

Food Security Call

WIDU Kenya







Overview of the Program



Creation of jobs and promotion of

entrepreneurship - by leveraging on diaspora remittances from Europe through a digital platform



Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).



5 years (2019- 2023) with possibility of extension



Regional Project (Multi-lateral) implemented in 6 African partner countries:

GHANA CAMEROON TOGO KENYA



ETHIOPIA TUNISIA

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Background



Diaspora in Europe

- Sends money to home country
- Knows family and friends with good business ideas
 / keen to invest in promising ideas

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Funding often intransparent



Entrepreneur

- Has good business ideas
- Knows business environment
- Lack of business skills
- Lack of access to finance



- Leverage funds when invested in small scale business
- Training provided to local entrepreneurs
- Transparency and involvement of Diaspora



Main actors and their roles

Diaspora

- Initiates process
- plus entrepreneur
 sets the objectives of the projects.

Entrepreneur

- Together with donor sets the objectives of the projects.
- Implements
 project on
 the ground.

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GIZ/BMZ

 GIZ provides the admin.
 framework and regulatory procedure.
 BMZ, the funding



Business Coach

Provides
 technical
 assistance –
 financial
 literacy and
 business
 modeling to
 ensure success
 of business



WIDU Grants: 2 Types of Finance

Original WIDU Grant



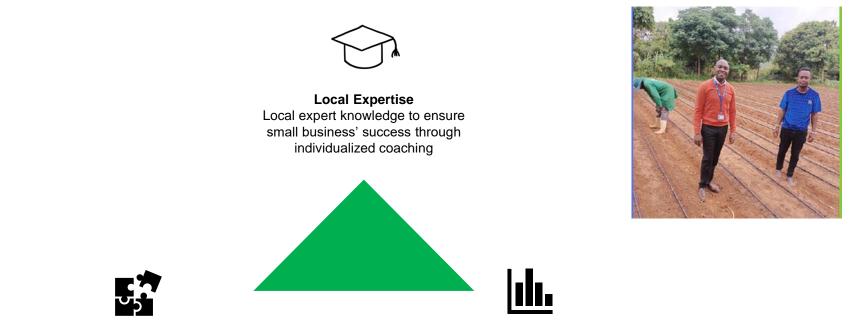
Private investment of max 2500 €. WIDU grant to double the initial amount invested (max 2500 €) + Individual coaching +250 € Corona Top-Up Local Thematic Call (Green Call, Food Security Call etc .)



Instrument <u>without diaspora</u> Financing with ratio of 1:2,5 2.500€ (15 piloted projects max. 5,000€) + enhanced individual coaching



What makes WIDU so innovative?



Combination of Financial and Technical Cooperation

Combined access to technical skills and financial support is a ground-breaking strategy.

Platform Economy Efficient, secure and scalable business support

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Figures

24 Corona Business Grants

65 Green Projects (LC)

1,243

Registered

Projects

437 Approved Projects

746,232 € Disbursed

Grants



Background

- Food security is one of the major challenges in Kenya as well as some other African countries.
- Due to the intersection of multiple crises Covid-19, prolonged drought and Russia-Ukraine war the food security situation is significantly deteriorating and thousands of humans are at risk of starvation in Kenya.



• **Idea**: A local thematic call of WIDU in Kenya, that aims to directly support businesses that contribute to food security. The grant can reach more business by removing the diaspora requirement.

Background: Why food security?

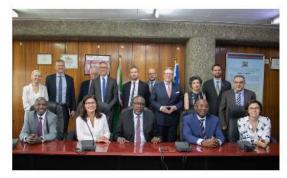
- 1. Responding to the most pressing issue Kenya
- 2. Increased development and humanitarian impact of WIDU.
- 3. Food security is a key topic of the Kenyan government. It also is a key topic for BMZ, EU and other donors in the Horn of Africa.
- 4. Qualifies WIDU as response instrument applicable in unusual times including economic crisis.

Kenya to partner with EU on food security plan

Linturi said the ministry is also keen to partner with the EU to impact farmers

In Summary

 The European Union Commission has pledged to support agricultural productivity in Kenya by supporting the government's initiatives on food security and also by extending support to local small-scale farmers to improve their incomes and food production.



Agriculture CS Mithika Linturi with EU delegation at his Kilimo office on Monday, January 16,2023.



European Commission - Press release



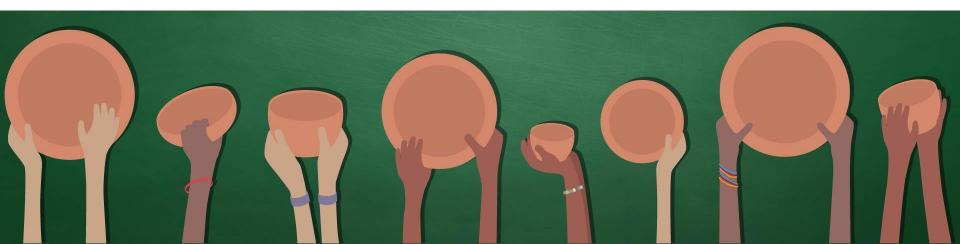
Food security in Horn of Africa: EU steps up support to drought-affected countries

Brussels, 26 April 2022

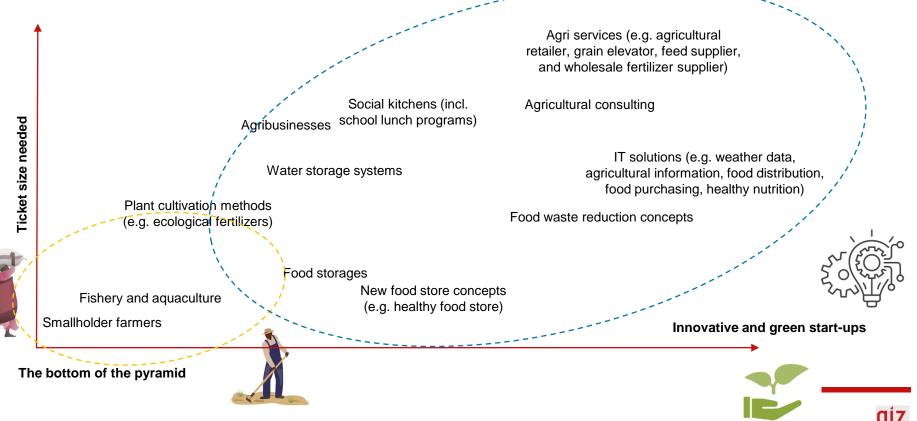


Definition of "Food Security"

- The United Nations defines food security by **four dimensions**:
 - 1. Physical availability of food
 - 2. Economic and physical access to food
 - **3.** Food utilization (diversity of diet, knowledge of good preparation practices, and appropriate distribution of food within a household)
 - 4. And the stability of these three dimensions over time.



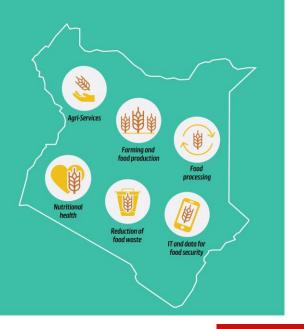
Types of businesses contributing to food security



Overview Food Security Call

Basic Concept	Support small-scale businesses or business ideas that contribute to sufficient, safe and/or nutritious food and agricultural production in Kenya
Minimum requirements	 Existing businesses (min 6 months, business licence not required) Grant request for <u>new</u> investments to grow the business (no financing of older investments) Creation of additional employment (min 1 person) through the investment
Eligibility	 Applicant must be a Kenyan National, 18+ years old Applicant must have MPESA/bank account Applicant can be a university graduate, a business owner in the agricultural, food processing, agri-services, water, etc. sector.
Duration of Call	01.04.2023 – 15.04.2023
Project financing	Minimum own investment of <i>Kshs 60,000</i> (max. <i>Kshs 160,000</i>) from entrepreneur = WIDU contribution 2.5 x grant (min Kshs 150,000, max. Kshs 400,000)
Number of supported projects per pilot country/ Total Budget	About 50 (up to 75.000 EUR / Kshs 10,000,000)

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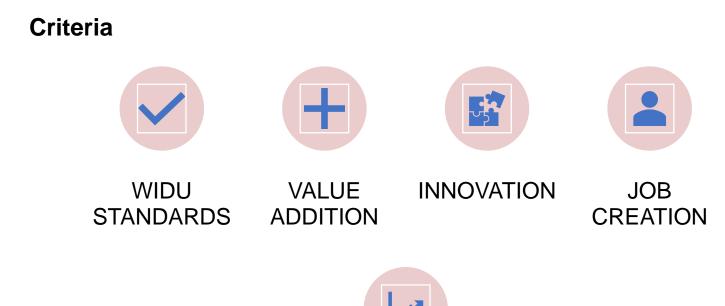




Proposed Categories for the call



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Farming



Definition:

Agricultural businesses growing or producing vegetables, fruits, herbs, crops, livestock/animals, milk, eggs, etc.

Expected Impact:

Increased availability of food products, improved access to food for the urban populations.

- Horticulture (e.g. farming of vegetables, fruits, nuts, herbs)
- Animal husbandry and dairy farming (e.g. cows, milk, goats)
- Poultry farming (e.g. chicken, eggs)
- Crop cultivation (e.g. teff, wheat, barley)









Agri-Services



Definition: Provider of services and products for farmers

Expected Impact:

- Improved cultivation (e.g. climate-resilience) and livestock methods (e.g. reducing illnesses)
- Higher agricultural yield

- Feed supplier (e.g. using local varieties)
- Distributor/Retailers of ecological fertilizers
- Mechanization services
- Consulting services for new/ innovative plant cultivation methods/ water/ or soil improvement





Food processing

Definition: Businesses that transform agricultural products into food ingredients or processed food.

Expected Impact:

 Increased availability of processed ingredients or processed food products.

- Bakery
- Yoghurt, Unga
- Honey production





Nutritional health





Definition:

IT and data solutions that provide services and applications for the agri food value chain.

Expected Impact:

- Improved food utilization (e.g. diversity of diet, knowledge of good preparation practices, and appropriate distribution of food within households)
- Improved nútrient efficiency

- Healthy and nutritious food providers and restaurants
- Consultancies on nutrition and health
- Websites, platforms and apps on health and nutrition Catering services for schools, university students, hospitals, displaced communities and other social institutions



Reduction of food waste

Definition:

Expected Impact:

• Decreased amount of food wasted.

- Solutions for transportation of agricultural products from farmers to markets and customers.
- Solutions for packing and preservation of food products.







IT and data for food security

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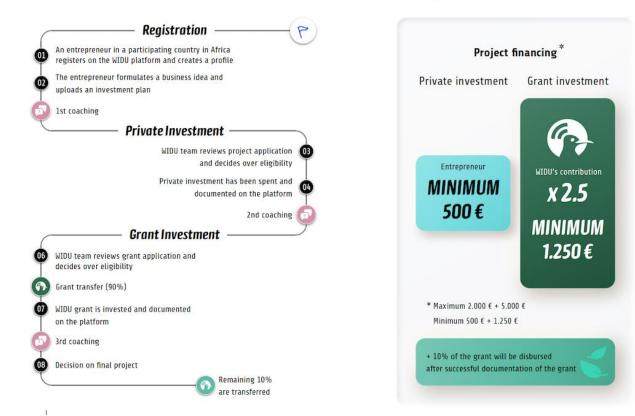
- More efficient agricultural production and/or food distribution through digital technologies
- Improve the consumption of nutrient food products through digital technologies

- Platforms that provide weather data
- Platforms for agricultural information, news, policies
- Farmers market apps and platforms



Process

Local Call – Process and Financing

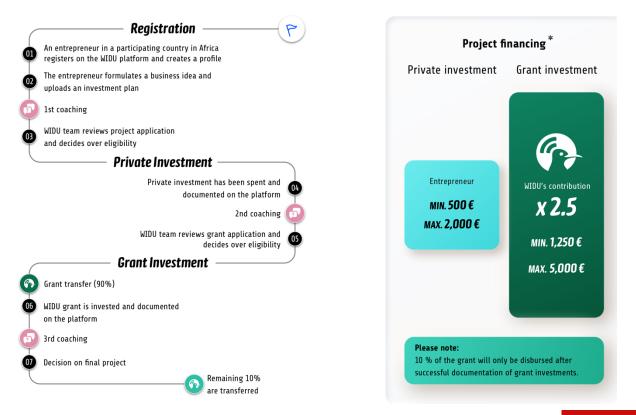




Process

Local Call – Process and Financing

- Application
- Approval and first coaching
- Own investment and second coaching
- Grant investment and third coaching
- Project closure





Process - Registration

Registration

An entrepreneur in a participating country in Africa registers on the WIDU platform and creates a profile

The entrepreneur formulates a business idea and uploads an investment plan

1st coaching

WIDU team reviews project application and decides over eligibility

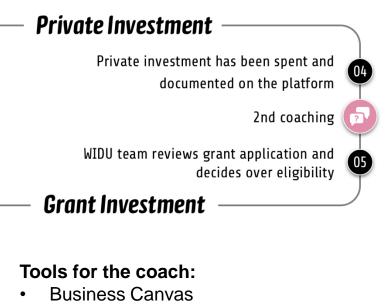
Private Investment —

Expected documentation:

- Business registration (6 months or more)
- Evidence of own investment
- Verification of identity (corresponds with application.



Process - Private Investment



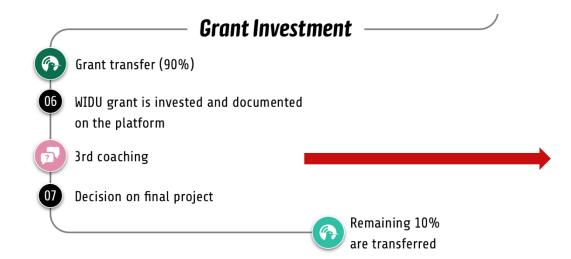
- Financial Tracker
- Employee List

Requirements:

- Ensure complete, accurate and verifiable receipts
- Assets/expenses are available as per the receipts provided
- Employees correspond with the employment list
- Improvement in business record



Process - Grant Investment



Tools for the coach:

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