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UNITAR RISE-LAB 2026 Sudan Programme Phase One: Co-creating Sustainable Agricultural and Livelihood Solutions Through Capacity Building

Prosperity

Deadline: 22 Jun 2026

Type:	Course
Location:	Web-based
Date:	8 Jul 2026 to 11 Sep 2026
Duration:	8 Weeks
Thematic Area:	Climate, Environment and Natural Resources, , Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems, , Green Economy and Sustainable Production, , Entrepreneurship, , Gender equality and social inclusion, , Youth engagement
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BACKGROUND

The programme on Emergency Assistance for Food Security in Sudan: Co-creating Sustainable Agricultural and Livelihood Solutions Through Training and Capacity-

Building aims to support conflict-affected women and internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Sudan through practical training in climate-smart agribusiness, emergency livelihood recovery, agricultural entrepreneurship, digital innovation and leadership. The 12-month programme will be implemented through an inception phase and three progressive learning phases, moving from foundational skills and business blueprint development to advanced applied training, mentorship and acceleration. By strengthening skills, market access and locally led enterprise development, the programme seeks to help participants restore food production, generate income, strengthen community resilience and reduce long-term dependence on uncertain humanitarian assistance.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

The initiative aims to strengthen food security, sustainable livelihoods and local economic recovery in Sudan by equipping conflict-affected women and IDPs with the knowledge, tools, networks and confidence to design, launch or expand inclusive, market-oriented and climate-smart agribusiness initiatives.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Participants will develop practical skills in entrepreneurship, business planning, climate-smart agriculture, digital innovation, artificial intelligence applications in agriculture, leadership, financial and human resource management, market analysis and partnership development. They will also learn to assess food-security and livelihood challenges, design resilient and gender-responsive agribusiness models, communicate ideas effectively and develop launch-ready business plans suited to fragile and crisis-affected contexts.

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The 12-month programme runs from April 2026 to March 2027. Following stakeholder mapping, partnership engagement and a needs assessment, Phase I will provide around 25 participants with three months of virtual training and support them to prepare initial business blueprints. Around 10 top performers will advance to Phase II for two months of applied training focused on scaling, sustainability, social impact and monitoring and evaluation. Around five finalists will then enter Phase III for 1.5 months of tailored mentorship and acceleration,

refining their blueprints into fully developed, launch-ready business plans. Certification, evaluation, visibility activities and final reporting will conclude the programme.

METHODOLOGY

The programme combines self-paced online learning, interactive webinars, practical assignments, peer exchange, coaching, mentoring and applied project development. It uses learner-centred and low-bandwidth approaches to ensure accessibility in a fragile operating environment. Training will be delivered in Arabic and English and will draw on Sudanese partners, regional specialists, UNITAR alumni and Japanese institutions and experts to provide technical knowledge, market insights, technology transfer and networking opportunities.

TARGETED AUDIENCE

The programme targets around 25 conflict-affected women professionals, internally displaced small-scale farmers, agricultural producers and micro-entrepreneurs across Sudan. Participants should be motivated to develop climate-smart and market-oriented agricultural solutions, strengthen leadership and agribusiness skills, and launch or scale locally led initiatives that restore production and reduce reliance on emergency food aid.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Delivered by UNITAR’s Division for Prosperity, the programme is funded by the Government and People of Japan and aligns with Japan’s human-security priorities, TICAD9 and the principle of leaving no one behind. It will collaborate with Sudanese ministries, universities, vocational institutions, extension services, business hubs, the UN Country Team and Japanese companies and experts. The programme contributes to UNITAR Strategic Objectives 1, 2 and 3 by strengthening individual capacities, supporting institutions and partnerships responding to national priorities, and building a connected learning ecosystem that can sustain knowledge-sharing and impact. It also advances SDGs 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13, 16 and 17.