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Local governments and the sustainable integration of refugees in Ethiopia

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Background

This presentation summarises intermediary results of a collaborative research project between researchers from Ethiopia and Germany. In February and March 2020, the project team studied the implementation in Ethiopia of the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework (CRRF) at the local level with case studies in the Somali region. The project investigated the practical challenges for regional and local government entities to sustainably integrate refugees into local communities and aimed at identifying examples of good practice. Further, the project looked into the role of international support in this context. Special attention was given to the actual or presumed consequences of refugee integration in such important issue areas as education, registration & documentation, livelihoods, access to land, as well as the peaceful coexistence of refugees and local residents.

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