Africa has been experiencing an intense explosion of tech hubs during 2019 (Kazeem, 2020). A tech hub is a community – informal or otherwise - that fosters innovation for technology startup companies (Svetlik, 2020). Moreover, this shows that the continent is indeed not slowing down and that the implementation of innovation and startups is deepening onto the continent (Kazeem, 2020). The amount of tech hubs across Africa grew by nearly 50% during 2019 and during this year, Nigeria was leading with 85 tech hubs across the country (Kazeem, 2020). Despite this, the best country to be a start up company CEO or developer in 2019 was South Africa, as it was one of the countries receiving the largest amounts of funding by tech investors. (Kazeem, 2020).

Tech hubs initiate tech trends and during 2019 there were a lot of tech trends happening. According to an article from Moguldom, the year 2019 was likely to see the continuation of increased startup investment, as African entrepreneurs would be able to grow their businesses thanks to their ability to raise capital (10 African Tech Trends That Will Define The Year 2019, 2020). The following is a tech trend that defined the year 2019: Artificial intelligence becomes mainstream in Africa as 80% of large enterprises are investing in AI while 30% are planning to invest during the next 3 years (10 African Tech Trends That Will Define The Year 2019, 2020) (Columbus, 2020).



As shown, Africa was introduced to huge tech trends during the year 2019 and would go on to be expected of experiencing more impactful tech trends in 2020. Africa is full of innovators and entrepreneurs ready to expand their ideas and companies. If anything, thinking of Africa as an underdog in the tech world is not only false information, but the thought itself keeps getting disproven by African entrepreneurs every year.

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