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**Strengthening National Capacities for Enhancing  
Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprise (MSME)  
Resilience and Building Forward Better to Accelerate  
the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda**



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- **Project title**

Strengthening national capacities for enhancing MSME resilience and building forward better to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in developing countries

- **Objective**

Strengthen national capacities and business climate conducive for MSME resilience to accelerate implementing 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in developing countries participating in the Belt and Road Initiative

- Funded by the **United Nations Peace and Development Fund (PDF)**

- **Nine countries**

- Africa: Kenya, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Madagascar and Zimbabwe
- Asia: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Sri Lanka and the Philippines

- **Duration:** 2022 to 2024

- **Project webpage:** <https://sdgs.un.org/topics/capacity-development/msmes>



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- **Project tile**

Strengthened Resilience of Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises in Africa and Asia

- **Objective**

To enhance the resilience of MSMEs in Africa and Asia to contribute to the 2030 Agenda

- Funded by the **United Nations Development Account (DA)**

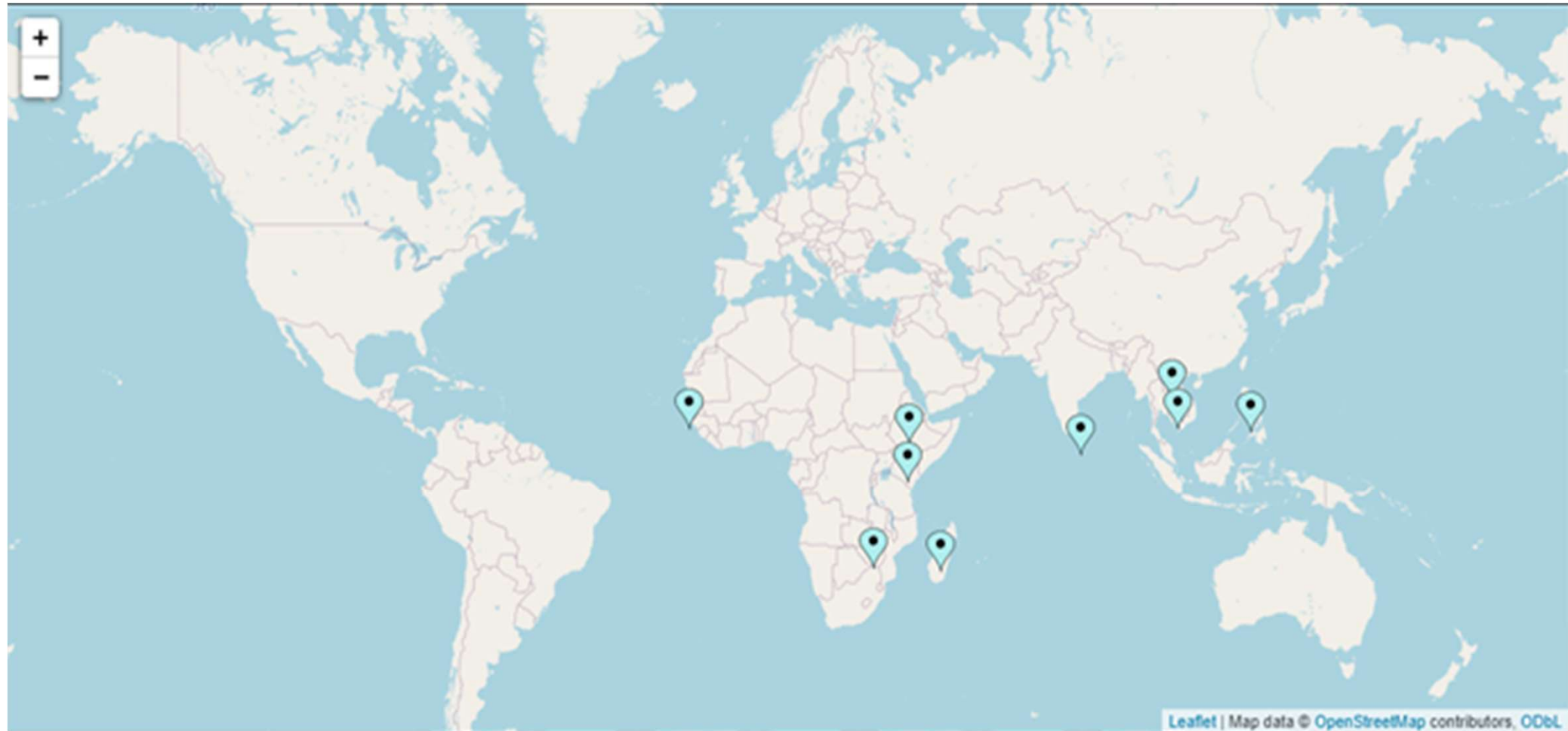
- **Four countries**

- Africa: Ethiopia and Zimbabwe
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## Location of Project Pilot Countries



## Direct Linkage with SDGs

- SDG 1 No Poverty
- SDG 2 Zero Hunger
- SDG 5 Gender Equality
- SDG 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth
- SDG 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- SDG 10 Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 12 Responsible Consumption and Production
- SDG 17 Partnerships for the Goals



**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD



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SDGs and targets	DESA Contributions
SDG 1 End poverty in all its forms everywhere (targets 1.1 and 1.2)	Capacity building for MSME resilience that contributes to poverty eradication job creation and inclusive economic growth.
SDG 2 End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition (targets 2.1, 2.3 and 2.4)	Support MSMEs as the world's most food producers
SDG 5 Achieve gender equality and empower women (target 5.a)	40% MSMEs owned by women; MSMEs play a large role in promoting gender equality and supporting women owned MSMEs strengthen the economic empowerment of women
SDG 8 Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all (target 8.3)	MSMEs are job engines for women, youth and groups in vulnerable situations, supporting MSMEs to tackle unemployment
SDG 9 Promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation (target 9.3)	MSMEs contributes to inclusive and sustainable industrialization, innovation, development of new products and services, supporting MSME facilitates frugal innovations
SDG 10 Reduce inequality within and among countries (target 10.2)	MSMEs account for more than 90% enterprises globally, supporting MSMEs and promoting their access to social protection mechanisms help reduce inequalities
SDG 12 Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns (targets 12.1, 12.4 and 12.5)	Support MSMEs for sustainable business models contribute significantly to resource efficiency and sustainable production
SDG 17 Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development (target 17.9)	Commit strengthening capacities of MSMEs through North-South, South-South and triangular cooperation models