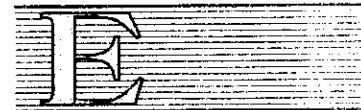


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**Introduction**

- 1.0 The Eastern Subregional Development Center (EA/SRDC) was established as a result of the adoption of Commission Resolution 810 (XXXI), which had the aim of reinforcing ECA Multinational Programming and Operational Centers (MULPOCs). In addition to changing the name of MULPOCs, the resolution led to the geographical expansion of the area formerly covered by the Gisenyi MULPOC from three to thirteen member-states (Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Comoros, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Rwanda, Seychelles, Somalia, and Tanzania).
- 2.0 These changes also included relocating the Center from Gisenyi to Kigali but due to the crisis in Rwanda and the Genocide in 1994, activities of the Center had been temporarily moved to Addis Ababa. Offices of the center formerly moved to Kigali in 1998.

**Strategic areas of operation**

- 3.0 The Center's mandate and its activities fall under the following strategic directors of ECA.  
  
(i) Economic and Social Policy Analysis, (iii) Food Security and Sustainable Development, (iv) Development Information, (v) Regional Economic Integration, (vi) Development Management, (vii) Gender and Women's Advancement.

### **Prospects**

In 2002/2003 the Center will deepen its activities in Gender analysis with particular emphasis on Gender Mainstreaming. The focus will be on:

- Data disaggregation and assistance to countries for effective implementation of SNA 93 (System of National Accounts).
- Working out a Gender Orientation Budget Nomenclature and engendering the Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) being applied in the Sub-region.
- Monitoring land rights issues.
- Women entrepreneurship with respect to Food Technologies.
- HIV/AIDs mainstreaming.