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REGIONAL HUB:	Eastern Africa
CULTURAL SECTOR(S):	Fashion, design, crafts, cultural heritage
BENEFICIARY (IES):	Sobajo Art Centre for Women
COUNTRY (IES) COVERED BY THE ACTION:	Sudan
PROJECT DURATION:	04/2022 - 01/2024 (22 months)
BUDGET:	EUR 30 000 - EU FUNDING: EUR 30 000 EUR (100 %)
PROJECT WEBSITE:	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/sobajo_khartoum/?hl=fr">https://www.instagram.com/sobajo_khartoum/?hl=fr</a>

The **SAAF** (palm leaf) project aims to raise awareness among members of the Sudanese community of the value of their cultural and artistic heritage.

In this context, trainers are being trained to ensure the preservation of traditional weaving skills in saaf, a traditional Sudanese material. They will be responsible for passing on these skills within their communities, and ultimately throughout Sudan.

In addition, with a view to consolidating peace within the population and ensure effective participation of the local population, groups will be formed. Priority will be given to displaced women and disadvantaged young people. Participants will learn to weaving to create baskets, floor mats and wall hangings from saaf.

The products will be sold, and the income generated will contribute to the preservation of traditional Sudanese crafts and the creation of a sustainable business cycle. This approach will enable the NGO Sobajo to become an autonomous social enterprise.

