



Labor Markets in Western Africa: Evidence and Policy Lesson

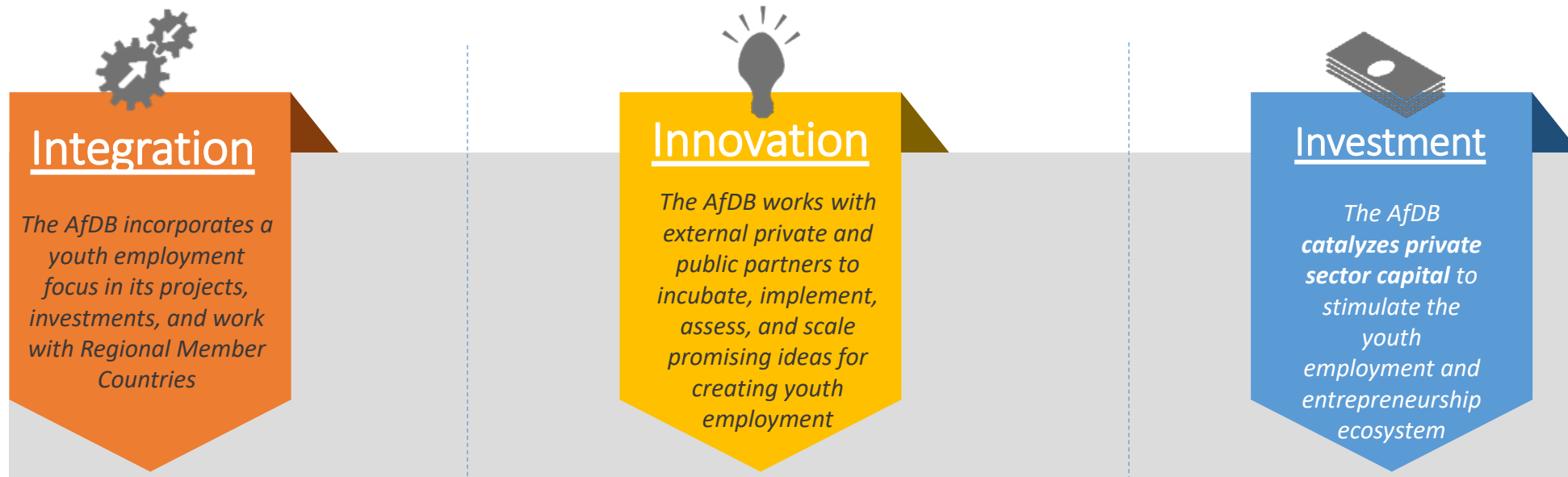
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Jobs for Youth in Africa

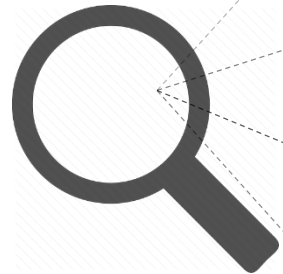
Key Achievements and
Milestones

JfYA Strategic Pillars

- The Jobs for Youth in Africa strategy aims to create 25 million jobs and positively impact 50 million youths by 2025.
- In order to achieve these ambitious goals workable, solutions and flagship models have been designed using 3 strategic pillars namely : integration, innovation and Investment



Integration – Business Opportunities



Potential of increasing the jobs' lens in AfDB supported projects while delivering on the Hi 5s: from 50.000 j/y before to over 600.000 after



- Value chain programs
- Infrastructure operations
- Private sector operations, etc.
- YAP already applied in 7 countries including ST



Conducive environment (Budget Support)

- Economic reforms
- Institutionnal support and capacity building (10 countries in 2017)



Coordination (coalition) for higher impact

- Around the national strategies
- 4 countries are planed: Sierra Leone, Niger, CAR and Chad

Innovation – Business Opportunities

Description of flagship areas:

Agriculture

Rural Microenterprise: provide youth with capital, skills training and mentorship to launch agriculture-based micro enterprises

ENABLE Youth: Program designed to help young Africans to incubate and secure finance to grow larger scale agri-businesses

Agro-Industrialization Pipeline: Developing a pipeline of skilled agro-industrial companies.

Industrialization

Skills Enhancement Zone: develop a skilled workforce aligned to employer needs by creating demand-led training and job placement within industrial clusters.

ICT

Computational Thinking: introduce digital literacy, logical thinking, and complex problem-solving curricula in secondary schools

Coding for Employment: develop premier academies to train graduates a suites of IT skills to position youth competitively in the labor markets as potential workforce and entrepreneurs.



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Innovation – portfolio and Pipeline

Ongoing implementations, and countries in pipeline :

ENABLE YOUTH FLAGSHIP

TOTAL INVESTMENT: ~(USD) 764 MILLION

CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED SINCE 2016: DRC,
CAMEROON, GABON, MALAWI, NIGERIA, SUDAN, ZAMBIA

COUNTRIES IN PIPELINE: BENIN, BURKINA FASO,
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC, COTE D'IVOIRE, GUINEA
BISSAU, LIBERIA, MADAGASCAR, MALI, MAURITANIA,
MOZAMBIQUE, SENEGAL, SIERRA LEONE, ZAMBIA

RURAL MICRO ENTERPRISE

TOTAL INVESTMENT: ~(USD) 54 MILLION

CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED SINCE 2016: MALAWI,
NIGERIA

COUNTRY IN PIPELINE/ BURKINA FASO

ICT FLAGSHIP

TOTAL INVESTMENT: ~(USD) 206 MILLION

CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED SINCE 2016: CAPE VERDE,
ETHIOPIA, SENEGAL

COUNTRIES IN PIPELINE 2017:, COTE D'IVOIRE, KENYA,
NIGERIA, RWANDA



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Innovation and Investment – Business Opportunities and Pipeline (1)



Enabling Youth Employment INDEX

- ***The Africa-wide Enabling Youth Employment Index*** is an index that has been developed to measure youth employment outcomes and enabling policies at country levels.
- Official launching of the first index will happen at the sidelines of the EU- Africa Summit on November 29, 2017.



Youth Entrepreneurship and innovation trust fund

- ***The bank has put in place the YEI multi-donor trust fund as a*** financial and operational instrument to enable successful reach to youth
- The trust fund will serve as a channel to mobilizing resources and promote investments which will catalyze the creation of a sustainable ecosystem for youth entrepreneurs.



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Innovation and Investment – Business Opportunities and Pipeline (2)



Innovation Lab

- The aim of the lab is to strengthen entrepreneurship ecosystem in Africa, by incubating promising and innovative businesses enterprises and providing them the necessary support to scale.
- The JfYA Innovation Lab will be launched in the 1st quarter of 2018.
- Focus on migration hotspots



Areas of Partnerships

Implementation partners

Programmatic Design and Implementation with Governments: Partners can support implementation of programs in various countries and help refine design of future programs

Knowledge partners

Knowledge Generation and Dissemination: The Innovation and Information Lab will work with partners to collect, analyze, and disseminate data – building a strong evidence base on best practices to address youth unemployment

Co-funders

Financing: The Bank will pool resources with other public, private, and philanthropic institutions to support projects that drive youth employment and information collection and dissemination

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