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# ACBF's cooperation with **Ghana**



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## INTRODUCTION

The Republic of Ghana is one of the 12 African countries which in cooperation with their bilateral and multilateral partners, established the African Capacity Building Foundation on 9 February 1991. Since then, partnership between the Foundation and the government of Ghana has grown from strength to strength. To date, the Republic of Ghana has been a shareholder and member of the African Capacity Building Foundation for 29 years. The country is represented by its Minister of Finance and Economic Planning in the ACBF Board of Governors.

## ACBF'S INVESTMENTS IN GHANA

To date, the ACBF's investment in Ghana has reached about US\$ 35.54 million. The Foundation is proud to have supported human and institutional development in the country. The Foundation has funded national programs/projects in Ghana to the tune of US\$10.85 million to date. This support has gone to key institutions including Centre for Policy Analysis (CEPA) and Institute for Democratic Governance (IDEG). ACBF has also invested about US\$24.69 million to regional programs and projects implemented in Ghana. Institutions like The African Women's Development Fund (AWDF) and Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) benefited from these regional projects supported by ACBF. With support from the Foundation, the aforementioned national and regional institutes have become more valuable and are playing a critical role in the country's development agenda to realize its long-term vision and strengthening leadership and public servants' skills to handle critical developmental challenges.

**Table 1: ACBF-supported projects and programs in the Republic of Ghana.**

NATIONAL PROJECTS/PROGRAMS	PHASES	INVESTMENTS
Centre for Policy Analysis (CEPA)	Phase I	3,043,163
CEPA II	SMTP I	1,626,478
Institute for Democratic Governance (IDEG)	SMTP I	1,458,972
Economic Governance Network (EGN)	SMTP I	283,245
CEPA III	SMTP II	1,385,177
IDEG II	SMTP II	2,376,371
EGN	SMTP II	364,258
Ghana Economic Policy Analysis Research Institute (GEPARI)	SMTP III	309,462
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL PROGRAMS</b>		<b>10,847,126</b>
REGIONAL PROJECTS/PROGRAMS	PHASES	INVESTMENTS
EPM I - GHANA	Phase II	1,747,547
EPM II - GHANA	SMTP I	1,976,237
EPM III - GHANA	SMTP I	2,407,714
AAU	SMTP I	2,407,134
African Women's Development Fund (AWDF)	SMTP I	980,105
AWDF II	SMTP II	1,895,075
Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (PSMTP – GIMPA)	SMTP I	2,971,072

PSMTP GIMPA II	SMTP II	3,139,888
West African Monetary Institute Project (CAP WAMI) PHASE I	SMTP II	1,997,616
Association of African Universities (AAU-CADRE) PHASE II	SNTP III	2,387,181
Economic Policy Management Program (EPM) GHANA PHASE IV	SNTP III	2,783,830
Center for Regional Integration (CRI)	SMTP III	97,185
<b>TOTAL REGIONAL PROGRAMS</b>		<b>24,790 584</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>35,637,710</b>

**Table 2: Current ACBF supported projects benefiting Ghana.**

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DETAILS
Strengthening Capacity of Strategic Partner Institutions in Africa- Biomedical Science Research (SPIA)	The project is aimed at strengthening the institutional capacity of beneficiary organizations actively working in biomedical research. The intervention will see improved institutional performance of select Africa-based biomedical research institutions in Kenya and Ghana evidenced by robust institutional systems and processes, efficient use of resources, achievement of results, diverse pool of funding sources and a collaborative leadership style and culture.
Enhancing Leadership and Governance in Public Finance Management	The aim is to enhance leadership skills and practice of senior African public finance officials in the Ministries of Finance. It seeks to enhance the capacity for transformative change that will enable the highest level of government finance departments to better manage public finances
African-Finnish Partnerships on Taxation Capacity in Africa	The aim is to strengthen the capacity of selected African governments and pan-African organizations to increase Domestic Resource Mobilization (DRM) through informed policy-making and effective tax administration
African Union Transformative Climate Finance program	The project aims at addressing the capacity gaps in climate change adaptation in Africa. Key activities include a Scoping and mapping of green growth landscape in Africa, conducting of a Capacity Needs Assessment and Development of a Capacity Development Program.

ACBF has also conducted several research studies to inform policy formulation and implementation in Ghana.

## GHANA'S CONTRIBUTION TO ACBF

ACBF has benefitted tremendously from the African and global political influence of the Republic of Ghana. Since 1991 the country has consistently met its financial commitments to the Foundation. To date the government of Ghana has made a cumulative financial contribution of US\$4 million to ACBF since 1991.

With this support from the Republic of Ghana, ACBF has been able to leverage resources from the international community to support capacity development across Africa and to achieve significant results in support of the continent's development process. Remarkably, ACBF has been catalyzing change in Africa by investing in capacity development initiatives in the public and private sectors and in civil society organizations; providing technical assistance in implementation of capacity development interventions; generating, managing and sharing knowledge on best practices in capacity building and development management.

The Foundation has strengthened public policy across Africa, produced highly skilled public sector economists and managers, strengthened institutions of financial accountability and enhanced the effectiveness of non-state actors. ACBF has also supported the creation of platforms for dialogue on, and coordination in capacity development, supported improvements in trade and regional integration, empowered women and strengthened parliaments.

**Table 3: Republic of Ghana's contributions to ACBF since 1991(US\$)**

FINANCING PHASE	PLEDGE	PAYMENTS
Phase I (1991-1997)	250,000	250,000
Phase II (1998-2001)	-	-
SMTP I (2002-2006)	-	-
SMTP II (2007-2011)	250,000	250,000
SMTP III (2012-2016)	1,500,000	1,500,000
ACBF STRATEGY 2017-2022	2,000,000	2,000,000
<b>TOTAL (US\$)</b>	<b>4,000,000</b>	<b>4,000,000</b>

## ANNEX 1: ACBF SUPPORT TO GHANA- PROJECT DETAILS

Name of Project	Key objectives/Focus
<b>Centre for Policy Analysis (CEPA)</b>	To provide alternative policy options to policy makers and other stakeholders through rigorous research and policy analysis. To enhance the capacities of other institutions in Ghana through training, networking, and internship. To disseminate and publish economic information to raise public awareness of economic and development issues. To consolidate the institutional base of CEPA to enhance its performance in responding to the changing domestic & international environment.
<b>Institute for Democratic Governance (IDEG) Interface Capacity Building Project</b>	To strengthen the human and institutional capacity of IDEG and to develop processes for establishing a formal and sustainable framework within which civil society and private sector will interface effectively with the State on public policy issues. To provide alternative policy options to inform debates and decisions on public policy choices; and upgrade the skills and knowledge of non-state actors to professionalize their voices, actions and interventions in public policy processes that influence outcomes as well as their partnerships with the State.
<b>Economy of Ghana Network (EGN)</b>	To bring together persons with interest in discussing issues relevant to the proper management of the economy of Ghana and to the country's socio-economic development. To provide a platform for disseminating research findings and discussing their policy relevance electronically. To make easily accessible to a wider audience the findings of all the research being carried out on the socio-economic development of Ghana from the different parts of the globe. To engage all interested persons in policy debates and provides additional material to public agencies to assist in enriching national policymaking

## ANNEX1: SUCCESS STORIES

<b>1.Fostering Citizen Participation through the Economy of Ghana Network (EGN)</b>
<p>A cursory glance of newspaper headlines lined up in the streets, beaming on national and international television sites as well as streaming on various social media platforms told one thing – that the ordinary citizens had increasingly been isolated and alienated from the socio-political and economic discourses of the societies they either lived in or belonged to. Yet the success story of any civilized society in the post-globalized era is that of inclusion, all-encompassing and fostering a culture of vigorous participation by the entire citizenry of a given society regardless of their color, creed, political affiliation, religion or even race.</p>

Fostering citizen participation and yielding positive results in as much as citizen empowerment is concerned; has been a successful experiment in Ghana, which through the intervention and funding by the African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF) has witnessed tremendous success and societal transformation.

The Economy of Ghana Network is a project hosted at the Institute of Statistical, Social and Economy Research (ISSER) at the University of Ghana, Legon. The main objective of the project is to transform the EGN into a Country-Level Knowledge Network (CLK-NET). This platform is meant to strengthen the voices of the ordinary Ghanaians, through support to Civil Society Organizations and business associations to help create a demand for effective government as well as hold government to account on issues affecting them.

Indeed, the initiative is vital in that, no society can prosper without adequate checks and balances put in place to constantly monitor how resources are utilized. Without adequate systems that ensure checks and balances, appetite for corruption increases, resulting in plunder and looting and in some instances, the emergence of unpopular, undemocratic or authoritarian regimes. But with strengthened and capacitated citizenry, occurrences of the above undesired outcomes are highly unlikely.

The specific objectives are to strengthen the institutional capacity of the EGN as a formalized, regular and independent forum that convenes the country's disparate stakeholder groups for collectively diagnosing and addressing the policy challenges encountered in the development management process of Ghana; foster a more deliberate engagement of the policymaking process, thereby promoting greater stakeholder participation and knowledge utilization in development policy formulation and management in Ghana; provide knowledge resources for guiding the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the effectiveness of development policies and programs in the country; and establish a pool of human resources with adequate capacity in development policy analysis, research and management who can respond rapidly to the needs of policy-makers and other stakeholders in the development management process.

The Network held several workshops within the period January 2015-December 2015 on various thematic areas. The aim was to garner public interest and engage members in discussions on cross-cutting issues. The impact of some of the workshops is highlighted as follows.

- A. Discussion on 'Ghana's fiscal challenge and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) bailout' on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2015, led jointly by the macroeconomics and development economics thematic area, triggered high level discussion within the media circles. Participants from government departments, CSOs, media organizations and graduate students from the University of Ghana's Economics department and other departments convened to deliberate in a half-day workshop. Contributions from some major institutions like the Bank of Ghana, Ministry of Finance, Ghana Statistical Service, Ghana Cocoa Board, among others, enriched the discussions. Media-wide coverage of this workshop pressed the need for government to reanalyse the IMF support program, which would promote accountability and transparency in governance.

B. Given the intensity of climate change and its undesirable effects, EGN held a workshop under the climate change thematic area on Friday 31 July 2015. The workshop held in collaboration with the Deltas, vulnerability, and Climate Change: Migration and Adaptation (DECCMA) project on the 4<sup>th</sup> International Climate Change and Population Conference on Africa (CCPOP-Ghana2015) discussed vulnerabilities posed to key population groups especially those in the coastal regions of Volta Ghana as a result of climate change. Participants were drawn from different countries such as Togo, Philippines, India, and the UK. The workshop ran under the theme “Environmental hazard and livelihood options in a coastal area in Ghana: A case of sea flooding.’

C. As part of the Economy of Ghana’s Social Accountability Report, a workshop was held with students of Ghanata Senior High School at Dodowa in the Eastern Region, to extend the forum’s expert discussion to other parts of the region. The Population and Public Health thematic area held a workshop on ‘Obesity and Overweight and their Health Implications in Ghana’ on 16 October 2015. The workshop targeted students and staff and educated them on implications of obesity and bad eating habits, sedentary work and irregular exercise. Participants were exposed to the collective experiences and lessons from a research work, which was conducted in some selected rural and urban areas. A report of the workshop on The Ghanaian Times, Ghana News Agency and TV3 attracted interest of stakeholders and key experts in the public health sector to address this emerging health issues in Ghana regarding obesity, BMI and the blood pressure rate.

The Ghanaian economy had performed remarkably well since the reforms of the 1980s. Unfortunately, the huge debt accumulation, as part of the worsening fiscal situation of the country, threatened to torpedo that economic achievement. In a bid to find answers to Ghana’s historical debt evolution, its implications on sustainable growth and development; an EGN workshop was held with the macroeconomics thematic area on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2015 under the topic ‘Public Debt and Sustainability: Whither Ghana?’.

Discussions brought key governmental institutions like the Bank of Ghana, The Ghana Statistical Service, some universal banks and other Civil Society Organizations. Discussions spilled over to various media—online, print and television news, which arose public interest and debate. The extensive media coverage and the presenter’s (Prof. N. K. Kusi of IFS) continuous interaction with the media, especially Joy Business, on similar issues show the effect the EGN Forum is having towards national development.

D. The EGN Phase II project achieved its objectives of being a pivotal platform for dissemination of key and relevant information on the economy of Ghana. The online platform has over 16 policy briefs that have been distilled from the various workshops conducted over three years. But all these successes would have remained a pipe-dream were it for the support of the ACBF since the EGN’s inception in 2012.

## **2.We are what we are because of the ACBF support.**

### ***Interview with Emmanuel AKWETEY, Executive Director at the Institute for Democratic Governance (IDEG), Ghana***

ACBF and my institution started a partnership in 2003 although it took effect in 2004 and at that time, the organisation had been in operation for just about three years.

ACBF grated us a four-year support and the kind of support they provided, gave us the capacity or the resources to bring in professionals that we needed on board. The institutional development component was so strong that within four years, the Institute emerged very strongly as a leading Think Tank in Ghana. We had the people to do the research. We do research and advocacy but, in this case, we were also pioneering an innovative capacity development approach that we call ‘Interface Capacity.’

The Interface Capacity, we argued, is the capacity that citizens must have non-state actors, civil society organisations, NGOs, professional associations even trade associations like organised labour, associations of business people and so on, which would enable them improve their engagement with Government and state institutions when policies are being made. It should also enable them to participate at high-level dialogues on public policy, whether at the national or international level. We therefore developed capacity to build knowledge of civil society within the state sector and built the capacity of non-state sectors to engage.

We did this extremely well in Ghana such that in international development cooperation dialogue in Ghana, Civil Society Organisations gained a permanent place at the table where we were considered as full actors. We were also able to influence long-term development planning, and decision-making because we got into the planning process. We (convened and organised) helped in organising civil society to take a stand on our democracy, on elections and peace negotiations; went into all areas including the formulation of Africa's position on aid effectiveness which took us to Busan [South Korea].

By and large, from the capacity that we built; that the ACBF enabled us to build, the impact was huge. We became an institution fully set with competent people within our premises, with facilities and we were able to engage effectively in different ways that helped us influence quite a number of policies in the country, and this was significant. We are therefore what we are today because of the ACBF support.

### 3.ACBF investment accelerates women's development in Africa

#### *Interview with Nafi Chinery (AWDF) Full Transcript:*

My name is Nafi CHINERY. I'm Ghanaian and I work for the African Women's Development Fund.

#### **What does your organisation do?**

Based in Accra, the African Women's Development Fund (AWDF) is a pan-African feminist organisation working for the promotion of women's rights across Africa. We are grant-makers, we fundraise, we use information to promote women's rights in Africa.

#### **How has ACBF had a positive impact on your organisation?**

The grant has helped AWDF a lot. It is the first grant that we received from a donor that is looking at three different areas and seeking to build an institution which is the African Women's Development Fund. For me, it is quite unique. Taking a look at the portfolio of the ACBF, I can say that AWDF is unique, because it's a feminist organisation, it is the only organisation which is a grant-maker that supports only women rights' work on the continent of Africa; the only organisation that operates in 42 African countries and works with over 1000 grantees, not to talk about the many women in the communities and in the countries that we touch .The fund or the grant that we received from ACBF has actually improved our capacity to be able to touch all those lives and to influence the spaces that shape women's development on the continent.

The grant that we got in our first phase for example, was an accelerator to receive a grant from the Dutch Government. It was called the MDG Fund in 2008 and AWDF was a recipient of the largest grant of 5 million Euros. On that application, we used our relationship with the ACBF: that we know how to manage grants, we are managing grants from the ACBF, which gave us leverage, an advantage over many organisations. Because of our partnership with the ACBF, we have improved our systems and structures in the AWDF. For instance, we strengthened our Monitoring and Evaluation, we strengthened our grant-making system through different types of training from the ACBF and we were able to articulate that clearly in our application to the Dutch Government.

#### 4. Building Fundraising Skills of Women's Rights Organisations in Africa

ACBF's support to the African Women's Development Fund (AWDF) has been critical in ensuring that African women's rights organizations remain viable, sustainable and effective in promoting women's development in Africa. ACBF's support has enabled AWDF to conduct an annual training camp that has over the last few years equipped low-income African Women's Rights Organizations to build their fundraising skills, thereby contributing to the reversal of a trend that has seen many of them shut their doors, as donors shifted their funding focus from women's rights work to other areas.

In 2012, the ACBF extended a four-year grant to the African Women's Development Fund (AWDF); to design an annual resource mobilization training boot camp to provide skills and knowledge on various aspects of fundraising with a view to improve grantees funding base to sustain women's rights work on the continent. The training covered the following topics: Rationale for Resource Mobilisation Strategy, Resource Mobilisation Environmental Scan, Mapping Organisational Needs, Strategic Objectives, Strategic Focus, Guiding Principles, Sources and Targets, Critical Success Factors and Monitoring and Evaluation.

AWDF organized training boot camps in 2013 and 2014, which were each attended by 42 organizations from different parts of Africa, whose work on the ground was hindered by lack of resources and limited fundraising capacity. Following training, all the organizations developed Resource Mobilization Strategy (RMS) documents, diversified their funding bases and secured more funding.

According to Heal the Land Initiative in Nigeria (HELIN), an organization working with people living with HIV/AIDS, prior to the boot camp training in 2014, "We did not have efficient skills to write a good proposal and know-how to approach partners. We wrote many proposals without any success at funding." From the boot camp, HELIN acquired skills to proactively approach donors as opposed to waiting for calls for proposals. HELIN also learnt to look for funding and resources within its community. HELIN therefore raised US\$100,000 for its activities in 2015 compared to \$10,000 raised for 2014.

The Foundation for Integrated Development (FID/SL) is another organization, which participated in the 2014 training boot camp. The Foundation supports its members through small-scale agricultural and other income generating activities. At the time of training, FID had neither a resource mobilization tool nor a vision that was shared by staff. FID therefore lacked clarity on where it should focus its fundraising efforts. The training enabled the organization to establish a Resource Mobilisation Strategy (RMS) and enhanced staff understanding of the organization's mission, vision and focus. Before the training, FID's annual operating budget stood at \$55,502 and was, in addition to local contributors, mainly funded by three organizations—Manos Unidas, AWDF and Catholic Relief Services (CRS). The RMS training in 2014 enhanced FID's capacity to increase its operating budget to \$171,387 and diversify its funding sources to include UNDP and other organisations, and possibly Christian Aid.

Research has demonstrated that although women's empowerment remains central to sustainable development, funding for women's rights has steadily declined during the past 20 years as many donors are shifting funding focus elsewhere. In recognition of the critical role of women's empowerment in the achievement of the African Union Agenda 2063, the African Heads of States and government declared 2015 the "Year of women's empowerment and development towards Africa's Agenda 2063."

#### **Key Successes achieved through support to the Association of African Universities**

**Staff Exchange:** The ACBF funding has enabled several faculty exchanges to be undertaken; involving staff of universities to do teaching and supervision assignments, as well as collaborative research, which have served to raise the quality of education on the continent. The Faculties from North America and Europe joined their African counterparts to undertake the Staff Exchange Programme during the period.

**Policy Relevant Research:** As a result of both collaboration with colleagues within and outside Africa as well as participation in the ACBF Policy Relevant Research Programme, Professor Daouda KONE, the Project Leader of the Policy Relevant Research at the Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny, Abidjan wrote and won a World Bank funded Africa Higher Education Centres of Excellence (ACE) Project for his University called Centre D'excellence Changement Climatique, Biodiversite Et Agriculture Durable (CCBAD) valued at USD3million.

**Small Grants for PhD:** The Small Grants for theses and dissertations have enabled candidates from various universities who did not have PhDs to complete their studies in record time and return to their parent universities. Some of them are currently heads of departments, deans and directors of various units of their institutions.

**LEDEV & MADEV:** Leadership Development (LEDEV) and Management Development (MADEV) workshop series have enhanced the administrative and management skills of current and prospective university leaders and managers. The training has equipped them with necessary skills to lead and manage modern academic institutions and boosted their CVs to the extent that many of them have gone on to become vice chancellors, deputy vice chancellors, provosts and deans. For example, for three consecutive terms, the current and previous vice chancellors of the University of Cape Coast have participated in the AAU LEDEV Workshop series. The current vice chancellor of the University of Ghana, Legon, has also benefitted from the AAU Leadership Advancement workshops.

**University-Industry Linkages:** Strengthening university-industry relationships and partnerships via workshops, internships, etc. has helped to promote graduate employability. Some of the interns have ended up working at those institutions where they did their internships after their graduation.

## ANNEX 2: SELECTED ACBF KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES BENEFITING GHANA

**Table A: Selected knowledge products to support African Union (AU) agenda, policy and development programs where Zambia was covered**

Year	Type of Knowledge Product	Title/Theme	Coverage for Ghana
2019	Africa Capacity Report 2019	Fostering Transformative Leadership for Africa's Development	Ghana country Capacity Profile & Compendium of Statistics
2018	African Financial Governance Outlook	Effective Public Financial Management for Sustainable Development	Ghana country case study
2018	Compendium of case studies	Non-state actors in management for development results	Ghana country case study
2018	Compendium of case studies	Governance and economic development	Ghana country case study
2017	Africa Capacity Report	Building Capacity in Science, Technology and Innovation for Africa's Transformation	Ghana country Capacity Profile & Compendium of Statistics
2017	Occasional Paper	Policy and Institutional Dimensions of Africa's Political Economy in an Age of Globalization	Case study on Ghana
2016	Occasional Papers	The Challenge of African Youth Unemployment	Case study on Ghana
2015	Africa Capacity Report 2015	Capacity Imperatives for Domestic Resource Mobilization in Africa	Ghana country Capacity Profile & Compendium of Statistics
2014	Africa Capacity Report 2014	Capacity Imperatives for Regional Integration in Africa	Ghana country Capacity Profile & Compendium of Statistics
2013	Africa Capacity Report 2013	Capacity Development for Natural Resource Management	Ghana country Capacity Profile & Compendium of Statistics
2012	Africa Capacity Report 2012	Capacity Development for Agricultural Transformation and Food Security	Ghana country Capacity Profile & Compendium of Statistics
2011	Africa Capacity Report 2011	Capacity Development in Fragile States	Ghana country Capacity Profile & Compendium of Statistics
2012	Occasional Papers	Africa's Quest for Food Security: What is the Role of Urban Agriculture?	Case study on Ghana

**Table B: Selected knowledge sharing events and networking to support African Union (AU) agenda, policy and development programs which Ghana has benefitted from**

Year	Knowledge Event	Title/Theme	Coverage for Ghana	Date and Venue
2019	Launch of ACBF Report on the SDGs	Capacity Imperatives for the SDGs: In line with African Union's Agenda 2063	Co-host of the event together with ACBF	26 November Accra, Ghana
2019	2019 Africa Think Tank Summit	Tackling Implementation Challenges for Africa's Sustainable Development	1 participant from the Institute for Democratic Governance (IDEG) and 1 participant from Ghana Economic Policy Analysis	24 - 26 April Nairobi, Kenya

Year	Knowledge Event	Title/Theme	Coverage for Ghana	Date and Venue
			and Research Institute (GEPARI), sponsored to attend	
2019	2019 Board of Governors' Meeting High Level Forum	Public policies for productive transformation; Regional integration strategies for productive transformation and public policies promoting the private sector as an engine for productive transformation	1 participant from the University of Ghana sponsored to participate as Panelist	8 March  Yaoundé, Cameroon
2018	2018 Africa Think Tank Summit	Tackling Africa's Youth Unemployment Challenge: Innovative Solutions from the Think Tanks	Summit co-hosted with IDEG and the Government of Ghana: 31 participants including Guest of Honour, Minister of Finance, IDEG participants journalists and other local stakeholders	5-7 April  Accra, Ghana
2018	Fourth Planning Meeting for the African Union Committee of 10 Heads of State Championing Education, Science and Technology in Africa (C10) Conference	Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)	1 participant from Ghana sponsored to attend	26 - 27 March  Lilongwe Malawi
2017	2019 Africa Capacity Report Data Collectors' Training Workshop	Fostering Transformative Leadership for Africa's Development	1 data expert hired and sponsored to participate in data collection training workshop	29 May - 1 June  Harare, Zimbabwe
2017	2017 Africa Think Tank Summit	African Think Tanks and Industrialization in Africa	1 participant from Institute for Democratic Governance sponsored to attend	6 - 8 April  Abidjan Cote d'Ivoire
2016	African Governance Outlook (AGO) Validation Workshop of the Draft Workshop	Country Studies on Governance	2 participants recruited as consultants and sponsored to attend validation workshop	3 – 4 November. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2016	2016 AfCoP Annual Forum	Mobilizing Domestic Resources for Africa's Transformation	1 participant from CoP Ghana sponsored to attend	13 - 15 July  Nairobi, Kenya
2016	ACBF-AUC Stakeholder Engagement Agenda 2063 Workshop	Capacity Needs Assessment and Critical Technical Skills required for implementation of Agenda 2063	1 participant from Association of African Universities (AAU) and 1 participant from African Women Development Fund (AWDF) sponsored to attend.	12 – 13 May  Addis Ababa Ethiopia

Year	Knowledge Event	Title/Theme	Coverage for Ghana	Date and Venue
2016	3rd Capacity Development Forum and the 25th Anniversary Celebrations for the African Capacity	Developing Capacity for Africa's Economic and Social Transformation	1 participant from IDEG, 1 from Public Sector Management Training Programme (PSMTP-GIMPA) and 1 from Association of African Universities (AAU) sponsored to attend	3 – 5 May Harare, Zimbabwe
2016	2016 Africa Think Tank Summit	Creating a Sustainable Future for African Think Tanks in Support of SDGs and Agenda 2063	1 participant from IMANI Center for Policy and Education; 1 participant from Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research (ISSER), 1 from African Center for Economic Transformation (ACET) sponsored to attend	8 - 10 April Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
2015	2017 Africa Capacity Report Data Collectors' Training Workshop	Building Capacity in Science, Technology and Innovation for Africa's Transformation	1 data expert hired and sponsored to participate in data collection training workshop	16–19 November, Harare, Zimbabwe
2015	5 <sup>th</sup> Policy Institutes Committee Meeting	Knowledge and Experience Sharing for Effective Capacity Building in Africa	1 participant from CAMERCAP-PARC sponsored to attend	22-23 October Kigali, Rwanda
2015	Board of Governors' Meetings	Domestic Resource Mobilization	1 participant from United Nations University Institute for Natural Resources In Africa (UNU-INRA); 1 participant from IDEG, 1 from PSMTP-GIMPA, 1 participant from AAU sponsored to attend	2 – 4 September Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2015	Financing for Development Conference (UN DESA)	Building Capacity for Domestic Resource Mobilization (DRM) to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	1 participant from IDEG sponsored to attend	15 July Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2015	2015 Africa Think Tank Summit	The Rise of Africa's Think Tanks – Practical Solutions to Practical Problems	1 participant from CAMERCAP-PARC sponsored to attend	7 – 8 April Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2015	4th Policy Institutes Committee Meeting	ACBF's Policy Institutes Committee and its Contribution to Policy Direction in Africa" for PIC	1 participant from CAMERCAP-PARC sponsored to attend	9 April Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2015	M&E Information Management System Workshop	Training	8 participants from Ghana sponsored by ACBF to attend: 1 participant from IDEG, 2 from PSMTP-GIMPA, 2 from AWDF, 2 from Capacity Building Project for the West Africa Monetary Institute – (CAP-WAMI) and 1 from AAU	10 - 13 March Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Year	Knowledge Event	Title/Theme	Coverage for Ghana	Date and Venue
2014	2015 Africa Capacity Report Data Collectors' Training Workshop	Capacity Imperatives for Regional Integration in Africa'	1 data expert hired and sponsored to participate in data collection training workshop	17 – 21 October Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2014	3rd Policy Institutes Committee Meeting	Toward Africa's Sustainable Development: Role of ACBF's Policy Institutes Committee	1 participant from IDEG sponsored to attend	24–25 October, Mbabane, Swaziland
2014	Validation Workshop of the Position Papers on the US-Africa Relations	Validation of Draft position papers on U.S.-Africa relations	3 participants from IDEG sponsored to attend	18 – 19 July Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2014	2nd Policy Institutes Committee Meeting	ACBF's Policy Institutes Committee (PIC) - Rethinking Capacity Development Solutions in Africa	1 participant from IDEG sponsored to attend	25 - 26 April Nouakchott, Mauritania
2014	Launch of the SSG	Inaugural Meeting of the ACBF Strategic Studies Group (SSG)	1 participant from PMB CT, 1 from IDEG and 1 from AAU-CADRE	7-8 March Lusaka, Zambia
2014	2014 Africa Capacity Report Data Collectors Training Workshop	Capacity Imperatives for Domestic Resource Mobilization in Africa	1 data expert hired and sponsored to participate in data collection training workshop	12–15 February Harare, Zimbabwe
2013	2013 Africa Capacity Report Data Collectors' Training Workshop	Capacity Development for Natural Resources Management	1 data expert hired and sponsored by ACBF to participate in data collection training workshop	8 – 11 October HARARE, Zimbabwe
2013	2013 Africa Capacity Report (ACR) Launch	Capacity Development for Natural Resources Management	71 local participants from government ministries, ACBF partners and other stakeholders	22 March Accra, Ghana,
2012	2012 Africa Capacity Report Validation Workshop	Capacity Development for Agricultural Transformation and Food Security	Economy of Ghana Network (EGN II) (ISSER) sponsored to attend	19-20 January TUNIS, Tunisia
2011	7th Annual Meeting of the ACBF Technical Advisory Panels & Networks (Tap-Nets)	Bi-Lateral Aid, Governance and Africa's Development Agenda – Implications for Busan 2011	1 from International Water Management Institute and 1 from Ghana National Assembly sponsored to attend	21-22 November Yaounde, Cameroon
2011	Training Workshop on the Country Policy and Institutional Assessment (CPIA)	Training on the CPIA	1 participant from CEPA sponsored to attend	1-3 August Harare, Zimbabwe
2011	2012 Africa Capacity Report Data	Capacity Development for Agricultural	2 participants from Ghana: 1 participant from IDEG and 1 data	13-18 June

Year	Knowledge Event	Title/Theme	Coverage for Ghana	Date and Venue
	Collectors' Training Workshop	Transformation and Food Security	expert hired and sponsored to attend	Harare, Zimbabwe
2010	2011 Africa Capacity Report Data Collection Training Workshop	Capacity building in Fragile states	1 data expert hired and sponsored to attend training workshop	13 – 16 July Harare, Zimbabwe



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