



## AKIWACU Cultural Centre

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REGIONAL HUB:	Eastern Africa
CULTURAL SECTOR(S):	Multidisciplinary, festivals
BENEFICIARY (IES):	Observatoire pour le développement de la jeunesse
COUNTRIES COVERED BY THE ACTION:	Burundi
PROJECT DURATION:	03/2023-01/2024 (11 months)
BUDGET:	EUR 177 812 – EU FUNDING: EUR 177 812 (100 %)
WEBSITE:	N/A

The '**AKIWACU Cultural Centre**' aims to promote Burundian culture by focusing on teaching art, training, and traditional Burundian cuisine, while paying specific attention to the younger generations.

In this context, cultural evenings and festivals have been organized, including intergenerational debates and artistic performances to celebrate and showcase the richness of Burundian culture.

A music school and cultural clubs have been established. These spaces have provided opportunities for artistic expression to 150 students, including 90 disabled children.

A continuous training and mentorship program for artists by recognized Burundian music artists has been implemented, ensuring the development of sustainable skills.

Furthermore, the establishment of a restaurant specializing in traditional Burundian cuisine has contributed to preserving the country's culinary art and creating employment, particularly for women in displaced camps.

Finally, in addition to collaborating with local and international organizations, promoting local activities and talents through social media and platforms has contributed to increased visibility for Burundian artists and the opening of new markets and audiences.

