

# Contribution to the United Nations Global Compact AFRICA

5<sup>th</sup> Annual Local  
Network Forum



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## Key Facts: African Networks



255 participants in Africa



Business participants 195

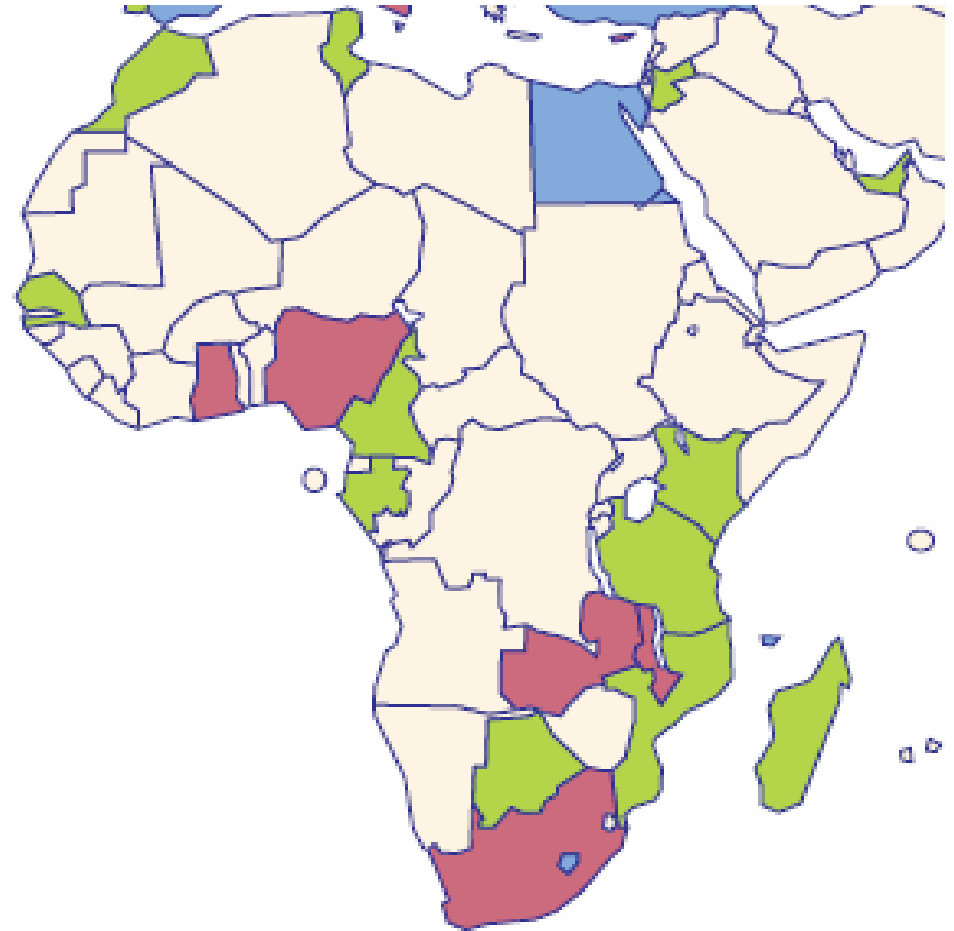


Numbers of participants in 10 active networks:

- Kenya 26
  - Zambia 33
  - Malawi 9
  - Nigeria 38
  - Mozambique 22
  - Madagascar 35
  - South Africa 24
  - Senegal 13
  - Ghana 33
  - Cameroon 7
- Other
- Côte D'ivoire 25
  - Ethiopia 9
  - Sudan 5

# Key Facts: African Networks

- Advanced Networks
- Operative Networks
- Emerging Networks





# African Networks: Trends

## Structures

- All the networks have established governance structures
- Each of them barring one is business lead, but multi-stakeholder
- Strong UNDP/GSB presence

## Participation:

- Networks participants are mostly business
- SME/MNE ratios differ from network to network, but there is none that is overwhelmed by SMEs
- Broad growth: almost all networks have increased their numbers and all annual reports show that gaining additional participants is a priority.






# Activities: African Networks



## Thematic Focus

- **Kenya:** CSR, HIV-Aids, climate change, anti-corruption
- **Zambia:** Investment/export, tourism & environment.  
HIV/Aids in the workplace
- **Malawi:** Business Action against Corruption
- **Nigeria:** CSR
- **Mozambique:** Awareness, COP and possibly climate change
- **Madagascar:** Environment, Health and Tourism
- **South Africa:** Anti-corruption and Human Rights
- **Ghana:** CSR (Business Code)

# Activity Trends

-  Mirror a trend within the UNGC as a whole – beyond commitment to implementation and embedding the principles.
-  Strong focus on planning and moving away from ad hoc activity
-  Gain participation
-  Awareness
-  Learning events and partnership methodology

- Sustainability of Networks
  - Need local ownership
  - Business lead
  - Increased and reliable income streams
- Political uncertainty / instability / conflict
- Survivalist mentality of business
- Maintaining interest and activity after signature
- Critical mass