ACET African Center for Economic Transformation



SECURING AFRICA'S FUTURE

The African Center for Economic Transformation (ACET) is a Pan-African economic policy institute supporting Africa's long-term growth through transformation. We produce research, offer policy advice, and connect key stakeholders so that African countries are better positioned for smart, inclusive, and sustainable development that improves lives.

TRANSFORMATION = GROWTH WITH DEPTH

Economic growth alone is not enough to secure Africa's future.

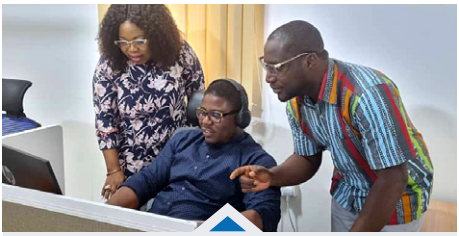
Countries must also transform their economies through diversified production, competitive exports, increased productivity, and upgraded technology — all to improve human well-being through better jobs and higher wages.

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Diversification	**Export Competitiveness**	**Productivity increases**	**Technological upgrading**	**Human well-being**

Growth with DEPTH is ACET's framework for turning transformation from a concept into **a practical policy agenda**.

AN INTEGRATED APPROACH

We go beyond the traditional role of a think tank, focusing on the "how-to" of reform with a unique policy engagement model that combines **analysis**, **advice**, and **advocacy** with strong **partnerships** to produce research that matters.



ANALYSIS
Informing policy

...by identifying the drivers of economic transformation and researching the most promising pathways for countries to achieve growth with DEPTH.



ADVICE
Supporting policymakers

...by bringing our research directly to leaders and officials and helping them turn practical advice into sound policy design and implementation.

ACET'S POLICY ENGAGEMENT MODEL

ADVOCACY
Galvanizing action

...by engaging and convening the right people at the right time to share knowledge, influence strategy, and encourage them to act.

PARTNERSHIPS
Working together

...by collaborating with partners in Africa and abroad to ensure that our ideas are timely, relevant, and tailored to country needs.







African challenges need African-led solutions.

A Founded in 2008, ACET is an agile, growing organization with an experienced team of economists based in Accra, Ghana. We are proud to be African-led but globally connected, drawing on the expertise of a deep network to bolster our thought leaderhip and champion Africa's transformation agenda.

Our Team

ACET's staff includes more than three dozen analysts and researchers across three continents, all with a deep understanding of African realities.

Our Board

ACET's Board is comprised of African and global leaders in government and the private sector with experience in all areas of economic policymaking.

Our Global Network

Our team is supported by dozens of world-class fellows and experts who work directly with us to strengthen our products and bolster our research. We rely on the inputs and issue expertise of our global network to ensure that our work is in the best position to make the biggest impacts.



Transformation Leadership Panel (TLP)

Established by ACET founder Dr. K.Y. Amoako, the TLP is body of eminent figures working together to heighten leadership and elevate action around economic transformation in Africa.

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ACET'S PRIORITY ISSUES

Economic transformation can take decades. To succeed, countries must make informed policy decisions for now and the long term. That's why we focus our work around select issues that are most critical to securing Africa's future.



Economic Management and Governance

We work directly with governments on the policies, regulations, and investments that enable economic transformation to succeed.



Youth Employment and Skills

We help countries identify the best sectors for rapid job creation and the best strategies for preparing youth for the future of work.



Private Sector Development

We provide direct support to African entrepreneurs to strengthen small businesses, attract investors, and promote smart policies.



Regional Integration

We encourage countries to work together to speed up progress through cross-border collaboration and agency coordination.



Gender Equality

We raise awareness around gender as an economic issue and work toward its inclusion in all aspects of policymaking and planning.



Climate and Agriculture

We encourage countries to pursue modernized, climate-smart agriculture to increase productivity and build economic resilience.



Innovation and Digital Policy

We promote strong innovation and entrepreneurial ecosystems supported by the necessary digital infrastructure and strategies.

Read about our work program and projects at **acetforafrica.org/our-work**

ACET'S FLAGSHIPS

Our flagships cut across all ACET priority issues. They highlight the best of our work and set a strong foundation for our analysis, advice, and advocacy.



African Transformation Report (ATR)

Grounded in original analysis but drawing on best practices from across Africa and the world, each ATR explores in-depth challenges to transformation — and offers specific solutions.

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African Transformation Forum (ATF)

The ATF is a global, African-led platform that brings together influential leaders and voices in government, business, and civil society to share knowledge and encourage collective action.

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African Transformation Index (ATI)

Using the five dimensions of ACET's Growth with DEPTH framework, the ATI is a tool to help measure and track the progress that African countries are making toward transformation.

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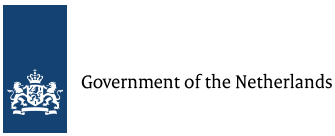
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Collaboration is critical to transforming Africa. We are not doing this alone.

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Securing Africa's future takes more than growth. It takes transformation.

ACET works across Africa to help governments, businesses, and civil society remove barriers that constrain long-term growth and pursue sustained, inclusive development through economic transformation.



A true Pan-African institute

Since 2008, we have worked in **more than two dozen African countries**. We also work across borders to bring countries together and foster more regional collaboration around shared challenges.

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