



Networking Platforms

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Connecting African researchers

**Connecting African scholarly stakeholders
across the continent.**

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ABOUT APHRIKE RESEARCH

An **initiative** that provides **networking interactive platforms** and a **database** of researchers, research managers, policymakers, and the private sector (record of the profiles)

Objective: Provide a platform to collaborate and engage in African research (partners in the Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) ecosystem) Everyone in the ecosystem plays a part e.g., SFSA 2023

Vision: To provide a collaborative platform for a centralized intra-Africa research resource network

Mission: To promote intra-Africa research collaboration and interventions for sustainable development goals (SDGs) realization

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- RECORDS OF RESEARCHERS, STUDENTS, RESEARCH MANAGERS [PROFILES]
- RESEARCHERS CAN FIND COLLABORATORS.
- STUDENTS CAN SEARCH FOR POTENTIAL SUPERVISORS
- RESEARCH MANAGERS CAN PROFILE RESEARCH TAKING PLACE IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES
- ADVANCED SEARCH
- FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND EVENTS

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO BECOME A MEMBER?



RESEARCHERS



RESEARCH MANAGERS & STI
POLICY MAKERS



RESEARCH STUDENTS

DISCLAIMER: Different access levels to the site. e.g., Research Managers, per request, may be able to upload funding opportunities. Similarly, researchers, per request, may be able to upload events such as conferences and international seminars/workshops.



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BENEFITS

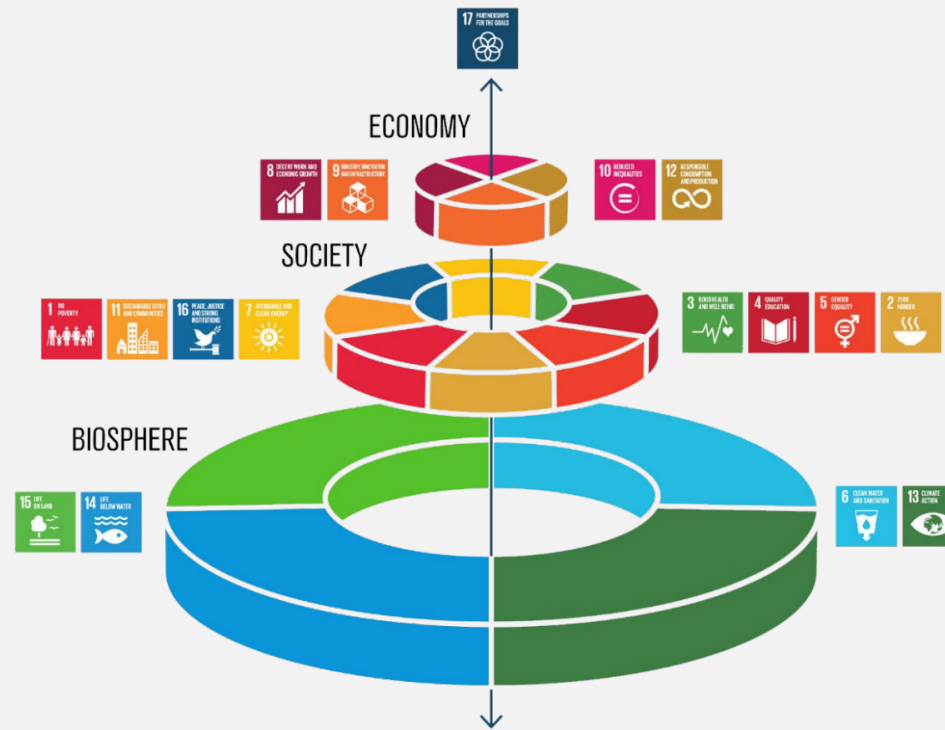


1. Empowerment through Information

2. Strategic Planning for Institutions

3. Supporting SDGs

4. Collaborative Environment:



"Research that helps Africa realize its SDGs".



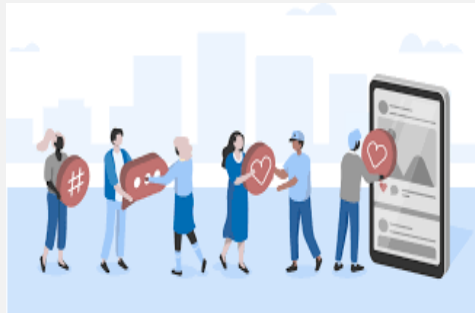
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RESEARCH COLLABORATION CHALLENGES IN AFRICA



WORKING IN SILOS



**NO CENTRAL
INFORMATIONAL PORTALS**



FOCUS FUNDER DRIVEN



SOLUTIONS OFFERED THROUGH THE PORTAL:

- ✓ **Breaking Down Silos**
- ✓ **Ensuring Universal Standards**
- ✓ **Promoting Transparency**
- ✓ **Facilitating Connections**

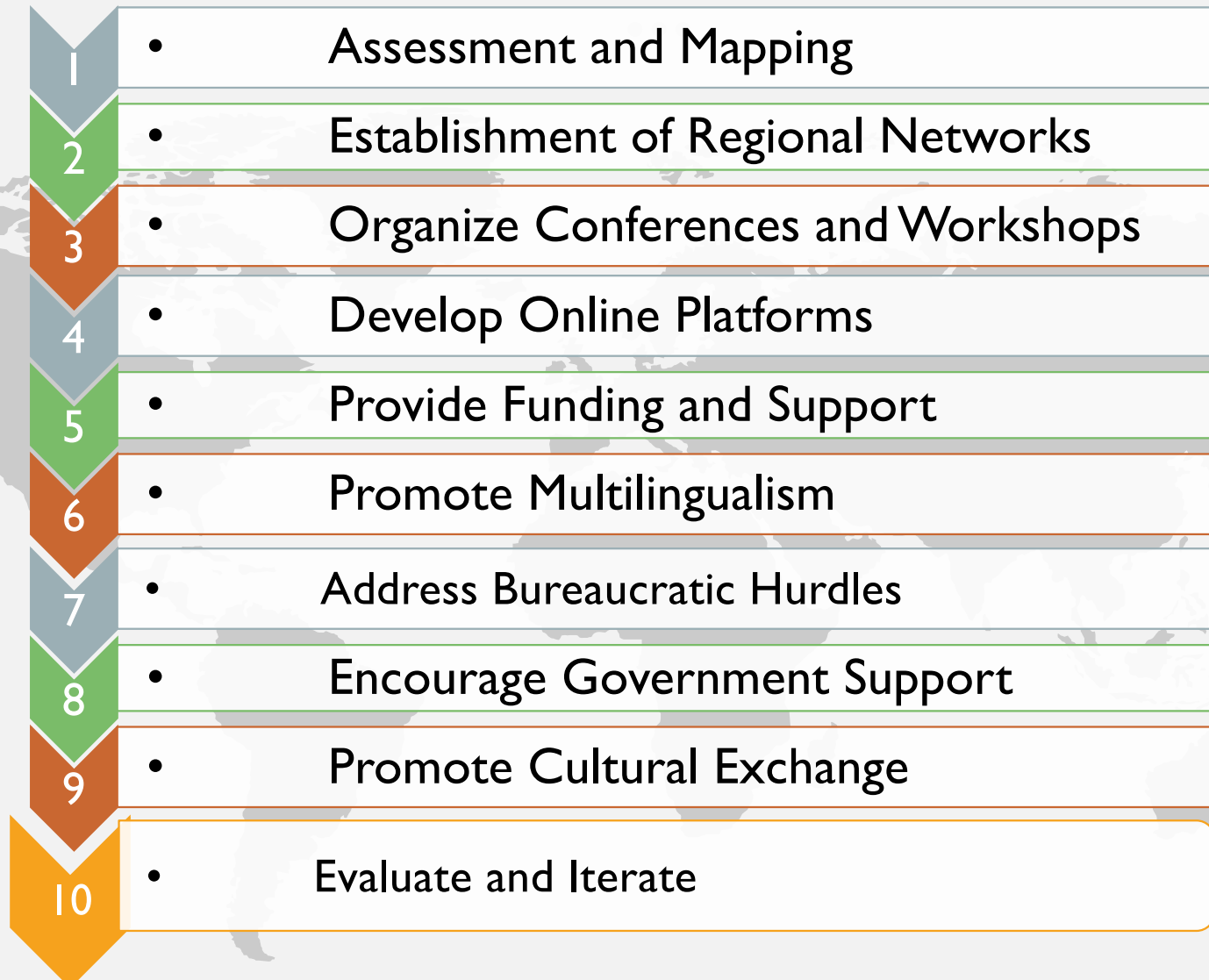
WHY IT'S CRUCIAL TO CONNECT AFRICAN SCHOLARLY STAKEHOLDERS ACROSS THE CONTINENT?

- **Foster collaboration and knowledge sharing**
- **Address the challenges of brain drain by creating opportunities for researchers**
- **Promote cultural exchange and understanding among African scholars, fostering a sense of pan-African identity and unity.**
- **Drive Positive Change**

HOW TO ACHIEVE THE CONNECTION?

- Establishing **regional networks** and consortia
- Organize **conferences and workshops** that bring together scholars from different African countries i.e., Capacity Building Programs
- Provide **funding and support** for joint research projects
- Invest in **infrastructure** such as high-speed internet connectivity and research facilities (Raised at our 1st bi-annual board meeting)
- **Address challenges** such as language barriers, funding constraints, and bureaucratic hurdles that may hinder collaboration.

TEN STEPS INVOLVED



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FINAL THOUGHTS



Connecting African scholarly stakeholders across the continent fosters interdisciplinary collaboration, **driving innovative solutions** to regional challenges.

By promoting **academic excellence**, we address Africa's unique issues and pave the way for sustainable development.

Thank You

Global Challenges
Regional Solutions
One Platform

Collaborative platform with a difference

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