



Experiences of the NGO ERB in the Entrepreneurship and Financial Inclusion Programme

ERB has experience in entrepreneurship and financial inclusion since 2018. It is building the capacities of young people and women to become entrepreneurs and achieve financial autonomy. Two approaches are being used, namely : MANAGE YOUR BUSINESS BETTER and the VSLA (Village Saving Loans Associations) approach.

A. Capacity-building in the creation and support of 360 cooperatives of agri-breeders in the provinces of Bubanza and Bujumbura Rural through the following priority actions :



The process of setting up and developing a small business, cooperative or trade,



Governance and leadership, financial management and accounting, drawing up business plans



Negotiation skills for new markets, innovation and entrepreneurship development,



Gender mainstreaming and conflict management.

B. Creation and capacity building of Community Savings and Credit Groups



At least 894 Community Savings and Credit Groups (VSLA) have been created since 2017 in Karuzi, Bubanza, Cibitoke and Bujumbura Rural thanks to funding from EU/FAO, GEF, GIZ, OXFAM NOVIB.

C. Training 1,500 young people in the creation and development of professional trades.



In partnership with OXFAM NOVIB, at least 1,500 young people have been trained in the creation and development of professional trades (mechanics, sewing, soap making, juice making, honey production, etc.).