

### 3.3 Mainstreaming

#### **Environmental Protection & Climate Change**

##### **Outcomes of the EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) and of the CRA (Climate Risk Assessment) screening**

In view of the general and cross-cutting nature of the Action to support the successful implementation of all EU-Ghana cooperation, environmental and climate change issues will be mainstreamed in each component of the Action. However, the impact of mainstreaming is not measurable for the Action as such, but rather at the level of each cooperation programme that the Action will facilitate. Public sector capacity building will also address the use of tools and procedures in relation to the environment and climate change.

##### **Gender equality and empowerment of women and girls**

As per OECD Gender DAC codes identified in section 1.1, this action is labelled as G1. This implies that the action will take specific measures to offer women the same chance as men to benefit from the services provided and/or consultations proposed. The action will support the collection of gender-disaggregated data, the qualitative monitoring of action design and implementation arrangements, and the assessment of the gender effects. This will allow narrowing the gender gap in economic opportunities. The action contributes to the Gender Action Plan III (GAP III, 2021-2025), more specifically “Ensuring freedom from all forms of gender-based violence” and “promoting equal participation and leadership”.

##### **Human Rights**

The Action operationalises the human rights-based approach by ensuring that all rights are respected and that empowerment, participation, non-discrimination, accountability and transparency are promoted. It will capacitate "rights-holders" in claiming their rights and "duty-bearers" in meeting their obligations. The action will actively promote greater gender and youth inclusion, as well as consultation with relevant civil society organisations working on human rights issues.

##### **Disability**

As per OECD Disability DAC codes identified in section 1.1, this action is labelled as D1. This implies inclusion and empowerment of persons with disability is a significant objective of the activity. Studies and expertise will be mobilised to improve the consideration of people with disabilities in development projects and more generally in European action in Ghana.

##### **Democracy**

The action will actively promote civil society consultations, participation and mainstreaming of civil society support across all JPD priority areas. It will therefore contribute to developing projects informed by civil society's knowledge and analysis, thus promoting government accountability and democratic values more generally.

##### **Conflict sensitivity, peace and resilience**

The action will seek to prioritise Ghana's northern regions, most at risk of conflict and least resilient to threats.

##### **Disaster Risk Reduction**

Disaster risk reduction is not a direct objective of this action. However, as it is a support measure for the implementation of the EU-Ghana partnership, studies and expertise could be mobilised in the field of disaster risk reduction in order to improve the consideration of this aspect in development projects and more generally in European action in Ghana.

##### **Other considerations if relevant**

N/A