



# **AFRICA INFRASTRUCTURE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

**2021**

**Empowering the next generation of African  
public procurement experts**

# ABOUT THE INITIATIVE

Infrastructure development and financing are indispensable components of growth. As the first true infrastructure public-private partnership program dedicated to the training of senior civil servants in Africa, the AIFP has been designed to accelerate the closing of the infrastructure investment gap in Africa through capacity building.

## DESIGNED FOR PPP PROFICIENCY

A program in English or in French shaping the specific needs of public infrastructure procurement, delivery and management:

- Dispensing **a mix of practical and theoretical training** delivered by PPP professionals and experts
- Enabling a direct experience of private sector approaches and processes through **internships**
- Leading to the establishment of a strong **alumni network** of infrastructure practitioners



## Core elements of the program

- **The program runs for two months straight in Paris, France.**
- **Academic training of 3 weeks** to understand the role of private sector investment in infrastructure, introduction to tools including Infrastructure Prioritisation Framework, PPP Selection, Project Preparation, PPP Risk Allocation, PPP Contract Management and the Legal aspects of PPP.
- **Case studies and workshops** delivered by public and private partners.
- **Preparation of 2 weeks and exam taking for the APMG Public- Private Partnerships Certification Program**, led by the World Bank : - foundation level, - preparation level.
- **At least 3 weeks of experience** in a development bank, an investment, a civil engineering or a law firm specialized in infrastructure procurement, or a private bank.
- **On-site visits and side events** with key people.
- **Attending infra events** like the Paris InfraWeek in 2020

## A PAN-AFRICAN VISION

The fellows come from the whole African continent. Their nationalities are diverse and varied to create synergies between countries and regions.



## OUR COMMITMENT FOR A SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT COMMUNITY

We are dedicated to empowering public sector practitioners to make their countries leaders in sustainable infrastructures. All of our partners are committed to the ecological transition and measure social impacts following the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) framework.



# A PROGRAM AIMING AT BUILDING AFRICA'S NEXT GENERATION OF EXPERT PRACTITIONERS

**The AIFP is tailored for infrastructure public sector practitioners, with at least 3 years' experience in their countries' PPP infrastructure development.**

"The Africa Infrastructure Fellowship Program is really focusing on building capacity for the leaders and the future leaders of the public procurement for PPP's and infrastructure projects in Africa. It's also aiming at creating a community of fellows within Africa that can support each other in the future."

**Thierry Déau, Chairman of the AIFP**



## SELECTION CRITERIA AND NOMINATION/APPLICATION PROCESSES FOR FELLOWS:

- Minimum of 3-5 years practical infrastructure work experience. You also need to be in charge of PPP in the public sector.
- Candidates must obtain the endorsement of their organizations
- Reasonable command of English (next 2021 session to be delivered in English)
- Diversity of participants (gender, institutions...)

This program is free for the fellows. Transport, food, and accommodation expenses are covered.

**One cohort of 20 participants per year, increasing to 2 cohorts per year as the program develops**



## APPLICATION DETAILS - 2021:

- Next session of two months to be held in October-November 2021
- Recruitment period open until the 15th of May 2021
- Submit your application in the «Fellowship» section on the website : <https://africainfracollowship.org/en/fellowship>

# A SUCCESSFUL INAUGURAL TRAINING PROGRAM: 2020'S COHORT

The first cohort of fellows graduated in December 2020 after two months of intensive lectures:

- **10 Fellows from 5 countries** (Cameroon, Ethiopia, Gabon, Namibia, Senegal)
- **More than 30** interactive lectures and case studies, **a dozen** workshops
- **A total parity** (5 women and 5 men)



"This training has provided me with tools, particularly in all aspects of project identification and structuring, PPP contracting, as well as financial coaching."

**Guy Ulrich Odounga,**  
Gabon – Fellow 2020

## A program designed by the Ecole des Ponts ParisTech

The École des Ponts ParisTech, created in 1747 under the name École Royale des Ponts et Chaussées, is a higher education establishment that trains engineers to a high level of scientific, technical and general competency. Apart from civil engineering and spatial planning, historically the source of its prestige, the School develops high-quality programs and research associated with the energy transition.



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## 2020'S COHORT WITH THE SUPPORT OF



# **Support the AIFP**

- **Donate to partake in the organization of the program**
- **Host a fellow for the internship period**
- **Participate in the curriculum by sharing your knowledge and expertise**

The Foundation is welcoming partnership with any organization, whether public, private or international.

**Don't hesitate to contact us for further information**



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