

# Supply Network East Africa

## Project Summary

### Problem

Addresses challenges in supply chain effectiveness and efficiency where activity duplication exists in existing structures in Eastern Africa: Support Unit Kampala (SUKA), Kenya Supply Unit (KSU) and other European Supply Centres (ESC)/OCs.

### Proposed Solution

Create a unified **Supply Network in East Africa** to optimize the use of MSF resources and reduce activity duplication. Redesign the **distribution network for a specific list of 80 large volume items** such as ringers and gloves, for delivery to missions in East Africa with a better total cost of ownership (goods and transport). Address legal, process & product quality, financial and order flow elements for the future.



### Potential Impact

- Potential to achieve **financial savings** linked to transportation (750,000 € /year) and to the mutualization of 2 structures (200,000 € /year)
- Reduces **lead time and supply interruptions risk**
- Reduces MSF's **carbon footprint** from air transport

### Viability

- Engages strong collaboration with **MSF East Africa supply teams, ESCs and supply chain platform**
- Focuses on **deliverables and metrics** for accountability

### Risk Mitigation

- Brings a very **transparent approach with clear expected outcome**
- Plans to involve external auditors for good distribution practice and compliance

### Scalability

- Uses an **integrated and collaborative approach** between ESCs and Regional Supply Centres, **aligned with MSF's regional supply chain strategy**

Area/Type: Efficiency; Incubator

Sponsor/Support: *OC Brussels*

Length/Project Status: 12 months; **ONGOING**