



The Kakuma Kalobeyei Challenge Fund (KKCF) is a program of the International Finance Corporation (IFC), implemented with Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund, Turkana County Government, and UNHCR. The five-year program is designed to support private sector investment and unlock the economic potential of refugees and their hosts, in Kenya's Turkana County.

## COMPETITIVE BUSINESS CHALLENGE Private Sector Window

The Private Sector Window will support established companies in implementing commercially viable and sustainable businesses that have the potential to raise incomes, provide goods and services, create jobs and/or improve living standards in both the camp and host community.

Private Sector Window targets companies currently present in Kakuma and those willing to set up businesses in Kakuma and Kalobeyei areas.

All proposed projects should be commercially viable and sustainable and have the potential to raise incomes, provide goods and services, create jobs, and improve living standards for families living in these areas – both refugee and host communities.

### Funding

Private sector companies can apply for a range of grants depending on the need with a minimum grant request of US \$100,000 and a maximum of US \$750,000.

Payments will be performance based, where disbursements are based on mutually agreed milestones that must be achieved. Technical support will be available for successful applicants to maximise their project's sustainability and development impact.

### Private Sector Competition Window

**Purpose:** Improve the lives of people living in Kakuma and Kalobeyei areas

**Funding:** US \$100,000 - \$750,000

**Who can apply:** For profit companies with at least two years of accounts.

*Must be registered and operating in Kenya if awarded grant.*

OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

**8th of Dec 2021 to 31 Jan 2022**

We are now inviting grant applications from established companies for enterprise projects that directly benefit both the refugees and host communities in Kakuma and Kalobeyei areas. Applicants must have experience delivering sustainable solutions that benefit the lives of low-income communities in hard to reach areas across Africa.

The KKCF Private Sector Window is open to businesses in any sector, with the following priority sectors:



Light manufacturing/processing



Cold chain management



Aquaculture



Retail services



Financial services



### Eligibility criteria:

To be eligible for funding, businesses must meet the following criteria:

- Request a grant within the stipulated range.
- Be legally registered as a for-profit firm (e.g., corporation, LLC, etc.), be a branch/subsidiary of an international for-profit company. The business must be physically established in Kenya at the time of awarding and investment by AECF.
- Have been in operation for a minimum of two years and produce two years of audited accounts.
- Compliant with all government statutory requirements.
- Pass AECF's KYC (know your customer), AMT/CFT (anti-money laundering and counter-financing of terrorism), PEP (politically exposed person) and IDD (integrity due diligence) screening.
- Comply with applicable national laws relating to human rights, labor and social and environmental management and respect internationally recognized human rights standards, as expressed in the International Bill of Human Rights and in the core labor standards established through the International Labor Organization. Businesses not listed on the International Finance Corporation (IFC) Exclusion List, i.e. businesses supporting terrorism, production/trade of weapons, radioactive materials, tobacco, etc.

### Selection criteria:

Each applicant will be evaluated and scored against the following criteria:

- Geographic focus areas of Kakuma and Kalobeyi and how the project intends to benefit either host or refugee communities, or both.
- Capacity of the project to deliver and sustain social impact, particularly on refugees and women and youth.
- Strength of the project's commercial viability and sustainability.
- Demonstrated potential to attract further commercial funding, beyond the grant provided by KKCF, if needed.
- Demonstrated capacity of the applicant's management team to implement the proposed business/project.
- Demonstrated understanding of the forced displacement development context, gender issues and culture of Kakuma refugee camp and host community.
- For the full-term sheet, please go to <https://kkcfke.org/private-sector-window/>

## COMPETITIVE BUSINESS CHALLENGE Process

-  1 Concept Note Submission
-  2 Concept Note Shortlisting
-  3 Business Plan Development & Due Diligence
-  4 Business Plan Shortlisting
-  5 Grant Award
-  6 Contracting

## HOW TO Apply

To apply for a grant, please go to

[www.kkcfke.org/competitions](http://www.kkcfke.org/competitions)

All applicants must submit their application through AECF's online platform.

The application window closes at midnight EAT on Monday, 31 January 2022.

If you need further clarification regarding the application process and requirements, please email

[info@kkcfke.org](mailto:info@kkcfke.org)

*Terms and conditions apply*

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