



Highlights

- New project opportunities: wide consultation meeting with the World Bank Group
- CRZPC discussions on the interventions in the Kidal region
- Technical-level meeting on the next steps in the Transition Planning process
- Sewing equipment for women in the Kidal region (QIP)
- Gao: First environmental quick-impact project (QIP) was officially handed over
- New contribution to the Trust Fund
- New projects launched in northern regions

Role of the S&R Section

The Stabilization & Recovery Section (S&R) supports to the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General (DSRSG), Resident Coordinator (RC) and Humanitarian Coordinator (HC) in her responsibilities to lead the United Nations' contribution to Mali's reconstruction efforts.

Through this monthly bulletin, we provide regular updates on stabilization & recovery developments and activities in the north of Mali. The targeted audience is the section's main partners including MINUSMA military and civilian components, UNCT and international partners.

S&R promotes synergies between MINUSMA, the UN Country Team and other international partners, in favour of communities most affected by the conflict, particularly in the north and center of Mali.

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Main Figures

Quick Impact Projects (QIPs): 214 projects completed and **121 under implementation** over a **budget of 15.9 million USD** (335 projects in total since 2013)

Peacebuilding Fund (PBF): 5 projects started in 2015 over 18 months for a **total budget of 12,106,353 USD** (3 projects extended)

Trust Fund (TF): 51 projects completed and **60 projects under implementation** out of **111 projects** approved for a **cost of 45,101,404 USD** over a **budget of 53.9 million USD** (contributions from Australia, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and UN DOCO)

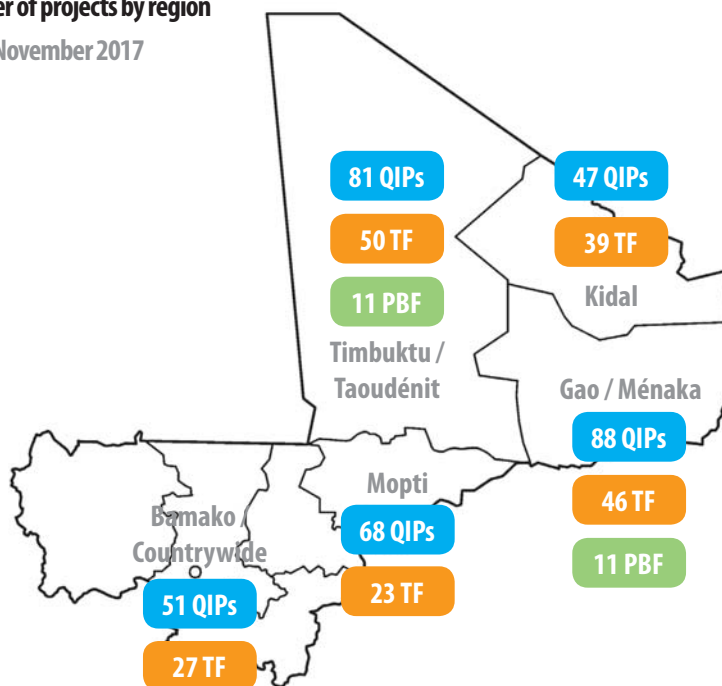


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Implementing partners, National Institutions, Civil Society,
International Donors, Sponsoring MINUSMA components.
All committed to an indivisible Mali!*

Global overview since 2013

Number of projects by region

On 30 November 2017



Sectors

QIPs Quick Impact Projects

Security / Justice / Public Infrastructures / Agriculture / Health / Public Information / Education / Water / Handicraft / Culture / Sports / Conflict Management / Waste Management / Human Rights

TF Trust Fund

Peace Talks / Elections / Outreach / Gender / DDR / MOC / Cantonment / Rule of Law and Justice / Return of State Authority / SSR / Security / Electricity / Water & Sanitation / Social Cohesion

PBF Peacebuilding Fund

Education / Socio-economic Support / Reintegration of IDPs / Justice / Cantonment

Donor Coordination and Partnerships

1. On 30 October, the S&R section of MINUSMA facilitated a **wide consultation meeting with the World Bank Group (WB)** including UNMAS (United Nations Mine Action Service), UN-OPS (United Nations Office for Project Services), Mopti Regional office, UNDSS (United Nations Department of Safety & Security) to prepare for the upcoming joint MINUSMA/WB/UN Agencies mission focusing on the (i) rehabilitation of the fishing port of Konna and (ii) a joint UN-WB-PBF pilot project on employment of youth in the central & northern region of Mali. The meeting took place in the context of the Nexus Humanitarian - Development - Peace initiative in support of UN-WB partnership and aims at facilitating the organization of the upcoming WB mission in Mopti this week.
2. On 2 November, the S&R Section of MINUSMA participated in a **consultation on interventions in the Kidal region within the framework of the CRZPC** (*Commission de Réhabilitation des Zones Post Conflit*) together with a large representation of TFP (Technical and Financial Partners) and international organizations. In a tentative to strengthen the coordination for the provision of basic social services in the Kidal region, the meeting aims at mapping the current TFP interventions, and further modalities to be followed for the implementation of activities in view of the recent instability and insecurity in this region.
3. On 3 November, the S&R section participated in the **committee meeting** organized by the Coordinator of the Technical Unit of the Strategic Framework for the Fight against Poverty in his capacity of President of the Technical Monitoring Committee of the National Strategic Review of Food Security and Nutrition in Mali "Zero Hunger". The "Zero Hunger" study co-organized by WFP/FAO will participate in the achievement of the SDG #2 to enable Mali to work towards eliminating food insecurity/malnutrition; to improve the quality of partners' engagement with the Government, and align it with national development goals.
4. On 8 November, the S&R section participated in the **technical-level meeting on the next steps in the UN Transition Planning process** in Mali and on a common repositioning of MINUSMA-UNCT. UN partners discussed the strategic transition plan in line with previously taken steps by MINUSMA and the UNCT to use the UNDAF+ (United Nations Development Assistance Framework) as the main framework for transition planning. The discussions of the transition task force chaired by S&R, related as well as the further inputs received from some Mission sections and agencies through individual meetings during the past weeks.
5. On 15 November, the S&R section was involved in the **SCAP (Stratégie Commune d'Accompagnement Pays) workshop** aiming at defining the common framework in which Technical and Financial Partners (TFPs) intervening in Mali coordinate their interventions and on the basis of which they conduct a sustained dialogue with the Government of Mali. Its development process involved all stakeholders including the Government and the majority of TFPs, as well as MINUSMA in its role of Troika member.
6. On 20 November, the S&R Section participated in the UNCT ad hoc meeting on the United Nations Transition Plan, in which United Nations staff who participated in the Transition Training held in Brindisi from 14 to 17 November were able to provide further information on the methodology of transition plans for peacekeeping missions. The objective was to enable Heads of Agencies to better understand the approach of transition plans and to facilitate their ownership in relation to the current exercise in Mali. **UN partners discussed the strategic transition plan in line with the MINUSMA / UNCT** (UN Country Team) aligned approach to use UNDAF+ 2015-2019 as the primary framework for transition planning.
7. On 23 November, MINUSMA participated in the **PM-Troika meeting** chaired by the PM and attended by members of the extended Troika and from the Government side: Minister of Foreign Affairs; Finance & Economy; Decentralization, Territories and Local Authorities; Security and civil Protection, took place on October 27 at the *Primature*. The Government of Mali and partners discussed the continued efforts to improve governance. This theme covers several dimensions, with the fight against corruption and the promotion of good governance as main priorities. The expectations of Technical and Financial Partners (TFPs) are related to the operationalization of the OCLEI (*Office Central de Lutte contre l'Enrichissement Illicite*), the implementation of all the dispositions provided by the law to this effect, the publication of the reports of the BVG (*Bureau du Vérificateur Général*) and the monitoring and evaluation committee of the national action plan for the implementation of the recommendations of the *États Généraux* on corruption and financial crime.

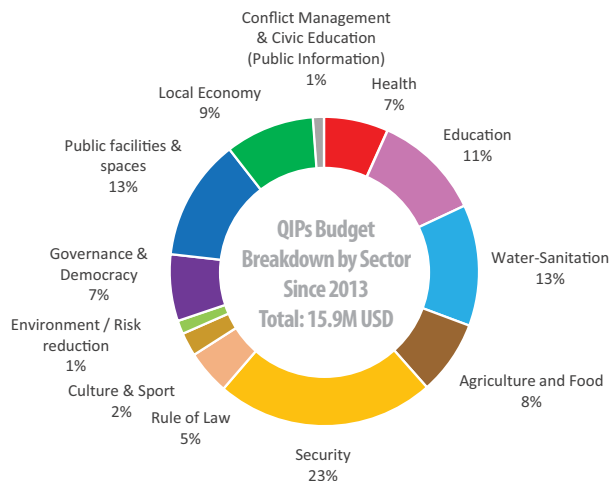
Financed by MINUSMA, Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) are community micro projects. These projects have a maximum cost of 50,000 USD and a maximum 6-months duration, in the areas of services and small public infrastructures rehabilitation, training and awareness-raising activities, employment and revenue

creation. They must have both a quick and long lasting effect meeting priority needs of the population and aim at building confidence towards the peace process, the Mission and its mandate.

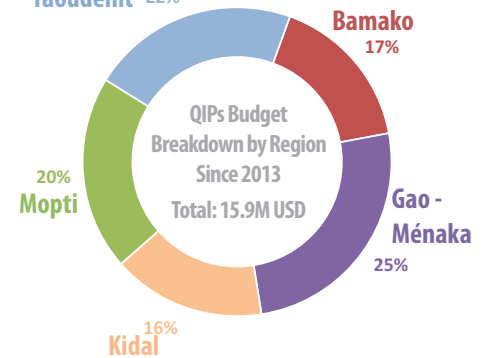
These projects benefit mainly to northern regions and support requests from the Malian Government, international and national NGOs, international agencies and civil society. All projects are executed through local partners and businesses.

For more information: <http://bit.ly/2xGwedz>

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Projects' highlights

1. 1 November, the Regional Office of MINUSMA in Kidal **officially handed over a quick-impact project (QIP) in the amount of 48,269 US Dollars for women in Kidal and Tin-Essako circles.** This ceremony of the handover of 40 sewing machines, of their accessories and the fabric that took place in the presence of the Governor of the Kidal region, comes after a two-month training on cutting and sewing, for 20 women of the region. Initiated by the Political Affairs Division, this project involves the training and installation of youth workshops in mechanics and tailoring and contributes to the socio-professional reintegration of women from two circles. ▼

For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2EKwvwyS>



2. On 10 November, a delegation from MINUSMA accomplished a field visit to **inquire about the progress of the breeding project for 1000 laying hens.** This quick-impact project (QIP) for the amount of 50,798 US Dollars involves the creation of a poultry unit in the village of Bara, 45 km south of Gao city, to help reduce the deficit in animal protein of populations especially among children and elderly in this part of Ansongo circle with a population estimated at 10 000 inhabitants. Begun in June of this year, the duration of the rapid impact project is spread over a six-month period. ▼

For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2Dik7oV>

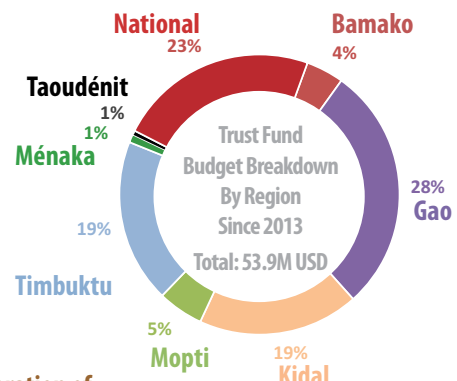


3. On 16 November, a **first environmental quick-impact project (QIP) was handed over in Gao** on the occasion of official ceremonies attended by the Representative of the Governor of the Gao Region and in the presence of the municipal and local authorities, beneficiaries and components of MINUSMA. The project consists of supporting nursery gardeners in Cercle de Gao for 37,804 US Dollars and aims to contribute to the resumption of seedling production and its insertion in a dynamic of revival of socioeconomic and environmental development activities of the circle. "This is a first in the history of the Gao region that a partner, in this case MINUSMA, is supporting a plant project as important for the conservation of our ecosystem" said Mr. Amadou Salidou Maiga, senior water and forestry technician at the Water and Forest Cantonment of Gao Circle. For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2ENkWG9>

4. On 17 November, MINUSMA **inaugurated two security chambers at the Gendarmerie Brigade**, one for women and the other for minors, as well as the installation of two toilets at the Police Station in the presence of several guests representing the Administration including the judiciary, the officers and non-commissioned officers of the Malian Security Forces, the officials of the UN Mission in Mali. Initiated by the United Nations Police (UNPOL), this quick-impact project (QIP) amounting to US \$ 24,595 will improve the conditions of arrest of those arrested. For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2B4wjEu>

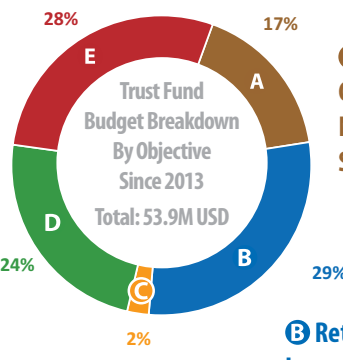
The UN Trust Fund in support of Peace and Security in Mali was created at the request of the Security Council (SC resolution 2085 (2012)). Member States can contribute earmarked and/or non-earmarked funds to the Fund, which aims to provide vital support to the Malian Defence and Security Forces (MDSF), assist the Malian Government in its efforts to ensure lasting peace and the return of State Authority and constitutional order, and support critical development and humanitarian interventions contributing to the immediate and long-term efforts by the international community to resolve the crisis in Mali.

It is supported by voluntary contributions from the following donors: Australia, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and UN DOCO. The Fund's budget currently amounts to approximately 53.9 million USD, of which some 80 per cent has been attributed to projects.



On 30 October 2017

E Immediate and long-term efforts to resolve the crisis in Mali



A Restoration of Constitutional Order, National Unity and Support for Elections

B Return of State Authority, Rule of Law and DDR-SSR

D Equipment and Logistical Support to Malian Defence and Security Forces (MDSF)

C Capacity building of Malian Security Forces (MSF)

Newly approved projects

1. The **Trust Fund Project Review Committee** approved new projects according to the schedule and activities below: On 30 October: Prevention and mitigation of elections-related conflicts and violence (for 336,641 USD to be funded through the contribution of Canada, and sponsored by Electoral Affairs Division jointly with Political Affairs Division). On 9 November, two new project, namely: (i) Consolidation of judiciary authority in Mopti through the organization of an international conference and the provision of training and equipment (for 101,356 USD and sponsored by Justice & Correction Mopti Office jointly with NGO DEBBO ALAFIA), and (ii) Prevention of flooding and community tensions through the rehabilitation of the protective dike around Tenenkoun and the construction of drainage channels (for 331,558 USD and sponsored by CAD Mopti Office jointly with Action Mopti). On 15 November, three new projects, namely (i) Securitisation of Kewa for the return of state authority and basic social services (for 262,118 USD and sponsored by S&R Mopti Office jointly with Mopti Governorate), (ii) Securitisation of Dialloubé for the return of state authority and basic social services (for 272,823 USD and sponsored by UNPOL jointly with Mopti Governorate), (iii) Clean-up of unexploded explosives in Konna port (for 122,160 USD to be funded through the 2017 earmarked contribution of the United Kingdom to the Trust Fund and sponsored by UNMAS jointly with PRRE). All above mentioned projects will directly support for the implementation of the peace agreement, the return of state authority, security and the reduction of community tensions.

Projects' highlights

1. On 21 November 17, on the premises of the Constitutional Court of Mali, a **handover ceremony was held for the delivery of security materials**. This support from MINUSMA consists of a machine and an X-ray gantry, as well as the training of four security officers. This project, with a total cost of nearly 86,000 US Dollars, financed by the contribution of Luxembourg to the United Nations Trust Fund in Support of Peace and Security in Mali, was implemented by the Justice and Correction Section of MINUSMA.

For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2BzVmVg>

2. As part of a project evaluation of the Trust Fund, a team from MINUSMA **visited the construction site for the sill plate in Koniba near Kidal**. Sponsored by the SSR / DDR Division of MINUSMA, through the Trust Fund in Support of Peace and Security in Mali, this project, funded by Canada, is led by the NGO CERCA for a period of three months and realized by the local company. Started on 20 September 2017 by MINUSMA with a three-month execution period and a total cost of 218,403 US Dollars, this project aims at building a sill plate therefore contributing to the opening up of this desert city of northern Mali. ▶

For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2COHkLI>

New contributions

1. On 29 November, MINUSMA and the Swedish Embassy signed an agreement for a **new contribution to the Trust Fund amounting to approximately 4.1 million US Dollars**. This three year contribution is earmarked to projects in support of peace and reconciliation mechanisms at national and local levels and to increase the participation of women in peace processes and in peacebuilding and state-building processes. ▼

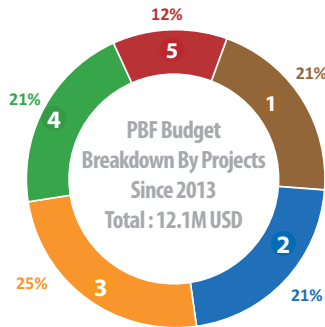
For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2khVozG>





To deal with the political, institutional and security crisis that deeply destabilized Mali since 2012, the Malian Government and the United Nations System in Mali resorted to the Peacebuilding Fund (PBF) in order to support peacebuilding and reconciliation. The Government of Mali submitted an eligibility request to the Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO) on 24th of February 2014 which was approved by Secretary-General of the United Nations on 2nd of April 2014.

In this context, the intervention of the PBF programme in Mali represents in its first phase 12.4 million USD, of which 12.1 have been attributed to 5 projects undertaken by UN agencies and MINUSMA. A Steering Committee oversees the whole programme and gathers the Malian Government, the civil society, international donors and the United Nations. The remaining 0.3 million USD goes to the Steering Committee Support Office. The 5 projects were implemented from January 2015 to June 2016 and 3 of them (*) have been granted extensions between January and March 2017.



On 28 February 2017

1 Education project for peacebuilding in the north of Mali (*)
UNICEF

The agency and its partners implement a speed school strategy for not attending and out-of-school children. Fora for inclusive community dialogue are also set up for social cohesion at school, within the family and community.

2 Support to capacity-building in conflict resilience for women and youth in Gao and Timbuktu regions (*)
UNDP, UNIDO

This joint project accompanies national reconciliation and dialog promotion creating economic opportunities in favor of vulnerable women and at-risk youths.

3 Confidence-building through support to the Cantonment process
UNOPS

Operations strengthen mutual trust between peace agreement signatories and favor security climate appeasement. Rooting of the disarmament process in the country goes through fighters' cantonment, among other steps. UNOPS is in charge of the construction and management of camps intended for this purpose.

4 Solutions for a sustainable and peaceful reintegration of internally displaced people (IDPs) and repatriated refugees in Gao and Timbuktu regions
IOM, UNHCR

This project consists in providing IDPs and repatriated refugees access to basic social services and reinforcing peaceful cohabitation between local communities in a climate of increased trust in the peace process.

5 Programme for a better access to justice and security for women victims of SGBV in the peacebuilding process in Mali (*)
UN Women, UNFPA, MINUSMA

Both agencies and the Mission assist SGBV victims facilitating access to justice and holistic care. The project also supports capacity-building of care services and judicial system in terms of SGBV.