

UNIDO: Promoting Youth Employment through Support to TVET

	Implementing partner(s)	United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO)
	Location	Lofa and Margbi Counties
	Agreement period	December 2018 – December 2024
	Budget total	55 000 000 SEK

Overview and objectives

Liberia's youth constitutes nearly half of the Liberian labour force but is exposed to high unemployment, underemployment and vulnerable employment rates.

The project, "Promoting Youth Employment through Support to TVET" supports the development of human capital via quality technical and vocational training necessary to support economic growth with emphasis on youth development. This will be achieved by strengthening and building on the existing institutional capacity of Liberia's vocational training system to deliver up-to-date training courses relevant to the requirements of the economy. The project's overall objective is: to lift beneficiaries from poverty by increasing their chances to gain productive employment.

The programme outcomes targeted are:

- Improved capacity of teachers, administrators and principals through participation in formal TVET teacher training and VTC administration/management training programs.
- TVET provider infrastructure and delivery system is upgraded to correspond to economic needs
- Increased participation of the private sector in stewardship and engagement with TVET sector at school level.
- Measures to foster enrolment and retention of females and people with disabilities are streamlined into TVET provider systems

Activities

The first outcome will be reached by establishing a national teacher training institution within the Booker Washington Institute. Workshops will be organized to prepare content such as training resources, training programmes, modules and tools for capacity development, and drafting guidelines for actual implementation of the specified activities.

The second outcome will be achieved by ensuring that training facilities of Voinjama Multilateral High School in selected trades are upgraded with barrier free considerations and greening aspects

The third outcome of the project will support private public partnership between targeted TVET providers and private/industry sectors including in-service training, industrial attachment placements for TVET instructors, and apprenticeships for students.

The fourth outcome will aim at adopting strategies that make vocational training inclusive to increase enrolment and retention rates of young women and young people with disabilities.

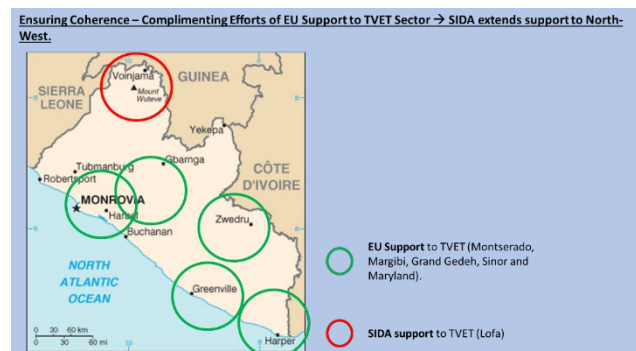


Figure 1: Program geographical scope