African Diaspora Youth Forum in Europe

Follow up Round Table of the

“High Level Forum Africa-Europe 2018“

How to take diaspora cooperation ideas into reality?
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ADYFE – Our Vision

Contribute to poverty alleviation in Africa by supporting socio-economic development initiatives through entrepreneurship development originating in Africa & its Diaspora by:

- **Facilitating capacity-building** of African & African Diaspora Youth entrepreneurs (including women)

- **Advocating on Diaspora engagement** & its positive effects
ADYFE: Largest Diaspora empowerment platform & service provider for business & Youth employment solutions endorsed by African Union & European Union

Partners 2014-2019

ADYFE network members
• 107 networks in Europe & Africa
• >800 individual members in Europe
AAC+ & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Flagship program: Yearly AAC+ @VIC in collaboration with...
- Connecting & empowering African development stakeholders
  - Main activities: Lobbying, advocacy, capacity-building & funding facilitation
  - Data connection, Enterprise creations & ecosystem building for Diaspora

- 2,500 African & Diaspora entrepreneurs have benefitted from our capacity building facilitation services & education provided
- 300 Diaspora companies have been established through our support
- >3,000 Business linkages through AAC+
Diaspora Operational Plan

I. AAC+ 2018: DOP of Action & Strategy initiated
II. HLF Africa-Europe 2018: DOP endorsed

ADYFE’s role as acknowledged leader & facilitator of DOP recognized

DOP: Developed to determine priority areas for Diaspora Youth to positively impact the socio-economical development of both continents; particular focus on Africa

Project’s targeted groups:
- Diaspora networks & organization based in Austria & Europe
- Young African Entrepreneurs in Diaspora & Africa

Expected counterparts:

3 priority areas:
- Enterprise creations through capacity-building, coaching, mentoring & funding
- Facilitating of success (integration) of Diaspora businesses in country of origin & residence through transfer of know-how
- Establishment of AAC+ as largest Diaspora gathering in Europe
Main objective:

- **Transition to a more stable financial situation**
  to more effectively support Youth entrepreneurs in Africa & Diaspora in order to...

- **Support 300 African & Diaspora enterprises (including 100 Diaspora companies in Austria)**

Overcome current challenges:

- **Funding limitations of AAC+**
  Restricting our growth & capacity to support entrepreneurs

- **Lack of adequate database** for more effective match-making
  
  To further support our beneficiaries a database is needed in Austria
TODAY’S EXPECTATIONS

- Joint Action Plan for 2019-2020
- Build sustainable African Diaspora platform in Austria
- Develop adequate funding mechanism for our activities
“The future of ADYFE is on our hands”