

# Kenya, South Sudan border post to get a major facelift

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The border post between Kenya and South Sudan is set for a facelift after the German government released a grant of Sh1.13 billion (10 million Euros) for infrastructure projects at border crossings in the region.

The funds will be channeled through the German Development Bank (KFW) and will become available in 2013.

The money will be used by the Common Market for East and South Africa (Comesa) and the African Union Commission (AUC) to scale up trade related infrastructure in border areas of countries that have recently emerged from conflict in the Great Lakes Region.

## Infrastructure

"There will be a funding window to the Comesa Trading for Peace programme with specific focus on establishing small-scale infrastructure at selected borders to facilitate cross border trade and cooperation," reads a statement from Comesa in part.

In addition to the Kenya-South Sudan border, the project will also be implemented on border posts in Rwanda, Burundi and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

Markets, storage facilities, feeder roads and administrative infrastructure for customs and immigration officers will be constructed at each border posts.