

Factors of an Enabling Environment for Training Institutions

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Physical Infrastructure for Development

- The major focus of multilateral and bilateral donor-funded projects
- Promotes job creation
- Can be seen and touched
- Examples:
 - Laying tarmac over pot-hole riddled roads
 - Construction of hospitals and schools
 - Development of world-class hotels, conference facilities, and shopping centers



Building the Legal Infrastructure for Sustainable Development

- The following form the basis for a strong legal framework:
 - Effective legislation that creates an enabling business environment for private sector development;
 - Effective judicial systems and alternative methods of dispute resolution;
 - Framework for government integrity and anti-corruption;
 - Accountable law enforcement procedures; and
 - The local capacity to build and maintain these systems.



The Role of ILI-ACLE in Building Africa's Legal Infrastructure and Sources of Funding



ILI-ACLE Interventions

- Implementation of Technical Assistance and Advisory Services
- Work with all major bilateral and multilateral development partners
- All technical assistance and advisory projects have a capacity building element
- Competitive bidding & direct engagements
- Annual self-financed short training programmes



Capacity Building Programmes

- By establishing an African centre for excellence to train African professionals in areas broadly related to governance, the Institute has contributed towards the creation of a sustainable pool of local experts to build the legal framework of our nations.



Factors for an Enabling Environment for Training Centers

- Government must have a purposeful vision for development.
- Policy-makers must see value in capacity building.
- A training institution operating in an environment where a vision has been set forth is well-equipped to implement its mandate.
- Too often, what we see is governments molding their agenda to fit the efforts of donors, rather than constructing its own agenda.
- Last minute training requests from government imply that the agenda and impact were not contemplated in advance.



Additional Factors for an Enabling Environment for Training Centers

- Very close relationship to the public and private sectors.
- Independence from political climate.
- Training curriculum must directly relate to the needs of the public and private sectors.
- Otherwise, when participants leave the training institution, there's no connect between what has been learned and real world practice. The curriculum must address the needs of the public and private sectors.



Food for Thought?

In this era of regional integration, what are training institutions doing to ensure their work has relevance?

