## DÉF# MALI

Creating new routes to education in conflict-affected areas



DÉFI: Défi éducation des filles au Mali. Funded by Global Affairs Canada. Implemented by Alinea.

2,670+

out-of-school children, 65% girls, anticipated to register in reinsertion programs



More than 30 per cent of girls in Mali will never go to school. Basic education is often lost with other fundamental rights as armed conflict increases in the north and central regions of the country.

1,200+

young people, 80% girls, anticipated to join accelerated learning programs



DEFI reduces barriers to learning through innovative strategies, such as interactive radio programming, and provides direct support to vulnerable families and communities affected by conflict.

Working with Farm Radio International, Catholic Relief Services and Éducation internationale, DEFI addresses harmful social norms and public sector performance in providing equitable, gender-sensitive and evidencebased education services - aligned with Canada's FIAP.

18,900+

students anticipated to be sensitized on gender equality



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"Innovative ideas are how we help Malian children, particularly girls, rise from the cycle of poverty and vulnerability created by conflict."

- Suzane Louchard, Project Director









