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ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN

Are you a female aged between 16 and 24 from the Districts of **RULINDO,KICIKURO, GICUMBI OR GASABO and have been out of school for at least 1 year?**

If your answer is YES to the above questions, then this is an opportunity for you.

***The Economic Empowerment of Adolescent Girls and Young Women*** project is being launched in YOUR District to help girls and young women to **gain new skills, start businesses, and increase their incomes,** hence increase your income and transform your life and lives of others.

The program is supported by the Ministry of Gender and Family Promotion (MIGEPROF) and the World Bank, and is implemented by the Workforce Development Authority (WDA).

The training will focus on your needs and experiences empower you to speak and take on leadership initiatives to solve your social economic problems. It will be simple and you will be actively engaged in the learning process.

The course is a 6 months of training at a vocational training centre, in areas such as **culinary arts, food processing, agri-business, and arts and crafts**. Girls who complete the skills training will then receive support to help them establish their own business and enterprises. This support may include formation of cooperatives, links to business mentors, and access to microfinance. If you successfully complete the program, you will receive a graduate certificate.

A rigorous screening exercise by a screening committee, made up of community leaders in your sector, sector level government authorities, and representatives of civil society will be undertaken.

A shortlist of all eligible candidates will be posted at the end of the registration process on October 15th 2012. All of the names on this shortlist will then be entered into a lottery, to determine who participates in the program.

Register at your Sector offices. Go in person to the Sector Offices, carrying your national Identification Card and school leaving certificates.

Registration begins from 20/08/2012 and closes on 10//10/2012.

We invite applicants to take this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

For more information, see the Social Affairs officer in your sector.