allocation financed initiatives that would strengthen and promote inclusive civic participation in the implementation of the peace agreement and support the development of a robust political system and a more accountable, transparent, and responsive government by building governance capacity and fostering cohesion among political actors.

### *Empowering the Grassroots - Linking National and Subnational Processes:*

This project empowers grassroots stakeholders and opinion leaders across the country to broaden their space for engagement in national peace implementation. The project provides a platform for grassroots stakeholders, especially women and youth, to interact with key national decision makers and influencers and to voice their aspirations to achieve peace across South Sudan. The state level forums serve to bridge subnational and national peace processes, facilitate dialogue between local constituencies and their national leaders, and influence national policy on sustainable peace themes.



### *Targeted Support to Peace Implementation - Enhancing Political and Civic Space:*

This project aims to increase political dialogue and more inclusive civic and political participation in the implementation of the R-ARCSS peace agreement and related governance reform, including the permanent constitution-making process. The project broadens engagement of political and civic actors, including civil society, women and youth representatives, to foster genuine commitment and durable agreements. Through formation of a Political Parties Forum the project is building the foundations of a credible future electoral process, strengthening capacities of political leadership and bringing together political representatives from different parties in policy dialogue and thematically focused workshops and training.

### *Promoting Peace and Solidarity in the Face of COVID-19:*

The project was designed to deter violence connected to the spread of COVID-19, promote solidarity and tolerance, and combat xenophobia, stigmatization and hate speech. Its activities leverage traditional and mass media in shaping popular views and mobilize youth to influence the behaviours of their peer groups. The project aims to build trust between communities and state institutions responsible for prevention and response efforts, promoting civic participation in decision-making.

These projects respond to a growing need for governance programming, connecting peacebuilding efforts at the local, state, and national levels and enhancing civil society's influence on governance processes and decision-making.



### **Peace and Governance thematic projects**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>PERIOD</b>
Empowering the Grassroots: Linking National and Subnational Processes	UNMISS Civil Affairs Division (CAD)	\$629,802	01/2020–03/2022
Targeted Support to Peace Implementation: Enhancing Political and Civic Space	UNMISS Political Affairs Division (PAD)	\$500,000	04/2020–09/2022
Promoting Peace and Solidarity in the Face of COVID-19 in Juba, Bentiu and Wau	IOM, Community Empowerment for Progress Organization (CEPO), Action for Conflict Resolution (ACR)	\$500,000	08/2020–07/2021