



# Youth Mobility for Africa

Flagship initiative under the Global Gateway Africa-Europe Investment Package

Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme 9 October 2024

## Thematic areas of the Global Gateway Africa-Europe Investment Package

### A. Accelerating the Green Transition



Sustainable energy

Biodiversity, land, water, oceans & forests



Agri-food systems



Climate resilience & disaster risk reduction

### **B.** Accelerating the Digital Transition



Digital transition



### C. Accelerating growth and jobs



Transport



Private sector, entrepreneurship & MSMEs



African economic integration & diversification



Sustainable finance for sustainable transitions



Science, technology & innovation

### D. Accelerating Human Development



Health: access to vaccines, medicines & health technology products ★ ★

Global \*Gateway



Quality education and skills

# Youth Mobility for Africa, umbrella flagship initiative covering ongoing and new programmes:

- Erasmus +
- Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme V
- Harmonization of African Higher Education
   Quality Assurance and Accreditation HAQAA III
- African Continental Qualifications Framework -ACQF II
- Young African Leaders Programme YALP II
- Africa-Europe Youth Academy (under preparation)



Total 970 million Euro (until 2027)

# 5 strategic objectives

- Increase inclusive and demand-driven
  learning mobility opportunities, skills
  development, and collaboration
  within Africa and between Africa and the
  EU, through exchanges, scholarships,
  and cooperation projects
- Strengthen continental integration by supporting regional and continental harmonization mechanisms in education

- Foster quality, relevance and attractiveness of African higher education institutions as destinations of choice
- Support the empowerment of African youth for sustainable employability and active citizenship
- Increase policy dialogue, coordination and valorization of cooperation between African and European partners





## Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme 2022-2027

### Overall objective:

To increase skills and qualifications across the African continent



To promote **inclusive learning mobility** opportunities



To increase the **employability** of higher education students and trainees and their entrepreneurial skills



To improve the quality, relevance, internationalisation of higher education in Africa



To reinforce focus on climate change mitigation and adaptation in higher education



## Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme 2022-2027

Intra-Africa budget 2022-2024: 60 million €

## Mobility projects

1st call for proposals

NDICI-2023-MOBAF

(4 April 2023)

27 mln €

(≈ 15 projects)

2<sup>nd</sup> call for proposals

end 2024/beg 2025

29 mln €

(≈ 20 projects)

**Supporting measures** 

5 mln €

2023-2024

(implemented by EACEA)



#### Call NDICI-2023-MOBAF

## Which type of mobility projects are funded?

## Beneficiaries

 Consortia of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) from Sub-Saharan Africa and the EU

## Purpose

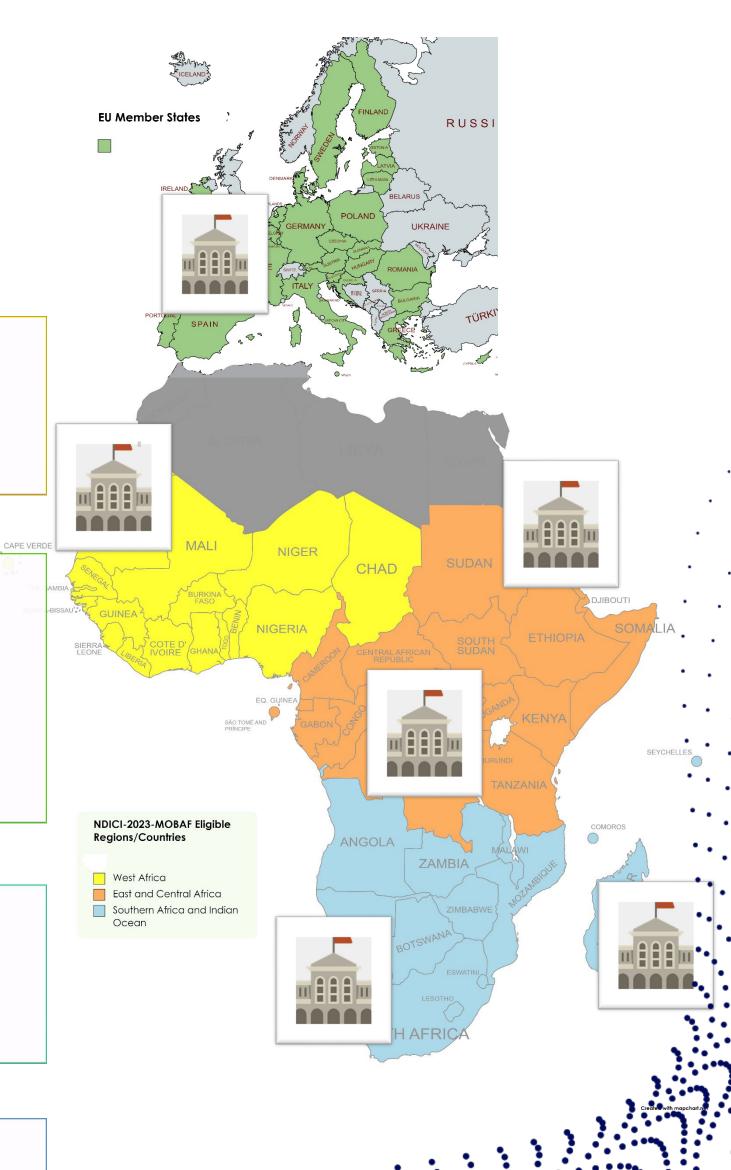
- Organisation and implementation of international mobility to African HEIs for
- Master & Doctorate students
- Trainees
- Staff members

## Thematic areas

• All thematic area but indicatively 40% of selected projects related to environment and climate change

## Grant per project and duration

- Maximum 1,8 mln € to fund institutional costs and scholarships
- 48 months (fixed duration)





## Call NDICI-2023-MOBAF Eligible consortium composition

Minimum 4 and maximum 6 Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) from Sub-Saharan Africa

Applicants (beneficiaries)

One HEI from one of the EU Member States (EU technical partner)

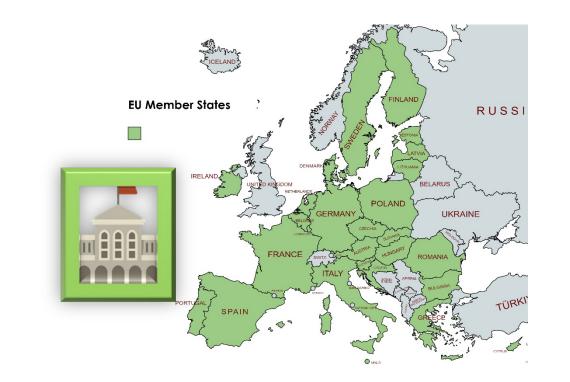
Only HEIs from **Africa** as **lead** applicant/coordinator

Other organisations from Africa can participate as **Associated Partners** 

# \* \* \* \* \* \* Global \* Gateway

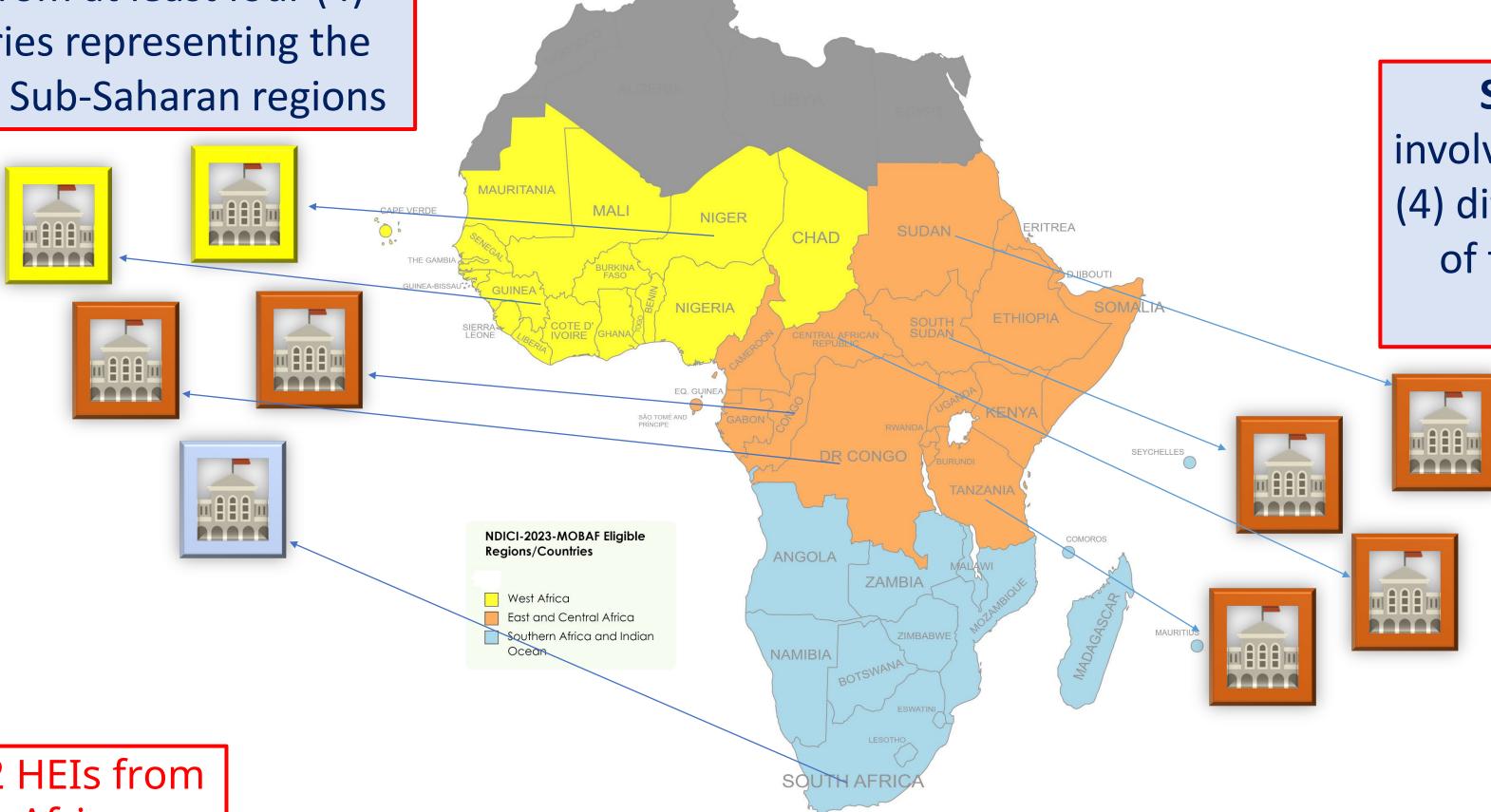
### Call NDICI-2023-MOBAF

## Eligible consortium composition: geographical coverage – 2 project types



## **Cross-regional projects:**

involving HEIs from at least four (4) different countries representing the three (3) eligible Sub-Saharan regions



Sub-regional projects: NE
involving HEIs from at least four
(4) different countries from one
of the eligible Sub-Saharan
regions

Maximum 2 HEIs from the same African country

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## MOBILITY PROJECTS

#### **Funded activities**

#### **INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Project management, cooperation,
- Capacity building
- Mobility promotion and selection
- Mobility implementation, services to students, recognition, monitoring
- Quality Assurance, dissemination, sustainability

## SCHOLARSHIPS for INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY of:

- Students (Master/PhD) for CREDIT or DEGREE seeking mobility
- Trainees (i.e. students enrolled in Bachelor, Master or PhD)
- Staff members



## SUPPORTING MEASURES

(EACEA/INTPA)

## **Events/initiatives**supporting YMA

Cluster Meetings in Botswana and Benin

## Projects networking activities

(e.g. kick-off and cluster meetings)

## Training and monitoring of ongoing projects

(e.g. kick-off meeting March 2024, online trainings, video tutorials)

## Promotion and dissemination

(e.g. promotion materials, information days, surveys)



## SELECTION RESULTS 2023



## Call for proposals 2023 NDICI-2023-MOBAF

Submitted proposals



> 600 instances of participation of African HEIs \*

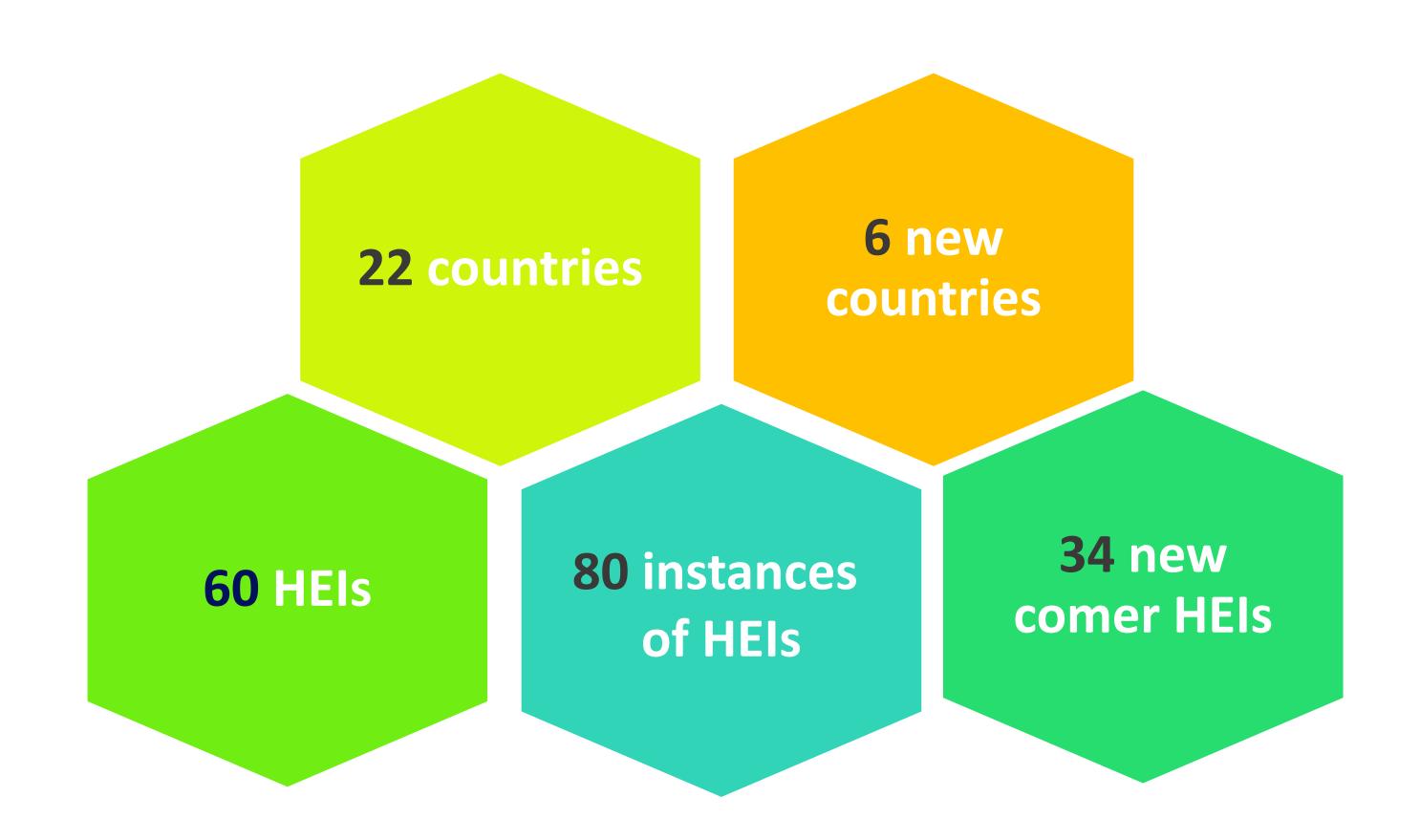


\* This number includes all eligible partner types, i.e. coordinators, partners and associated partners.



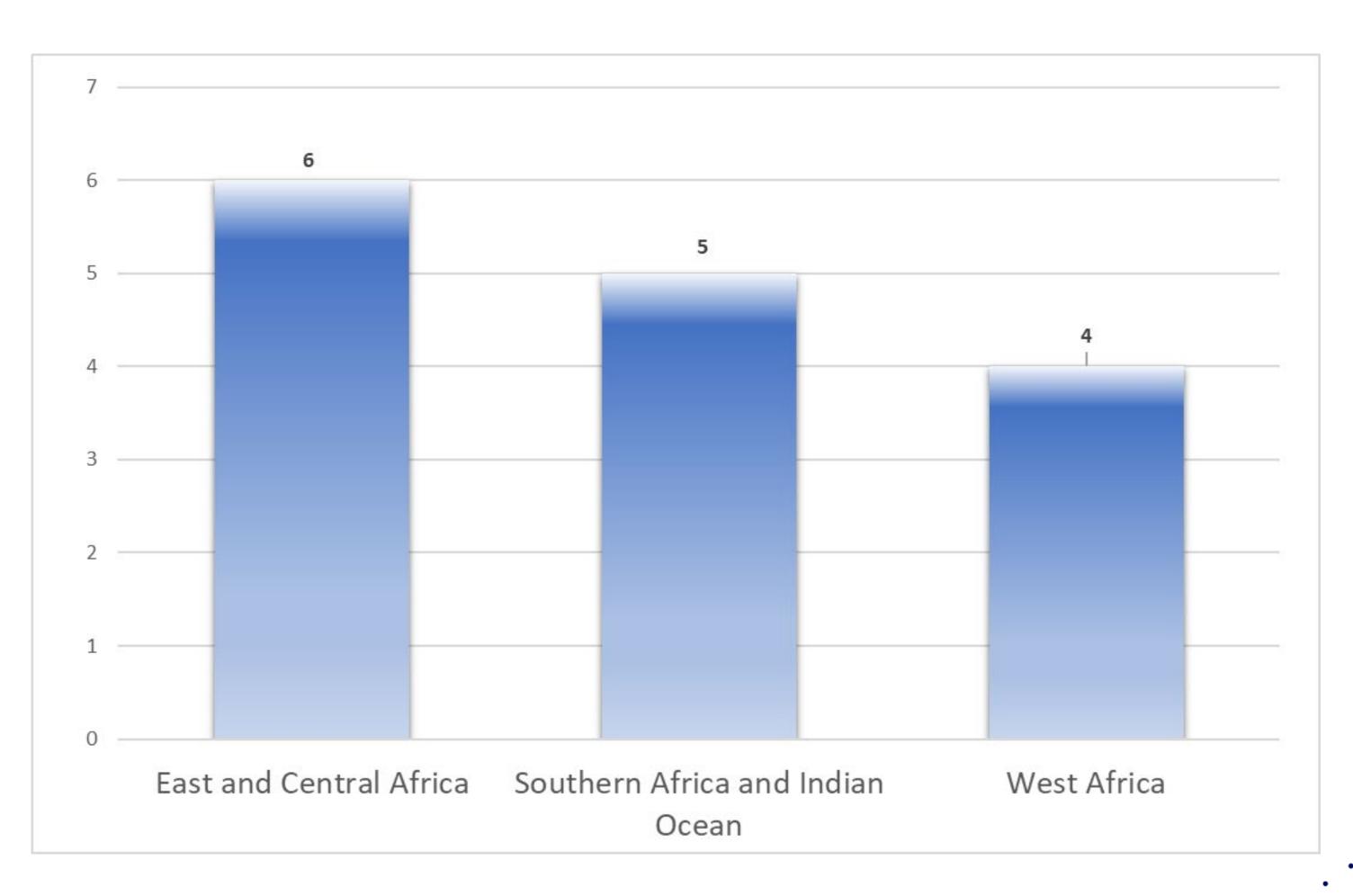
## NDICI-2023-MOBAF Selected projects

## **Countries and HEIs from Africa**



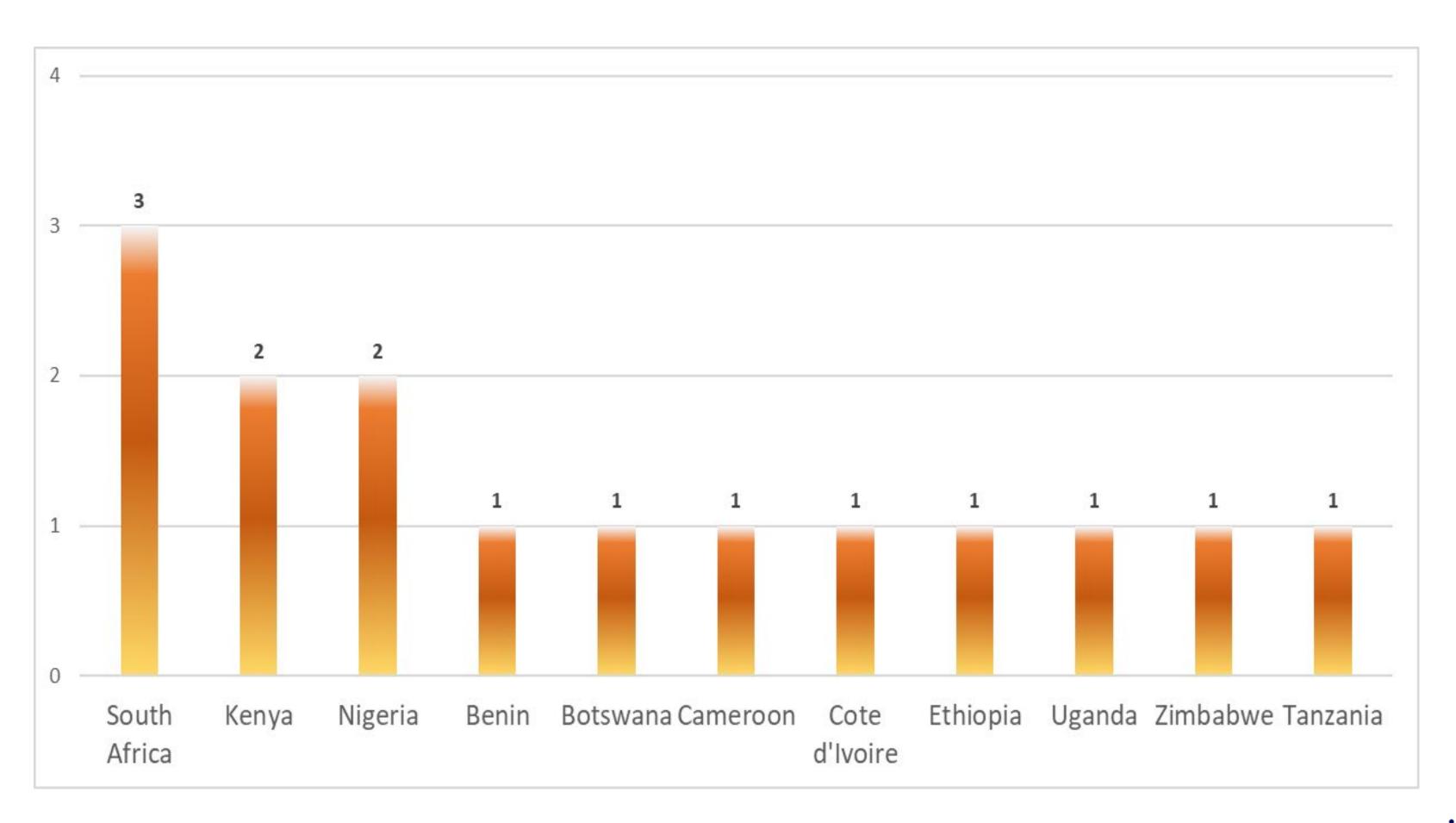


# NDICI-2023-MOBAF Number of MOBAF projects per region (Coordinator)



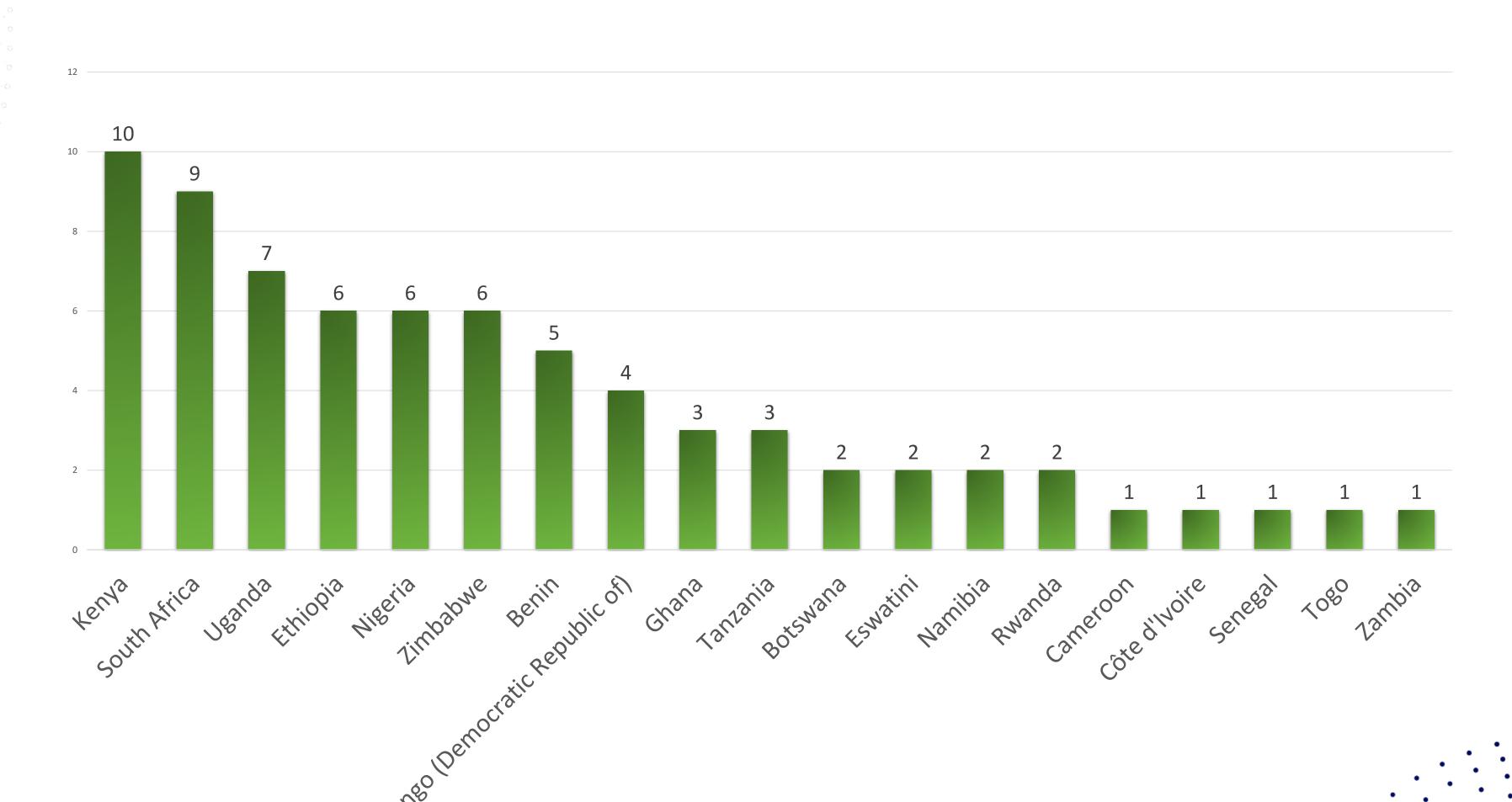


# NDICI-2023-MOBAF Number of HEIs per Country (Coordinator)



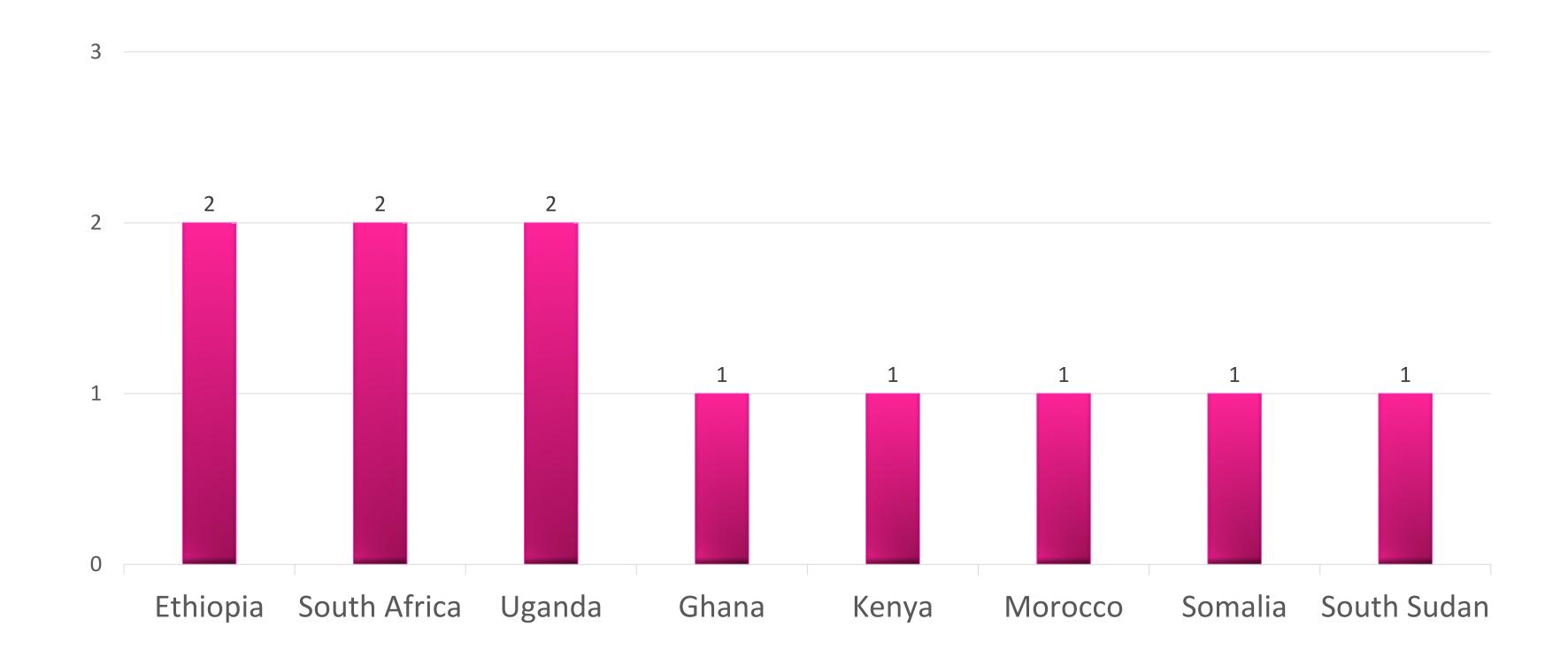


# NDICI-2023-MOBAF Number of project per Country (Coordinator and partner)





# NDICI-2023-MOBAF Number of projects per Country (Associated Partner)



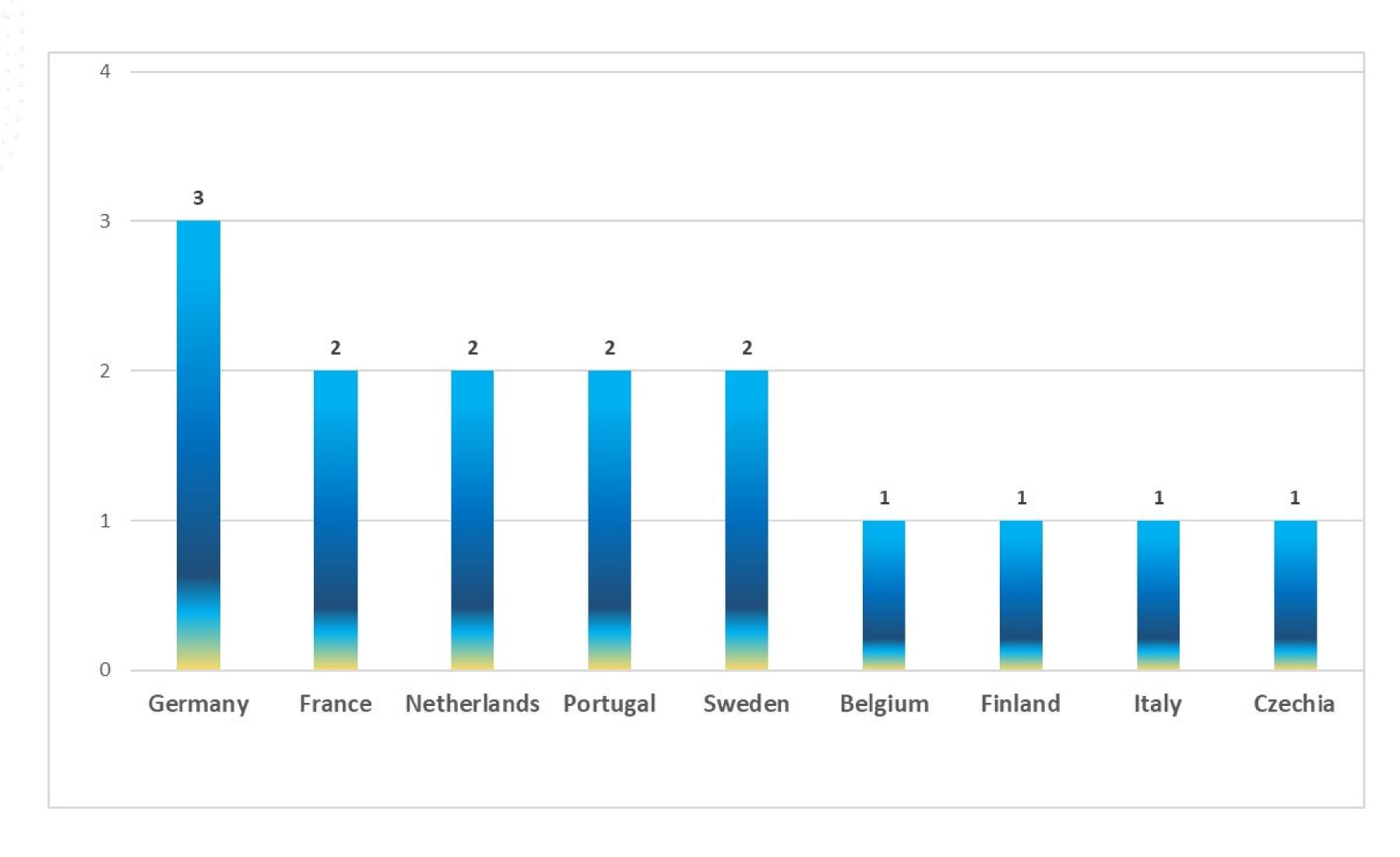


## Newcomer Sub-Saharan African countries in MOBAF projects





# NDICI-2023-MOBAF Number of projects per EU Country (EU Technical Partner)





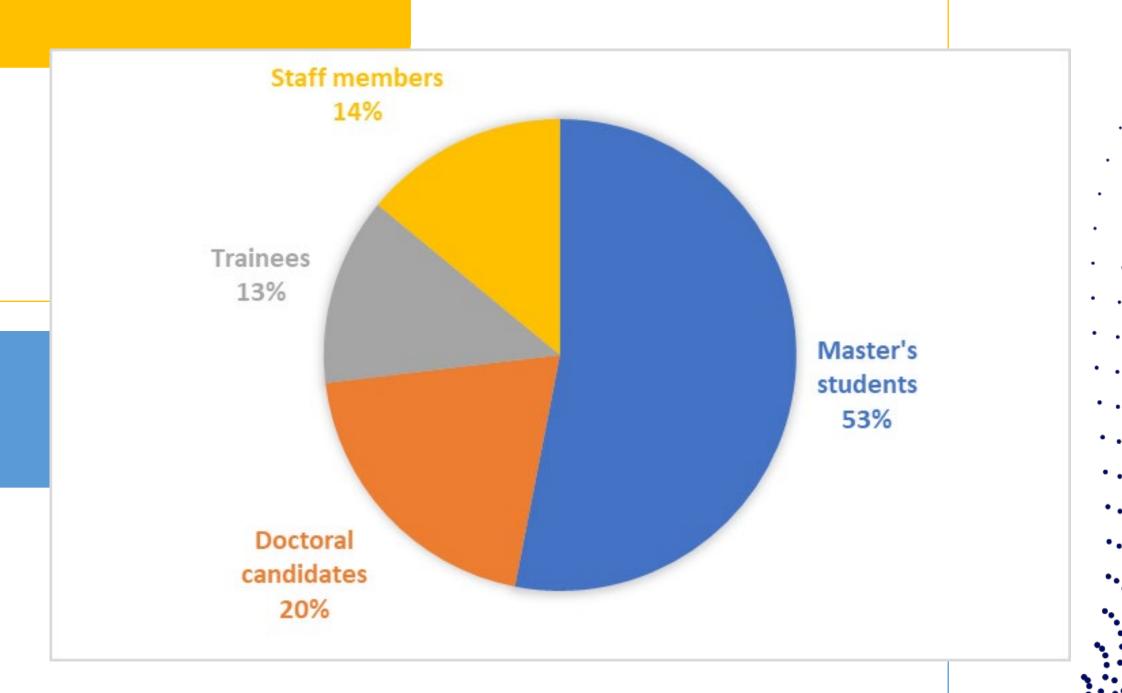
## NDICI-2023-MOBAF MOBAF projects - features

## **Partnership Composition**

- •5 Sub-regional
- •10 Cross-regional

## **Number of Mobility flows**

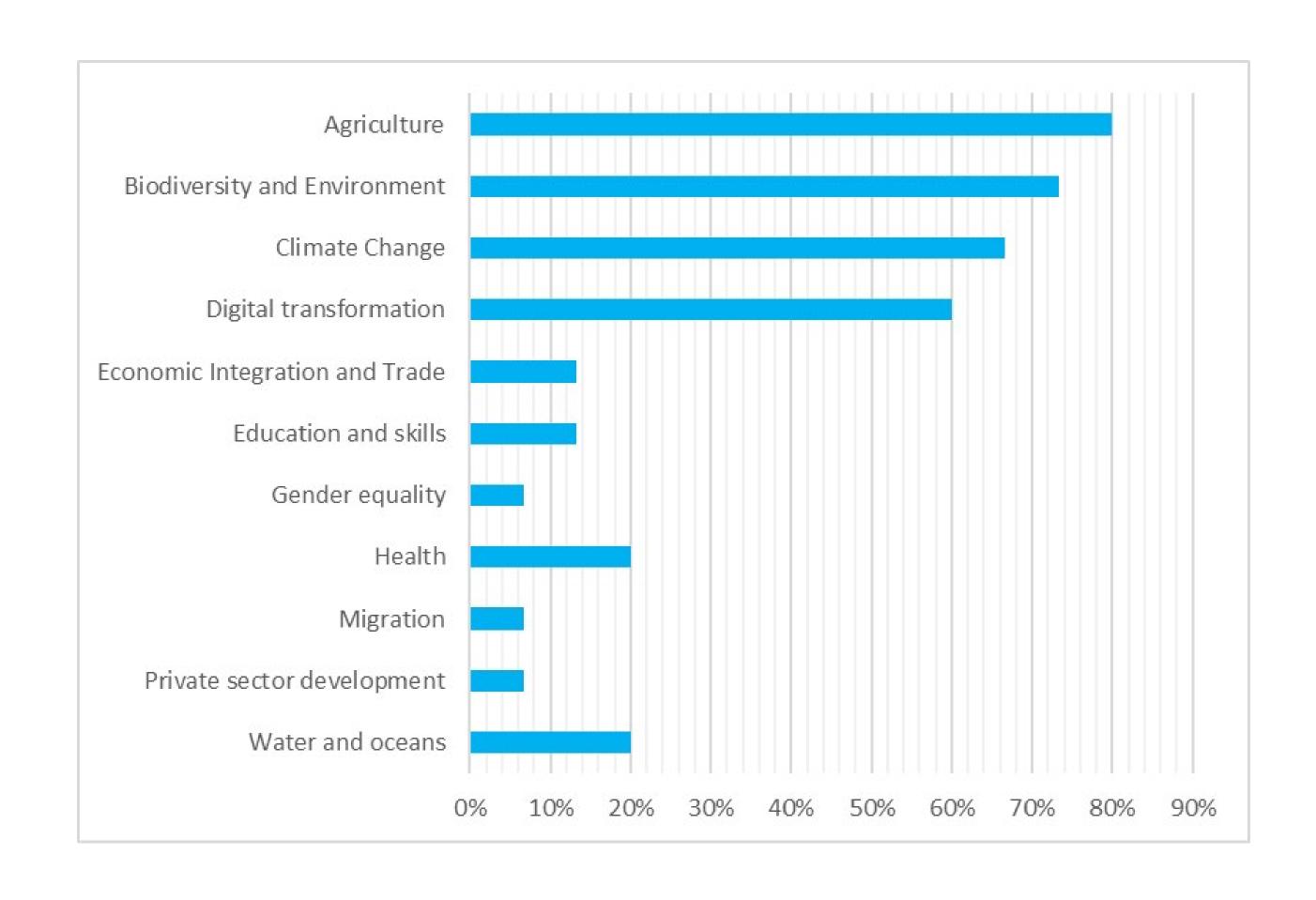
- •963 in total
- •64 in average





## NDICI-2023-MOBAF MOBAF projects – features

Thematic fields of selected projects





## NDICI-2023-MOBAF Selection results

- ➤ Good ratio of **cross-regional** and **sub-regional** projects: 2/3 of the proposals are cross-regional which shows both a consistent focus on continent-wide cooperation and an interest in the new sub-regional dimension.
- ➤ Increased institutional and geographical coverage of the programme: 34 new-comer HEIs and 6 new-comer countries (Eswatini, Rwanda, Somalia, South Sudan, Togo and Zimbabwe)
- ➤ Good regional coverage: 19 countries involved with coordinators or partners HEIs from the 3 regions of sub-Saharan Africa. Universities from East and Central Africa are represented in almost 47% of the proposals, from Southern Africa and Indian Ocean in 30% and from West Africa in 23%.
- The call's objectives of selecting 40% of projects in the field of climate change is largely surpassed. Climate change is the priority topic across all the 15 proposals. Environmental and climate change themes are addressed in the specific subject areas chosen.



## Participation of Senegal in MOBAF

#### ➤ Higher Education Institutions:

#### UNIVERSITE CHEIKH ANTA DIOP DE DAKAR:

#### **Coordinator:**

✓ REFORM: Regional academic exchange for enhanced skills in fragile ecosystems management in Africa (2017)

#### Partner:

- ✓ RésING: Réseau de formation de scientifiques africains dans le domaine de l'ingénierie pour un développement industriel durable en Afrique (2020)
  - Coordinated by Institut National Polytechnique Felix Houphouet-Boigny (CI)
- ✓ SCIFSA: Partnership for Training Scientists in Crop Improvement for Africa (2017) Coordinated by Makerere University (UG)
- ✓ CAPITUM: Coopération Africaine des Programmes InternaTionaUx pour la Mobilité (2016) Coordinated by Universite Hassan 1er Settat (MA)
- ✓ AFRICOM: Reinforcing Coherence Relevance and Partnership in Computer Engineering Education in Africa (2016) Coordinated by Université de Yaoundé I (CM)

#### UNIVERSITE DU SINE SALOUM EL-HADJ IBRAHIMA NIASS (USSEIN)

**Partner** in MAINSTREAM (Mobility 4 Agricultural International Networks Supporting Thematic Resilience and Enhancing Adaptation and Mitigation) coordinated by Mountains of the Moon University LBG (UG) - 2023

#### UNIVERSITE GASTON BERGER DE SAINT LOUIS

**Partner** in AFRIDI: Appui à la Formation, à la Recherche et à l'Innovation pour le Développement Intra-Afrique (2019) Coordinated by Universite de Tunis El Manar (TN)



## Participation of Senegal in MOBAF

➤ Higher Education Institutions as hosting:

Hosting University	Master students	Doctoral Candidates	Staff members	Total
UNIVERSITE CHEIKH				
ANTA DIOP DE DAKAR	16	25	9	50
UNIVERSITE GASTON				
BERGER DE SAINT				
LOUIS	1		1	2
	17	25	10	52



## Participation of Senegal in MOBAF

> Scholarship holders from Senegal:

Hosting country	Master students	Doctoral Candidates	Staff members	Total
Algeria	_	2	1	3
Benin	_	2	_	2
Burkina Faso	1	1	1	3
Cameroon	5	_	_	5
Cote d'Ivoire	1	_	_	1
Ghana	1	_	_	1
Kenya	_	1	_	1
Madagascar	1		_	1
Malawi	_	1	_	1
Morocco	7		1	8
Nigeria	_	-	1	1
Tunisia	1	2	_	3
Uganda	3	3	2	8
Total	20	12	6	38





## THANK YOU!



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