



GREAT LAKES ILLUSTRATIVE PROJECTS

TRANSFRONTIER MARKET DEVELOPMENT



Project Country (ies)	Rwanda, DRC, Burundi
Project Sector	Agriculture (women)
Project /Sponsor/Funder(s)	CEPGL (Sponsor)
Investment Opportunity	Management of markets construction and management of logistics infrastructure; provision of finance facilities for traders
Stage of Project:	Stage 1 completed; 3 additional stages.
Type of Project:	Agriculture related Infrastructure/Trade Facilitation
Duration of Project:	Estimate 15 months to develop
Cost of Project:	US\$21 million
Funding Available:	TBD
Funding Gap:	Seeking funding for Transboundary Markets on the borders of DRC / Rwanda / Burundi



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Description of the Project

This project was designed by CEPGL to aid women traders in three border regions between the DRC and Rwanda. Construction of a Border Market at the border of Gatumba (Burundi) and Uvira (DRC) was completed in February 2015 with the financial support of NEPAD / Spanish Fund.

Three additional Frontier Markets are sought to be developed, namely:

- Kampala a Goma-Gisenyi (North Kivu) (DRC and Rwanda);
- Bukavu-Kamembe (South Kivu) (DRC and Rwanda); and
- Kamanyola-Sange (South Kivu) (DRC near Burundi border).

The intent is to develop three DR CONGO “trans-frontier” markets/ trading zones to provide the women a more structured and secure environment to trade their wares. This would also seek to improve their experience at the border crossings between these three GLR countries.

Further Information

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