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Workshop Timeline

gantt title 7 Cities, 1 Story Workshop Flow dateFormat HH:mm

axisFormat %H:%M section Opening Opening Circle :done, p0, 09:00,

10m section Formation Team Formation :active, p1a, 09:10, 8m Draw

Cards & Explore :p1b, 09:18, 12m Choose Format :p1c, 09:30, 5m

section Development Expert Rotations :p2a, 09:35, 40m Independent

Practice :p2b, 10:15, 10m section Showcase Performances :p3a, 10:25,

20m Peer Feedback :p3b, 10:45, 10m section Practice Country Planning

:p4a, 10:55, 15m Expert Consultations :p4b, 11:10, 7m Network

Gallery :p4c, 11:17, 8m Network Commitments :p4d, 11:25, 3m section

Closing Closing Circle :p5, 11:28, 10m

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Opening Circle


 10 minutes

Welcome participants and frame the workshop as a continental connection, not just a training session. Emphasize that they're building ONE pan-African story from SEVEN cities.

"Find Your Common Ground" Mixer

3 rounds of connection:

- **Round 1:** Find someone from a different region who faces the same issue

 you do

- **Round 2:** Find someone who uses the same solution approach you do




- **Round 3:** Find someone whose city has something yours needs

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Team Formation & Creative Brief

 25 minutes

Segment A: Strategic Team Formation (8 min)

 Reveal pre-assigned teams with NO country duplicates. Each team has 4
 different countries, at least 2 different regions, mix of Anglophone/Francophone
 participants.

■ **Segment B: Draw Data Cards & Explore Issues (12 min)**

■ Teams draw one of 8 data cards (Poverty Penalty, Women's Power, Invisible Workforce, Sanitation, Landlords, Jobs, Education, Land Rights). Use Cross-City Questions Framework:

■ •What's the HARD DATA on this issue across our cities?

■ •What's our LIVED DATA from each city?

■ •What's the MISSING DATA we need to investigate?

■ •What's COMMON across all our cities?

■ •What's DIFFERENT and why?

■ **Segment C: Choose Creative Format (5 min)**

■ Teams select from 7 creative formats designed for cross-city storytelling (see Resources page for full menu).

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Creative Development with Expert Support

 **50 minutes**

■ **Sprint 1: Expert Rotations (40 min)**

■ 4 specialists (Media, Data, Mapping, LME) rotate between teams. Each expert



spends 10 minutes with each team.

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Expert :t1d, 09:45, 10m Mapping Expert :t1map, 09:55, 10m LME

Expert :t1l, 10:05, 10m section Team 2 LME Expert :t2l, 09:35, 10m

Media Expert :t2m, 09:45, 10m Data Expert :t2d, 09:55, 10m Mapping

Expert :t2map, 10:05, 10m section Team 3 Mapping Expert :t3map,

09:35, 10m LME Expert :t3l, 09:45, 10m Media Expert :t3m, 09:55, 10m

Data Expert :t3d, 10:05, 10m section Team 4 Data Expert :t4d, 09:35,

10m Mapping Expert :t4map, 09:45, 10m LME Expert :t4l, 09:55, 10m

Media Expert :t4m, 10:05, 10m

Sprint 2: Independent Practice (10 min)

 Teams integrate expert advice and finalize their creative piece for presentation.

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Creative Showcases & Peer Dialogue

 30 minutes

■ Segment A: Performances (20 min)

- Each team presents their creative investigation (5 min per team). Audience
- members receive role cards (Pan-African Organizer, Communication Strategist,
- Research Coordinator, Creative Producer) to guide their feedback.

■ Segment B: "Unity & Diversity" Feedback (10 min)

- Structured peer feedback using three questions:

- **UNITY:** What connected the cities?
- **DIVERSITY:** What honored differences?
- **POWER:** What could this create?

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From Performance to Practice

 35 minutes

■ Segment A: Country Action Planning (15 min)

- Participants regroup by home country to create concrete next steps using the
- Investigation & Network Plan worksheet.

■ Segment B: Expert Speed Consultations (7 min)

- Each country group gets 1 minute with each specialist for targeted support.

■ **Segment C: "7 Cities Network" Gallery Walk (8 min)**

- Physical network mapping with colored yarn. Participants connect to cities they'll collaborate with, creating a visual web of the pan-African network.

■ **Segment D: Network Commitments (3 min)**

- Sign the Network Pledge poster committing to stay connected and share findings.



Closing Circle: "One Story, Many Voices"

10 minutes

■ **Three Rounds of Sharing**

- **Round 1 - City Voices (5 min):** Each country shares their commitment
- **Round 2 - Individual Voices (3 min):** Popcorn sharing of insights
- **Round 3 - Specialist Voices (2 min):** Experts commit to ongoing support

- **Final actions: Group photo, WhatsApp group creation, certificate distribution**



Workshop Worksheets

1. "7 Cities, 1 Story" Foundation Sheet

Used during Phase 1 to capture cross-city patterns

- Hard Data from your card (statistics & numbers)

- Lived Data from each of the 4 cities in your team

- What's COMMON across all cities?

- What's DIFFERENT between cities and why?

- Missing Data - What do you need to investigate?

2. Investigation & Network Plan

Used during Phase 4 for country-level action planning

•Issue being investigated

•Inspiration from other cities in the workshop

•What we already know (lived experience)

•What data already exists

•What we need to find out (missing data)

•Investigation methods (mapping, surveys, interviews, etc.)

•Creative format we'll use to tell the story

•Language(s) we'll work in

•First step when returning home

•Which cities we'll stay connected to

- How we'll share our findings (WhatsApp, KYC.TV, etc.)

- Support needed from specialists

3. "Unity & Diversity" Feedback Form

Used during Phase 3 for structured peer feedback

- **UNITY:** What connected the cities in this presentation?

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- **DIVERSITY:** What honored the differences between cities?
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- **POWER:** What could this investigation create if completed?
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 *All worksheets should be available in both English and French*

*Print 20 copies of Foundation Sheets | 10 large-format Investigation Plans | 4 large-format
Feedback sheets*