



# ASFI 2023 Digital Conference and Boot Camp

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*THEME:*

## RESEARCH FOR AFRICA'S TRANSFORMATION: CHALLENGES, QUALITY, AND IMPACT

### *Sub-theme 6: African Government and Non-governmental Organizations- Contributions towards Research Institutions and Infrastructural Development*

Sub-theme 6 aims to examine the vital role of African governments and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in promoting research institutions and infrastructural development on the continent. Recognizing that these institutions are key drivers of sustainable development and economic growth in Africa, this sub-theme seeks to explore how governments and NGOs can play a more effective role in promoting and supporting their development.

The contributions of African governments and NGOs towards research institutions and infrastructural development are critical to addressing the developmental challenges faced by the continent. Governments and NGOs provide vital funding, policy direction, and strategic partnerships necessary for the successful implementation of research and development projects. Through these interventions, they can enable the development of the necessary infrastructure, including laboratories, libraries, and communication networks, which facilitate research and innovation.

This sub-theme invites abstracts that explore various aspects of African governments and NGOs' contributions towards research institutions and infrastructure development. Authors may submit case studies, theoretical frameworks, and empirical research that highlight innovative strategies and policies adopted by African governments and NGOs in promoting research and infrastructure development.

Abstracts may also focus on the impact of government and NGO interventions on research and infrastructure development, including their successes, challenges, and future prospects.

They may also examine the role of African governments and NGOs in promoting sustainable development through research and infrastructure development. For example, they may explore how research institutions can collaborate with local communities to develop solutions that address societal problems, or how investment in infrastructure can promote economic growth and environmental sustainability.

Overall, this sub-theme seeks to highlight the critical role of African governments and NGOs in promoting research institutions and infrastructural development in the continent, and their contributions to sustainable development and economic growth. It offers a platform for scholars, researchers, policymakers, and practitioners to engage in critical discourse on the challenges and prospects of research development in Africa in the context of government and NGO support. Through this, the sub-theme aims to advance the continent's research agenda and promote sustainable development.

