

USAID EMPOWER Private Sector aims to create jobs by promoting firm-level competitiveness and building workforce skills in sectors with the highest potential for growth. Companies targeted for support are primarily in the wood, apparel, energy, ICT, tourism and metal sectors. This \$14.4M, five-year program started in July 2014.

### **lob Creation**

Job creation embodies USAID's successful implementation.



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direct strategic partners supported

# Jobs by Sector



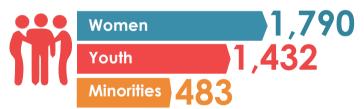
#### **Trainees**

Most of USAID's investments in Workforce Development are based on the potential for creating sustainable jobs during or shortly following the skills-related activity.



### Jobs for Women and Youth

USAID strongly supports the concept that a country's real economic success depends on full integration of women, youth, and minorities in the workforce, at all sectors and levels.



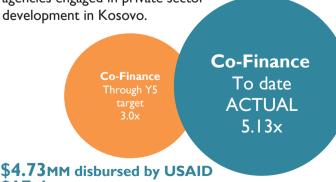
## Sales and Exports Increase

Strategic partners attributed increased sales over their baseline sales of \$197MM versus the cumulative target of \$100MM and over \$90.6MM in exports versus the cumulative target of \$50MM through Y5.



## Co-finance

USAID consistently seeks co-funding with other donor projects and Government of Kosovo (GoK) agencies engaged in private sector



\$4.73MM disbursed by USAID \$17.4MM leveraged by firms

**\$2. I 5**MM leveraged by collaborating institutions

#### **Trade Fairs**

USAID supports strategic partners to increase market opportunities through visits and exhibitions at trade

623 firms attended 77 fairs

Results from participation: Direct Sales: \$20.62MM Projected Sales: \$25.05MM

Life of project targets: USAID EMPOWER is on target to achieve the following life of project targets.

5,000

\$100M

\$50M

400