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# EU Aid Programme in Somalia

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## EU Ongoing Aid Programme<sup>1</sup>

The EU has long supported the establishment of a peaceful and secure environment in Somalia. The EU encourages reconciliation, democracy and the development of governance structures at all levels. A critical objective is to deliver a new constitution, adopted by referendum and to have democratically elected institutions by the end of the transitional period in 2011. The EU also provides assistance to the Somali people, particularly the most vulnerable groups, and aids in the reconstruction of the country. Restoring the rule of law through support of Somali-owned governance and security sector initiatives is another EU objective. Priority is given to promoting a peaceful environment in which human rights are respected and democratic institutions can develop. Providing basic social services, in particular access to quality education and creating an environment for job creation and sustainable and equitable economic growth will improve the lives of the poorest and the most vulnerable. Linking Relief, Rehabilitation and Development, disaster preparedness, gender, environment, conflict prevention and lessons learned are mainstreamed into all issue areas.

## Development Focal Sectors

### 1) Governance & Security

*23 projects ongoing amounting to €52 million*

The EU supports effective capacity for building peace, strategies which address the local roots of hostility, and the setting up of democratic and efficient institutions able to serve the Somali people.

**The UNDP-implemented 'Support to the Rule of Law and Security' project** strengthens the rule of law and security through capacity building and institutional strengthening of the Somali judiciary, civilian police and custodial services.

**The Interpeace implemented 'Pillars of Peace' project** strengthens the role of youth and community groups in peace-building processes and promotes reconciliation through extensive public consultations, workshops, forums and stakeholder dialogue.

**Strengthening the Participation of Somali Non-State Actors in decision making:** implemented by Safeworld UK, this project supports the development and capacity building of Non State Actors platforms in Somalia to enable their participation in decision-making on peace, security and development.



*Mixed class for police training supported by UNDP under the Rule of Law Programme*

<sup>1</sup> Humanitarian aid not included here. For details on the EU humanitarian programme in Somalia see [http://ec.europa.eu/echo/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/echo/index_en.htm)

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## 2) Education

*13 projects ongoing amounting to €36 million*

The EU 'Education Programme' aims at contributing to the development of a sustainable, cohesive education system through the provision of relevant services to the entire population. Education authorities are supported with training and technical assistance; access to primary and secondary education is improved through the construction and rehabilitation of schools and training of new teachers; and Somali youth have a better chance of finding jobs through vocational education and training.

**Accelerated Primary Education Support Programme:** implemented by a consortium of NGOs led by the Norwegian Refugee Council, the programme increases access to quality primary education for school age children (including girls) from poor and marginalised communities.

**Vocational Education & Training for Accelerated Promotion of Employment:** implemented by Save the Children in partnership with other NGOs, this project creates sustainable employment opportunities for 5,500 disadvantaged youth and women through vocational training, functional literacy and employment advisory services.



*Training for automotive mechanics in Brava, South Central Somalia, supported through a project of promotion of employment through training implemented by Save the Children*

## 3) Economic Growth

*25 projects ongoing amounting to €48 million*

The EU supports agriculture and livestock production and marketing and promotes initiatives reducing unemployment and underemployment in urban areas through labour-intensive infrastructure projects, which rehabilitate public facilities and infrastructure services including small roads, market centres and municipal slaughterhouses. Interventions mobilize local know-how and labour potential by contracting small and medium-sized enterprises and, with that, promote private sector development in various fields including energy, electricity and water services. Projects support Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) as supplementary and innovative means in the provision of public services.

**The Somali Animal Health Services project (SAHSP)** provides training and technical assistance to Somali institutions for sustainable risk management of trade and tackles animal diseases.

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**The FAO implemented Integrated Support to Rural Livelihoods project** seeks to raise agricultural productivity and net incomes of poor rural households in Somalia by providing an integrated package of support covering irrigation, agricultural advisory services, marketing, post-harvest support and technical assistance in the framework of private-led economic development.



*Sheep and goats being loaded at Berbera port for export (with support from the Somali Livestock Certification project implemented by AU-IBAR)*

## Non Focal Sectors

*17 projects worth €27 million in health, water and sanitation and operational support*

**The 'EU Flight Services' to Somalia** has, since 1994, operated an extensive network of air services for organisations implementing aid programmes in Somalia. It currently has hubs in Nairobi and Hargeisa and flies to five destinations.

**The Gedo Regional Safe Motherhood Project** provides basic health services which reduce maternal mortality and morbidity in the Gedo region of Somalia.



*20 year old mother and baby after a safe delivery at a local clinic in Hargeisa supported by the Health Poverty Action project for reproductive and sexual health*

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## Innovative approaches

The bulk of EU assistance to Somalia is implemented by UN agencies and NGOs. However, the EU is working to mobilize the ideas, efforts and resources of new partners in the region in order to contribute to peace and stability.

**The Somali Higher Education Regional Networking (SHERNet)** with Kenyatta University in Nairobi is an innovative project which aims to create a quality culture in administration and management of higher education through the establishment of quality management agencies and by promoting network-based learning, exchange and partnerships among higher education institutions in the region.

**Social Safety Net Transfers for Poor and Vulnerable Households:** implemented by Horn Relief, this project establishes a mechanism for the provision of direct cash payments to the very poor. The schemes allow the poor to pay back debts and are cheaper than other targeted strategies such as food aid.

## Working with Somali Administrations

One of the objectives of EU assistance is to contribute to the creation of efficient administrations able to serve the Somali people. To contribute to this objective, EU-funded programmes strengthen managerial and leadership structures within the Transitional Federal Institutions, the governments and parliaments of Somaliland and Puntland, and at local level.

**The UN Joint Programme on Local Governance and Decentralised Service Delivery** is a joint initiative of Somali counterparts at national, regional and local level, the UN and donors that provides support towards the establishment of legitimate regional and district councils and strengthens their capacity in service delivery.

**Support to the legislative Sector in Somalia:** through the *Association of European Parliamentarians for Africa (AWEPA)* the EU aims to contribute to the democratic development of a modern State, embodying the principles of good governance, effective representation, respect for human rights, accountability and transparency.

## Working with Somali Civil Society

Since 2002, the EU has supported Somali Non State Actors (NSAs) in their effort to enhance leadership and representation in strategic decision making at all levels. Currently, EU support to NSAs and local authorities encourages their participation in development at both national and local level.

**Empowering the Somali Women's Agenda:** the Somali Women Agenda (a Platform for Action launched in July 2008 to enhance women's status and rights in Somalia) contributes towards a society where Somali women and men can participate equally without oppression, discrimination and violence to achieve peace and development.

## Working at Community Level

While the EU aims at increasing the involvement of Somali administrations, it also endeavours to provide assistance at community level to reach the Somali people with needed services. Hence, EU assistance includes a focus on empowering community-based organizations, such as women's groups, through direct transfer of resources.

**FAO implemented 'Agriculture Rehabilitation and Diversification of High Potential Irrigation Schemes in Southern Somalia'** works with farming households in the former banana growing regions in order to increase production and income through irrigation infrastructure, technical assistance and improved market access.

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## **EU Support to AMISOM**

In February 2007 the United Nations Security Council authorised the African Union (AU) to conduct a peace support operation in Somalia (AMISOM). The objective of the mission is to support the Somali Transitional Federal Institutions in their reconciliation efforts; facilitate the provision of humanitarian assistance and create conducive conditions for long-term stabilisation, reconstruction and development. AMISOM is proving to be crucial for the survival of the Somali Transitional Institutions by helping to create the minimum security pre-conditions for continuing the peace process and providing humanitarian assistance to the Somalis.

Since the start of AMISOM, the AU has received EU support through bilateral contributions from Member States, €5 million from the EU Instrument for Stability (IstS), to support the Strategic Management and Planning Unit (SPMU) of the Operation, as well as €95 million from the EDF-funded African Peace Facility (APF). The APF covers mission costs such as peacekeepers' per diems; salaries; running costs of offices; communication and medical costs. 5,150 troops from Uganda and Burundi are currently on the ground in Mogadishu conducting confidence-building patrols and ensuring the protection of the airport, seaport, Kilometre 4 and Villa Somalia, which hosts the Somali presidency. AMISOM also provides on-demand escort for humanitarian organisations.

## **EU Action against Piracy**

The EU has helped to deter, prevent and repress acts of piracy and armed robbery off the coast of Somalia since December 2008, when the military EUNAVFOR operation ATALANTA was launched with the objective to contribute to the fight against piracy off the coast of Somalia. This is the largest naval force deployed in the region, and has an integrated approach to combat piracy off the coast of Somalia. The main tasks of the operation are to provide protection to World Food Program (WFP) and AMISOM shipping to Mogadishu, as well as to contribute to maritime security in the region. Significant results have been achieved: last year, all WFP and AMISOM shipping arrived safe, 20 pirates ships and 86 pirates were captured.

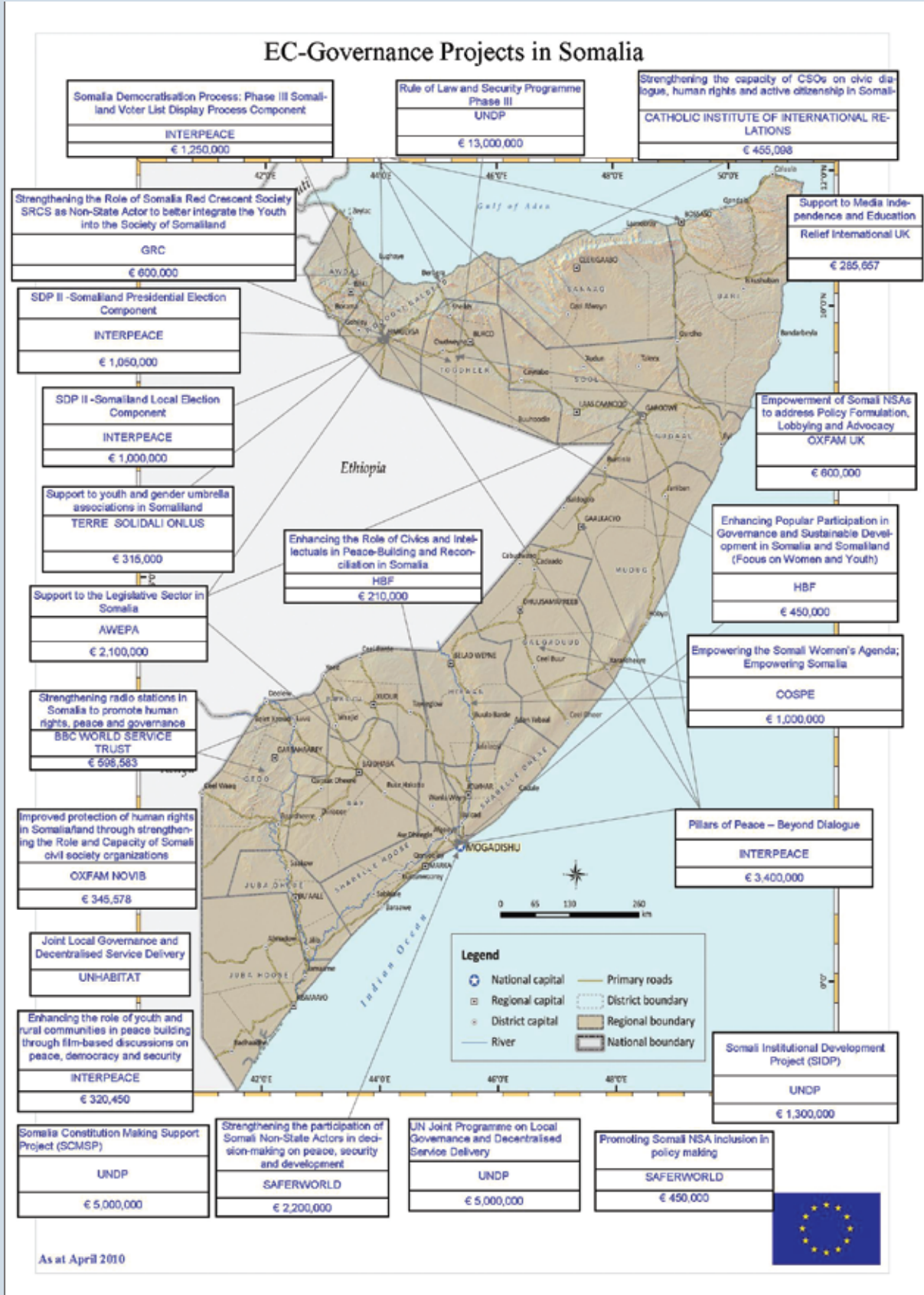
**Support to UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNDOC) Counter Piracy Programme:** the EU has provided a €1,750,000 contribution to support the Kenyan criminal justice system and accelerate piracy prosecutions through a combined package including training judges and prosecutors, upgrading of courts and prison facilities. As a result, substantial improvements have been made in prison conditions and court loadings. A similar programme worth €780,000 was launched this year in the Seychelles to assist the local criminal justice system with piracy cases. This assistance has been very effective in terms of responding to the capacity enhancement needs of the prosecution, police, judicial and prison services, and it has proved to be of crucial importance for the success of the EUNAVFOR Operation ATALANTA in the fight against piracy.

**Support to regional maritime capability development:** through a regional programme worth €5 million, the EU is currently supporting the establishment of a regional training centre for maritime affairs in Djibouti. The centre will provide capacity building and training to coast guards from the Horn of Africa and the Gulf of Aden, including Somali maritime administration staff and officials. A regional information sharing centre will also be set up in Sana'a (Yemen). Such actions are foreseen in the framework of the Djibouti Code of Conduct concerning the Repression of Piracy and Armed Robbery against ships. To assist in the implementation of the Code of Conduct, a programme of activities has been developed within the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the EU is working closely with IMO as regards its implementation.

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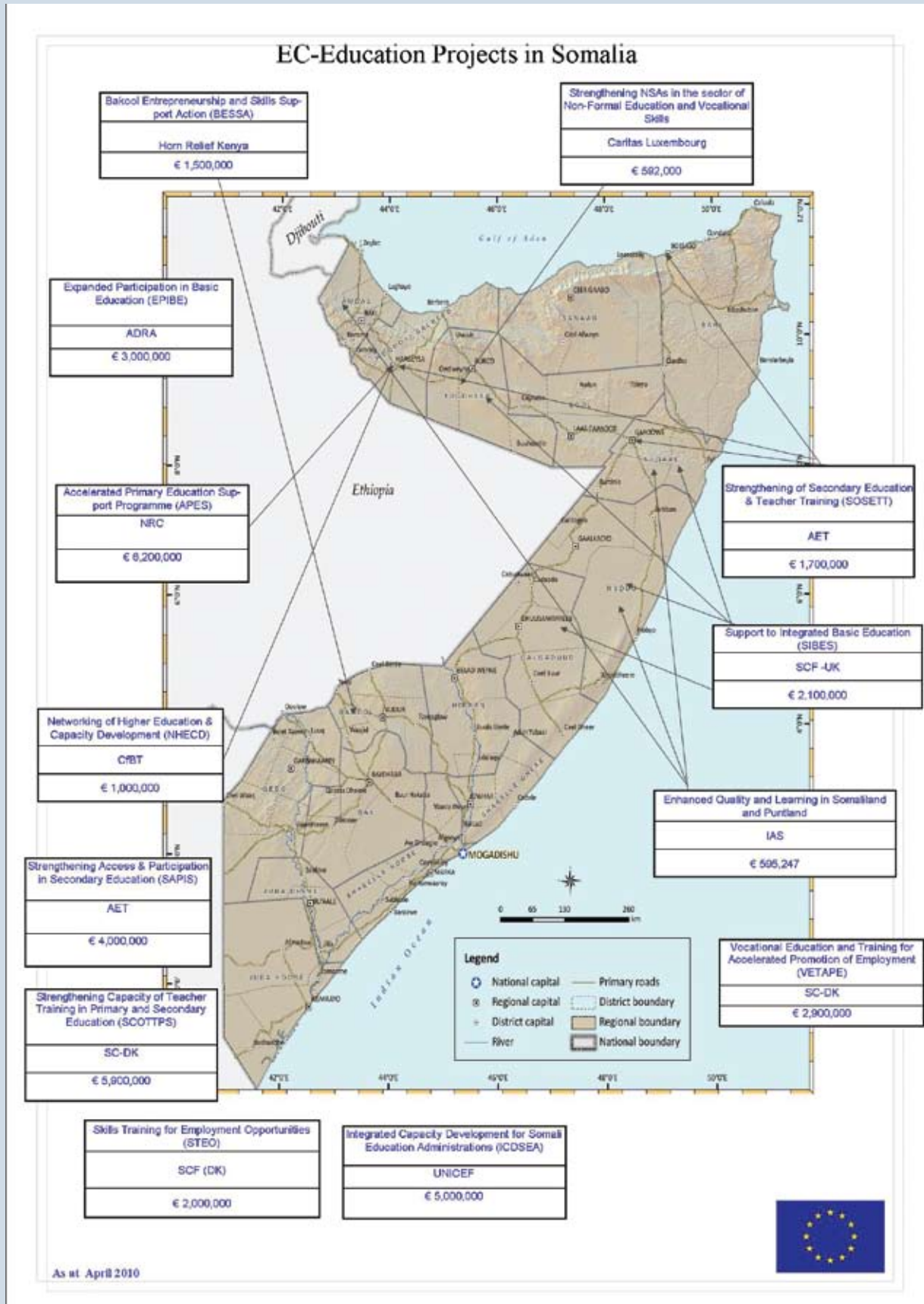
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### EU Governance projects



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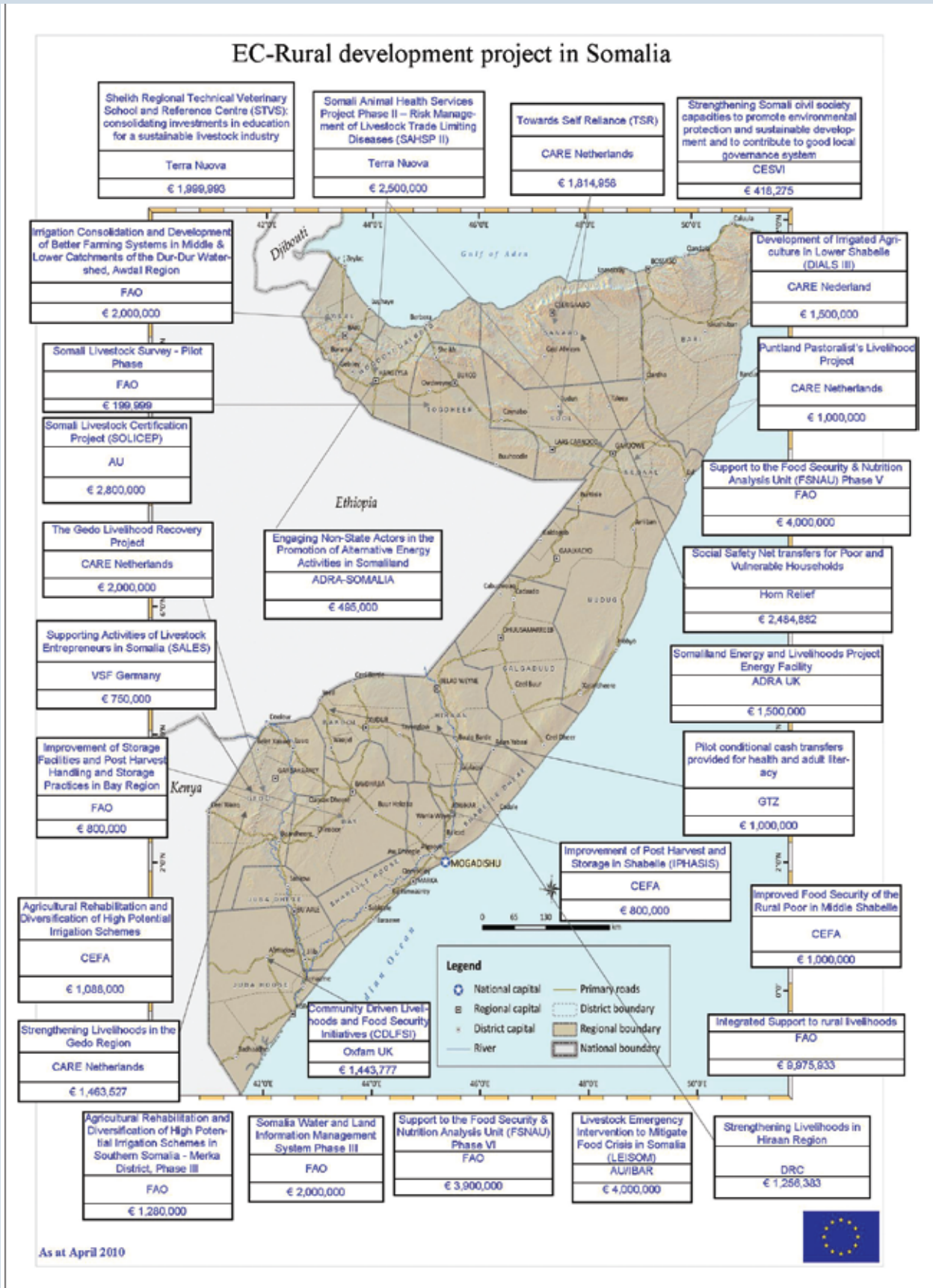
## EU Education projects





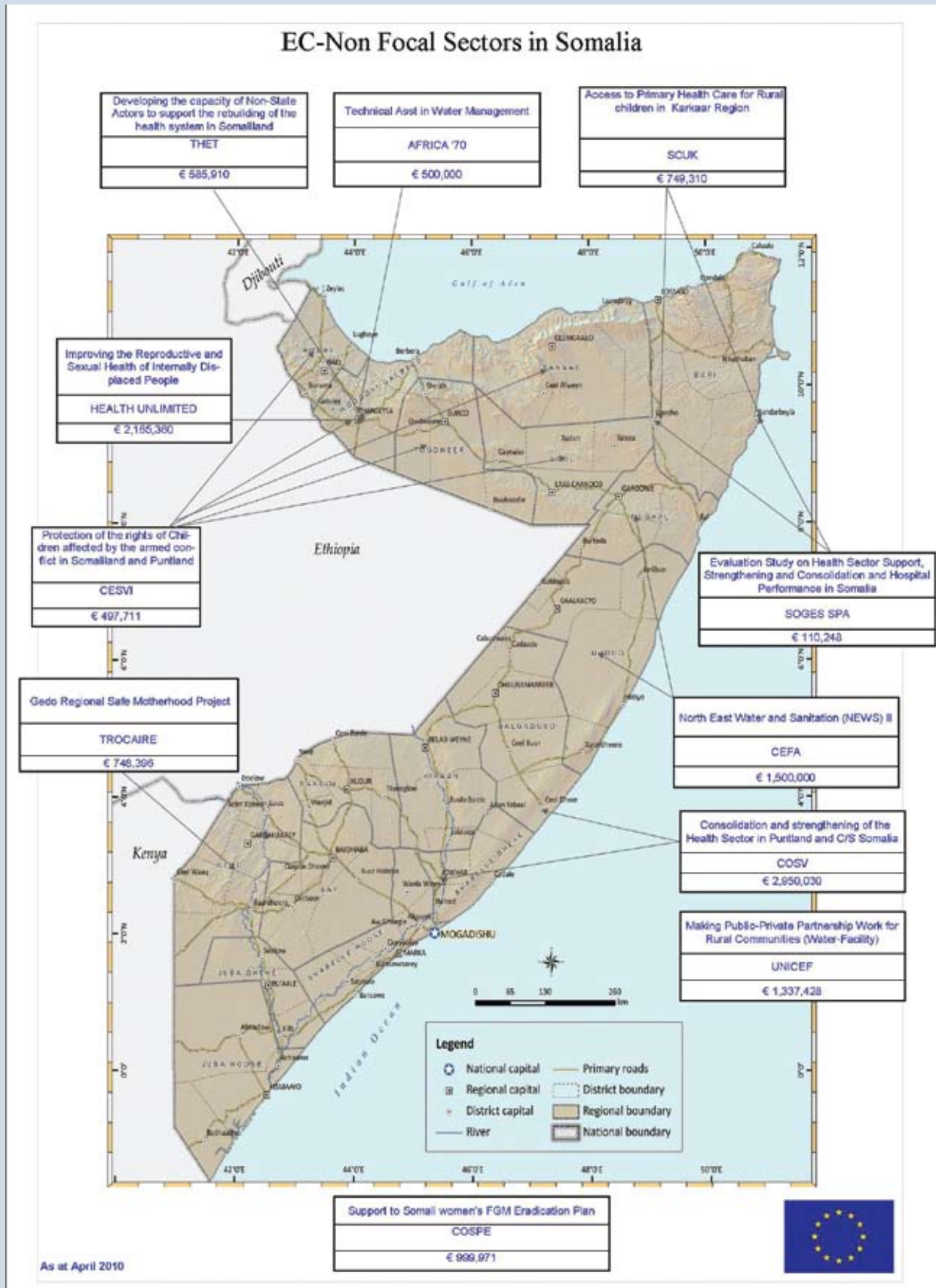
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## EU Rural development projects



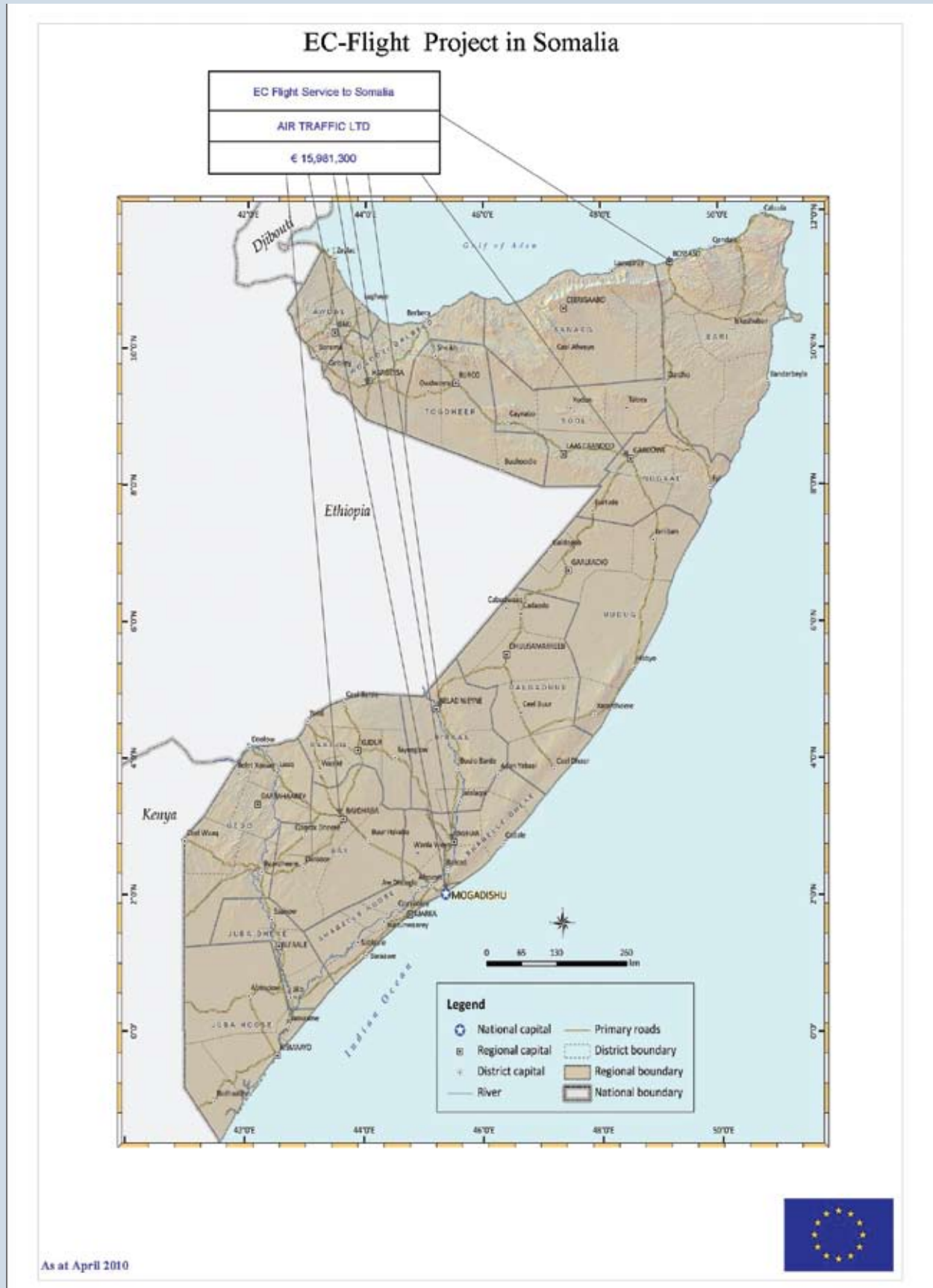
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## EU Non focal sector projects: health and water and sanitation



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## EU Flight in Somalia



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## Sector Allocations

Sectors	EU contribution <sup>2</sup>	International Organisations	NGOs
<b>EU Support to Governance and Security</b>			
Conflict Resolution & Peace Building	€4,984,131	€0	€4,984,131
Democratisation & Support to Elections	€3,300,000	€0	€3,300,000
Security & Rule of Law	€13,000,000	€13,000,000	€0
Administrative Governance	€25,100,000	€23,000,000	€2,100,000
Support to Civil Society	€6,246,235	€0	€6,246,235
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>€52,630,366</b>	<b>€36,000,000</b>	<b>€16,630,366</b>
<b>EU Support to Social Sectors</b>			
Education	€36,487,247	€5,000,000	€31,487,247
Health	€5,359,195	€0	€5,359,195
Water & Sanitation	€3,337,428	€1,337,428	€2,000,000
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>€45,183,870</b>	<b>€6,337,428</b>	<b>€38,846,442</b>
<b>EU Support to Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction</b>			
Agriculture	€9,468,000	€6,080,000	€3,388,000
Livestock	€12,249,992	€6,999,999	€5,249,993
Improving Livelihoods & Food Security	€23,875,933	€13,875,933	€10,000,000
Environment	€2,413,275	€0	€2,413,275
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>€48,007,200</b>	<b>€26,955,932</b>	<b>€21,051,268</b>
<b>EU Flight Operations</b>			
EU Flight Operations <sup>3</sup>	€15,981,300	-	-
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>€15,981,300</b>	-	-
<b>Support to AMISOM</b>			
Support to AMISOM	€100,000,000	€100,000,000	€0
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>€100,000,000</b>	<b>€100,000,000</b>	<b>€0</b>
<b>EU Action against Piracy</b>			
EU Action against Piracy	€7,530,000	€7,530,000	€0
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>€7,530,000</b>	<b>€7,530,000</b>	<b>€0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>€269,332,736</b>	<b>€176,823,360</b>	<b>€76,528,076</b>

<sup>2</sup> EU contribution is intended as the value of contracted amounts for projects ongoing or planned in 2010

<sup>3</sup> Includes a service contract with a private company for EU Flight Operations