



Ghana

Currently active Swiss development agencies in Ghana:

- SECO-WE (priority country)

Budget 2021-2024 (in million CHF)

65

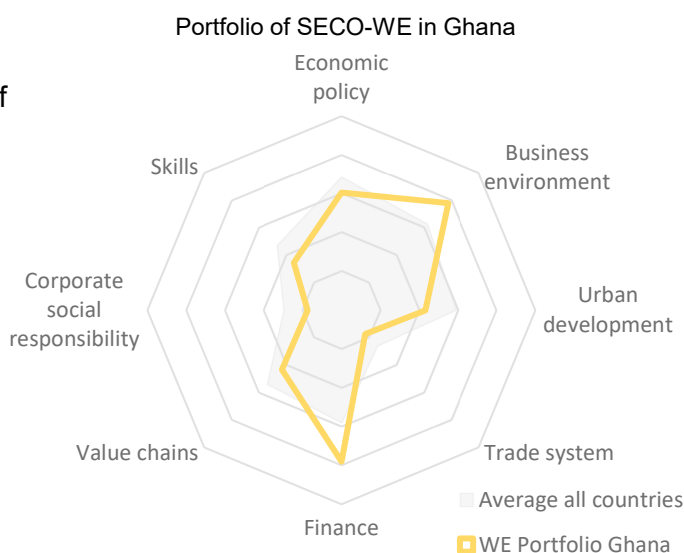
The Swiss governmental development agencies do not only coordinate their development cooperation efforts between themselves, but also cooperate with multilateral institutions, the private sector, the development finance institution of the Swiss Confederation (SIFEM), academia as well as NGOs, and streamline their efforts with them. Current minimum commitments in Ghana are visible on the top right.

Economic cooperation and development by SECO-WE

Cooperation Programme 2021-2024:

SECO's **main goal** is to contribute to a **resilient and self-dependent Ghana**. If SECO promotes attractive framework conditions for sustainable growth (TP I) and unlocks more and better jobs and decent income opportunities (TP II), then Ghana can **become more resilient and self-dependent** because it **can transform and diversify its economy and use its financial and natural resources more sustainably**.

As of August 2022, around **54 projects** financed by SECO are active in Ghana.

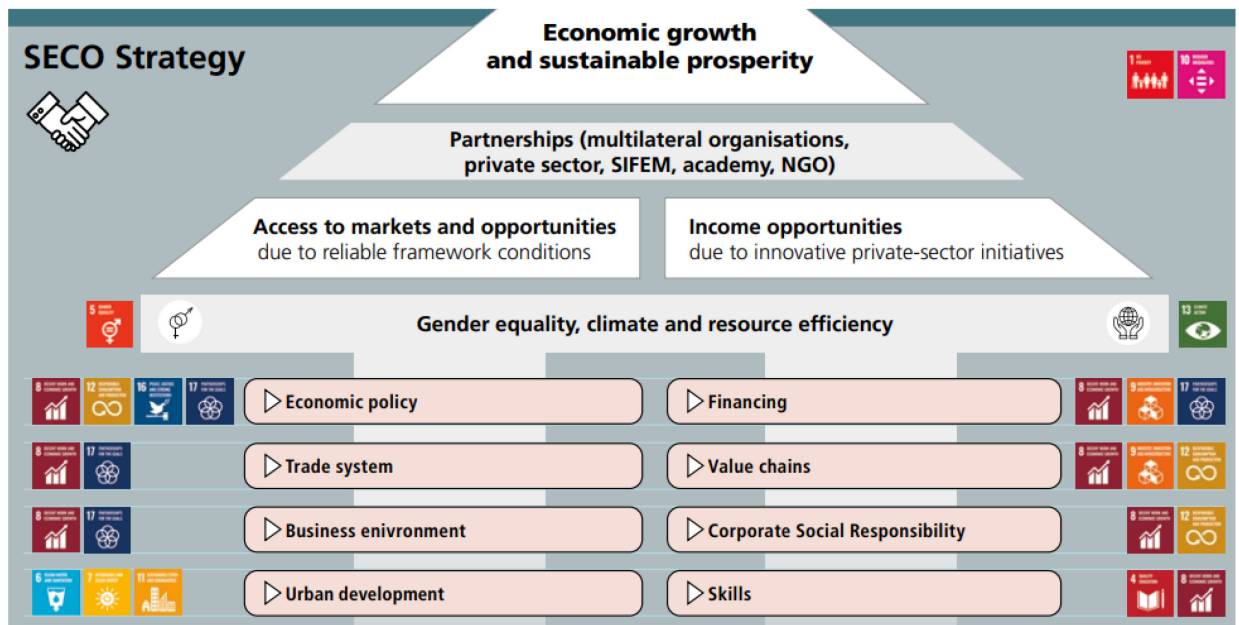


The relative importance of the eight business lines in **SECO-WE's** cooperation programme in Ghana.

Thematic Priority I: Promoting attractive framework conditions for sustainable growth.	Thematic Priority II: Unlocking more and better jobs and decent income opportunities.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transparent and efficient public finances • Assisting further decentralisation of public services and more effective infrastructure spending • Promoting a rules-based trade system and an innovation-friendly business environment • Enabling public entities to integrate available investments in sustainable energy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing market-oriented skills and entrepreneurship support in selected sectors • Supporting the financial sector to foster financing for SMEs and digitalisation • Promoting the integration of competitive, responsible and innovative businesses into global value chains and regional trade networks

Facts and figures	Results achieved
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ghana is a priority country of SECO's economic development cooperation since 2002 • SECO's programmes for economic cooperation and development are renewed every four years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of around 7,000 small scale socio-economic infrastructure projects through the Decentralized Budget Support. 1,500 staff from all the 260 districts were trained to improve quality service delivery. Evidence based tax policies increased and digitalisation of tax collection as well as simplification of tax payments supported the Ghana Revenue Authority. • 11,000 households connected to electricity distribution network. Successful piloting of a Strategic Business Unit (SBU) for improving operational and financial efficiency of the state owned electricity Distribution Company, which is set to be replicated throughout Ghana. Three solar-powered mini grids being built to provide electricity on islands on the Volta Lake. • Supporting mobilisation of private capital to catalyse the development of financial products, optimising the use of remittances through the Remittance Grant Facility project. • Improved legal and regulatory framework for doing business, formulation of a new company law, simplification of construction permit process, new building code, sustainable banking principles, strengthened intellectual property rights system, national quality testing infrastructure and the world's first ever Digital Financial Services (DFS) Policy developed to strengthen vibrant and inclusive DFS ecosystem. • Under the Sustainable Recycling Industries Programme, technical guidelines for environmentally sound e-waste recycling in Ghana have been worked out and solutions for polluting activities developed, trainings conducted for informal sector recyclers. • To improve economic diversification and job creation in cashew and palm oil value chains, the Ghana Private Sector Competitiveness Program (GPSCP) made valuable contributions towards the establishing of a Tree Crop Development Authority.

SECO-WE's overall strategy and Business Lines:



[SECO-WE's overall strategy](#), with economic growth and sustainable prosperity as the overarching goal, and the target outcomes and business lines.