

# GLOBAL GATEWAY FLAGSHIP PROGRAMMES IN ZAMBIA

Global Gateway is the European strategy designed to enhance **smart, clean, and secure connections in digital, energy, and transport sectors** while strengthening global health, education, and research systems. This initiative follows a 'Team Europe approach,' uniting the EU, its Member States, and their financial and development institutions to mobilise private sector investments for sustainable growth. Between 2021 and 2027, Team Europe aims to mobilise up to **€300 billion for transformational, high-quality projects** that promote resilient and sustainable societies. The strategy ensures lasting benefits for local communities while providing opportunities for EU Member States' private sectors to invest competitively, ensuring high environmental, labour, and financial management standards.

## LOBITO CORRIDOR

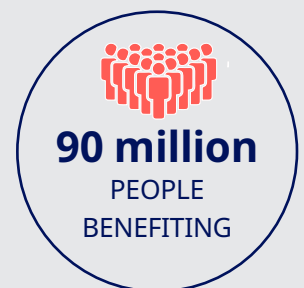
The Lobito Corridor is a strategic infrastructure project to enhance trade and connectivity between the Zambia Copperbelt and the Lobito Port in Angola. The development includes constructing a greenfield railway to facilitate efficient transportation of goods and resources. Supported by the US, EU, Africa Finance Cooperation, African Development Bank, and the governments of Zambia, Angola, and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Italy also joined this initiative through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in October 2023. The EU has contributed €2 million for the development phase, with further investment planned pending feasibility study results.



## REGIONAL FIBRE-OPTIC BACKBONE

The construction of a **10,000 km regional fibre-optic backbone** aims to improve digital connectivity across Zambia, DRC, Zimbabwe, Malawi, and Mozambique. Benefiting around 90 million people, the project connects 3,000 schools, 1,500 hospitals, and 1,200 government institutions, significantly enhancing access to digital services and infrastructure.

### Benefiting:



## CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS (CRM) PARTNERSHIP ROADMAP

This strategic partnership aims to promote sustainable raw materials value chains. Key activities include scaling up geological data through the PanAfGeo+ Zambian window, led by the Finnish Geological Institute (GTK), and establishing mining governance programmes focused on operationalising the Mineral Regulator Commission in Zambia. These efforts support responsible mining practices, economic growth, and regional cooperation.



## EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



The **€50 million Early Childhood Development Programme** is a 5-year initiative focusing on education, health, nutrition, and protection for vulnerable children and young female adolescents in Luapula and North-Western Zambia. Implemented by UNICEF, CSOs, and Technical Assistance, the project aims to **strengthen national systems and improve access to quality services for marginalised communities**. The programme addresses deeply embedded social and cultural norms that hinder opportunities for children and girls, enhancing multi-sectoral coordination and integrated service delivery.

## KARIBA DAM REHABILITATION

A critical energy infrastructure project aimed at enhancing the reliability of clean energy supply while minimising the risk of dam failure. The EU's €113 million contribution is part of a broader €300 million initiative funded by the World Bank, African Development Bank, Sweden, and the Zambezi River Authority. The project involves replacing spill gates and reshaping the plunge pool to ensure structural stability. Completion is expected by Q1 2026.

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## SAFE BIRTH AFRICA PROJECT

A regional health initiative under the Global Gateway Health Package aims to eliminate the leading cause of maternal deaths during childbirth: postpartum haemorrhage (PPH). With a financial commitment of **€9 million for Zambia, Nigeria, Uganda, Madagascar, and Côte d'Ivoire**, this project aims to strengthen health systems and improve access to WHO-recommended life-saving medicines.

## ZAMBIA-TANZANIA INTERCONNECTOR PROJECT (ZTIP)

The €268 million Zambia-Tanzania Interconnector Project is a flagship initiative connecting Zambia's national grid to Tanzania's. It effectively links the Southern African Power Pool (SAPP) with the Eastern Africa Power Pool (EAPP), promoting efficient power trade and improving energy reliability. The project supports Zambia's ambitions for green growth, energy diversification, and industrial expansion while paving the way for a more resilient energy ecosystem across Southern and Eastern Africa.



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