



Convoi logistique humanitaire sur l'axe Bamako – Tombouctou, Projet ATLAS ECHO, 2023. HI Mali.

Country Sheet

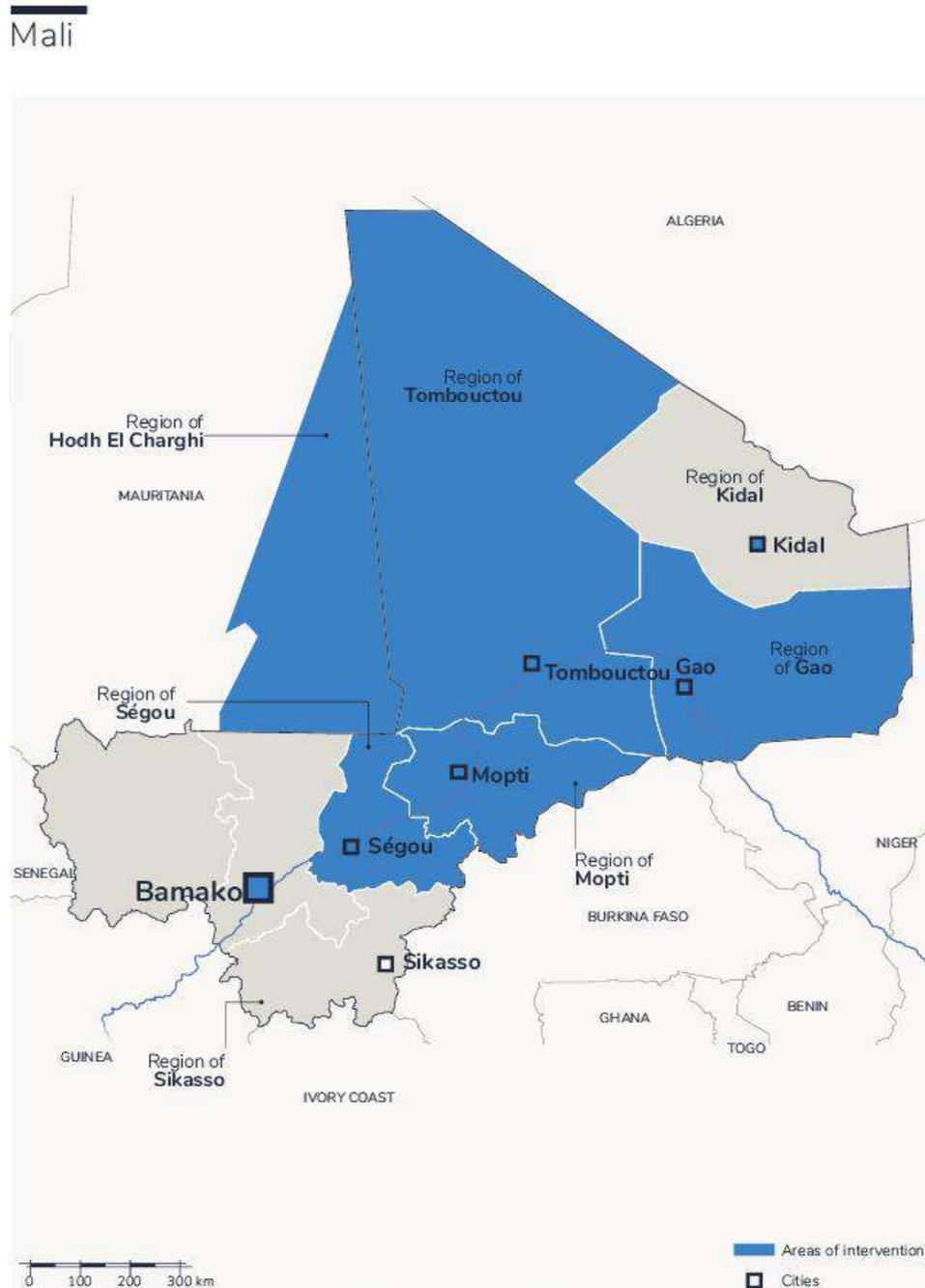
Mali





HI's team and areas of intervention

There are 201 people on HI's team in Mali.





General Country Data

a. General data

| Country | Mali | Neighbouring country Burkina Faso | France |
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| Population | 22 593 590 | 22673762 | 67 935 660 |
| IHDI | ,43 | 0,315 | 0,825 |
| Gender Development Index | ,887 | 0,903 | 0,99 |
| Maternal mortality | 40 | 264 | 8 |
| GINI index | 6,1 | 47,3 | 30,7 |
| Population under UNHCR mandate | 41 449 | 1 917317 | 693 598 |
| INFORM index | | 7,2 | 2,3 |
| Fragile states index | 9,5 | 94 | 28,8 |
| Public social protection | ,3 | 9,9 | 100 |
| Official Development Assistance received | 417,3 | 1587,7 | 0 |

b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

| Humanitarian law instruments | Status |
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| Mine ban treaty | Ratified in 1998 |
| Convention on Cluster Munitions | Ratified in June 2008 |
| United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities | Ratified in June 2010 |
| Law on the rights of persons with disabilities | Promulgated in June 2018 Implementing decree |

c. Geopolitical analysis

1. Social, cultural and demographic context

Mali has a population of 20 million, composed of several ethnic groups. Although French is the official language, most people speak a national language. Mali is a landlocked country and one of the 48 least developed countries (LDCs) in terms of its socio-economic development, with an economy that is still predominantly rural. The security situation in Mali remains concerning, particularly in the country's central and northern regions, where violence is increasing constantly.



2. Political situation

The Algiers Agreement signed in June 2015 was intended to restore peace and security to North Mali. This agreement provides for the disarmament of armed groups and greater powers for the regions. Since the beginning of 2018, however, central Mali has been the theatre of armed conflict between radical groups. And since 2020, the peace agreement has been challenged by a part of Malian public opinion. Strong opposition to its application regularly causes tension between the various parties.

The Algiers Agreement Monitoring Committee, chaired by Algeria, met in September 2022 to try to resolve the obstacles to its implementation. However, the peace agreement continues to meet with strong resistance from some quarters. This pressure has led the Coordination des Mouvements de l'Azawad (CMA) to withdraw from the workings of the Committee and from the constitutional referendum process. On several occasions, the CMA has denounced violations of the agreement and attacks on its positions by the Malian air force. This has rekindled tensions between the signatory parties in the context of the withdrawal of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilisation Mission in Mali, intended to mark the handover of all its bases to the Malian armed forces by December 2023.

3. Socio-economic context

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, compounded by a coup d'état in August 2020 and the economic and banking sanctions imposed by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) during the first half of 2022, the country went from strong economic growth of 5.1% of real GDP in 2019 to a recession in 2020, when real GDP dropped by 2%. Today, Mali's economy is still overly dependent on the primary sector, which employs 68% of the working population. The Malian diaspora also contributes to national GDP.

Unemployment remains extremely high at around 21.5%. Mali is a member of many regional organisations including ECOWAS, the African Union and the Sahel.

Through the 2023 United Nations Humanitarian Response Plan for Mali, humanitarian partners are seeking \$751.4 million to assist 5.7 million people. The analysis carried out as part of this plan covers all the humanitarian challenges, but the response focuses on the priority needs of the most vulnerable people.



Summary of HI's work in the country

HI has been present in Mali since 1993, and has sound knowledge of the political and security context and the country's specific socio-cultural characteristics, as well as 30 years' experience of working with the authorities and the country's most vulnerable communities. In 2022, HI implemented 18 projects in the sectors of protection (including the conduct of rapid protection assessments following population displacements), health and rehabilitation, resilience and food security, inclusive education, and logistical support for the delivery of humanitarian aid.

HI also has considerable operational and management capacity in Mali. In addition to the main base in Bamako, HI has permanent staff in Mopti, Timbuktu and Gao. HI has acquired contextual, technical and organisational expertise, and has the capacity to deploy in hard-to-reach areas, working with national and decentralised authorities and supporting the most vulnerable communities.

In 2023, the programme ran activities in the following sectors:

- Health & Prevention: functional rehabilitation, mother and child health and disability & HIV advocacy;
- Physical and functional rehabilitation: early detection and case management of disabilities;
- Social and inclusion: inclusive education, socio-professional inclusion, distributions for the development of livelihood activities
- Protection & Risk reduction: risk education on explosive devices, assistance to victims of armed conflict and conflict transformation in northern and central Mali. Cross-cutting protection: protection is incorporated into the different projects implemented by HI in Mali, including child protection, the management of gender-based violence, and the inclusion of the specific needs of people with disabilities and minorities;
- Mental health and psychosocial support: Reduction of stress/occupational burnout for staff, liaison psychology for people with disabilities and vulnerable populations;
- Humanitarian logistics and transport: providing transport (road and river) and pooled warehousing services for at least 40 humanitarian organisations, in order to optimise the delivery of humanitarian supplies and help maintain humanitarian access while reducing transport costs by optimising and pooling the resources dedicated to these activities.



Overview of current projects

Sectors in which HI is running projects, with a focus on the beneficiaries and partners

| Project title and main sectors of intervention | Main activities: | Beneficiaries | Partners | Location | Project start and end date | Donors funding the project |
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| <p>« DPCP 6 » Improving the quality of life of children with disabilities aged 0 to 14 through the provision of quality services</p> <p>Physical and functional rehabilitation, economic inclusion</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building the capacity of family carers and associations of parents of children with disabilities in family rehabilitation care, basic psychosocial support and social monitoring. • Supporting vulnerable households by financing income-generating activities and giving children access to quality rehabilitation services • Building the capacity of social and health care providers in relation to childhood disabilities. • Promoting the use of new technologies to bring services closer to users • Carrying out an evaluation of the rehabilitation management system at Mali's Centre National d'Appareillage Orthopédique | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and rehabilitation professionals, social development services personnel and town hall personnel • Children (0-14 yrs) with multiple disabilities • Organisations of people with disabilities • Bamako women's associations and groups • Mali Association of Physical Therapists • Mali National Orthopaedic Centre | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Health and Social Development • National Orthopaedic Centre of Mali • National Department for Social Development and the Solidarity Economy and its branches • Centre for Expertise and Research in Telehealth | Bamako | 01.2023 - 12.2026 | Lux Foreign Affairs Ministry (AC6) |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting the Mali Association of Physical Therapists in lobbying local authorities • Providing healthcare facilities with small equipment | | | | | |
| <p>ACOR</p> <p>Economic inclusion</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting consumption and cash transfer activities • Strengthening community malnutrition prevention groups • Providing infant and child nutrition advice through community specialists • Supporting community projects to support initiatives with a significant potential impact on the local economy • Re-energising spaces for dialogue between local leaders and citizens | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cash transfers: 2,621 households • Young people aged 15 to 30: 4 712 people • People with disabilities: 388 • 252,568 people have access to basic social services, including 30,079 to nutrition services • Members of village savings and credit associations: 4 360 people • Other beneficiaries of community projects: 11 100 people • Children under 5: 16 216 • Pregnant women and nursing mothers: 3 806 • Nutrition support groups: 1 420 people • Targeted inhabitants: 4000 people: 4 000 people | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementing partners: IRC for Youwarou commune, Solidarités International for Nampalari commune, AMASSA Afrique Verte for the social cohesion component and ADICOR de Mauritanie for Fassala commune. • Local and institutional authorities • State partners: • People living in the four communes falling within the scope of the project | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mopti region, Youwarou cercle, Youwarou commune • Ségou region, Niono cercle, Nampalari commune • Timbuktu region, Niafunké cercle, Léré commune • Mauritania: Wilaya du Hodh El Charghi region , Bassiknou department and Fassala commune | 01.2020 - 12.2023 | EU (Emergency Trust Fund) |
| <p>PAPIRUS</p> <p>Mental health and psychosocial support,</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community-based multi-risk analysis through participatory vulnerability and capacity assessments ; | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 villages • More than 150 people trained to collect and report information on risks and natural disasters | <p>Local and institutional authorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prefectures • Town halls | <p>Gao region:</p> <p>Gao and Bourem cercles:</p> | 11.2021 - 10.2023 | DGD Humanitarian aid Belgium |



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| <p>protection against violence and abuse, inclusive humanitarian action, disaster risk reduction</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for local early warning mechanisms by setting up / energising and training committees • Response to basic needs and psychosocial support of populations affected by multiple shocks • Awareness-raising and advocacy on inclusive humanitarian action | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 59 community relays identified and trained • 71 community leaders identified and trained • 1 500 households reached by the response to basic needs • Over 100 representatives working on shelter • 90 mass awareness-raising sessions in mental health and psychosocial support • More than 200 group awareness-raising sessions • Radio spots on mental health and psychosocial support in 5 languages. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional directorates and local state services • Populations of the communes targeted by the intervention (Bourem, Taboye and Gabéro) | <p>Communes of Bourem, Taboye and Gabéro. 30 villages</p> | | |
| <p>« Break Water » / « Ben ni Baara »</p> <p>Conflict transformation, inclusive humanitarian action</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvements to the equitable and inclusive management of land and natural resources at local and communal level. • Strengthening of local authorities' commitments to providing better services to men, women, boys and girls in target communities. | <p>150 communities - (62,740 direct beneficiaries, including dependants) of which 30% (18,800) are direct programme participants.</p> | <p>Mercy Corps (consortium lead) International Alert (Sub)</p> | <p>Ségou</p> | <p>06.2020 - 10.2023</p> | <p>Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency via Mercy Corps</p> |
| <p>« Interconsortia »</p> <p>Economic inclusion</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in the different sector-based groups • Development and implementation of an advocacy strategy • Support to the different consortia in monitoring and evaluating projects and developing a communication plan | <p>Consortia member organisations, including lead partners, co-applicants and third parties, as well as inter-consortia units and member organisations in Burkina Faso and Niger.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Contre la Faim • Save the Children • International Rescue Committee | <p>Mali, Mauritania</p> | <p>07.2020 - 08.2024</p> | <p>EU (Emergency Trust Fund)</p> |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support to members with their knowledge capitalisation work | | | | | |
| <p>ATLAS “Supporting the humanitarian response in Mali by expanding shared logistics services”</p> <p>Shared transport and storage platforms</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared road and river transport service • Shared storage in Bamako, Mopti and Gao • Training for transporters/drivers/conveyors, agents of transport companies and warehouse workers • Training for partner logistics staff | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National and international NGOs • UN agencies • Red Cross Movement and International Committee of the Red Cross • Participants in capacity-building sessions: drivers, transporters, conveyors, warehouse workers and logisticians for humanitarian organisations | | <p>Bamako Mopti Gao</p> | <p>04.2023 - 01.2024</p> | <p>ECHO</p> |
| <p>PREDIGA "Protecting and restoring the dignity and well-being of people affected by the crisis in the Gao region".</p> <p>Protection against violence and abuse, mental health and psychosocial support</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapid assessment of protection needs in the affected areas • Response to the immediate needs of 14,000 newly displaced people • Identification and training of community relays for psychosocial support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9,361 people receiving a response: Psychological first aid, psychosocial support, individual protection assistance • 42 community relays trained • 274 resource people from the affected community, trained in basic psychosocial support techniques • 32 civil society organisations | <p>Actors in the rapid response mechanism</p> | <p>Gao, Timbuktu</p> | <p>04.2023 - 04.2024</p> | <p>ECHO</p> |
| <p>PROTECT “Prevent gender-based violence during the COVID pandemic in Mali”</p> <p>Protection against violence and abuse, mental health and psychosocial support</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting and building the capacities of front-line actors and services • Strengthening the socioeconomic resilience of women and girls at risk from gender-based violence • Encouraging the inclusive involvement of women and girls in decision- | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 000 victims of gender-based violence • 52 providers of health and social support services and the promotion of women • 220 members of community -based health associations • 30 elected officials and local elected officials | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Health • Local authorities • Services in the fields of health and social support and promotion of women and the family • Protection working group | <p>Koulikouro Sikasso Mopti</p> | <p>11.2023 - 01.2027</p> | <p>DGD Humanitarian aid</p> |



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| | making and the programming of interventions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 120 community volunteers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNFPA | | | |
| <p>PAG2C Project to improve the management of climate shocks</p> <p>Disaster risk reduction projects</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening the communities' disaster prevention and preparedness capacities • Improving the population's knowledge with respect to climate information • Strengthening institutional capacities with respect to early warning systems and emergency intervention | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4,648 farmers • 2,110 livestock breeders • 5 associations of water users • 10 local elected representatives and traditional chiefs • 4 state decentralised technical services agents • 20 community groups • 5 recorders of rain and water level • 10 community early warning systems committees • 1 municipal early warning commission | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commune of Lere • Regional Directorate for Industrial and Animal Production • Regional Directorate for Hydraulics • Regional Directorate for Agriculture • Regional Director for Rural Engineering | Commune of Lere Timbuktu | 02.2022 - 12.2023 | Luxembourg Ministry of the Environment |
| <p>EQUITY</p> <p>Inclusive education, Economic inclusion, Protection, Disaster risk reduction</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting up of and support to inclusive education commissions • Inclusive education training for teachers and lecturers at teacher training colleges • Support to the facilitation of teacher learning communities • Implementation of a contingency and preparedness plan for schools • Training teachers in psychosocial support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,204 vulnerable children enrolled and maintained in schools • 24 community actors engaged in promoting enrolment in schools • 75 staff trained in inclusive education • 20 pedagogical advisers and 340 teachers trained in the safe school approach • 4 pedagogical advisers and 52 teachers trained in mental health and psychosocial support • 16 schools supported to develop an emergency preparedness and response plan. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Luxembourg Red Cross • Educational Development Centres in the Communes of Timbuktu and Diré • Town halls of the communes of Timbuktu and Diré | Timbuktu Diré | 01.2022 12.2024 | Lux Min of Foreign Affairs |
| <p>« Inclusive Safe Schools 3 »</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inclusive education commissions at commune level | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 78 schools and their • 44,760 students, including 1,800 students with disabilities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENDA Mali • Mali Federation of Associations of | Kidal, Timbuktu Gao | 03.2022 - 02.2025 | Education Cannot Wait (UNICEF) |



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| <p>Inclusive education, Economic inclusion, Protection, Disaster risk reduction</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training of trainers in inclusive education • Teacher training communities • Implementation of a contingency and preparedness plan for schools • Training teachers in psychosocial support • Cash transfers for vulnerable households | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.440 vulnerable households supported via income-generating activities or cash transfers • 300 teachers trained in the Safe Schools approach • 300 teachers trained in inclusive education, • 300 teachers trained in psychosocial support | <p>Persons with Disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAP • Ministry of Education | <p>Diré Niafunké, Goundam, Gourma Rarhous, Bourem, Ansongo</p> | | |
| <p>RIMSCASSA - Rehabilitation, Inclusive Humanitarian Action, Mental Health and Psycho-social support, & Stimulation Therapy in Crisis-Affected Sub-Saharan Africa for vulnerable groups</p> <p>Community-based risk education, physical and functional rehabilitation, mental health and psychosocial support, inclusive humanitarian action</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supplying rehabilitation services • Stimulation therapy to prevent delays in development and disabilities due to malnutrition in children • Supplying mental health/ psycho social support services to people suffering from psychological distress and mental health issues | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 250 children with malnutrition • 2 500 parents of children with malnutrition • 130 victims of explosive ordnance • 142 health and social professionals • 480 community volunteers and relays • 75 humanitarian actors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mali Association of Youth and Development • Regional Directorate Public Health | <p>Mopti</p> | <p>07.2022 - 06.2024</p> | <p>DGD Humanitarian aid</p> |
| <p>SIGNAL 3</p> <p>Logistical analysis (calculation of logistical vulnerability index)</p> | <p>Access to logistics vulnerability analysis and local logistics resilience resources to design equitable, effective and optimised response strategies in emergency preparedness and response contexts.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote the inclusion of the concept of logistical vulnerability in humanitarian interventions • Include logistical vulnerability in the planning and preparedness of | | <p>Timbuktu</p> | <p>09.2022 - 07.2023</p> | <p>BHA</p> |



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| | | <p>emergencies in humanitarian strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adapt logistical vulnerability methodology and tools to emergency interventions | | | | |
| <p>PACETEM Programme for access to education for all children in Mali</p> <p>Inclusive education and inclusive humanitarian action</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training in inclusive education for the consortium’s 13 partners • Exchange, collaboration and complementarity of NGO interventions • Close collaboration with Ministry of National Education at central and decentralised level and with the local authorities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training of education central service agents, managers, pedagogical advisers and supervisors of partner NGOs in inclusive education • Training support for pedagogical advisers for the capacity-building of capacities of teachers | <p>Consortium Lead: Education Development Center</p> <p>Subs: Aide et Action, World Education, Plan International, Helvetas Swiss, Ministère de l'Education Nationale malien, ONG A. SORO, Association Malienne pour la Survie au Sahel, Association Malienne pour la Protection et le Développement de l'Environnement au Sahel, Œuvre Malienne d'Aide à l'Enfance du Sahel</p> | National | 01.2019 - 11.2023 | Educate a child |
| <p>MHPSS in Schools Psychosocial support for pre-school and school teachers and pupils</p> <p>Mental health and psychosocial support</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision of the psychosocial support module in schools and work plan for the peer support system • Inventory, analysis and review of existing psychosocial support and peer support tools and modules • Training of a pool of regional and local trainers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 205 students in 25 targeted schools (13 schools in Timbuktu and 12 in Bamako) • 123 preschool teachers/educators du and directors of 13 schools in Timbuktu, preschool teachers/educators du and directors of 12 schools in Bamako | <p>Ministry of National Education through the National Directorate of Teacher Training</p> | Bamako Timbuktu | 10.2022 - 12.2023 | UNICEF |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roll-out and monitoring of teacher training in targeted schools• Production of a toolbox of practical inclusive teaching exercises for pre-school teachers/educators• Support to the deployment of the peer support system in test schools and analysis of good practice to assess its added value• Contribution to the technical consultation framework | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 35 local educational advisers for trainers• 36 regional trainers• 10 national trainers representing the various directorates concerned and the decentralised structures• Indirect beneficiaries: teachers, pre-school teachers/educators and students across the country | | | | |
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Donors

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| <p>UNICEF</p>  | <p>GFFO</p>  <p>german humanitarian assistance DEUTSCHE HUMANITÄRE HILFE</p> | <p>DGD</p>  <p>Belgique partenaire du développement</p> |
| <p>Ministère de l'environnement du Luxembourg</p>  <p>LE GOUVERNEMENT DU GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG Ministère de l'Environnement, du Climat et du Développement durable Administration de l'environnement</p> | <p>Education Cannot Wait</p>  | |