



## 2.3 The European Union's Contribution to Nation-Building in Mogadishu, Somalia

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### ABSTRACT

This study analyzes the European Union's multifaceted contributions to nation-building in Mogadishu, focusing on institutional consolidation, state stabilization, and sustainable development. A qualitative research design utilizes case studies, document reviews, and in-depth interviews with policymakers, EU officials, and local stakeholders. The analysis reveals that EU sustainable development initiatives have enhanced economic growth and social infrastructure, directly improving living standards. In state stabilization, EU-supported security sector reforms have been pivotal in reducing violence and strengthening local governance structures. Furthermore, EU programs aimed at institutional consolidation have fostered more transparent and accountable governance, enhancing the overall functionality of public institutions. The study concludes that the EU's integrated approach has yielded positive, tangible outcomes in Mogadishu's nation-building process. However, ensuring the long-term sustainability of these gains remains a critical challenge. The study recommends continued and enhanced support for local capacity building, the strengthening of sub-national governance mechanisms, and strategies that ensure local ownership to consolidate peace and development.

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