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# SDC's VSD Portfolio Overview

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# Overview of the presentation

## VSD Portfolio

...key data

...on the world map

...analysed by criteria





# VSD Portfolio key data

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- SDC finances 50 Vocational Skills Development (VSD) projects in 32 countries
- VSD is a priority theme of engagement in 13 (out of 44) country and regional programs
- Today, SDC invests annually over 40 Mio. CHF -> expected to increase
- VSD projects are implemented in various contexts all over the world



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# VSD Portfolio on a world map

## South East Europe and CIS (19 Projects)

- Albania
- Azerbaijan
- Armenia
- BiH
- Bulgaria
- Kosovo
- Macedonia
- Serbia
- Uzbekistan
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Slovakia
- Georgia
- Romania

## South and East Asia (17 Projects)

- Cambodia
- Bangladesh
- Laos
- Mongolia
- Myanmar
- Nepal

## Middle East (3 Projects)

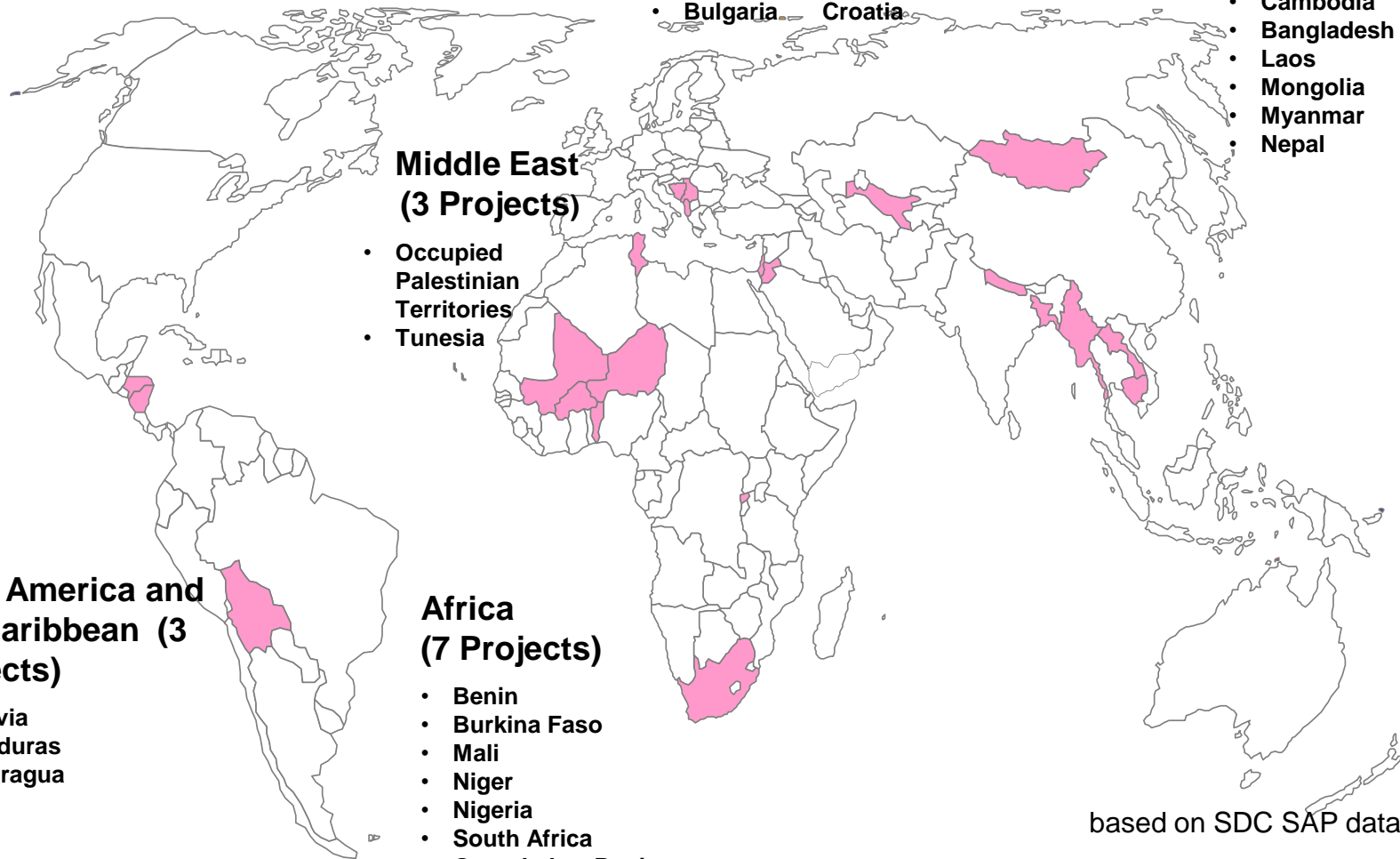
- Occupied Palestinian Territories
- Tunisia

## Latin America and the Caribbean (3 Projects)

- Bolivia
- Honduras
- Nicaragua

## Africa (7 Projects)

- Benin
- Burkina Faso
- Mali
- Niger
- Nigeria
- South Africa
- Great Lakes Region



based on SDC SAP data base



# Factsheet Analysis - Method

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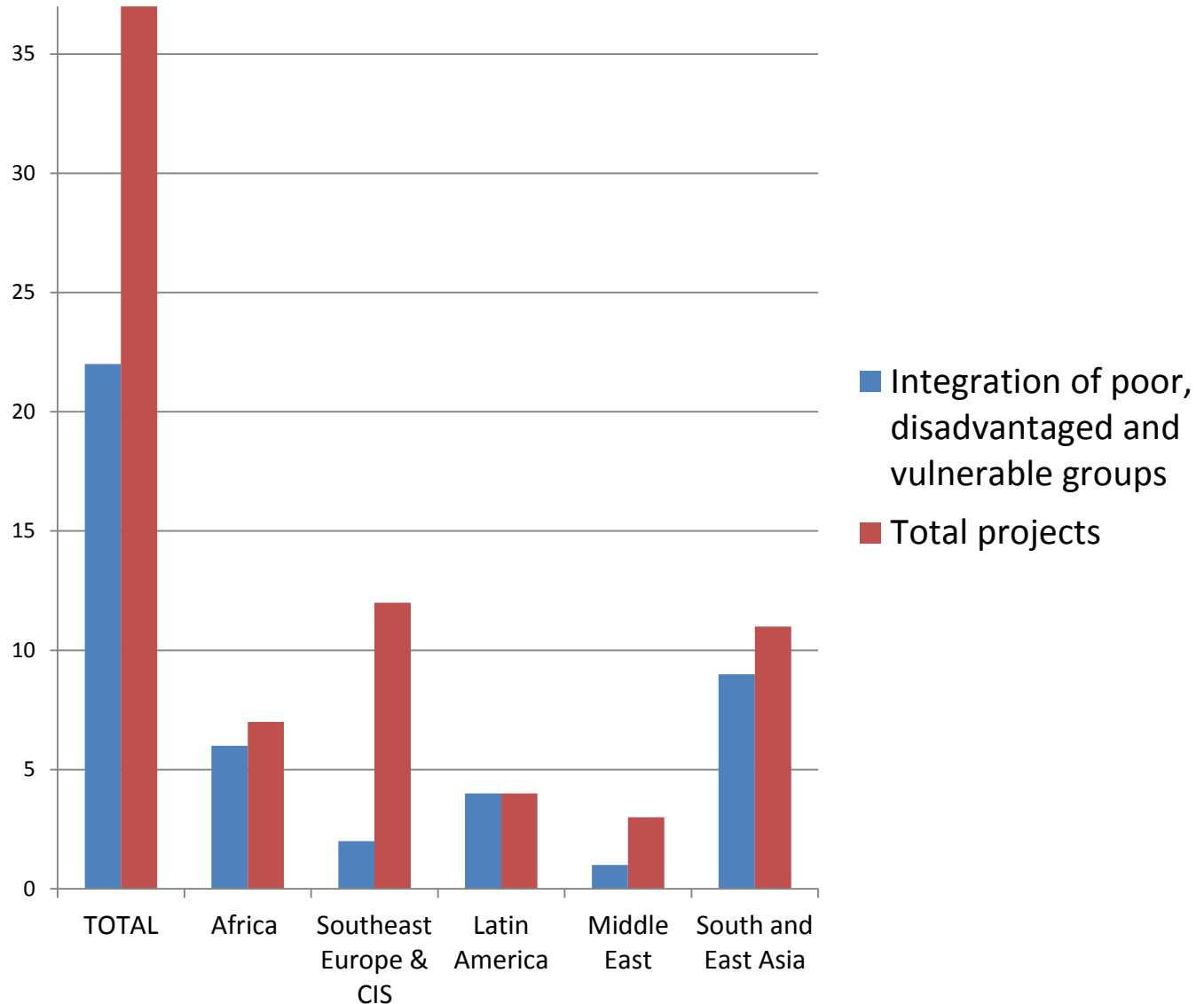
- 37 factsheets out of the 50 VSD projects, i.e. analysis based on self-declaration by projects:
    - Limited information in the factsheets (1-2 pages), digestion of pre-digested information
    - Projects in the planning stage/inception phase were excluded → not yet enough information
  - Analysis by criteria given in SDC's Medium Term Orientation 2015 – 2019 on VSD, and also on Dual VET
- Just a rough analysis for a first overview



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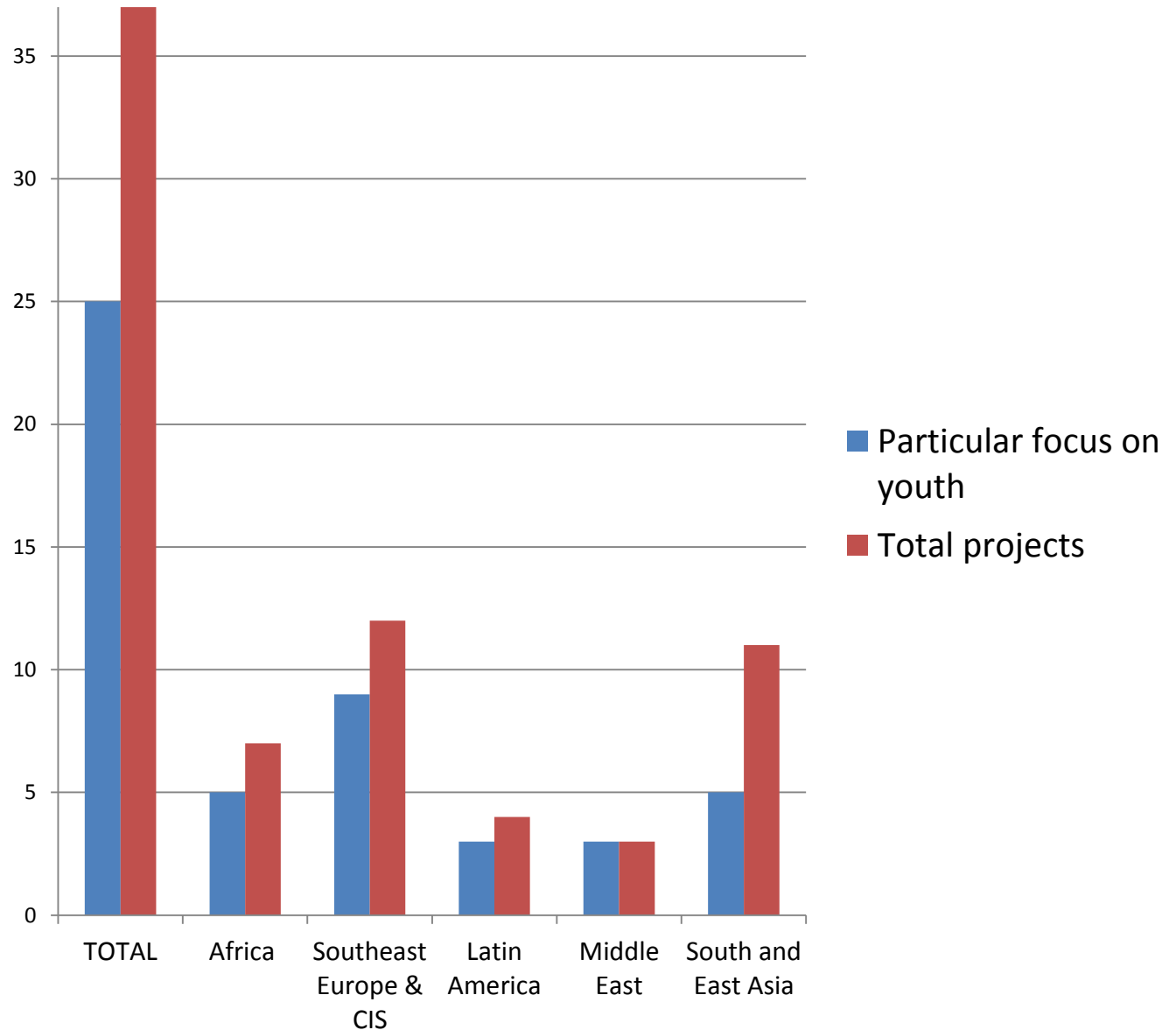
# Integration of poor, disadvantaged and vulnerable groups





# Particular focus on youth

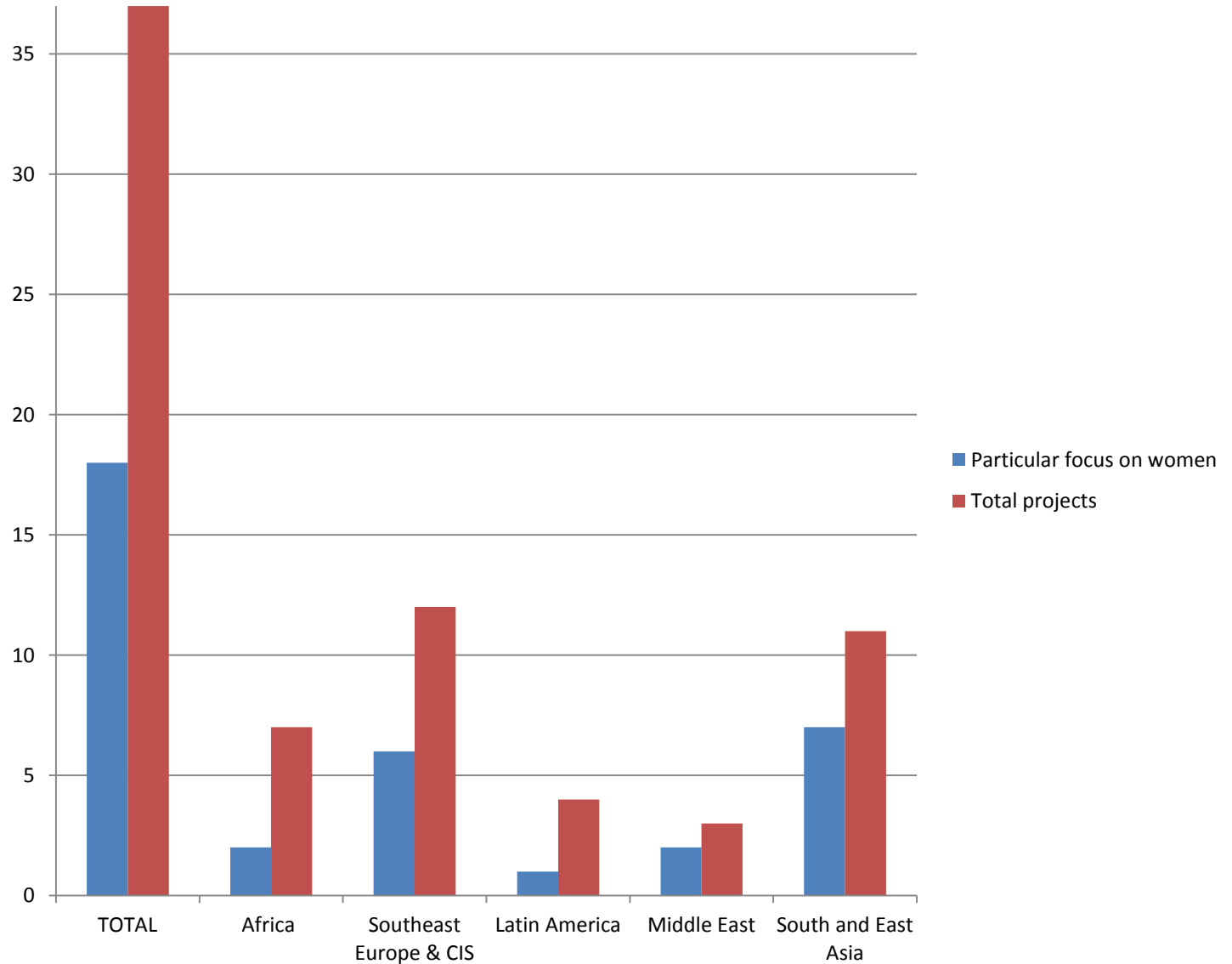
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# Particular focus on women

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# Services for the target group

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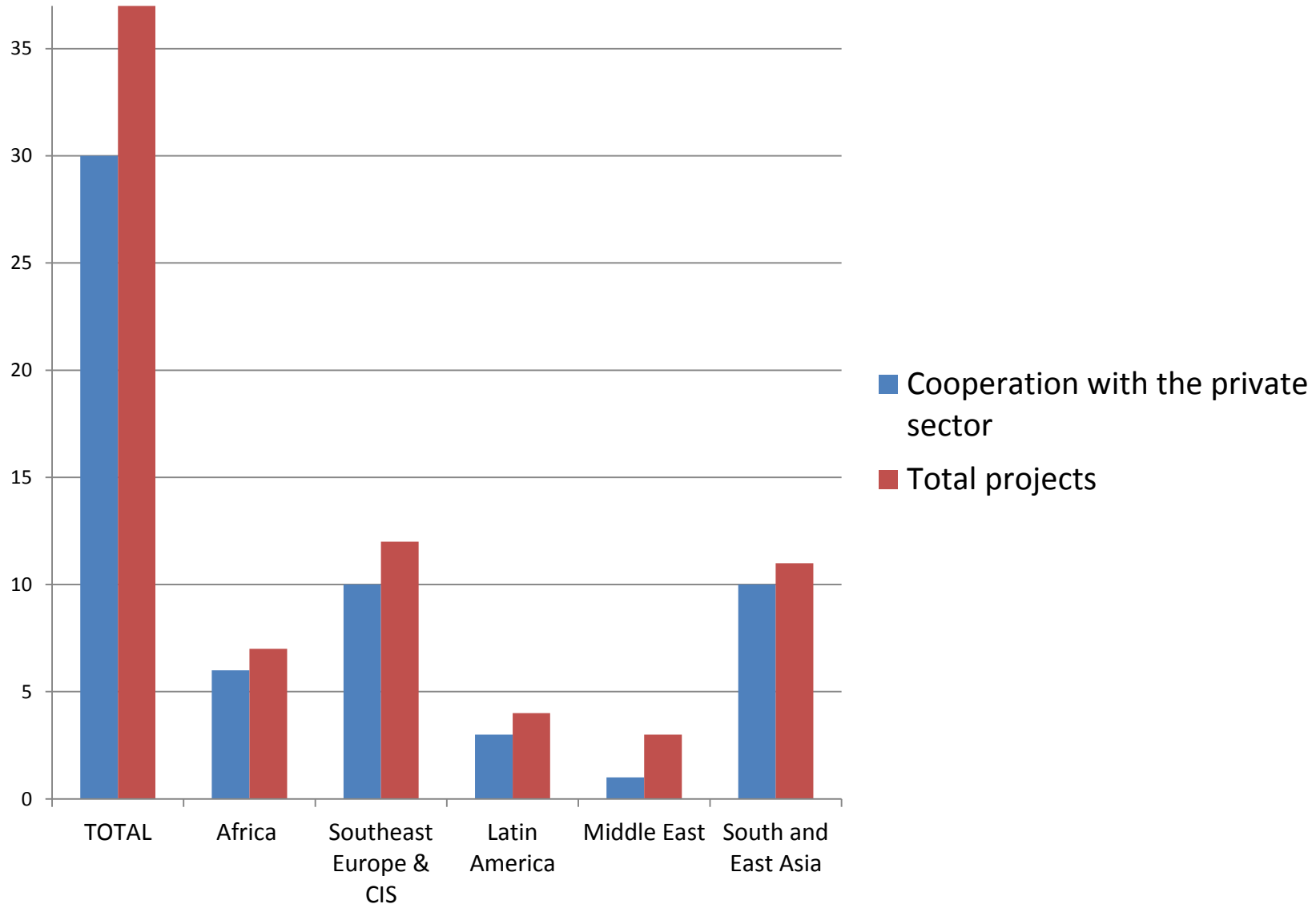
	<b>Number of projects (total 37)</b>
Relevance and quality of the training	37
Access assistance	22
National certification	18
Placement services	12
Learning assistance	2
Career guidance	10
Start-up support	9



# Cooperation with the private sector

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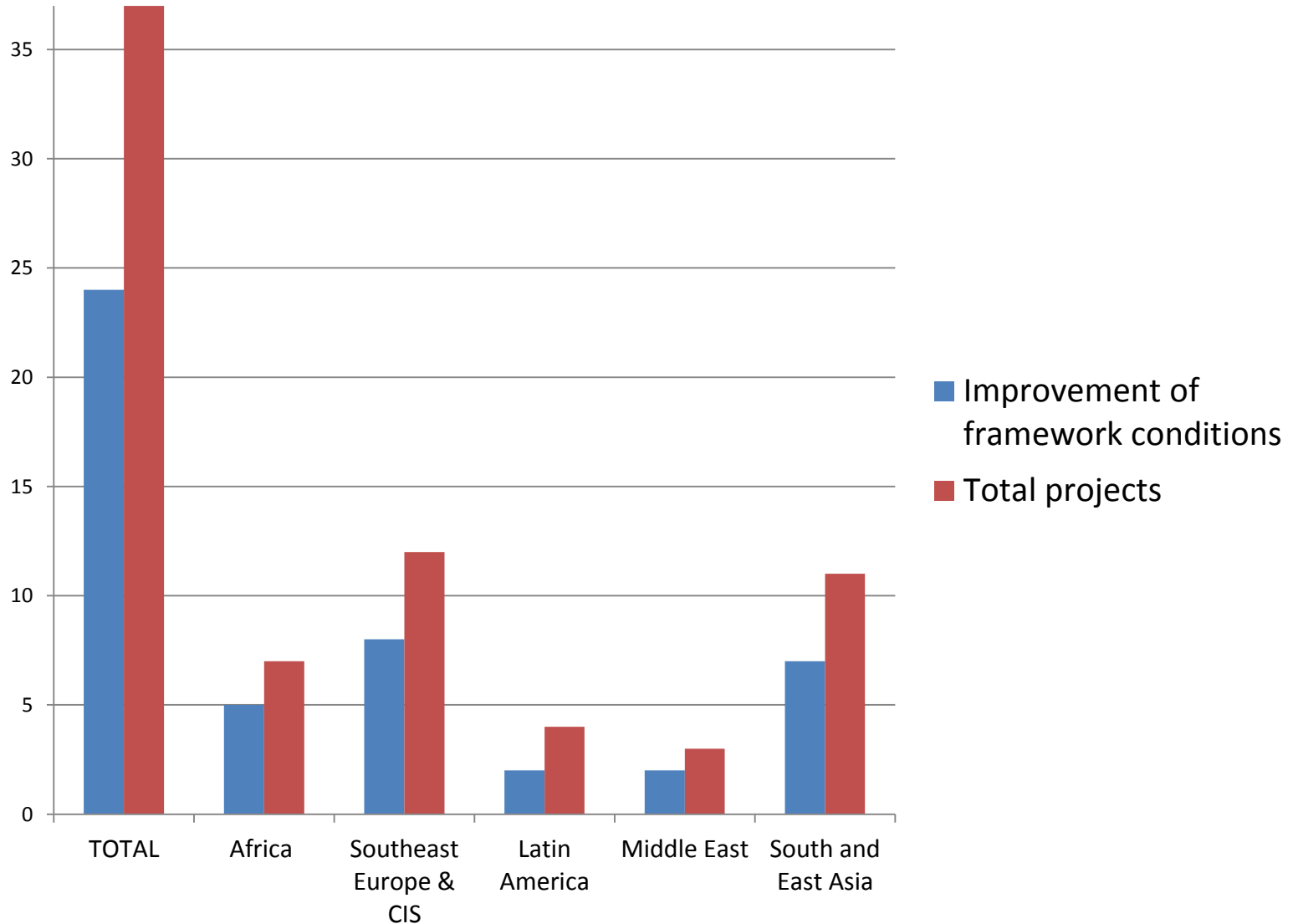
# Dual VET

- Self-declaration of Dual VET:
  - Only 2 of the 36 projects publish in the factsheets that they include Dual VET components
- However: One third of all projects include a prominent learning at workplace component and a majority of projects fosters closer cooperation with the private sector



# Improvement of framework conditions

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