African Institute for Economic Development and Planning

61st Meeting of the IDEP Governing Council

Funding Institutions

IDEP/GC61/2026/info5

Funding Organizations Relevant to IDEP

A verified mapping of donors and financing mechanisms aligned with IDEP's capacity-building mandate

This document provides a verified mapping of funding organizations whose areas of intervention overlap with IDEP's mandate in capacity building and development planning. It covers a broad range of actors, from multilateral banks and bilateral agencies to private foundations and climate finance mechanisms, as well as more specialized funds and initiatives. Each organization has been verified as to its existence, its institutional status and the validity of its web address.

Beyond this inventory, the table is intended to support IDEP's strategic thinking on resource mobilization. Each entry is enriched with columns that make it possible to assess the nature of the financing instruments offered, the target beneficiaries and the geographic scope of the organization, as well as two specific analytical columns: the organization's relevance to IDEP and its potential concrete contribution to the Institute's mandate. The aim is to provide a directly usable working basis for identifying the most promising partners and guiding future partnership efforts.

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
MULTILATERAL AND REGIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS										
African Development Bank (AfDB)	Multilateral development bank, specialized institution of the AU	Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire)	1964	Agribusiness, renewable energy, education, digital, industrialization, regional integration	Sovereign and non-sovereign loans, grants, guarantees, equity investments, technical assistance	Member States, public institutions, private sector, regional institutions	Continental (54 countries)	Already a natural partner of IDEP through the African Development Institute (ADI) and the AfDB Group's capacity development strategy.	Co-financing of flagship programmes (economic diplomacy, planning), mobilization through the ADF window for low-income countries, possible articulation with the AfDB's VCDA.	https://www.afdb.org/fr
World Bank Group (World Bank / IDA)	Global multilateral financial institution	Washington D.C. (United States)	1944	Poverty reduction, governance, education, digital, private sector, climate change	Concessional loans (IDA), non-concessional loans (IBRD), grants, technical	States, public institutions, subnational entities	Global, with windows dedicated to sub-Saharan Africa	The world's leading funder of institutional capacity development; has already funded digital	Thematic trust funds for capacity building, support for the digitalization of the STP platform, co-financing of country diagnostics ahead of IDEP training.	https://www.banquemondiale.org/fr/home

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
					assistance, trust funds			entrepreneurship programmes across the continent (XL Africa).		
BOAD - West African Development Bank	Regional development bank, specialized institution of WAEMU	Lomé (Togo)	1973	Poverty reduction, economic integration, private sector, energy, infrastructure	Long- and medium-term loans, credit lines, concessional window (FDC), commercial window	WAEMU Member States, public institutions, private companies, SMEs	Sub-regional (8 WAEMU States)	Leading financial institution for francophone West Africa, the region where IDEP is based, in Dakar.	Co-financing of training in public finance management and economic diplomacy for executives in the WAEMU zone, support for cluster programmes for francophone countries.	https://www.boad.org
BDEAC - Development Bank of the Central African States	International financial institution of CEMAC	Brazzaville (Congo)	1975 (operational in 1977)	Development financing, infrastructure, agriculture, industry in the CEMAC zone	Loans, credit lines, guarantees	CEMAC Member States, public and private enterprises	Sub-regional (6 CEMAC States)	Counterpart of BOAD for Central Africa, relevant for extending IDEP's offer to the CEMAC zone beyond ISSEA and IEF.	Joint financing of training sessions in public finance management for the sub-region's executives, in connection with the Central Africa cluster.	https://www.bdeac.org
Afreximbank - African Export-Import Bank	Multilateral trade bank	Cairo (Egypt), with continental offices	1993	Intra- and extra-African trade, industrialization, digital trade, AfCFTA	Commercial loans, guarantees, value chain financing, equity investments	States, banks, exporting companies, SMEs	Continental	Central actor in the implementation of the AfCFTA, a theme identified as a priority joint-delivery area for IDEP.	Possible partnership to finance and co-develop the AfCFTA training module and the trade diplomacy modules.	https://www.afreximbank.com
BADEA - Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa	Inter-Arab and African development bank	Khartoum (Sudan)	1974	Industrialization, trade, infrastructure, agriculture	Concessional loans, technical assistance, guarantees	Non-Arab African States, public institutions	Continental (African countries outside the Arab League)	Historic Arab donor to Africa, already a partner in financing education through GPE (SmartEd initiative).	Co-financing of training scholarships and capacity-related technical assistance programmes, under its technical assistance window.	https://www.badea.org

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)	Multilateral development bank (OIC)	Jeddah (Saudi Arabia)	1975	Education, health, infrastructure, private sector development, Islamic finance	Sharia-compliant financing, concessional loans, grants, innovative financing mechanisms (SmartEd)	OIC Member States, a majority of which are African countries	Continental and international (57 OIC member countries)	Major actor in innovative financing of education and training, active through the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development.	Financing of scholarships and capacity-building programmes for African OIC member countries, through blended finance mechanisms.	https://www.isdb.org
OFID - OPEC Fund for International Development	Intergovernmental development finance institution	Vienna (Austria)	1976	Energy, infrastructure, agriculture, education, health	Concessional and non-concessional loans, grants, equity investments	Low- and middle-income States, public institutions	Global, with a strong concentration in Africa	A donor rarely approached by African training institutes, leaving room for a still-unexplored partnership.	Financing of capacity-building programmes related to energy and development, areas covered by IDEP's modules on natural resource governance.	https://opecfund.org
BILATERAL COOPERATION AGENCIES										
French Development Agency (AFD)	Bilateral development agency (France)	Paris (France)	1941	Agriculture, energy transition, digital, industrialization, governance	Sovereign and non-sovereign loans, grants, guarantees, technical assistance	States, local authorities, companies, NGOs, mainly in francophone Africa	Continental, with a strong presence in francophone Africa	Already a leading funder of several African digital initiatives (Digital Africa); institutional proximity to IDEP's francophone ecosystem.	Co-financing of the STP platform, financing of training on climate diplomacy, possible support through Proparco for private-sector components.	https://www.afd.fr
GIZ - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit	Bilateral technical cooperation agency (Germany)	Bonn and Eschborn (Germany)	2011 (merger of GTZ, DED and InWEnt)	Governance, economic development, vocational training, energy transition, digital	Technical assistance, grants, delegated cooperation, training programmes	States, public institutions, regional organizations	Continental, present in almost all African countries	Largest bilateral technical cooperation agency active in Africa, with recognized expertise in institutional capacity development.	Possible partnership for training trainers, instructional design and co-financing of modules on economic governance.	https://www.giz.de/en/worldwide/365.html

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
FCDO - Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (United Kingdom)	Development cooperation ministry and agency (United Kingdom)	London (United Kingdom)	2020 (merger of DFID and the Foreign Office)	Governance, education, climate, private sector, health	Grants, multilateral contributions, technical assistance, blended finance	States, NGOs, multilateral institutions (World Bank, Global Fund, GPE)	Global, with programmes dedicated to Africa	A historic development donor in Africa, but its official aid budget is undergoing a very marked reduction through 2027-2028, with a drop of about 40% in bilateral programmes for Africa in 2026-2027.	New opportunities will probably lie in the multilateral channels that the FCDO continues to support (World Bank, GPE) rather than in direct bilateral financing; to be checked on a case-by-case basis.	https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office
Sida - Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency	Bilateral development agency (Sweden)	Stockholm (Sweden)	1965	Democracy, human rights, environment, gender equality, economic development	Grants, delegated cooperation, institutional support	States, civil society, regional institutions	Continental, with priority to sub-Saharan Africa	A donor historically committed to governance and gender equality, cross-cutting themes of IDEP's operating principles.	Financing of modules on inclusion and gender equality in training, medium-term institutional support.	https://www.sida.se/en
KOICA - Korea International Cooperation Agency	Bilateral cooperation agency (South Korea)	Seongnam (South Korea)	1991	Education, health, governance, information technology, rural development	Grants, technical assistance, training scholarships, deployment of volunteers	States, public institutions, universities	Continental, with a growing presence in Africa	A donor expanding rapidly in Africa, with recognized expertise in vocational training and digital transformation.	Financing of training scholarships and possible partnership to integrate Korean digital tools into the STP platform.	https://www.koica.go.kr/koica_en/index.do
Enabel - Belgian Development Agency	Bilateral development agency (Belgium)	Brussels (Belgium)	1999 (under this name since 2018)	Climate and environment, digitalization, governance	Grants, delegated cooperation, technical assistance	States, public institutions, NGOs	Mainly Central and West Africa	Historic presence in francophone Central Africa, an area where IDEP's offer still needs strengthening.	Co-financing of training on the digitalization of public administrations in Central Africa.	https://www.enabel.be
AECID - Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation	Bilateral development agency (Spain)	Madrid (Spain)	1988	Education, environment, agriculture, governance	Grants, technical assistance, triangular cooperation	States, public institutions, NGOs	Mainly North and West Africa	A relevant interlocutor for North African countries and for Europe-Africa	Co-financing of seminars and triangular cooperation programmes on	https://www.aecid.es

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
								triangular cooperation.	environmental governance.	
Norad - Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation	Bilateral development agency (Norway)	Oslo (Norway)	1968	Climate, energy, natural resource management	Grants, sector budget support, technical assistance	States, public institutions, regional organizations	Continental, with strong climate expertise	A leading donor on climate issues, directly connected to IDEP's climate diplomacy module.	Financing of modules on natural resource governance and climate diplomacy.	https://www.norad.no
AICS - Agenzia Italiana per la Cooperazione allo Sviluppo	Bilateral development agency (Italy)	Rome (Italy)	2016	Education, environment, agriculture, health	Grants, technical assistance, delegated cooperation	States, public institutions, NGOs	Mainly North Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Sahel	A marked presence in the Sahel region, a strategic area for IDEP given its work on Sahel 2043.	Co-financing of training programmes related to foresight and stability in the Sahel.	https://www.aics.gov.it
LuxDev - Luxembourg Agency for Development Cooperation	Bilateral development agency (Luxembourg)	Luxembourg	1998	Agriculture, digitalization and ICT, education, training and employment	Grants, technical assistance, delegated programme implementation	States, public institutions	Mainly West Africa (Luxembourg's historic partner countries)	A modest-sized donor but very active on vocational training and employment, topics close to IDEP's mandate.	Targeted co-financing of vocational training modules and the integration of young diplomats.	https://luxdev.lu
CIDCA - China International Development Cooperation Agency	Government development cooperation agency (China)	Beijing (China)	2018	Green development and climate, digital economy, infrastructure	Concessional loans, grants, technical assistance, deployment of experts	States, public institutions	Continental	A rising actor in development financing in Africa, with growing interest in the digital economy.	Possible partnership for joint training on the digital economy and green development.	http://fr.cidca.gov.cn
JICA - Japan International Cooperation Agency	Bilateral cooperation agency (Japan)	Tokyo (Japan)	1974 (current form since 2003)	Digital for development, infrastructure, vocational training	Concessional loans, grants, technical assistance, deployment of experts and volunteers	States, public institutions, universities	Continental, through the TICAD framework	A long-standing partner of capacity development in Africa through the TICAD framework (Tokyo International Conference on African Development).	Co-financing of technical training programmes and scholarships as part of the TICAD follow-up.	https://www.jica.go.jp/english

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
Helvetas (implementing Swiss cooperation)	Private non-profit organization, implementation partner of the SDC	Zurich (Switzerland)	1955	Education, employment and private sector development, water and environment	Grants, development projects funded by the SDC and other donors	Local communities, public institutions, NGOs	Mainly West and East Africa	An implementation actor, not the government agency itself (the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, SDC, remains the official Swiss agency); useful to mobilize as a complement to the SDC.	Operational partnership for delivering training on employment and private sector development.	https://www.helvetas.org
PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS AND PHILANTHROPY										
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	Private philanthropic foundation	Seattle (United States)	2000	Health, agriculture, financial inclusion, education, gender equality	Grants, blended finance, impact investments	Governments, NGOs, research institutes, social enterprises	Global, with major programmes in Africa	The world's largest philanthropic foundation, already engaged in financing financial-development networks in Africa (FSD Network).	Financing of applied research programmes and scholarships related to financial inclusion and public health, in support of the corresponding IDEP modules.	https://www.gatesfoundation.org
Mastercard Foundation	Independent private foundation	Toronto (Canada), programmes focused on Africa	2006	Education, digital, agriculture, financial inclusion	Grants, scholarship programmes, research funding	Universities, youth, SMEs, training institutions	Continental	Already engaged in the FSD network and in many African youth training and employability programmes.	Financing of scholarships for young African executives taking part in IDEP's flagship programmes, co-financing of modules on entrepreneurship.	https://mastercardfdn.org
Tony Elumelu Foundation	Pan-African private foundation	Lagos (Nigeria)	2010	Entrepreneurship, job creation, digital	Grants, seed funding, mentoring	Young African entrepreneurs	Continental (54 countries covered by the flagship programme)	A very extensive network of young African entrepreneurs, a potential audience for IDEP's modules	Partnership to integrate the Foundation's alumni into IDEP training dedicated to entrepreneurship and economic governance.	https://www.tonyelumelufoundation.org

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
								on economic diplomacy and leadership.		
Aliko Dangote Foundation	Private foundation, philanthropic arm of the Dangote Group	Lagos (Nigeria)	1994 (in its current form since 2014)	Health, education, economic empowerment	Grants, strategic partnerships (notably with the Gates Foundation)	Vulnerable communities, health and education institutions	Mainly Nigeria, with a growing continental footprint	The largest private foundation in sub-Saharan Africa by endowment, already a partner of the AfDB on nutrition.	Possible co-financing of training programmes in public health management and economic empowerment.	https://alikodangotefoundation.bukihq.com
Motsepe Foundation	South African private foundation	Johannesburg (South Africa)	1999	Education, community development, entrepreneurship	Grants, prizes and innovation competitions (Milken-Motsepe Prize)	Schools, communities, mainly South African entrepreneurs	Essentially national (South Africa), with occasional continental initiatives	A founding member of the Giving Pledge, a rising actor in financing African innovation (AgriTech, FinTech, AI).	Potential partnership for innovation prizes linked to IDEP's training modules on digital transformation.	https://www.motsepefoundation.org
Mo Ibrahim Foundation	Pan-African private foundation	London (United Kingdom) and Dakar (Senegal)	2006	Governance, political leadership, democratic accountability	Grants, leadership prize, scholarships and programmes for young professionals (Now Generation Network)	Former African heads of State, young professionals, governance researchers	Continental, with an office in Dakar	A presence in Dakar, the same city as IDEP; produces the Ibrahim Index of African Governance, a reference for IDEP's governance modules.	A close-proximity partnership for joint seminars on governance and leadership, and for integrating the Ibrahim Index into training content.	https://mo.ibrahim.foundation
King Baudouin Foundation	Independent and pluralistic private foundation	Brussels (Belgium), with the KBF Africa programme	1976	Social justice, education, talent development, climate, local governance	Grants, prizes (KBF Africa Prize), funds hosted for philanthropists	Civil society organizations, local development actors	The KBF Africa programme specifically targets Senegal, Benin, the DRC and Burundi	The KBF Africa programme explicitly includes Senegal among its four priority countries, making it a directly local	Possible partnership for joint projects in Senegal and application for the KBF Africa Prize to showcase IDEP's training initiatives.	https://kbfafrica.org

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
								interlocutor for IDEP in Dakar.		
Jacobs Foundation	Swiss private foundation dedicated to education	Zurich (Switzerland)	1988	Education, child and youth development, applied research on learning	Research grants, programmatic partnerships with education ministries	Education ministries, researchers, national education systems	Global, with active partnerships in Ghana and Côte d'Ivoire	Already a partner of African education ministries and of GPE; an evidence-based approach, close to IDEP's requirement for pedagogical quality.	Co-financing of applied research on the effectiveness of IDEP's training formats and on learning retention.	https://jacobsfoundation.org
Porticus	Private philanthropic organization (Brenninkmeijer family)	Amsterdam (Netherlands)	Philanthropic network brought together under this name since 2010	Education, human dignity, environmental sustainability, social justice	Multi-year grants, long-term strategic partnerships	Local and international partner organizations	Global, with programmes in Africa	A discreet foundation but with substantial resources, oriented towards long-term partnerships rather than one-off calls for projects.	An interlocutor to explore for a structuring multi-year partnership around the training of public executives.	https://www.porticus.com
IKEA Foundation	Dutch private foundation, philanthropic arm of the IKEA group	Leiden (Netherlands)	1982	Youth and women's employment and entrepreneurship, climate, sustainable livelihoods	Large multi-year grants to a limited number of strategic partners	Large partner organizations operating in East Africa and South Asia	Continental, with priority to East Africa	A programme dedicated to youth and women's employment and skills in East Africa, close to the strategic audiences identified by IDEP.	Possible partnership for entrepreneurship training modules for youth and women in the Horn of Africa and East Africa.	https://ikeafoundation.org
CLIMATE FINANCE MECHANISMS										
Green Climate Fund	Multilateral fund dedicated to climate (UNFCCC)	Songdo (South Korea)	2010	Climate adaptation and mitigation, energy transition	Grants, concessional loans, guarantees, equity investments	States, accredited institutions, regional entities	Global, with a window dedicated to Africa	The world's leading climate fund, directly connected to IDEP's climate diplomacy and governance module.	Financing of specialized training on climate negotiation and access to green finance for African executives.	https://www.greenclimate.fund

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
Adaptation Fund	Multilateral fund created under the Kyoto Protocol (UNFCCC)	Washington D.C. (secretariat), under the aegis of the UNFCCC	2001 (operational since 2007)	Adaptation to climate change for vulnerable communities	Grants, with a Direct Access mechanism that strengthens national project-management capacities	Developing countries, through accredited national or regional entities	Global, with nearly half the portfolio directed to LDCs and SIDS	Its Direct Access mechanism explicitly finances the capacity building of national implementing entities, which directly matches IDEP's core business.	Positioning IDEP as a training provider for national entities applying for Direct Access accreditation.	https://www.adaptation-fund.org
Global Environment Facility (GEF)	Multilateral environmental fund	Washington D.C. (United States)	1991	Climate, biodiversity, land degradation, chemicals	Grants, including the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) dedicated to adaptation	States, in particular LDCs and SIDS	Global, with a window dedicated to African LDCs	The LDCF explicitly finances the capacity building of decision-makers and institutions responsible for climate adaptation in the least developed countries.	Co-financing of training modules on access to climate finance for executives of African LDCs.	https://www.thegef.org
Climate Investment Funds (CIF)	Multilateral climate finance partnership	Washington D.C., operating through six multilateral development banks	2008	Clean technologies, energy access, climate resilience, forests	Grants, concessional loans, guarantees, equity investments, capital market mechanisms	States, through the partner multilateral banks including the AfDB	Global, with the AfDB as the implementing entity for 28 African countries	The AfDB is already the CIF implementing entity for Africa, with an explicit capacity-building component in its climate investment programmes.	Possible triangular partnership through the AfDB to integrate climate training modules into the CIF's country investment plans.	https://www.cif.org
THEMATIC OR INNOVATION FUNDS AND MECHANISMS										
GPE - Global Partnership for Education	Multilateral fund dedicated to education	Washington D.C.	2002	Education, strengthening of	Grants, blended finance (GPE	National education systems in	Global, with a strong	An innovative financing mechanism already	Co-financing of the training of trainers and education officials as	https://www.globalpartnership.org

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
		(United States)		education systems	Multiplier mechanism), innovative financing with the IsDB	about 90 low-income countries	concentration in Africa	associated with the IsDB and BADEA (SmartEd initiative), relevant for financing trainer training.	part of IDEP's modules on human capital.	
FASA - Financing for Agricultural SMEs in Africa	Multi-donor fund of funds	Offices in Dakar, Accra, Nairobi and Paris; managed by Investisseurs & Partenaires (I&P)	2024	Financing of African agricultural SMEs	Catalytic capital (quasi-equity), technical assistance to fund managers	Investment funds dedicated to African agricultural SMEs, indirectly the SMEs themselves	Continental	A recent and well-capitalized fund (United States, Norway, United Kingdom, South Korea, France), with an explicit component to build the capacities of fund managers.	Partnership for training agricultural fund managers in portfolio management and climate risk analysis.	https://www.fasafund.com
AATIF - Africa Agriculture and Trade Investment Fund	Impact investment fund (Luxembourg-law SICAV-SIF)	Luxembourg	2011, at the initiative of KfW on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation (BMZ)	Agriculture, agricultural value chains, food security	Loans, mezzanine financing, minority equity stakes, plus a dedicated technical assistance facility of about USD 6 million	Agricultural companies, cooperatives and local financial institutions in Africa	Continental	A solid and well-documented fund, capitalized by KfW, Deutsche Bank and the European Commission; its technical assistance component, managed separately from the investment fund, is the most relevant entry point for IDEP rather than equity financing itself.	Targeted approach to the technical assistance facility to finance training modules on agricultural value chain financing and agricultural risk analysis.	https://www.aatif.lu

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
Agri-Business Capital (ABC) Fund	Investment fund dedicated to agriculture	Luxembourg	2019	Agricultural cooperatives, agri-food SMEs	Loans, guarantees, technical assistance	Agricultural cooperatives and SMEs in Africa, Asia and Latin America	Continental (Africa component)	Complementary to FASA and AATIF on agricultural financing, with a technical assistance component close to IDEP's mandate.	Partnership for training modules on the financing of agricultural cooperatives.	https://agri-business-capital.com
FSD Africa - Financial Sector Deepening Africa	Specialized agency for financial sector development	Nairobi (Kenya)	2012	Financial markets, green finance, capital markets, financial inclusion	Grants, technical assistance, catalytic capital	Financial regulators, financial institutions, fintechs	Sub-Saharan Africa (28 countries)	Funded by British aid, with recognized expertise in financial markets and climate finance, themes close to IDEP's economic modules.	Co-financing of training on African capital markets and green finance for central bank executives.	https://fsdafrica.org
Digital Africa	Initiative to support digital entrepreneurship, led by AFD	Paris (France), pan-African action	2018	Digital entrepreneurship, technological innovation	Seed grants, dedicated investment fund (Digital Africa Seed Fund), technical assistance	African start-ups and digital entrepreneurs	Continental	The digital arm of AFD, already a partner of BOAD in financing start-ups; relevant to the digital transformation of IDEP's offer.	Partnership for the development of the STP platform and for modules on digital entrepreneurship.	https://www.digital-africa.co
CcHub - Co-Creation Hub Nigeria	Pan-African innovation centre and incubator	Lagos (Nigeria), offices in Kenya, Namibia and Rwanda	2010	Digital innovation, artificial intelligence, edtech	Incubation, applied research grants, public policy advisory	Start-ups, governments, young entrepreneurs	Continental (more than 18 countries covered)	A recognized actor in the edtech and AI ecosystem in Africa, relevant to IDEP's ambition for digital learning and System Learning.	Technical partnership for integrating artificial intelligence into the STP platform and for modules on digital public policy.	https://cchubnigeria.com
AECF - Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund	Impact fund based on grant competitions	Nairobi (Kenya)	2008	Agribusiness, renewable energy, climate resilience	Grants and concessional loans awarded through calls for proposals	Rural SMEs, agricultural and energy companies	Sub-Saharan Africa	A competitive financing mechanism already used by several bilateral donors listed in the table	Co-financing of training programmes on access to finance for rural and agri-industrial SMEs.	https://www.aecfafrica.org

Organization	Type / Status	Headquarters	Established	Areas of intervention	Financing instruments	Target beneficiaries	Geographic scope	Relevance to IDEP	Potential contribution to IDEP's mandate	Website (verified)
								(United Kingdom, Netherlands, Sweden, Denmark).		
Agro Companies for Africa	Corporate philanthropic fund, hosted by the Swiss Philanthropy Foundation	Geneva (Switzerland); no legal personality of its own	Created by the private agro-industrial group Agro Companies International, active in Africa for more than 40 years	Combating desertification in the Sahel, biodiversity conservation	Direct grants to a limited number of partner NGOs already chosen by the group	Two NGOs identified by name: Terre Verte (Burkina Faso) and Chem Chem Foundation (Tanzania)	Very targeted (Burkina Faso, Tanzania), not an open window	This is not an institutional funding organization open to external requests, but the philanthropic vehicle of a private agro-industrial group, already committed to two specific partners.	Almost no room for manoeuvre as it stands: this fund does not appear to respond to external partnership requests. Any contact would be better aimed directly at the Agro Companies International group rather than at this philanthropic fund.	https://www.agro-companies.com/philanthropie
XL Africa (World Bank Group programme)	Former acceleration programme, not a permanent donor	Run from Washington D.C. by the World Bank Group	2017	Digital entrepreneurship	Matchmaking with investors, mentoring, no direct financing	Twenty digital start-ups selected per cohort	Continental, with a francophone edition (L'Afrique Excelle)	To be verified before any contact: this World Bank pilot programme does not appear to have organized a new cohort since 2019 and is probably no longer active in this form.	Historical interest rather than a current opportunity; the useful contact today is the World Bank Group itself, already listed above.	https://www.xl-africa.com