

# APPLYING COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSES (CRRF) IN AFRICA



Refugees and Ethiopians receive vocational training through the German Qualifications and Employment Prospects Programme for Refugees and Host Communities in Ethiopia (QEP-GIZ).

© GIZ/ Yonas Tadesse

## I. NEW YORK DECLARATION COMMITMENTS (19 SEPTEMBER 2016)



### Shared global responsibility

Specific acknowledgement that the protection of refugees and assistance to host States are a shared international responsibility.



### Whole of society approach

Stronger partnerships between host governments including line ministries, UN Agencies, development actors, the private sector, NGOs, financial institutions, and civil society.



### Supporting host countries

Providing them with additional and predictable humanitarian funding and development support.



### Well-funded emergency responses

Pledge to meet the needs of refugees and host communities from the start of emergencies.



### Self-reliance

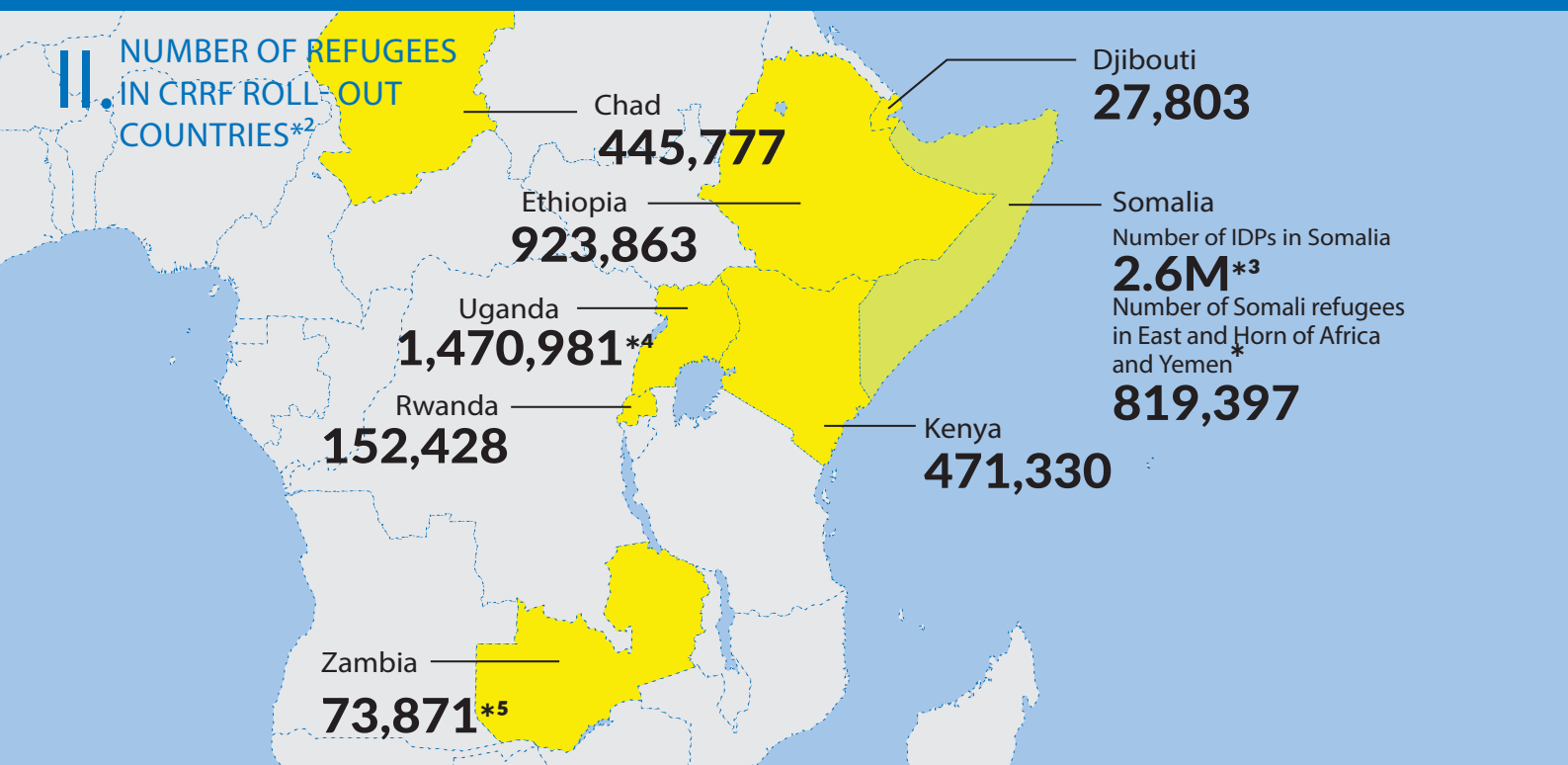
Commitment to include refugees in national development plans and invest in the future of refugees and local communities alike.



### Enhancing durable solutions

Commit to wider avenues for refugees through resettlement and complementary pathways, and create conditions in countries of origin that are conducive to return.

## II. NUMBER OF REFUGEES IN CRRF ROLL-OUT COUNTRIES\*2



## KEY AREAS OF APPLICATION AND PROGRESS

• The CRRF roll-out will be guided by the Government's pledges made at the Leaders' Summit\*, which include to:

1. Improve access to **secondary education**;
2. Encourage universities to offer refugees the **same tuition as Chadian** students;
3. Provide access to **arable land** for up to 236,000 refugees; and
4. Issue **birth certificates** for an estimated 140,000 refugee children.

• The Chadian President has exceptionally authorised free "jugements supplétifs" to **enable late birth registration for more than 120,000 refugee children** who were born between 2003 and 2015; and were not able to register before the 3-month birth time limit .

• The CRRF builds on the three pledges made at the Leaders' Summit, namely to:

1. Adopt a **new refugee law** giving more rights to refugees;
2. Provide **quality education** to all refugee children; and
3. Grant refugees access to **national health system**.

• In an effort to boost refugees' computer literacy, a **new IT learning centre** was established in Markazi settlement **benefitting 2,000 Yemeni refugees living there**. The centre was built with U.S. State Department's Julia Taft Grant and is supported by the Danish Refugee Council.

• The CRRF is the **vehicle to implement 9 pledges** made by the Government, which are divided into **6 thematic areas**:

1. Out of camp policy
2. Education
3. Work and livelihoods
4. Documentation
5. Other social / basic services
6. Local integration

• The German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ) has launched a **5-year "Qualifications and employment perspectives programme"** to create better employment perspectives for refugees and Ethiopians. The QEP programme **will benefit 1,500 refugees and Ethiopians**.

• The CRRF builds on the Government's pledges, as follows:

1. Undertake **self-reliance and inclusion measures** for refugees in Kenya;
2. Facilitate the **legal status** for refugees with claims to citizenship/residency through marriage and parentage; and
3. **Facilitate school enrolment** of refugees and Kenyans.

• Refugees in Kakuma and Kalobeyei **participated in discussions with Turkana County officials** on the draft Finance Bill for Turkana. This is a true reflection of **inclusivity for refugees in local affairs**.

## Rwanda

## Uganda

## Zambia

## Regional approach for Somali refugees

## KEY AREAS OF APPLICATION AND PROGRESS

• The CRRF is guided by the Government's pledges, which include to:

1. Allow 58,000 refugees to **enjoy banking services**;
2. Issue **ID cards and travel documents** to 160,000 refugees;
3. Allow 30,000 urban refugees to buy into the **national health insurance**; and
4. Improve refugee children's inclusion in the **national education system**.

• The '**machine-readable' Convention Travel Documents** for refugees has been launched. The new ID **will enable refugees to travel abroad** for business and education opportunities.

• The CRRF in Uganda addresses **5 key areas**:

1. Admission and rights;
2. Emergency response and ongoing needs;
3. Resilience and self-reliance;
4. Expanded solutions; and
5. Voluntary repatriation.

• **Two refugees have been elected** by refugee representative as **members of the CRRF Steering Group**, - the highest decision-making body for the comprehensive refugee response in Uganda .

The CRRF builds on the Government's pledges, which include to:

1. **Locally integrate** eligible Angolans, Rwandans, and protracted Congolese refugees;
2. Consider **relaxing the encampment policy**;
3. Enhance measures for **refugees to access work**;
4. Improve access to **education in settlements**; and
5. Provide access to **civil registration** and other **legal documents**.

• **Kalumbila town** hosting more than 21,000 refugees, asylum-seekers and former refugees **has joined 63 cities worldwide in the #WithRefugees Cities initiative**, in solidarity with refugees. The town commits to be a more hospitable and welcoming place for refugees.

• The CRRF approach to the Somali situation:

1. Addresses the **root causes of displacement**, and
2. **Fosters burden-sharing** among countries in the region hosting Somali refugees.

REGIONAL LEVEL:

• IGAD Member States that signed the Djibouti Declaration are working to **include refugees in their national education systems by 2020**.

INSIDE SOMALIA:

• **900 refugee children and young asylum-seekers from Ethiopia have been included in 25 public schools** in Somaliland.