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national development!*



Nigerians in Diaspora Organisation  
(NIDO)  
Germany e.V.

# CONFERENCE REPORT

1st Roundtable on  
Diaspora and Development in Nigeria

Theme:  
Driving Increased Diaspora Engagement  
for the Realization of SDGs in Nigeria

Date: 4 December 2021 via Zoom

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# Diaspora & Development in Nigeria

1<sup>st</sup> Round Table

# 17 Sustainable Development Goals

- ▶ Adopted by the UN in 2015
- ▶ Include 4 goals:
  - ▶ End poverty
  - ▶ Zero hunger
  - ▶ Good health and wellbeing
  - ▶ Quality Education
- ▶ To be achieved by 2030

# Situation of SDGs in Nigeria

- ▶ Nigeria ranked 160 among 162 countries
- ▶ Nigeria currently has the highest burden of malaria globally.
- ▶ Nigeria has over 13 million school-age children out of school
- ▶ Estimated 91.8 million people in Nigeria who live below the international poverty line (2019) - World Bank

# Federal Government Stance

- ▶ Established National Framework
  - ▶ for planning and Implementation of development activities
- ▶ Not enough resources for government to pursue goals

# Current Status in Nigeria

- ▶ Plagued by public finance crisis
- ▶ >90% of revenue used to service debt - Chairman, Presidential Economic Advisory Council
- ▶ 25 of 36 states cannot pay employees or retirees
- ▶ No resources for schools, healthcare, empowerment, infrastructure
- ▶ Whole-of -Society approach to SDG achievement
- ▶ Both public and Private Resources to be mobilised

# Role of the Diaspora

- ▶ USD 20bn in remittances from citizens in diaspora
- ▶ Impact Homeland development
- ▶ Creativity, Know-Know, Contacts and Financial Resources required to achieve goals
- ▶ All hands on deck

# Roundtable Objectives

- ▶ Raise awareness
- ▶ Encourage Engagement
- ▶ Discuss impactful ways to achieve goals
- ▶ Fight extreme poverty, eradicate hunger, improve healthcare, schools, etc.
- ▶ Mobilise community improvement projects



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**Moderator:** Michelle Olufeso, Member, NIDO Germany BoT

**Keynote Speaker:** Femi Awoniyi, President of NIDO Germany

**Special Guest Speaker:** HE Yusuf Maitama Tuggar, Nigeria's  
Ambassador to Germany

**Goodwill Message:** Dr Bashir Obasekola, Chairman, NIDO Europe

### **Presentations:**

1. Dr RosaLyn Dressman, ATTEC Academy, Yenagoa, Bayelsa State
2. Dr Augustine Ezejiofor, Team Leader, CIM-GIZ Nigeria, Abuja
3. Mrs Abosede Mary Otukpe, Executive Director, Denny Social Welfare Hub, Lagos
4. Mr Martin-Mary Falana, CEO, Kids & Teens Resource Centre, Akure
5. Mr Caius Eze, Global President, Elite Leadership Foundation, Munich
6. Mr Tobias Ugo Nwokocha, KSM, Director for Programmes Development, The Strivad Foundation, Owerri

**Conference Reporter:** Lolade Adewuyi

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### **Foreword**

I am pleased to present this conference report as our humble contribution to the ongoing debate on how the diaspora can better impact the development of Nigeria.

The conference was organised by NIDO Germany to explore how to refocus Nigerian diaspora engagement in homeland development on the

UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which we believe provide a practical framework to guide our engagement and enable us to gauge its impact on the living conditions of our people.

The event marks the launching of the Roundtable on Diaspora and Development in Nigeria, a series of formal conversations and a forum for the exchange of ideas and experiences on diaspora engagement, providing opportunities for learning and partnerships.

This report should offer attendees and those who were unable to attend a full insight into the conversation of 4 December 2021.

It is an ongoing conversation which we plan to regularly hold to generate new ideas and initiatives that hopefully will make our contributions to homeland development more impactful.

I would like to thank HE Yusuf Maitama Tuggar, Nigeria's Ambassador to Germany, for his presence and the fresh, original perspectives he offered. Many thanks also to our speakers and, indeed, all participants at the event.

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Femi Awoniyi

President, NIDO Germany

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## **1. Introduction: The United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals**

The 17 SDGs were adopted during the 70<sup>th</sup> Session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) on 25 September 2015. They are a call to action to end poverty, safeguard the planet and ensure all people enjoy peace and prosperity by the year 2030.

The SDGs, also known as the Global Goals, are designed to consolidate the Millennium Development Goals MDGs (2000-2015). Unlike the MDGs, which only target the developing countries, the SDGs apply to all countries whether rich, middle or poor countries.

## 2. **Keynote Address by Mr Femi Awoniyi, President of NIDO Germany**



*Mr Femi Awoniyi, President of NIDO*

“Good morning.

“Let me thank the Ambassador of Nigeria to Germany, His Excellency Yusuf Maitama Tuggar, for taking time off his busy schedule to be part of this event. I also thank our special guest, Dr Bashir Olalekan Obasekola, who is the chairman of NIDO Europe, our invited speakers and all of you present here today.

“According to government statistics, Nigeria spent about 97 per cent of the revenue it collected in 2020 on debt service. This far outstrips the World Bank’s bench mark that debt service to revenue ratio should not be more than 22.5 per cent. What this means is that all government’s expenditures – salaries, pension, allowances and overheads, in that year were all financed by new loans.

“According to analysts, about 27 of Nigeria’s 36 states cannot regularly pay the salaries of their employees and retirees because many of them devote a substantial part of their revenue to debt servicing too and in many cases their wage bills are higher than the financial resources available to them.

“In fact, Nigeria is in the throes of a public finance crisis. This means that resources are not available to government to spend on schools, on healthcare, to empower rural inhabitants and build or maintain roads.

“In view of the foregoing, it means that the best of governments, the least corrupt, the most frugal cannot do much under the present circumstances in Nigeria. Even if we have government leaders that aren't corrupt and are like saints, we will still have problems of public finance.

“Yet our people yearn for improvements in their living conditions. With government lacking the necessary resources to address the needs of our people, we have to begin to think out of the box on how to tackle the challenges of development in Nigeria.

“We are conscious of the fact that many Nigerians in the diaspora are very frustrated by the situation back home. We however believe that we should make efforts to convert this frustration into positive action, to a passion for increased engagement in homeland development.

“We believe that increased diaspora engagement could help improve schools, health centres and other social facilities in rural areas, which are the most disadvantaged in government spending.

“Diaspora can also help youths by giving them training and education to make them fit for gainful employment as well as promote youth entrepreneurship by providing seed capital or micro-financial support.

“The major task facing countries of the Global South where most of the migrants in the West originate is to design policies that can leverage diaspora engagement to attain national development goals.

“Therefore, this event marks the launching of the *Roundtable on Diaspora and Development in Nigeria*, which is a planned series of formal conversations and will be a forum for the exchange of ideas and experiences, providing opportunities for learning and partnerships.

“The SDGs as adopted by the United Nations in 2015 are a call to action to end poverty, safeguard the planet and ensure all people enjoy peace and prosperity by the year 2030. Beyond that, the SDGs offer us a framework to guide our engagement and enable us to gauge the impact of our engagement on the living conditions of our people.

“In the 2020 SDG Global Development Index, Nigeria ranked 160 among 162 countries. Nigeria currently has the highest burden of malaria globally. Our country has over 13 million school age children out of school. According to the World Bank, there were an estimated 91.8 million people in 2019 who lived below the poverty line in Nigeria, giving the country the unenviable status of the world’s poverty capital. The numbers are expected to rise in the coming years, experts have warned.

“The Federal Government is doing its bit. It has always affirmed that Nigeria’s current development priorities are focused on achieving the SDGs and has, in fact, established a national framework for the planning, budgeting and implementation of development activities within the context of the SDGs. However, there are not enough resources available to the national and sub-national governments to effectively pursue the Global Goals.

“Therefore the UN has recommended the whole-of-society approach, that both public and private resources should be mobilised towards the attainment of these goals.

“What can the diaspora do?

“The diaspora has become an important development actor in the Global South. Nigeria, for example, receives annually more than 20 billion in remittances from its citizens living outside their homeland. Beyond remittances, diaspora Nigerians are impacting homeland development in various other ways.

“The purpose of the Roundtable is to discuss ways and means by which the diaspora can more impactfully contribute to fighting extreme poverty and eradicating hunger and support health care facilities and schools.

“We would like to mobilise the diaspora towards community improvement projects and empowerment schemes where their engagement can make the most impact for the sustainable improvement of the living condition of the people.

“The 2030 Agenda should therefore guide our engagement for homeland development. That is our conviction. In addition to conducting advocacy and awareness activities, we will support initiatives aimed at creating strategic engagements around the SDGs from other organisations.

“We hope that in the long run, our engagement will promote increased recognition of self-agency in national development among us in the diaspora in particular and generally in Nigerian society.

### **3. Address by Dr Bashir Olalekan Obasekola – President, NIDO Europe**

Dr Obasekola commended NIDO Germany for bringing up the issue of diaspora engagement for discussion, expressing the hope that the conference would make Nigerian diaspora to become more active in its intervention in Nigeria.

“All those things we have been doing as individuals for our people are in line with the SDGs. The SDGs only challenge us to formalise our efforts,” he said.

“Since the formation of NIDO in 2000, we have always been at the forefront of formalising diaspora engagement in the development of our country.”

### **4. Dr RosaLyn Dressman – Director of ATTEC Academy**

Dr RosaLyn Dressman, who is the immediate past President of NIDO Germany, congratulated the new Executive Committee of the organisation under the leadership of Mr Femi Awoniyi for putting the Roundtable together.

She made a PowerPoint presentation of the work of her ATTEC (AfricanTide Technical Education Centre) Academy based in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State.

Some of the trainings offered by ATTEC include solar system installation and marketing, ICT, videography, plumbing, catering etc.

“ATTEC is a centre that trains young Bayelsans in tackling the issues that the state is faced with as its population is projected to grow from 2.7m to 4m by 2030.”

The Bayelsa State Government is so impressed with Dr Dressman’s work that she was appointed the Focal Officer on the Diaspora to the Governor.

She invited members of the diaspora interested in partnering with her organisation to contact her as her doors were wide open for collaboration.

Ms Dressman spoke about her conviction that everybody in the diaspora interested in homeland development should start from their villages.

“Everything you do contributes to Nigeria in one way or the other,” she said.

- See annex for her PowerPoint presentation.

**5. Special Guest HE Yusuf Tuggar, Nigeria’s Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany**



*HE Yusuf Tuggar,  
Nigeria’s Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany*

“The SDGs are very key to developing Nigeria and indeed all less developed countries around the globe. More so for Nigeria because we are expected to become the 3<sup>rd</sup> most populous country in the world by 2050 with a population expected to reach 400m.

“Nigeria is the most populous country in Africa, it has the largest economy in the continent. Our population amounts to nothing until the quality of life of that population is enhanced.

“We are not a wealthy country if you factor in the size of the population; because based on per capita income it doesn't compete with countries that are considered wealthy.

“With the SDGs, I think the approach ought not to be a fire brigade approach, it has to be comprehensive and sustainable. This is where we have a major challenge.

“There have been improvements in healthcare; if you look at the 1990 figures for infant and maternal mortality rates, for example. In 1990, maternal mortality rate was 1,000 (out of a 100,000). Now it is under 500, but it is still nowhere near the SDG of 70 deaths per 100,000. So we still have a lot of work to do. Child mortality is 89 per 1000, the target is 64. So, we still work to do there as well. Tuberculosis is still prevalent in the country.

“We have to look at these issues comprehensively and tackle them. It is not just about building hospitals if we don't have the doctors and staff to care for patients.

“Nigerians in the Diaspora have a critical role to play in supporting what the government is trying to do. I know a lot of us are already doing many things on our own. They need to be coordinated and synced with the government's.

“Drilling boreholes will not solve our problems, we need major projects, transformative projects. That is why the 2-billion dollars Siemens Electricity project under the Presidential Power Initiative is key.

“In the last two decades we expanded power generation capacity in Nigeria but without expanding transmission and distribution capacity. The focus of the Siemens Electricity Project is to utilize the generated electricity by expanding the transmission and distribution capacity.

“The project has taken off. It will impact the entire country if it is done within the stipulated time. It will create jobs and students in schools can study at night, they can use science labs where they exist, computers etc. It will have a lot of multiplier effect.



“Such major projects allow us to move much further than when we operate in silos. I would like to advise that while focusing on the SDGs, we should also look at how we can augment what government is doing.

“There is one particular area in which I think NIDO has a role to play and that is in digital technology and ICT. This is an area where Nigeria is growing in leaps and bounds; it’s an area that Nigeria can become a leader.

“We have a unique infrastructure in the Nigeria Inter-Bank Settlement System (NIBSS) – it enables us to carry out banking transactions in real time. It has unleashed a lot of innovations in the field of FinTech.

Ambassador Tuggar described NIBSS as the foundation of today’s FinTech unicorns – digital technology companies that are now worth billions of dollars in the global market.

“These are kind of progress that can help transform Nigeria,” he added.

The envoy challenged NIDO to help drive innovation in the digital sector.

“We are producing so many software engineers that don’t need to come out to Europe. They are living in Nigeria and working remotely in places like Lithuania. We can harness that power and use technology to leap forward.”

The Ambassador also talked about the need for a new national approach to migration, calling for Circular Migration.

“The Nigerians in Diaspora Commission Act focuses mainly on how to get Nigerians to return to Nigeria to help develop Nigeria. But I think it needs to be amended to cover how to export our human resources to other countries in a very structured manner with terms and conditions so that Nigerians can go out and work in other countries with their families for a tenured period. They are respected, their children are allowed to go to schools, their spouses are allowed to work while they are out there and thereafter, they can return to Nigeria.

“They are generating more for the country, they are creating wealth, they are improving their skillset. And that way our population becomes an advantage, not just numbers, but a qualitative population.”

## **Panel Discussion/Presentations**

### **6. Dr Austin Ezejiofor – Team Leader CIM-GIZ, Nigeria**

Dr Ezejiofor joined from Abuja, where he leads the Programme Migration & Diaspora (PMD), which is implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) working on behalf of the German Federal Government.

The objective of the PMD is to support the relevant stakeholders to leverage the positive effects of migration to support the SDGs.

The Programme enables Nigerians in diaspora to take their skills back home in special arrangements through the help of the GIZ.

The PMD implements the following schemes:

1. **Returning Experts Support:** This is for Nigerians who have completed their studies or completed vocational training in Germany and worked professionally in the country for at least two years and who on their own want to work in Nigeria and make a useful contribution. The GIZ helps get placements for them in private companies or public institutions and give them salary subsidies as long as they are contributing to the SDGs. It is usually a contract for two years even though it can be extended for one additional year.
2. **Diaspora Expert Engagement:** As a diaspora expert, you will pass on your knowledge and skills through short-term assignments in development projects in your country of origin involving local organisations. Under the scheme, you can go for short stays in Nigeria – between four weeks and six months – to share knowledge with the host institution. You will be paid by GIZ. No costs to the host institution.
3. **Diaspora Organisation Support:** This benefits non-profit organisations registered in Germany with majority of members having a migration background. Funds are granted to such organisations for implementing small scale projects in Nigeria.
4. **Business Ideas for Development:** This is for Germany-based professionals who want to start businesses in Nigeria. The GIZ supports such entrepreneurs with consultancy services like business coaching, development of business plan, networking contacts, access to finance etc.

5. Migration Counselling: Provision of migration advice to Nigerians who want to migrate to Germany either to work or study at the Nigerian-German Centre for Jobs, Migration and Reintegration.

Website: <https://www.giz.de/en/html/index.html>

See annex for the PowerPoint presentation.

7. **Ms. Abosede Mary Otukpe, Executive Director, Denny Social Welfare Hub, Lagos**

Denny Social Welfare Hub is a non-profit social service organisation focused on:

- Preventing child exploitation
- Promoting restorative justice for children in conflict with the law
- Providing humanitarian aid to vulnerable children and their families, including supporting free tuition schools
- Supporting Nigerian returnees from abroad to settle down and find their feet in society

Denny Social Welfare Hub needs support to deepen its engagement and is open to collaboration with Nigerians in the diaspora, including NIDO members, Ms Otukpe said.

Urgently needed is funding for the organisation's rural empowerment project, to buy start up items instead of giving the recipients cash.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DswHub/>

8. **Mr Caius Eze – Global President, Elite Leadership Foundation, Munich**

The organisation builds a bridge between Nigeria and Europe while it teaches young Nigerians about self-sustenance through skills acquisition, leadership and empowerment.

Elite Leadership Foundation is very active at the grassroots and it encourages young people to learn a practical trade, Mr Eze, who is also the current Assistant General Secretary of NIDO Germany, explained.

He pointed out that lack of data in Nigeria leads to goals of government programmes not being met even though they are laudable programmes.

“Nigeria must be intentional about building and maintaining a credible database of its people. No development project can succeed if statistics are unavailable to plan, implement and evaluate such project,” Mr Eze posited.

“We can work with NIDO members to implement programmes in a transparent way. For every cent you give to our foundation, we will ensure proper reporting,” he pledged.

Website: <https://eliteglobalfoundation.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EliteGlobalFoundation/>

#### **9. Mr Martin-Mary Falana – CEO, Kids and Teens Resource Centre, Akure**

This non-profit organisation based in Akure, the capital of Ondo State, empowers young people with psycho-social support and social services. It is committed to securing the future for vulnerable young people in Nigeria while bridging the gap between government and society

The centre needs capacity building support from NIDO members as well as support for community outreaches and small grants to NGOs, scholarship programmes for young people and women and girls empowerment, Mr Falana said.

He talked about a bio-gas project which he implemented in partnership with Mr Moses Ogun, general secretary of NIDO Germany.

“People have taken the knowledge learned from our bio-gas project to their homes and we are seeing the effect of this in society. We want to scale it to affect more people.”

Website: <https://kidsnteensngo.org/contact-us/>

See annex for the PowerPoint presentation.

**10. Mr Tobias U Nwakocho – Director for Programmes Development, The Strivad Foundation, Munich & Owerri**

The organisation, founded by Germany-based entrepreneur and philanthropist Dr Uche Iro in 2003, works on alleviating poverty in rural areas and providing educational support in Imo State.

Strivad Foundation focuses on:

- Youth empowerment through apprenticeship and funding of business startups
- Women empowerment through business grants and startup funds
- Community development
- Award of scholarships to indigent pupils and students

The organization is open to working with NIDO members and Nigerians in diaspora generally who want to give back to their communities in Nigeria, Sir Nwokocho said.

“Strivad can provide expertise to support the vision of funders and project developers”.

He advises that education and training are the most effective vehicle of youth empowerment.

Website: <https://thestrivadfoundation.org/contact-us>



# EDUCATION MADE IN GERMANY FOR BAYELSANS

We set the pace with our innovative ideas, the world followed us  
... and our State stretched out their welcoming hands and  
together, we are educating our communities.



# As Catalysts

/ We are Differentiators! /

We are a pioneering organization comprised of committed individuals who foster and leverage creativity and innovation in institutions and society.

We identify leading edge innovation, share experiences, partake in research, and recognize innovation and creative processes.

Through sharing and straightness, we encourage our team to openly explore topics of interest and support mutual learning and personal development.

We actively promote diversity in all perspectives, we value and respect the contribution each person makes in achieving our goals and mission.

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# Smartest!

Today, it is all about innovation and digitalisation. The corona virus brought unusual situation to us and that made us even stronger! We go out of our ways to get things done... not in the conventional way we all know it, however in a way that leaves room for the reinvention of a whole lot of process.





# ATTEC: The Vision...

ATTEC is established to fulfil a social task and has the mandate of its cooperation partners to offer quality training and education to the civil society.

ATTEC also meets the contemporary requirements of an international technical training and education system, in which gender equality is very important from a participatory and competitive point of view.



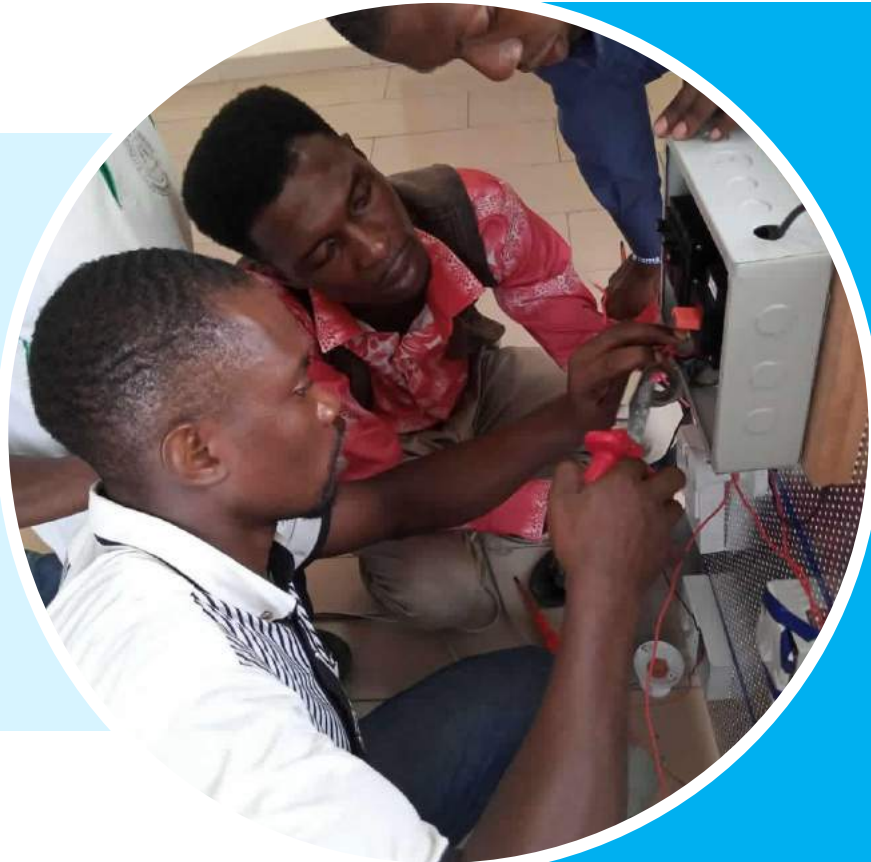
# SMART HOUSES A - Z

Our smart house is a self-sufficient house built in a way that it can generate its energy, filter its water so that it becomes drinkable, secure its own environment with the help of certain applications and devices that can be automatically controlled remotely from any internet connected place in the world using a mobile or other networked device.

**138 Trainees in 2018 – 2021 Session**



# QUATIA



Based on the qualification scenario in Nigeria, further education offers are to be developed and applied, to which the methodical / didactic curricula are applicable both in Germany and in Nigeria. The project focuses on training solar technician, supporting measures to achieve sustainable self-employment, and the accompaniment and integration into social insurance paid employment.

**77 Trainees in 2018 – 2021 Session**

# STING LADIES

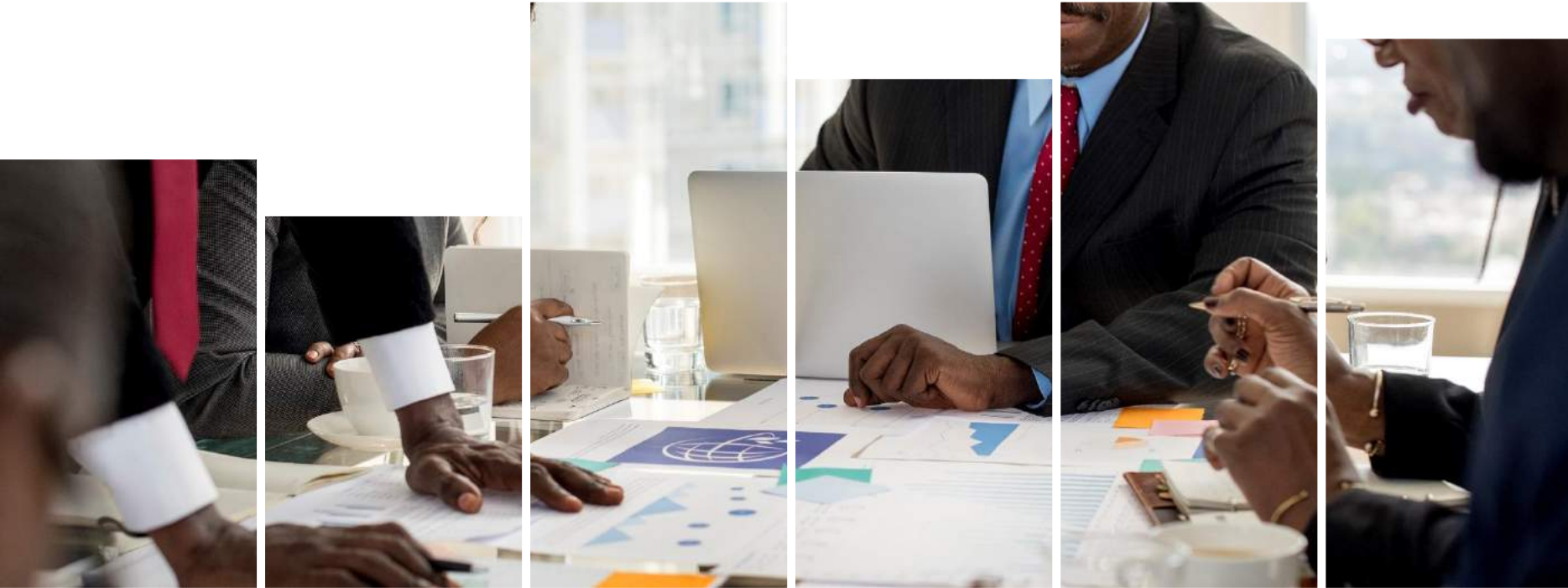
A comprehensive plan for reaching solar buyers is a must. Whether the plan is to reach individuals or business buyers, one needs to know what they need or want, and what concerns the buyers need to be addressed before vendors are choosing.

**22 Trainees in 2019 – 2020 Session**



# The System we bring you!

/ Education made in Germany for Bayelsans /



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## 02. Solar Energy and PVs

The project focuses on training solar technician, supporting measures to achieve sustainable self-employment, and the accompaniment and integration into social insurance paid employment.

## 03. Entrepreneurship

A comprehensive plan for reaching solar buyers is a must, of course. Whether the plan is to reach individuals or business buyers, one needs to know what they need or want, and what concerns the buyers need to be addressed before vendors are choosing.

## COMPULSORY COURSES

- 01 Mathematics
- 02 Physics
- 03 English Language
- 04 ICT
- 05 Diversity Management

# CURRENT PROJECTS



**VIDEOGRAPHY**



**PLUMBING**

**80 Trainees in 2021 Session**

**CATERING**

**MAKEOVER**



# **New Program 2022**

**Aptitude tests for  
the next round  
starts in March  
2022**

**300 Trainees planned for 2022  
Sessions**

# ...the Inauguration!

The idea of this project was formed in 2016, in 2017 Late Dr Goma made sure I went to Bayelsa state. 2018, saw us deep in planning for the project. Eventually the first project was kicked off in earnest on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019 with a total of 225 trainees admitted and inducted on that day.

The formal flag off was performed by the then governor of Bayelsa State- Hon Henry Seriake Dickson ably represented by his hard working, indefatigable and very knowledgeable deputy - Rear Admiral John Jonah in the presence of other top government functionaries including Commissioners, Permanent Secretaries, Directors and Heads of Departments. Some parents and guardians of the trainees were also on hand to witness this first of its kind event in the Niger Delta Region.

This was quickly followed by the commencement of intensive lectures in the eleven courses that make up the Centre's course of study.



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# Our Trainees

*/ ... comes first! /*

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> month of the project (June 2019), a professional survey was conducted to determine the competence and attitude to work of the trainers with a view to correcting early lapses that may be noticed and improving what is on ground. One of the fallouts of this survey was the dropping of one trainer and his immediate replacement with a more competent trainer in the field of plumbing.



# How we ensured

/ QUALITY IN OUR DAILY WORK /



Staff and management meetings were held on quarterly basis to give direction to the project team and entrench the spirit of camaraderie.

Tests and examinations were also conducted to check the trainees' appreciation of the lessons learnt and the result of work done by the Trainers. This was basically to assess each trainee with a view to determining where he/she will fit into in the professional classification and class divisions to follow.



# Prototype project to be commissioned in 2022





# Thank You

For your attention



# Engaging for sustainable development

Roundtable on Diaspora and Development

Perspectives from the GIZ Programme

Migration & Diaspora

04.12.2021

Austin Ezejiofor, PhD



On behalf of



In cooperation with



# Programme Migration & Diaspora

## The Programme Migration & Diaspora (PMD)

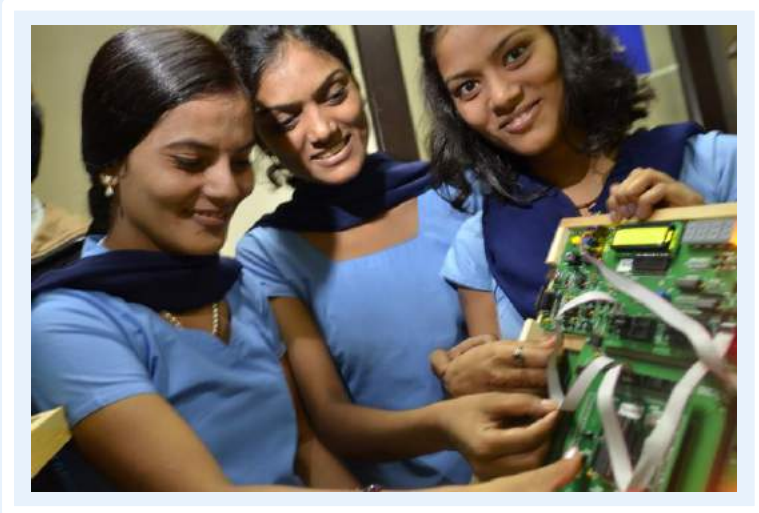
- is implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).
  - supports 22 partner countries in using diaspora engagement for sustainable development.
  - offers funding opportunities for people with a migration history.
  - promotes short- and long-term assignments in countries of origin; promotes also the establishment of innovative businesses as well as projects by diaspora organisations that are implemented together with local partners.
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# Partner Countries of the Programme



# Sustainable Development Goals

- The global community has set itself **ambitious goals**.
- Agenda 2030
- SDGs – Sustainable Development Goals





1 NO POVERTY



2 ZERO HUNGER



3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



4 QUALITY EDUCATION



13 CLIMATE ACTION



5 GENDER EQUALITY



6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



**THE GLOBAL GOALS**  
For Sustainable Development

7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



14 LIFE BELOW WATER



15 LIFE ON LAND



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



# What we offer



Placing highly-qualified **Returning Experts** with local employers



Supporting voluntary **Diaspora Experts** in short-term assignments



Supporting projects carried out by **Diaspora Organisations**



Supporting those **starting a business**



# Returning Experts





# Returning Experts

In Cooperation with the ZAV (the Federal Agency for Employment), we support trained university graduates and experienced non-academic professionals who want to put their expertise to good use in their countries of origin.

## Our services:

- We offer advice on return and career planning.
- We match returning experts with vacant positions in their country of origin.
- We provide support for people returning to the workplace in their country of origin.
- We offer salary subsidies and subsidies for equipping workplaces.
- We organise networking events.



# Dr. Clement Meseke, Nigeria



Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Virology  
Friedrich-Löffler-Institute for Animal Health,  
Greifswald, Germany

Dr Meseke currently works as an Assistant Director at the  
National Veterinary Research Institute, Vom, Jos, Nigeria

**15 000**  
Returning  
Experts since  
1980



# Mr. Ayuba Oladoja, Nigeria



Studied and received his M.Sc in Agriculture from the Hohenheim University, Germany

Worked as an Agribusiness Advisor at the Institute of Exports Operations and Management, Port Harcourt & Iseyin, Nigeria

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# Returning Experts

## What qualifies me as a Returning Expert?

- You would like to return to your country of origin to make a positive contribution to its development
- You have successfully completed your studies, or you are in possession of a recognised vocational training course in Germany (minimum duration one year)
- Or: You have gained at least two years of professional experience in Germany
- You are currently a resident of Germany and are in possession of a residence permit
- You are registered on the website [www.cimonline.de](http://www.cimonline.de) and have applied for one of our services
- The complete application process and the commencement of the job post take place within a year after your departure from Germany



# Returning Experts

**How do I apply for funding?**

→ [www.cimonline.de](http://www.cimonline.de) „What we offer“  
oder [www.diaspora2030.de](http://www.diaspora2030.de) „Working“

→ **Specific job offers:** under „Job Market“

→ **Unsolicited Application:** via job offer „Returning Expert“



# Diaspora-Organisations



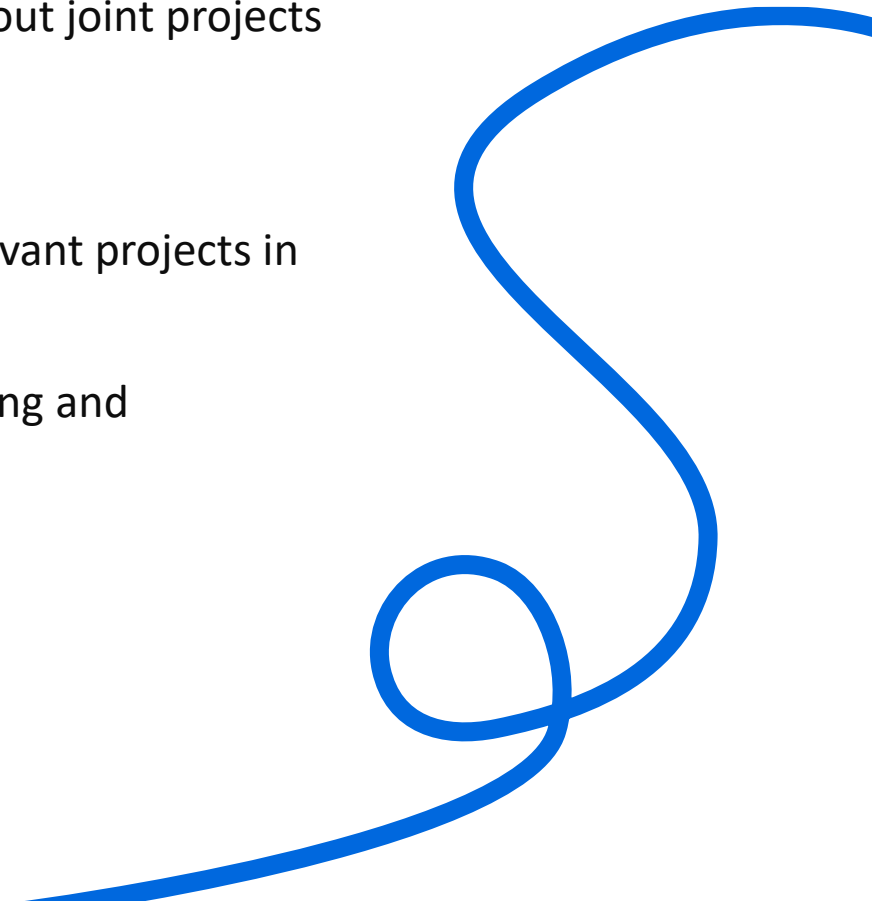


# Diaspora Organisations

We support diaspora organisations who wish to carry out joint projects with organisations in our partner countries.

## **Our services**

- We offer subsidies for small-scale development-relevant projects in partner countries.
- We provide advice on filling out applications, planning and implementing projects
- We organise networking events.
- We offer training.





# Chance Eine Welt e.V and AFROTAK CyberNomads, Deutschland & Equal Chance Support Foundation Africa, Nigeria

A project on vocational skills training and job creation



Ca. 150 small-scale projects supported since 2011



# Positive Life Global Empowerment & Divine Grace Positive Life Empowerment Initiative, Nigeria

Promoting IT education for children and improving livelihood systems for women in Nigeria.



Ca. 150 small-scale projects supported since 2011



# Diaspora Organisations

## **What needs to be in place before we can implement a project?**

- Your diaspora organisation wants to share knowledge and experience with a non-profit partner organisation and the target groups in your country of origin by implementing non-profit projects with a duration of up to 18 months
- Your diaspora organisation is registered in Germany as a non-profit organisation
- You are already in contact with a partner organisation and target groups in the country of origin or know how to establish contact with the organisation

# Diaspora Experts



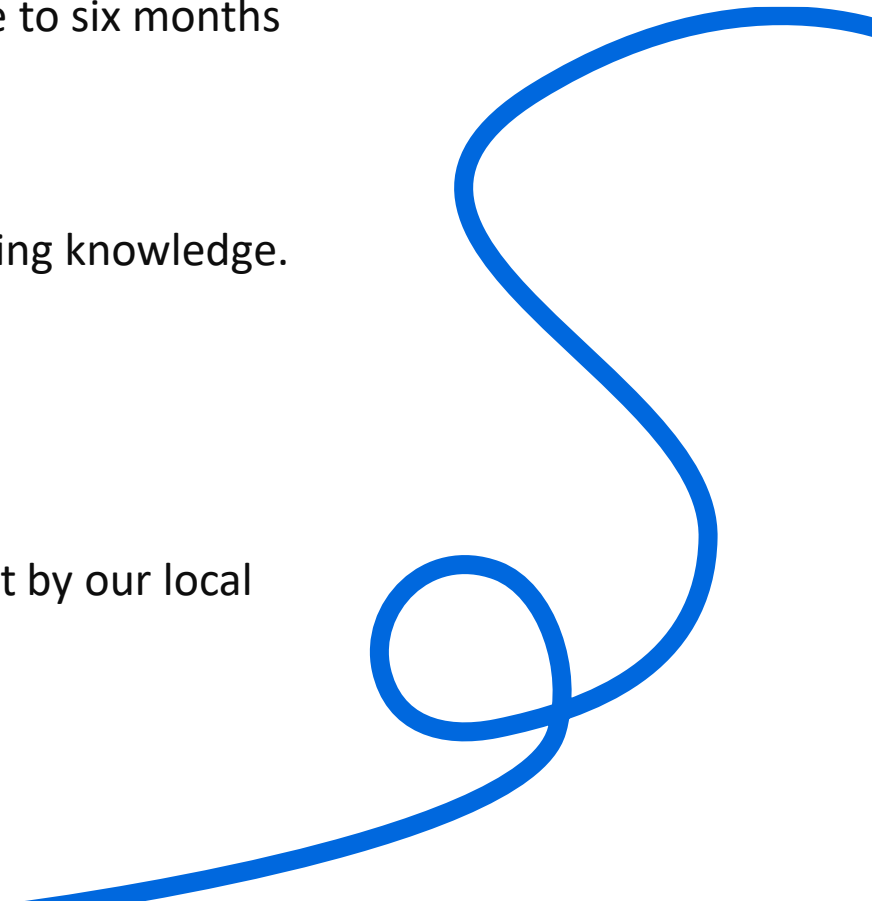


# Diaspora Experts

We support short-term voluntary assignments of three to six months with institutions in our partner countries.

## **Our services:**

- We offer training on successful methods of exchanging knowledge.
- We organise networking events.
- We offer financial compensation.
- We cover travel costs and health insurance.
- We provide ongoing support during your assignment by our local staff on the ground.





# Ms. Victoria Ojo, Nigeria



PhD Researcher at Humboldt University, Berlin

Worked as a short-term expert specializing in Innovative Research and Documentation at Spaces 4 Change, an NGO based in Lagos, Nigeria.

**360**

assignments of  
Diaspora Experts  
since 2016





# Dr. Anayo Ezeamama, Nigeria



An expert in Environmental and Resource Management at the Brandenburg University of Technology, Cottbus-Senftenberg, Germany

Engaged as a short-term expert at the Community Research and Development Center, Abuja, Nigeria

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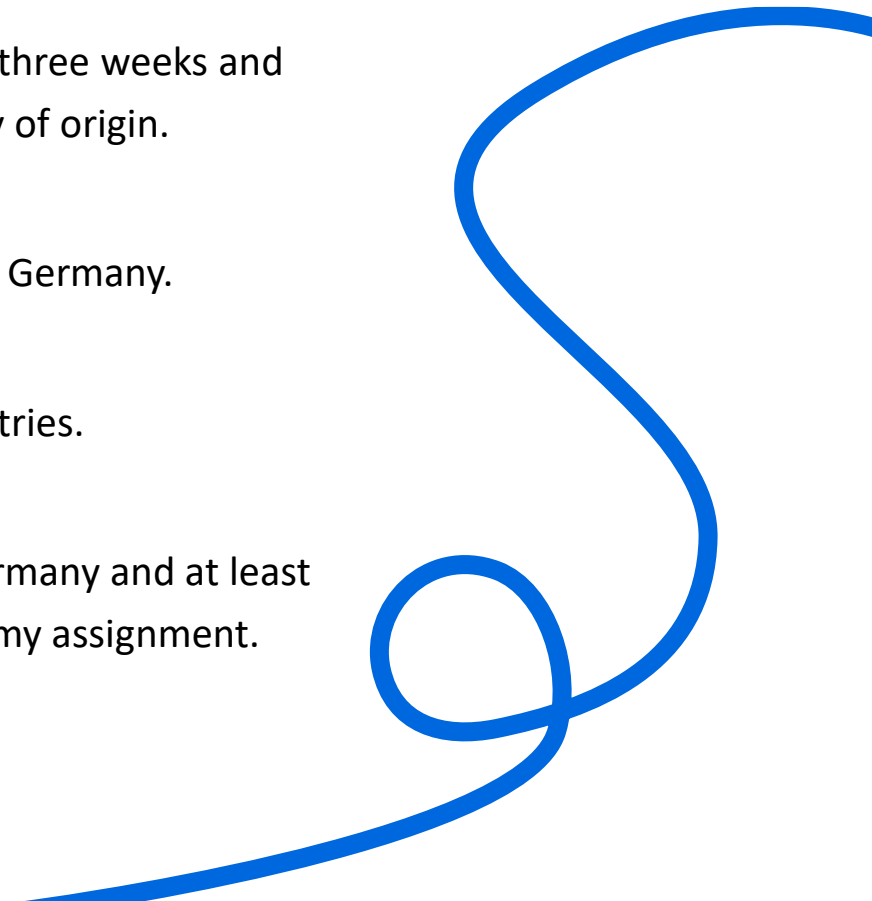
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# Diaspora Experts

## What qualifies me as a diaspora expert?

- I would like to complete a voluntary assignment of between three weeks and six months in an area relevant to development in my country of origin.
- I currently reside in Germany and have a residence permit in Germany.
- I have a history of migration in one of the PMD partner countries.
- I have qualifications and training which are recognised in Germany and at least two years of relevant professional experience in the field of my assignment.





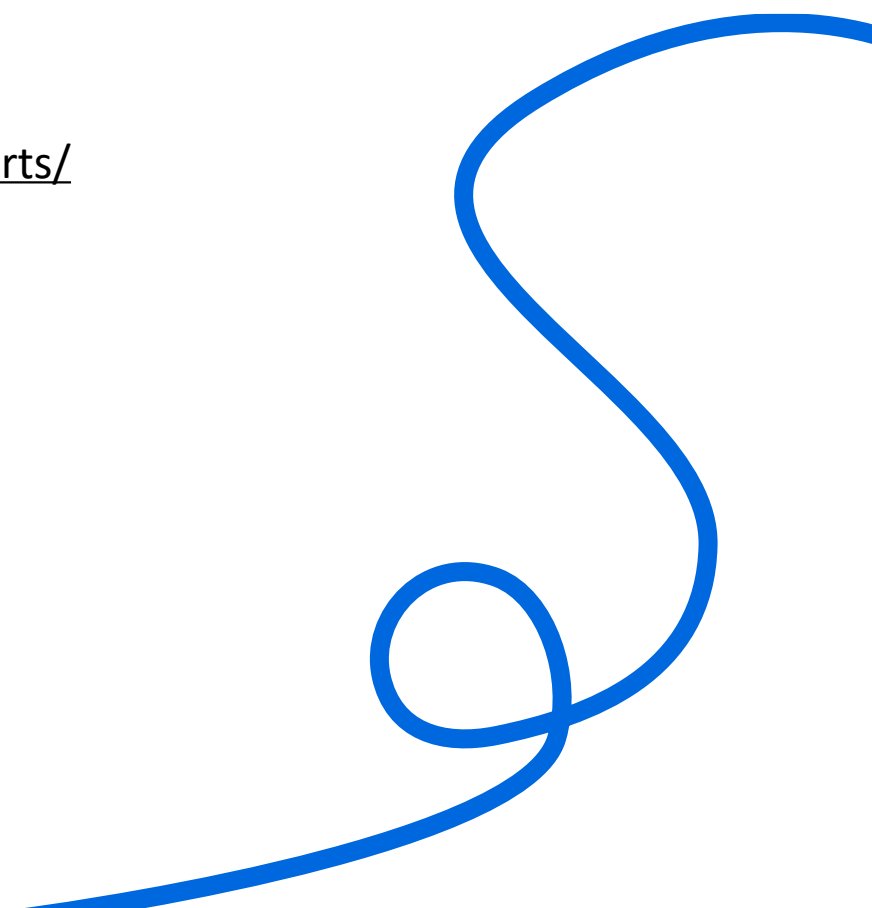
# Diaspora Experts

How do I apply for funding?

→ <https://diaspora2030.de/en/ehrenamt/diaspora-experts/>

→ **Specific job offers:** via „Job Opportunities“

→ **Unsolicited Application:** via „Apply Now“





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# Starting a business

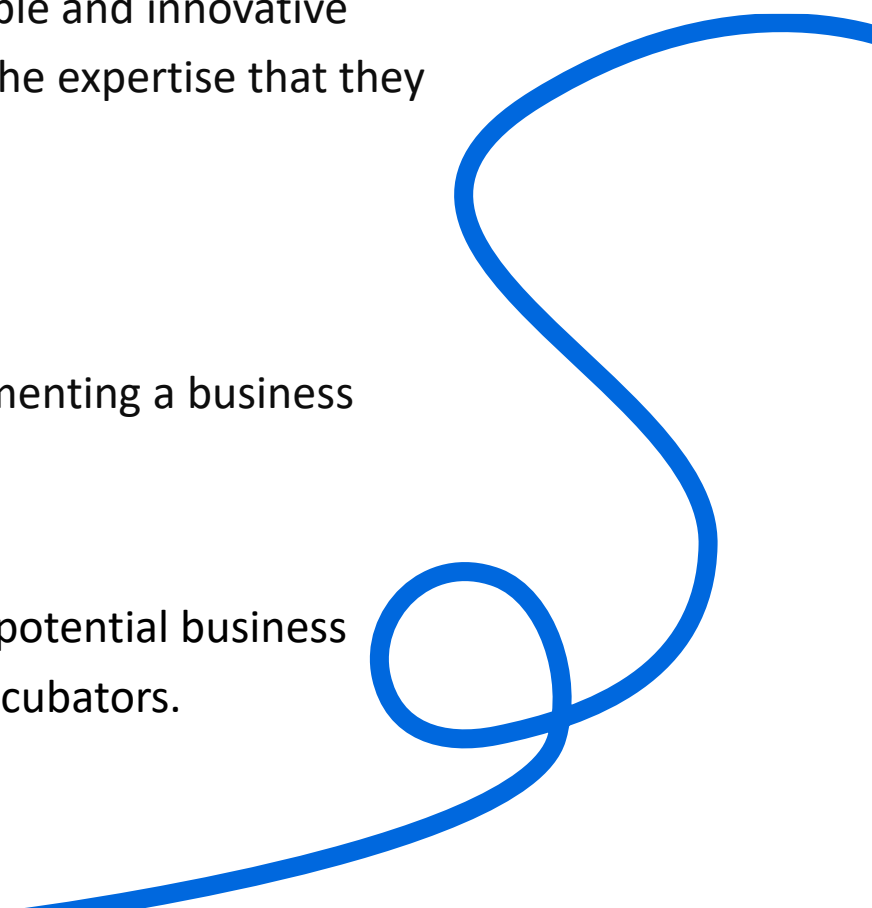




# Business Ideas for Development

We support business founders in setting up a sustainable and innovative business in their countries of origin and in leveraging the expertise that they have gained in Germany.

## **Our services:**

- We offer individual coaching on creating and implementing a business plan.
  - We finance preparatory measures for start-ups.
  - We offer networking with other business founders, potential business partners, business networks, start-up centres and incubators.
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# Eliot Nnodim Wogu, Nigeria



An International Business Management professional trained in Germany, founded the environment-focused start-up *Trashcoin* in Nigeria.

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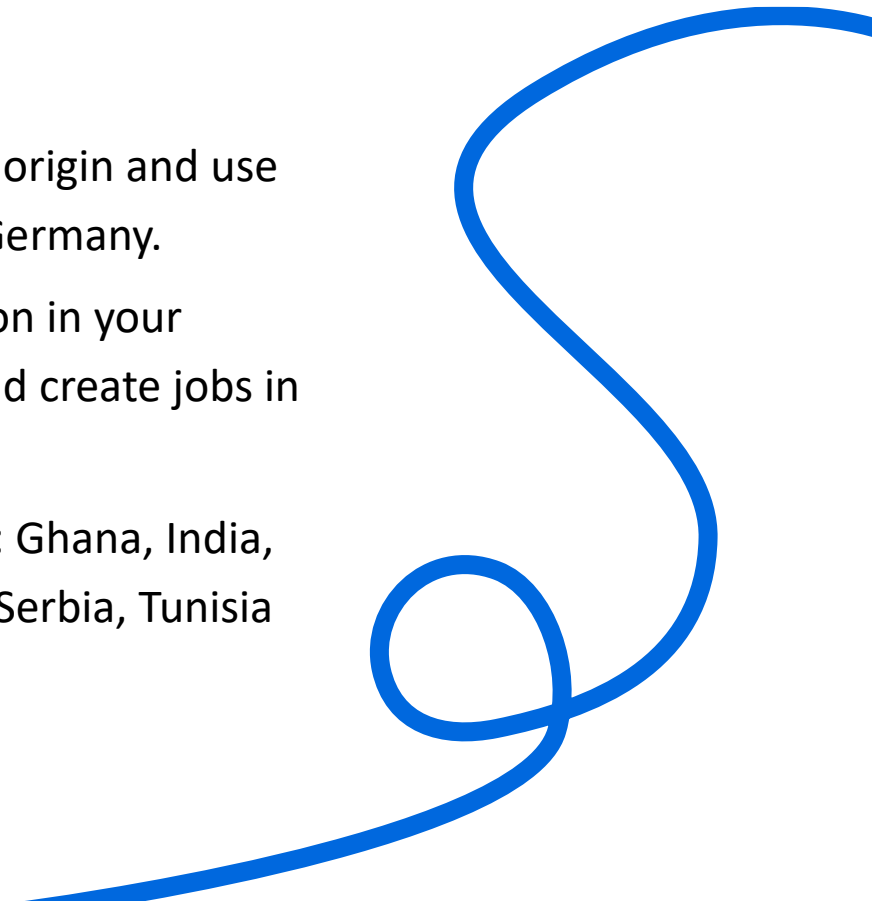
**Successful  
start-ups since  
2011**



# Business Ideas for Development

## What do I need to do to become a founder?

- You would like to start a business in your country of origin and use the knowledge and experience you have gained in Germany.
- With your company, you want to promote innovation in your country of origin, contribute to economic growth and create jobs in order to create new opportunities.
- Your migration history lies in one of these countries: Ghana, India, Indonesia, Cameroon, Colombia, Morocco, Nigeria, Serbia, Tunisia and Vietnam.



# Remittances

## What we offer:

- Geldtransfair.de is the official German comparison portal for foreign remittances.
- The goal: reduce transfer fees to ensure more money reaches the recipient
- 35 Countries
- 32 Transfer-Companies



geldtrans*fair*

*Find the **best way**  
to transfer  
money abroad*



# Gender Equality

Working together to  
promote gender equality

5 GENDER  
EQUALITY



- Global discrimination against women, girls and members of the LGBT+ community.
- Goal: Reduction of Gender-based discrimination and violence.
- Now it's your turn: your project, assignment or business idea supporting gender equality.

Diaspora expert Dr. Gladys Ayllón organises trainings for police officers on working with victims of gender-based violence.



Diaspora organisation ACI e.V cooperates with local organisations to organise workshops and dialogue events on integration, law and peace with migrant women and locals.



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**Do you have questions?**



# Thank You

**Are you ready?**

Contact us via [diaspora2030@giz.de](mailto:diaspora2030@giz.de)

[www.diaspora2030.de](http://www.diaspora2030.de)



**Kids  
& Teens**  
RESOURCE CENTRE

# The SDGs & What We Do



By  
**Martin-Mary**  
CEO-K&TRC  
Nigeria

# Social & Economic Problems in Nigeria

- ❖ Drug/substance abuse
- ❖ Prostitution/sex work (male & female)
- ❖ Transactional sex
- ❖ Forced marriage
- ❖ Early marriage
- ❖ Coping with puberty
- ❖ Low status of girls
- ❖ Concerns over menstruation, wet dreams, etc
- ❖ Examination Malpractices
- ❖ Gangsterism & Cultism
- ❖ Unplanned pregnancy
- ❖ Unsafe Abortion
- ❖ Multiple sexual partnership (serial & concurrent)
- ❖ Sexually Transmitted Infections
- ❖ HIV/AIDS
- ❖ Sexual violence - (rape, non- consensual sex, sexual harassment )
- ❖ Early sexual debut

# Social & Economic Problems in Nigeria

- Lack of Interaction between Government and the Society
- Corruption
- Environment & Health Issues
- Unemployment
- Police Brutality
- Poor Educational system
- ATM HQ
- Crime & Terrorism
- Poverty
- Gender inequality / Patriachial systems
- Lack of Recycle System
- Poor adherence to Government Policies
- Gender Based Violence
- Harmful Traditional Practices



What Are We Doing?



# brief background

Established in December 2002, to support, promote and advance efforts of the Nigerian government and all other stakeholders involved in young people's developmental activities.

Kids & Teens Resource Centre (K&TRC), is a registered non-profit making, non-religious and non-governmental organization founded upon motivation, love and service towards humanity.

**Corporate Affairs Commission : CAC/IT/No.22871**

**Ministry of Women Affairs: ODMWASD/0010**

**EU PADOR: NG - 2009-DUB-1310098717**

**USAID DUNS: 850517583**

**UN ECOSOC Status SINCE 2017**

vision &  
mission



**K&TRC envisions a “secured future” where young people are empowered to contribute to the sustainable development of their communities.**

**To create an enabling environment for equipping young people with knowledge and skills appropriate for self-actualization and development.**

who we  
serve.

### **Primary Audience:**

- i. Vulnerable Children especially in rural and excluded communities.
- ii. In- School Young People &
- iii. Out-of-School Youth.

### **Secondary Audience**

- i. Parents and Guardians.
- ii. Teachers and Instructors.
- iii. Health Care Providers.
- iv. Religious & Community Leaders.
- v. Duty Bearers & Political Leaders.

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Health

ICT  
& Education

Comprehensive Care for  
Vulnerable Children

Livelihood & Economic  
Empowerment

Good  
Governance

Renewable Energy  
& Environment

Community Development

Peace & Conflict Resolution

# key achievements in pictures



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Supporting girls in Nigeria to fight HIV by being teachers!  
K&T is a registered charity with the Charity Commission No. 1120101. Daada

# Biogas & Compost Project



# Kids Programming

- Care for Orphans & Vulnerable Children
- Promoting Schools Enrolments



# SDGs, contribution of Anaerobic digestion and biogas in relation to the SDG goals



**What  
Can  
You Do  
For Us?**



**In the Attainment of the SDGs**

# THINGS NIDO CAN DO...

- **CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS**
- **COMMUNITY OUTREACHES FOR SOCIAL CHANGE**
- **PROMOTING GOOD EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM**
- **SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM TO NGOs**
- **SOCIAL AUDIT**
- **SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY**
- **CIVIC EDUCATION**
- **ONLINE PROGRAMS**
- **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**
- **WOMEN & GIRLS EMPOWERMENT**

# FOR K&TRC

- **We wish to build & run a Youth Development Centre**
  - **Counselling**
  - **Skills development**
  - **Support systems**
  - **Seminars for Reorientation and social reconditioning**
  - **Friendly services**
  - **ICT et al**



*Thank You All*