# Embarking STI Open Innovation for Leapfrog Africa

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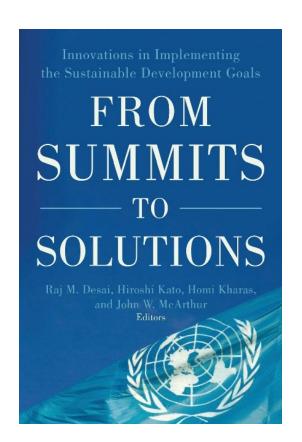


## Why: STI Open Innovation for Leapfrog Africa

- Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) are positioned as key Means of Implementation for the SDGs.
- While Africa still require traditional development pathways in many aspects, it is obvious that the recent disruptive technological change is significantly influencing to Africa's today and future.
- The disruptive technologies offer **new opportunities** to accelerate progress towards both the economic development and poverty alleviation, but we should also carefully look at its **possibility of downside risks** including increased inequality within and between countries.
- As a STI-led developed economy, with the spirit of TICAD, Japan and multi-stakeholders must do something to accelerate Africa's STI use leapfrog development.

## When: Now is the Time for Action

### From Summits to Solutions: Innovations in Implementing the Sustainable Development Goals



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### **Chapters**

1. The Need for Innovations to Implement the Sustainable Development Goals

#### Part I: Capturing Value

- 2. Expanding Women's Economic Opportunities
- 3. From Green Bonds to Sustainable Development: The Case of Nigeria
- 4. Collective Action on Business Standards, Goals, and Metrics to Achieve Scale and Impact for the SDGs
- 5. Professionalizing Cross-Sector Collaboration to Implement the SDGs
- 6. Building Sustainable Financing Architecture to Achieve the SDGs: The Case of Brazil

### **Part II: Targeting Places**

- 7. Making Rural Areas Places of Opportunity: Not Just a "Rural Agenda"
- 8. Using Remote Sensing and Geospatial Information for Sustainable Development
- 9. Enhancing Statistical Capacity for Development
- 10. Rescaling Government for an Urban Future
- 11. Protecting Half the Ocean?

### **Part III: Updating Governance**

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- 13. A People's Agenda: Citizen Participation and the SDGs
- 14. Safeguarding Our Global Commons
- 15. Unity in Diversity: Reshaping the Global Health Architecture
- 16. Crowding-In Private Finance: What Multilateral Banks Can Do Differently

# What: Mobilize the Power of STI for Africa's Leapfrog Development through Open Innovation

- Raising Awareness among multi-stakeholders in relation to Africa's development using the power of STI.
- Consensus Building and Acceleration particularly between African countries and JICA to re-identify development agenda and practice of using the power of STI.
- Resource Mobilization and Ecosystem through inclusive and collective approach with multi-stakeholders include encourage private finance to accelerate the STI for Africa's development.

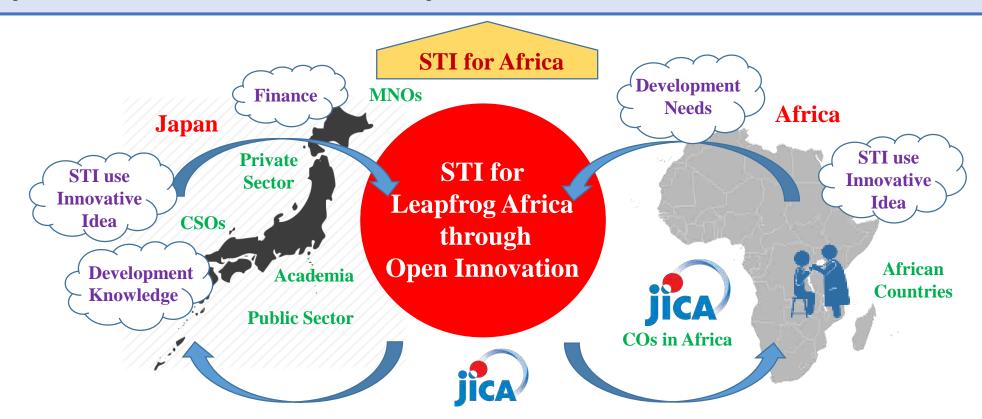
### Who and How: STI for Leapfrog Africa through Open Innovation

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# STI for Leapfrog Africa through Open Innovation 1st Ideathon (Sep.27) @ JICA: Summary

### **Agriculture**

- ◆(Japan's know-how used) Weather Info App for farmers.
- ◆Logistics / Sales Innovation through Digitalization.
- ◆COOKPAD for Africa

### **Universal Health Coverage**

- ◆Trust Accumulation Insurance
- ◆Visualization of Human Capital data.
- ◆Blockchain use medicine management.

### **Data for Development**

- ◆Promotion of 'Digital Identification for Development' project in all African countries.
- ◆Proposed 'Smartphone for All' project.
- ◆Enhancement of seed-funding to early stage startups in Africa.
- Human capital development for Africa to be a healthy data society.



# Agriculture

Challenges	<ol> <li>Production: Unstable weather</li> <li>Processing: Lack of processing facility, Processing equipment is not affordable.</li> <li>Logistics: Need improvement of access to market</li> <li>Sales: Lack of market information</li> </ol>
Value Proposition	<ol> <li>Production: Detailed and reliable weather data should be shared to farmers. Promote E-learning to farmers in order to enhance business mind on farming.</li> <li>Processing: Use 3D printer for necessary spare-parts printing for processing machines.</li> <li>Logistics: Visualize logistics through data digitization. Install Ubertype GPS service to tracks(include evaluation function to stimulate market mechanism) in order to strengthen cold-chain security.</li> <li>Sales: Visualize sales information through data digitization. Enhance digital payment by Fintech to secure transparent trading.</li> <li>Others: Introduce COOKPAD like web info which will contribute to improve the stunting issue.</li> </ol>
Solution	<ul> <li>(Japan's know-how used) Weather Info App for farmers.</li> <li>Logistics / Sales Innovation through Digitalization.</li> <li>COOKPAD for Africa</li> </ul>

# Universal Health Coverage

Challenges	<ol> <li>Finance: Available finance resources for health sector is limited.         Thus, the preventive measures are important. Appropriate information dissemination and education is crucial.</li> <li>Human Capital: More health workers are needed. Unbalance between urban and rural area is in crisis.</li> <li>Medicines: Sufficient volume and better quality medicines are required. Strengthening of proper medicine management is necessary (e.g. expiry date, stock management, etc.)</li> </ol>
Value Proposition	<ol> <li>Finance: Need innovative finance idea such as 'Trust Accumulation Insurance'. US's Friend Insurance or Social Impact Bond can be referred.</li> <li>Human Capital: Visualization of health workers' performance and medical data are required. Sharing of best practices among regions should be valuable.</li> <li>Medicine: Use blockchain technology to track medicine data would valuable to reduce unnecessary stock.</li> </ol>
Solution	<ul> <li>Trust Accumulation Insurance</li> <li>Visualization of Human Capital data.</li> <li>Blockchain use medicine management.</li> </ul>

## Data for Development

Challenges	<ol> <li>The lack of data in Africa still a bottleneck to pursue further development and poverty reduction.</li> <li>Trust is important for daily economic activities, but the lack of data prevents to create sufficient trust between B and B/C in Africa.</li> <li>Prioritization work of development issues also require more objective and transparent data.</li> </ol>
Value Proposition	<ol> <li>Bring the power of data to every African citizens through disruptive technologies.</li> <li>Support the people for affordable device acquisition.</li> <li>Create Trust in people through digital identification and objective data.</li> <li>Secure transparency and privacy.</li> </ol>
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