

## **WASH component of EU-TF for The Support Programme to the Refugee Settlements and Host Communities in Northern Uganda (SPRS-NU)**

European Union established the “Emergency Trust Fund for stability and addressing the root cause of irregular Migration and Displaced Persons in Africa “(EU-TF). The Support Programme to the Refugee Settlements and Host Communities in Northern Uganda (SPRS-NU) targets the refugee settlements plus host communities in the refugee hosting districts of Northern Uganda, including Adjumani, Arua, Yumbe and Kiryandongo. A total of **Euro 4.9 Million** has been ear marked for this project to cover proposed 12 settlements of Alere, Nyumanzi, Maaji II, Olujobo, Ranch I, Ayelo, Maaji III, Pagirinya, Bidibidi Zone V, Eden, Afua, and Ariaze for four years. The project is being implemented by Water and Sanitation Development Facility- North (WSDF-N) and managed by the Austrian Development Agency (ADA). The overall objective of the action is to reduce the risk of violent conflict between host communities and refugees. Specifically the action will ensure sustainable access to safe water and improve the environmental sanitation conditions in the targeted settlements and host communities.

The project outcomes will be achieved by the combined effect of the following outputs: **(1)** Construction of 12 piped water supply systems; **(2)** Setting up sustainable operation and maintenance structures for these systems; **(3)** Improving environmental sanitation by constructing 02 faecal sludge treatment plants, including the necessary equipment and O&M structures, conducting sanitation awareness campaigns and implementing water source protection measures among others.

Inception meetings, socio-economic surveys; Geological, hydrological surveys have been conducted in the Refugee Settlements of Alere, Nyumanzi, Maaji II, Olujobo and Ranch I in Kiyradongo. Drilling of production wells have been undertaken in Alere, Nyumanzi, Maaji II and Ranch I. Individual Consultant have been engaged and are carrying out feasibility studies and detailed engineering designs in Alere, Nyumanzi, Maaji II and will continue in Olujobo and Bidibidi. Feasibility studies and detailed engineering designs for Ranch I is being undertaken using internal capacity of WSDF-N.

Activities to be undertaken include; drilling of production wells in Olujobo. Procurement for Individual Consultant to undertake feasibility studies and detailed engineering designs for Olujobo is under way.