## Enhancing the Digital Ecosystem and Digital Skills for the economic empowerment of women in LDCs

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## What we are doing

Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF) – a partnership for the LDCs

**Empower-Women Power Trade** 

- 100,000+ women beneficiaries
- Digital platforms & eCommerce portals for MSMES
- Gender & trade eLearning

EIF-ITU project:

1. Mainstream gender in digital policies.

2. Build digital skills & connect women to markets.



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## **Results - Policy**

Handbook on mainstreaming gender in digital policies

A gender sensitive national strategy on eWaste in Burundi

Input to a gender sensitive digital policy in Ethiopia under development

3 country reports on Gender Mainstreaming in the Digital Economy Handbook on mainstreaming gender in digital policies



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## **Results: Women-led businesses**

- **\$2 million** + in sales & investment
- 32 female owned MSMEs in the Coffee, cocoa, and textile and garments accessed new markets

