KEY MESSAGES

 The intervention is expected to result in a strong and highly significant impact on labour market outcomes, economic aspirations and business knowledge of young people and women.

 Economic empowerment of young women can be increased by combining hard and soft skills, in the form of business, vocational and life skills training, combined with civic education and guidance on how to start a business or become employed.

 Interventions that specifically target young women must employ a gender-sensitive design, which would include gender-sensitive outreach, creating youth and female-friendly spaces during training, minimizing the distance to training facilities, flexible timing of classes and close mentoring by local women to serve as role models.

 Promoting safe, flexible, youth and female-friendly employment and more harmonized work-life balance will help in increasing female labour market participation in Uganda.

 A combination of creative gender dynamics curricula and innovative programme design for young people and women to learn hands on skills for social and economic empowerment.