

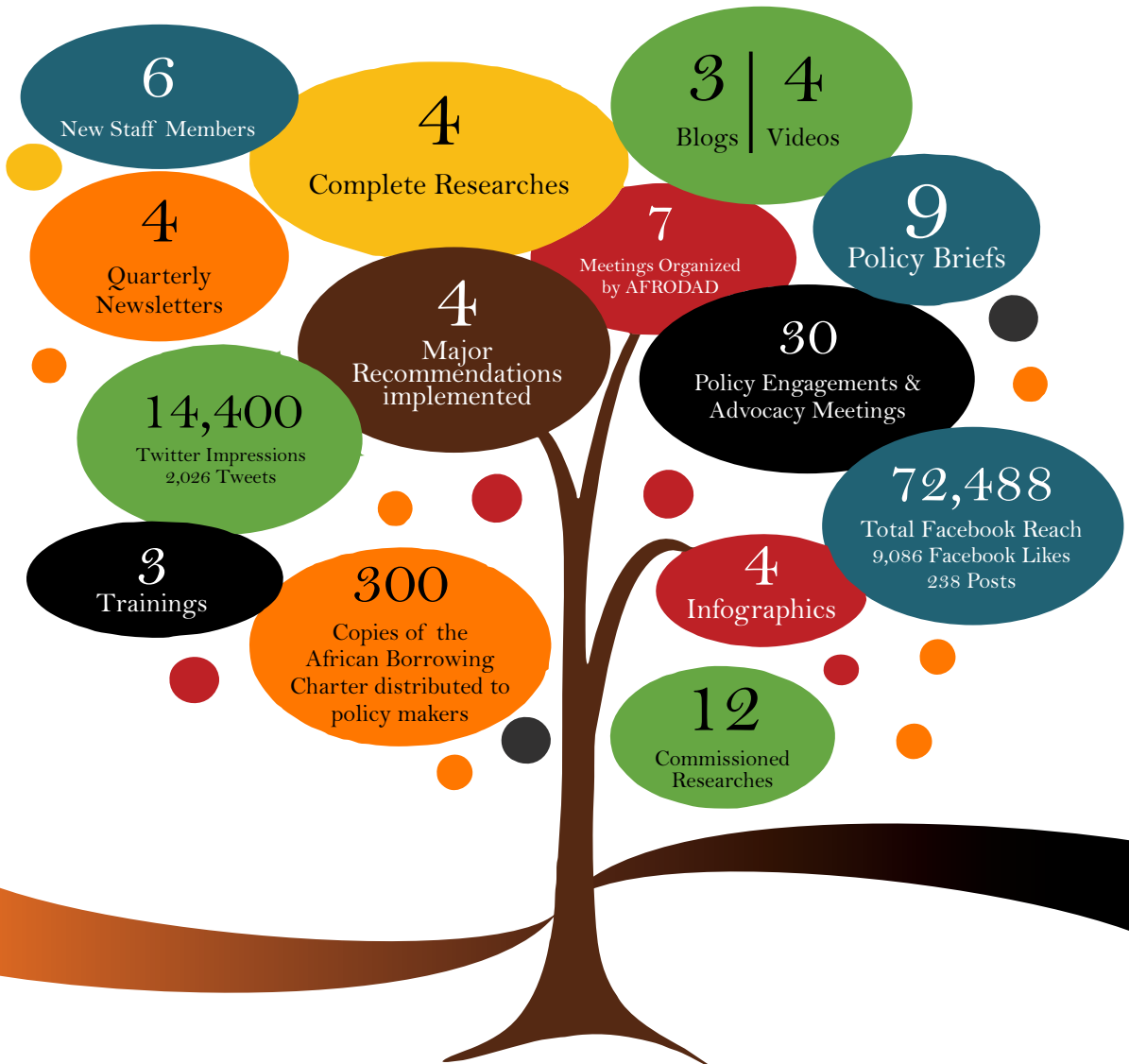
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To institute and implement policies and practices for sustainable development and poverty eradication



Hon. Albert from Ghana receives a certificate after duly attending the summer school



AFRODAD leading a session on IFF's in Extractives-Implications for Industrialization at the AfDB Civil Society Forum in Abidjan



Dr Bokosi and Mr Mutaxu met the Mauritius Minister for Financial Services & Good Governance



Hon. SESUNGKUR requested AFRODAD to assist towards implementing some of the recommendations made in the Mauritius Debt Management Report



Mrs. Gogodus from Malawi Broadcasting Corporation receives her certificate after attending the Malawi Media Training



A well equipped journalist is a threat to societal crimes such as corruption or IFF's. Building Reporting Muscles



After both media trainings, journalists confessed the quality of their reporting would highly increase.



Debt event during the C20 in 2018 AFRODAD, LATINDADD, ADIN, EURODAD, FUNDACION SES ARGENTINA and SDI.



The good thing with adult learning is that students also learn from each other



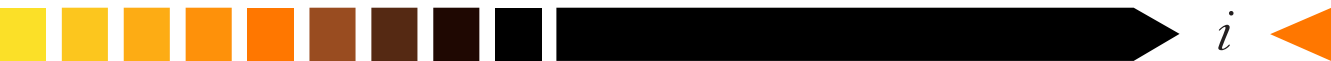
The AFRODAD Secretariat's Team Work comes in handy



How pleasant when we see participants giving AFRODAD's training the commitment they deserve



All the way from Chad to Malawi to learn from the Summer School



2018 RECOMMENDATIONS

01

Together with other CSOs, AFRODAD issued a statement during the African Development Bank Annual Meeting held in May 2018 in Busan, South Korea. The demand from the communiqué was that the bank should put people at the centre of industrialization by investing in African owned business and local Small and Medium Enterprises that are driving sustainable development in their communities. AFRODAD and other CSOs rejected the Bank's approach that drums the "privatising development" narrative, such as the pursuit of some mega Public Private Partnerships, which tends to twist benefits to the wealthy top, while passing down risks to the poor and vulnerable bottom (<http://www.afrodad.org/index.php/news-2/press-room>).

02

AFRODAD used the 2018 ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development follow-up held in New York in April 2018 to popularize UN General Assembly set of nine Basic Principles for Debt Restructuring Processes, adopted in September 2015.

03

The National Alternative Mining Indaba held in August 2018 in Angola presented AFRODAD with a platform to mobilise supports and advocate for the domestication of the AMV based on the study findings of the AFRODAD 2017 Study on "An Assessment Of The National Mining Legal Frameworks And Policies Of SADC Countries Against The Africa Mining Vision: The Case of Angola." As an outcome, the NAMI made recommendations which included some from AFRODAD to domesticate the AMV.

04

AFRODAD's presentations on BRICS in Africa and Agenda 2063 and the promotion of good-governance across all BRICS sectors led to the adoption of recommendations specific to Tax Justice and Fiscal Policy and the operations of the New Development Bank for submission to the BRICS Summit that was held in July 2018. Some of AFRODAD's recommendations were adopted in the BRICS Heads of State Declarations.

AFRODAD'S AFRICAN FOOTPRINT IN 2018

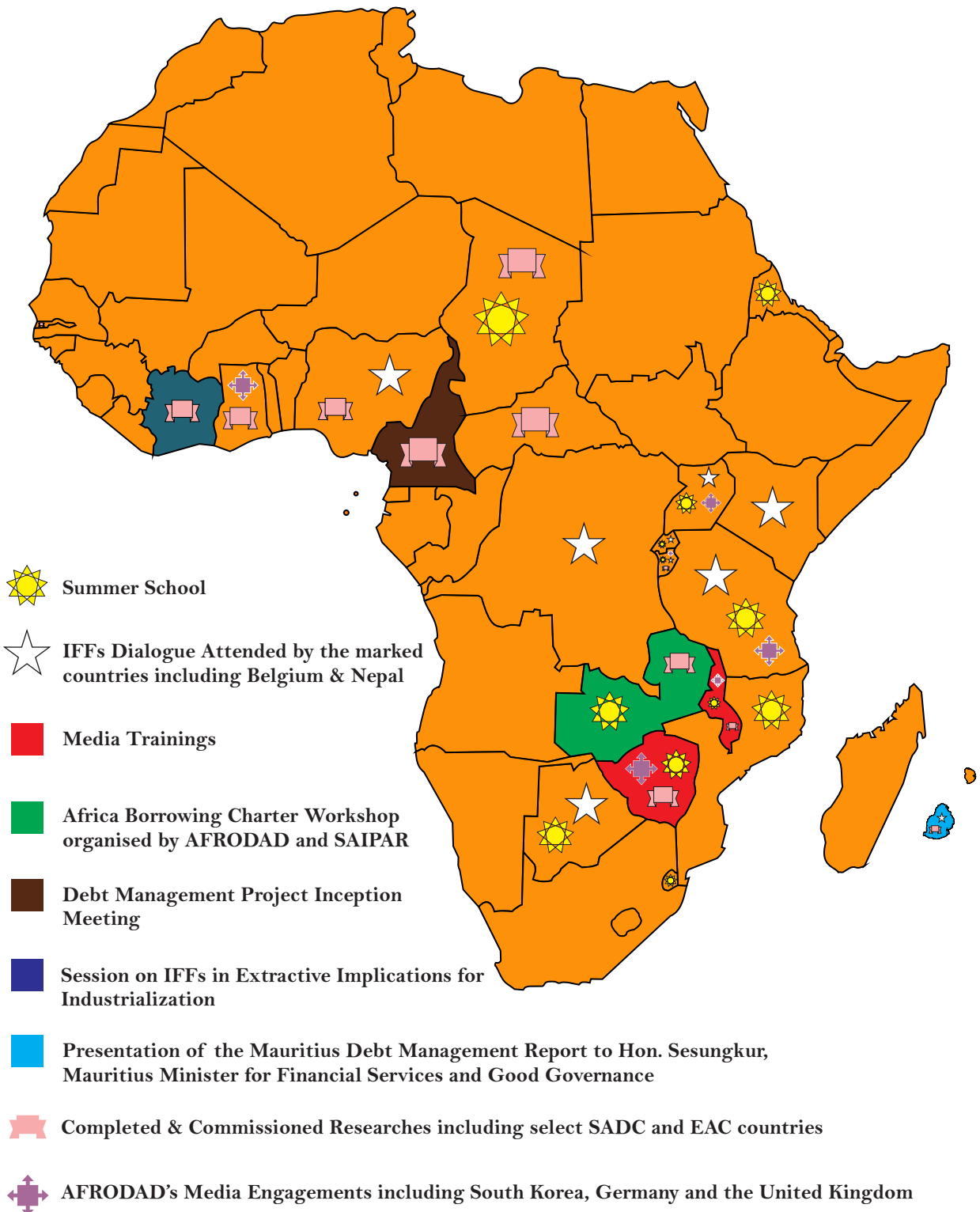


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A. DEBT MANAGEMENT

I. Introduction

The thematic goal of the AFRODAD Debt Management Portfolio is “to contribute to the development and implementation of sustainable debt policies and practices in Africa”. African countries debt sustainability continues to be threatened by falling commodity prices, a slowing Chinese economy, declining global demand for exports and the absence of a fair, transparent sovereign debt restructuring mechanism.

Strategic Objective 1: To improve government transparency and accountability on public debt borrowing.

Strategic Objective 2: To contribute to the establishment of a Fair and Transparent international sovereign debt restructuring mechanism

Strategic Objective 3: To strengthen inclusive, transparent and accountable public debt borrowing and loan contraction processes

Strategic Objective 4: To influence effective management of public domestic debt resources by African governments

II Key Highlights

7
commissioned
researches
to be completed
in 2019

3
Position
papers

6
Communiques

300
copies of the
African Borrowing
Charter

2
Project Inception
Meetings in
Cameroon &
Nigeria

4 County Researches on Accountable Loan Contraction Process in Central Africa Republic, Chad, Ivory Coast & Ghana.

2 County Researches on Domestic debt in the sub region of West Africa; Gambia and Nigeria

Study to monitor the Implementation of regional protocols on Finance & Investments in selected SADC & EAC countries in collaboration with MEMFI

Position Paper on IMF & World Bank Debt Sustainability Framework
eurodad.org/files/pdf/5a7c224a7e99c.pdf

AFRODAD with other CSOs issued a statement
afrodad.org/index.php/news-2/pressroom

Donors: Bread for the World; Eurodad; Diakonia (new)

III. The Narrative

3.1 AFRODAD has been working to improve government transparency and accountability on public debt borrowing

I. Regional Launches of the Borrowing Charter



The AFRODAD Borrowing Charter revision and updating was completed in April 2018. The Charter has been translated and printed in English, French and Portuguese languages. During the course of the year, 2018, the Charter was distributed to more than 300 policy makers in different policy forums that AFRODAD organised and invited. These included the IMF/World Bank 2018 Spring Meetings in April; the IMF/World Bank 2018 Annual Meetings in October 2018; AfDB 2018 Annual Meetings held in May 2018; the Third Financing for Development (FfD) Forum held in April 2018 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, USA.

ii. Policy Engagement Meetings in Zambia and Cameroon

The Debt Management portfolio also engaged with its stakeholders through policy engagements and advocacy meetings. The portfolio organised some of the following meetings and attended others to give input on the issues under discussions;

AFRODAD in collaboration with Southern African Institute for Policy and Research (SAIPAR) organised and hosted the African Borrowing Charter workshop in Lusaka, Zambia on the 26th of April 2018. The workshop's main purpose and expected outcome was to launch and ascertain ways of promoting the adoption



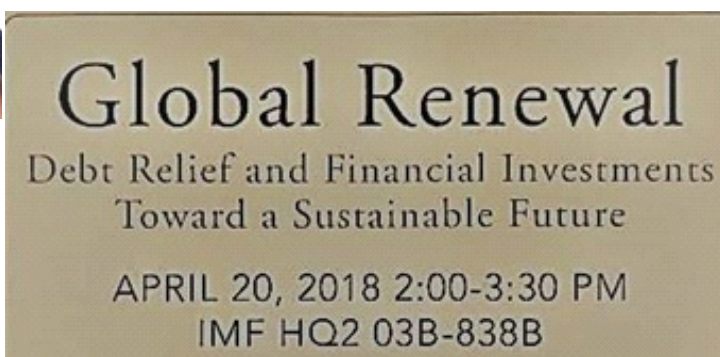
of the Charter at the national, sub-regional and regional levels. The workshop was attended by about **30** participants, comprising **5** policy oriented institutions representatives - SAIPAR Executive Director, Director - Macroeconomic and Financial Institute of Eastern and Southern Africa (MEFMI), Economic Policy Resource Centre (EPRC), Zambia Legal Information Institute (Zambia LII), **3** members of parliament, **15** civil society organisation representatives, **5** faith based organisations and **2** media representatives. These institutions have the influencing power on government policy on debt management. They have the capacity to foster the adoption of the Charter principles and guidelines.

AFRODAD and Cameroonian Regional Civil Society Network; Plate-forme d'information et d'action sur la dette (PFIAD) held a meeting to co-create a regional debt project in CEMAC region. The meeting was held from the 28th – 29th September 2018, in Douala, Cameroon. **10** Civil Society organizations were represented. The meeting accomplishments included raising the profile, bringing visibility and supporting efforts aimed at a critical policy conversation on the re-emergence of the debt challenge in Central Africa and the launch of the African Borrowing Charter - French Version.



10 IMF/WB staff and African governments' officials and **20** civil society organisations were represented at the meetings. In line with our organisational objective of improving government transparency and accountability on public debt borrowing, AFRODAD presented to the meeting the Borrowing Charter, whose key principles, guidelines, best practices and processes in borrowing and lending could curtail new crises if implemented globally.

AFRODAD also hosted a session at the IMF/World Bank 2018 Spring Meetings' [Civil Society Policy Forum \(CSPF\)](#), which took place in Washington, DC, from April 17-20, 2018. The session title was Global Renewal: Debt Relief and Financial Investments toward a Sustainable Future. This side event session was held in collaboration with Jubilee USA Network on the Friday 20th April. The Assistant Director and Division Chief, Debt, IMF Strategy Policy and Review Department participated as a panellist.



iii. *AFRODAD is Continually Engaging Various Stakeholders to Contribute towards Taming Rising Debt Levels*

AFRODAD was among the few civil society organisations that participated at the African Development Bank 2018 Annual Meetings that were held from 21 – 25 May 2018 in Busan, South Korea. Specific targeted meetings with AfDB Officials were held during the events. Represented CSOs exchanged views and thoughts on rising debt levels in the African region with Bank staff. More than **100** copies of the Borrowing Charter in English, French and Portuguese were shared and more than **500** participants were present at the meetings: AfDB/IMF/WB Officials, African governments' officials and more than **200** global CSOs.

Also, jointly with Bread for The World, LATINDADD, ADIN, EURODAD, FUNDACION SES ARGENTINA and SDI, AFRODAD organized a debt workshop entitled *“Preventing debt crises and its negative social impacts”* during The

Civil20 2018 Summit which was held from the 6th to the 7th of August, in Buenos Aires Argentina. The workshop was attended by over 50 participants from the academia, international organizations and civil society. One of the Workshop outcomes was the exchange of information and analysis on current proposals towards responsible lending and borrowing to prevent unsustainable debt situations and its negative social impacts. Panelist gave concrete possible debt resolution mechanisms.

3.2 AFRODAD's Contribution to the Establishment of a fair and transparent international sovereign debt restructuring mechanism

i. Popular Campaign on UN set of nine Basic Principles for Debt Restructuring Processes

AFRODAD actively participated in the 2018 ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development follow-up (FfD Forum) held in New York from 23 to 26 April 2018. The four-day event featured a Special High-level Meeting with the IMF/WB, WTO and UNCTAD, ministerial round tables, general debate, and thematic discussions. The Forum assessed progress and identified obstacles and challenges to the implementation of financing for development outcomes, promote sharing of experiences, address new and emerging topics, and provide policy recommendations for action by the international community in the following areas of the 2015 Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA). Round tables brought together more than 500 expert-level officials from UN Member States, international financial and trade institutions from within and outside the UN. Reached out to more than 300 civil society, the business sector and local authorities' officials present who interacted directly with Member States to discuss progress made on commitments contained in the Addis Agenda.

AFRODAD, Eurodad, Brot für die Welt, Centre of Concern, Financial Transparency Coalition, Jubilee USA, and Society for International Development organised a side event to discuss the unfinished business in financial regulation and debt crisis management reforms. AFRODAD used these platforms to popularize UN General Assembly set of

nine Basic Principles for Debt Restructuring Processes, adopted in September 2015

AFRODAD was represented at the 2018 WB/IMF Annual Meetings held from 8th to 13th October 2018 in Bali, Indonesia, by Dr. Fanwell Kenala Bokosi- Executive Director and Mr. Tirivangani Mutazu – Senior Policy Analyst Debt Management. They both participated in a number of debt events during the annual meetings, under the WB/IMF and civil society programmes. Sovereign debt levels were noted to be rising especially in developing countries. The UNGA work on the legal framework was noted and the 10 principles adopted so far for debt restructuring were commented on, with calls for International Financial Institutions (IFIs) to play their role in the UN process.



Discussions from a number of events during the meetings show a great deal of stakeholders' frustrations with stowed progress on this issue, especially directed at the USA.

AFRODAD coordinates African CSOs and lobby African debtor countries, to play a greater role in debates that will formulate new proposals and ideas to reshape and bring order to the international financial system.

AFRODAD had an opportunity to engage members of Tanzania Coalition on Debt and Development (TCDD) during a meeting on the 11th April 2018, in Dar es Salaam Tanzania. A presentation on sovereign debt workouts was made and actively debated by TCDD members.

3.3 AFRODAD has been Contributing to Strengthening Inclusive, Transparent and Accountable Public Debt Borrowing and Loan Contractation Processes

i. AFRODAD is Contributing to Accountability in Public Borrowing

On the 21st February 2018, Dr Fanwell Kenala Bokosi, Executive Director of AFRODAD, and the Senior Policy Analyst Mr. Tirivangani Mutazu, met the Hon. Dharmender SESUNGKUR, Mauritius Minister of Financial Services and Good Governance and 4 of his senior Officials. The meeting was called by the Minister after he read the report AFRODAD compiled on Debt Management in Mauritius. The minister would like AFRODAD to assist in the implementation of some of the recommendations made in the report.

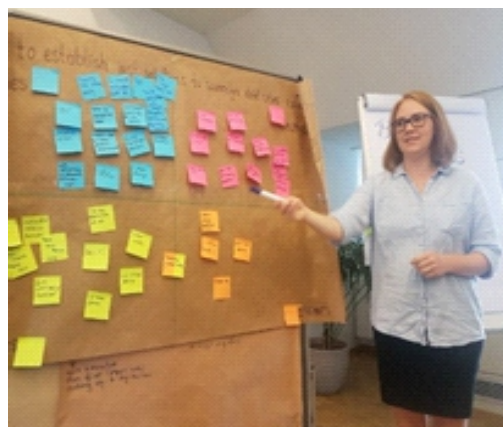


Discussions and Report Handover

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ii. AFRODAD is Part of the Discussion on New Strategies to Tackle the Looming Debt Crisis

The Sovereign Workout Debate in 2018: Where are we in the process? 19-20 July in Hannover, Germany. The seminar was coordinated by Jubilee Germany, AFRODAD northern partner. Its main aim was to take stock of 20 years campaigning for sovereign debt workout reforms and discuss strategies forward.



iii. AFRODAD at Civil 2018 Summit

The Civil20 2018 Summit was held from the 6th to the 7th of August, in Buenos Aires Argentina. The major highlight of the summit was the attendance of the Argentina President, who is also the president of G20, Mauricio Macri, on the opening day, the 6th of August.

Jointly with Bread For The World, LATINDADD, ADIN, EURODAD, FUNDACION SES ARGENTINA and SDI, AFRODAD organized a debt workshop entitled “*Preventing debt crises and its negative social impacts*” held at the Palacio San Martín on Monday 6 of August, 11:30 – 13:00.

The workshop was attended by over 50 participants from the academia, international organizations and civil society. Moderated by Patricia Miranda, from LATINDADD, the workshop had informative and rich discussions on global and regional debt updates.



One of the Workshop outcomes was the exchange of information and analysis of the current debt situation in developing countries in the Latin American and African regions. The above presentation focused on current proposals towards responsible lending and borrowing to prevent unsustainable debt situations and its negative social impacts. Panelist gave concrete possible debt resolution mechanisms.

B. DOMESTIC RESOURCE MOBILISATION

I. Introduction

The thematic goal of the Domestic Resource Mobilisation (DRM) portfolio is “to contribute to the development and implementation of transparent, accountable and efficient mechanisms for mobilisation and utilisation of domestic resources in Africa”.

Strategic Objective 1: To advocate for a fair and effective tax system for financing;

Strategic Objective 2: To contribute to the strengthening of extractive industries revenue management in Africa;

Strategic Objective 3: To advocate for and mobilize support for formulation and implementation of rules and regulations to tackle Illicit Financial Flows from Africa.



II Key Highlights

4
Policy Briefs

3
commissioned
researches
to be finalized
in 2019

2
Trainings
(Summer School,
Media Training)

Assessing the Political Economy Drivers of IFFs and Corruption and Nexus between Corruption and Domestic Resource Mobilisation “The Case of Malawi”

Assessing the Political Economy Drivers of IFFs and Corruption and Nexus between Corruption and Domestic Resources Mobilisation “The Case of Zambia”

Illicit Financial Flows in Extractive - Implications for Industrialization

Donors: NCA, NORAD, Oxfam, OSISA and the new contract signed with Diakonia AE

Illicit Financial Flows and Corruption in Africa: A Threat to the Development Agenda

Illicit Financial Flows in Africa: Offshore Financial Centers' role in exacerbating Base Erosion and Profit Shifting

Political Economy Drivers of IFFs and Corruption and the Nexus between Corruption and Domestic Resource Mobilisation . “The Case of Malawi”

Political Economy Drivers of IFFs and Corruption and the Nexus between Corruption and Domestic Resource Mobilisation . “The Case of Zambia Communiques”

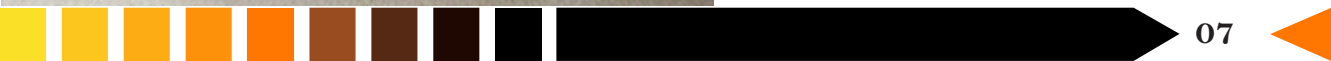
III. The Narrative

3.1 AFRODAD is Contributing to Advocacy Efforts towards a fair and effective tax system for financing development in Africa

I. AFRODAD 2018 Regional Dialogue



The AFRODAD 2018 CSOs and Parliamentary Regional Dialogue on IFFs was held from 21-22 March 2018 under the theme, “Escalating the Role of Parliament and Civil Society in Curbing IFFs from Africa – Promoting Increased Transparency of Decision Making on Tax and Financial Transparency”. The Conference was attended by 50 delegates including MPs, CSOs and Media from Africa, Asia and Europe. Countries represented at the conference included Belgium, Botswana, Burundi, DRC, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Mauritius, Nigeria, Peru, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, and Nepal. From the conference presentations and



discussions, participants were able to assess the issues around IFFs and specify the most urgent issues and then actions that need to be taken at national, regional and global level to address them.



ii. 6th Pan African Conference on Illicit Financial Flows

AFRODAD joined other civil society organisation in the region in support and to strengthen the CSO movement for combating IFFs out of Africa at the 6th Pan African Conference on IFFs and Taxation that was held on 17 – 18 October 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya. The theme for the conference was “*Corruption as driver of IFFs from Africa*”.

The Conference provided a platform for multiple stakeholders and policy actors drawn from governments, CSOs, research and academia and other relevant players to deliberate on pertinent issues on the Illicit Financial Flows (IFFs) agenda. The conference discussions contributed and enriched ongoing efforts by the Africa Union to fight corruption and stop IFFs from Africa. Fifteen (15) years after the adoption of the [AU Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption \(AUCPCC\)](#), provided a good opportunity to take stock on progress made so far, assess what still needs to be done and devise new strategies that appropriately address new corruption challenges. The Conference also provided an opportunity to take stock of the success made so far and challenges facing African governments in their efforts to honour their commitments to stem IFFs through the implementation of the [High Level Panel recommendations](#)

iii. AFRODAD Provided Expert Contribution to Seeking solutions concerning DRM, the fight against corruption and IFFs

AFRODAD attended the independent expert meeting on finance, monetary affairs, economic planning and integration on April, 9th and 10th at the African Union commission headquarters, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The Africa Union Commission in partnership with the Africa Development Bank and the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung convened this Independent Experts' Meeting on Mobilisation of Domestic Resources: “Fighting against Corruption and Illicit Financial Flows” to provide a platform for independent experts from Africa and beyond to articulate challenges and propose solutions concerning three thematic areas: domestic resource mobilization, the fight against corruption and the fight against illicit financial flows (IFFs).



iv. AFRODAD contributed to the 8th African Policy Circle Meeting

AFRODAD engaged with other non-traditional partners of the African Civil Society Circle (APC) at the 8th African Policy Circle Meeting from 24 to 25 May 2018 in Abuja, Nigeria. The topic of discussion for this meeting was “Forced Migration within and out of Africa”. Many Africans are increasingly leaving their communities as internally displaced persons at the national level and as refugees at the regional or international level on the account of conflict and instability.



Every case is much more than a personal tragedy, as it threatens to undermine the achievement of Africa's broader development objectives and the Sustainable Development Goals. It was therefore important for the APC to discuss and develop a common position on solutions to the issue of forced migration in the region. The meeting enabled AFRODAD

to continue promoting common positions on key development challenges, and promoting solutions to debt problems in Africa. The meeting was attended by 28 participants, 7 being female.

v. EURODAD Policy Forum: AFRODAD Continues to add value

AFRODAD participated in the 2018 EURODAD Policy Forum which ran under the theme “Financial Crisis +10: From lost decade to lasting change” held on 11th - 12th June 2018 in Brussels. The objectives of the Policy Forum were

to: understand how the global economy has changed since the crisis, and why current global structure and policies are not working; discuss root causes of the problems and reflect on how far work and proposals for change will tackle this issue; as well as getting a rapid update on a broad range of development finance related campaigns, and to make new connections or reinforce old ones.



vi. Statistical Methodologies for measuring IFFs

AFRODAD participated in the UNCTAD second expert meeting on “Statistical methodologies for measuring IFFs” in Geneva on 20–22 June 2018. The meeting drew participation from experts in different types of IFFs, their measurement and sources of data from international and regional organisations, national authorities and academia. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the concepts and methodologies for measuring IFFs including those for the SDG indicator 16.4. UNCTAD and UNODC are custodians of this indicator. The meeting also provided insights into the measurement challenges and data requirements at the national and regional levels.

vii. AFRODAD is Contributing to the Fight against Inequality



AFRODAD joined other global partners to participate in the Fight Inequality Alliance Global Gathering held in June 2018 in Guarerama, Brazil. AFRODAD shared its analysis on the correlation and development impact of IFFs on inequality and on how successfully curtailing IFFs and corruption can translate to increased public spending on essential services such as health and education and this would benefit women and children more, considering that women undertake the bulk of the healthcare and educational work in the absence of adequate public services. A total 40 participants from CSO global members of the alliance attended the meeting. Another similar meeting was held earlier in Arusha, Tanzania and AFRODAD participated.

AFRODAD in collaboration with The Zimbabwe Coalition on Debt and Development (ZIMCODD), Kuumba Arts Foundation and the Economic Justice Network of FOCCISA (EJN) held a breakaway session at the 2018 SADC People's Summit on 16 August 2018 under the theme “Curbing Illicit Financial Flows for a Better SADC. The breakaway session sought to interrogate illicit financial flows in the SADC region based on country contexts of Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Participants included SADC citizens participating at the SADC People's Summit, experts with sound knowledge on IFFs for purposes of sharing information and experiences. It also included more than 800 delegates drawn from grassroots social movements, community based organisations, faith based organisations, small scale food producers, women's organisations, labour, students, youths, children, economic justice, human rights, people with disabilities and other various sectors of social movements. This platform provided AFRODAD and its partners an opportunity to raise awareness on IFFs through creative means of communication such as comic plays, songs and animations. Through Kuumba Trust, AFRODAD's animated social media video based

on the IFFs infographics was showcased. The infographics produced are available on <http://www.afrodad.org/index.php/center-of-excellence/infographics-on-iffs/domestic-resources-mobilization> while the social media video is available on https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JXRqdoL_7qg&t=9s

viii. *Advocacy for a Fair and Effective Tax System for Financing Development*

AFRODAD has been active in extending its advocacy at key regional and international conferences and strategy meetings which have been very important in enabling advocacy for a fair and effective tax system for financing development.



AFRODAD actively participated in the 2018 ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development follow-up (FfD Forum) held in New York from 23 to 26 April 2018. The four-day event featured a Special High-level Meeting with the IMF/WB, WTO and UNCTAD, ministerial round tables, general debate, and thematic discussions. AFRODAD participated in the official programme on domestic public resources to reflect on the recent progress and challenges faced by developing countries in domestic resource mobilization. The discussion also focused on the measures put in place to broaden the tax base and strengthen tax administration against a backdrop of changing economic structures and technologies. It further reviewed steps taken by developing countries to meet their revenue goals, including through agreement and implementation of pro-development international tax norms, capacity development and curbing illicit financial flows.”

AFRODAD in collaboration with Eurodad, Financial Transparency Coalition, Tax Justice Network Africa and Society for International Development also organised a side event on IFFs/International Tax Cooperation. The side event discussions contextualized and countered claims of recent progress (i.e. black list); Problematized the Tax Platform and its recent event; Continued to lobby for a UN inter-governmental tax commission and an international tax convention.

3.2 AFRODAD is Contributing to the Strengthening of Extractive Industries Revenue Management in Africa

i. Illicit Financial Flows in the Extractive Sector in Africa: Implications on Industrialisation

AFRODAD responded to a call by the African Development Bank (AfDB) to present on “*Illicit Financial Flows in the Extractive Sector in Africa: Implications on Industrialisation*” and it was selected as one of the six CSOs from the region (out of forty-seven CSOs and CSO networks proposals). It was also invited to lead a session on IFFs in Extractives-



Implications for Industrialization at the AfDB Civil Society Forum in Abidjan in May 2018. The AFRODAD led session was attended by 35 delegates from CSOs and policy makers from across the continent.

ii. Partnering the Media in Strengthening Natural Resource Governance in Africa – Malawi Media Training



AFRODAD hosted the Malawi Media Training under the theme “Partnering with the Media in Strengthening Natural Resource Governance in Africa” from 25-28 September 2018 in Blantyre, Malawi.

The training was attended by 35 Malawi media practitioners in total; 10 female, drawn from online and print media, representing more than 15 media houses, including investigative



and freelance journalists. Some of the media houses represented included Malawi Broadcasting Corporation; Times Group; Nation Publications Limited; Joy Media Group; Zodiak Broadcasting Station and Malawi News Agency. A full video report on the training was prepared and is available [here](#).



iii. Alternative Mining Indaba Meetings



- Angola

AFRODAD was invited and participated in the 3rd Angola National Alternative Mining Indaba which was held in Luanda, Angola. The 2018 NAMI drew **270** delegates representing the government officials, church council, civil society organisations, religious groups, universities, mine host communities and mining companies

- Zambia

AFRODAD was also invited and participated in the 7th Zambia Alternative Mining Indaba (ZAMI) held in Lusaka, from 19-21 June 2018, under the theme “Our Natural Resources, Our Future! Extraction for All, Putting Local Communities First”. The ZAMI drew more than **170** delegates, representing the Church, Civil Society Organisations, mine host communities, large-scale mining companies, small scale miners and government. AFRODAD presented the preliminary findings of the 2018 research study on “Assessing the Political



Economy Drivers of IFFs and Corruption and the Nexus between Corruption and Domestic Resource Mobilisation in Zambia” which is purposed to deepen understanding on the trends, drivers and implications of IFFs on government revenues, economic development and social investment in Zambia.

- Zimbabwe

Between the 10th and the 12th of October 2018, AFRODAD participated at the 7th Zimbabwe Alternative Mining Indaba (ZAMI) which was held in Bulawayo at Holiday Inn. The ZAMI was held under the theme: “Accountable and Transparent Governance of Mineral Resources: Safeguarding Development Interests of Local Communities in Mining Sector Reforms”. The event was attended by more than **300** participants drawn from mining communities, civic society organisations working on mining issues, faith based sector, mining companies and central and local government officials.

- Botswana

And finally, AFRODAD attended the Botswana Alternative Mining Indaba (BAMI) which was held in Gaborone from the 17th to the 19th of October 2018. The 2018 BAMI was themed: “Making Natural Resources Work for the People: Leaving No One Behind” and was hosted by the Botswana Council of Churches. In terms of participation, **100** participants drawn from mining communities, churches, traditional leaders, community based organisations, non-governmental organisations, funding partners and representatives from the Ministry of Mineral Resources Green Technology and Energy Security participated during the BAMI. AFRODAD made a presentation on Illicit Financial Flows, Transparency and Food Security.



AFRODAD also attended the Diakonia Annual partners Meeting in Nairobi Kenya on 12 and 13 November, 2018. The meeting was attended by regional organisations being funded by Diakonia. During the meeting AFRODAD representatives gave a report on AFRODADs work. Participants were trained on narrative reporting and conflict sensitivity. The meeting provided AFRODAD with the opportunity to forge synergies with other regional organisations in terms of fundraising and programming. Total participants were **22**, twelve (**12**) of them were women.

iv. Summer School

The DRM portfolio hosted the 4th Summer School from the 19th to the 23rd November in Mangochi, Malawi. The Summer School was attended by **40** participants (an increase from 25 in 2017) drawn from the western, eastern, central and southern African regions. Women constituted about **42%** of the participants. Most importantly the event was graced by parliamentarians from the SADC PF and East African Legislative Assembly (EALA) who actively engaged with other participants.



Major outcomes of the training:

- Mr Barney Karuombe who is a manager at the SADC PF requested information that pertained to the issue of sovereign debt to finalize a parliamentary motion on Sovereign Debt for the upcoming 44th Plenary Assembly session of the SADC Parliamentary Forum;
- Hon Sophia Swartz of the SADC PF requested AFRODAD to provide trainings to SADC PF members on issues that relate to mineral resources governance;
- Members of the EALA requested for the support of AFRODAD in crafting policies that curb IFFs in the East African Region;
- A number of participants approached AFRODAD members of staff to discuss on ways in which they can collaborate with AFRODAD on issues



that relate to tax justice, IFFs, debt management and development financing;

- Two Francophone participants (Chad and Burundi) requested for summer school training for Francophone countries;
- Media outcome include publications by a journalist from Zimbabwe who attended the training available [on this link](#) ; [and this link](#).



Media houses that covered the summer school include Malawi Broadcast Corporation (MBC) State media both Radio and TV and the Malawi News Agency (MANA) that supplies stories to national dailies. AFRODAD in the media can be found [here](#).

C. INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC FINANCE

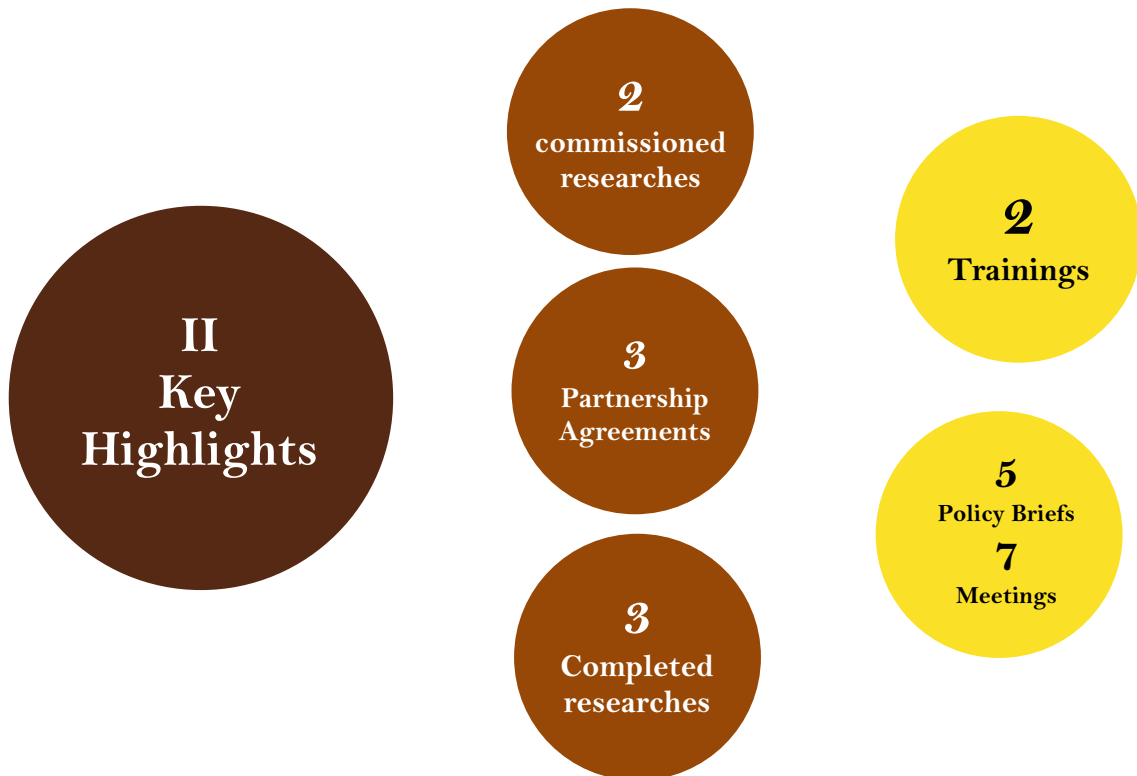
I. Introduction

The thematic goal of this portfolio is to: “influence the quality, impact and effectiveness of International Public Finance (IPF), in line with the agreed development cooperation effectiveness principles”.

Strategic Objective 1: To influence African governments and development partners to implement development effectiveness principles and practices.

Strategic Objective 2: To enhance the capacity of governments to understand implications of public finance from emerging sources and monitor its development on poverty reduction.

Strategic Objective 3: To build capacity to understand the implications and develop frameworks to Publicly Support public private partnerships that contribute to sustainable development.



Research Chinese development projects in Zimbabwe. (Preliminary draft baseline has been shared with FOE)

CSO enabling environment that maximises CSOs to contribution to Agenda 2030 and the on Core Business Unfinished EDC Commitments and Agenda 2030

Revision of Research Report on Privatisation in the Health and Education service delivery in Southern Africa

Aid profiles for Central, Southern, West, North and East Africa

Contribution to the development and production of a policy advocacy research publication coordinated by EURODAD titled 'History RePPeated' (Launched at the Global Infrastructure Forum during the World Bank Meeting in Bali, Indonesia in Oct 2018)

Donors: OSISA, OXFAM

New Partnership with The Malawi Health Equity Network

The Basic Education CSO Coalition of Malawi

The Education Coalition of Zimbabwe

'Blending of Aid and Private inflows in Mozambique' Policy Brief

'Official Development Assistance as an external financing instrument for the African Development Program Agenda 2063' Policy Brief

'Privatisation of Health and Education Services in Zimbabwe and Malawi' Policy Brief

'Public Private Partnership Financing Agenda 2063 and inequality in Africa' Policy Brief

III. The Narrative

3.1 AFRODAD is Contributing to Influencing African governments and development partners to implement development effectiveness principles and practices.

The IPF portfolio facilitated the training of business journalists on Official Development Assistance (ODA) as an instrument for financing development in Africa during the Malawi Media Training in September 2018. The module's scope as presented by the Malawi Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development focused on the frameworks, importance, disbursement and impacts of development aid on African states. The transition from Aid Effectiveness to Development Effectiveness was also discussed with an emphasis on the need for mutually inclusive development cooperation if AID is to have meaningful development progress.

i. Economic Partnership Agreements in Zimbabwe and the Southern Africa region

The year 2018 also saw AFRODAD re-engaging on Economic Partnership Agreements in Zimbabwe and the Southern Africa region with contributions having been made on the need for sustainable financing mechanisms and grants management to ensure that African countries do not find themselves in debt distress as a result of the use of loans being offered by the European Union under the Aid for Trade development agenda

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Southern Africa CSO Economic Partnership Agreements Regional Advocacy Strategy Meeting, 22 August 2018, Johannesburg, South Africa

South Africa the notable ones being the US\$225 million Eskom project and the USD\$200 Million Durban Container Port Rehabilitation awarded to Transnet. These contracts have been characterised by allegations of corruption, lack of transparency and exclusion of the communities affected by the infrastructure projects.

3.2 AFRODAD is also Contributing to enhancing the capacity of governments to understand and engage on implications of public finance from emerging sources, and monitor its development on poverty reduction.

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Participants at the NDB-CSO Meeting in Shanghai, China

Additionally AFRODAD has been part of the African CSO Coalition that engaged the African Regional Centre on the 30th of October in Sandton, South Africa and in Shanghai, China on the 22nd of November 2018 respectively. The thrust has been to influence NDB operations through NDB-CSO engagements on NDB Operational policies such as the Environmental and Social Framework, Country Partnership Plan, [Policy on Financial Management and Financial Analysis, and Economic Analysis of Projects](#) and the Information Disclosure Policy which AFRODAD as part of the CSO Coalition on the NDB was of the view that these had to be reviewed to promote socio-economic sustainable development and not only the business profit oriented aspects of the bank's operations.



Adrian Chikwore summing a presentation on BRICS in Africa and its impact on the implementation of Agenda 2063



Group photo of the participants at the Civil BRICS Pre-Consultative Meeting held from 24th to 25th of April 2018 in Johannesburg, South Africa

ii. BRICS 2018 Summit

AFRODAD participated and made contributions at the Civil BRICS Pre-Consultative Planning meeting held in April 2018 and the Civil BRICS Peoples Forum held in June 2018. AFRODAD is part of the coordinating committee and a member of two thematic areas on the New Development Bank and on Inclusive Economic Development which encompasses Tax Justice and Fiscal policy. AFRODAD made Presentations on, BRICS and Africa –Agenda 2063 in April 2018 and also on 'Promoting *Good Governance Across all BRICS sectors of Society*' - 25-26 June 2018. Targeted stakeholders were: BRICS Sherpa – Ambassador Sooklal; 4 Senior Government Officials from the South African Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO); 2 Senior Government Officials from China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs; 151 CSO representatives from Sub-Saharan Africa and the BRICS Countries, 65 of them were females.

Within the scope of privatisation of public service delivery in Africa, AFRODAD participated at the 1st East African Convening of Governance in Health in Nairobi, Kenya from the 28th to the 31st of June 2018. The purposes of this convening were to:



Group photo of part of the 80 participants who attended the Civil BRICS Peoples Forum from the 25th to 26th of June 2018 in Johannesburg, South Africa

- i. reflect on how the global trends in governance for health are playing out in the region, and in particular how existing governance challenges are exacerbated by the impact of powerful private and economic interests, promoting marketization and commercialization of health, often reinforced by donors which increasingly promote their economic self-interest through their development assistance for health;
- ii. identify concrete examples of those trends in the region and explore the players involved in promoting them, who benefits from them, and the impact on health rights; reflection on strategies of response; how civil society can act together to expose and challenge such harmful influence on the realization of health as a human right and public good. This will include considering strategies to safeguard the effective use of public resources for health rights, in the face of commercialization and marketization;
- iii. Outcomes at the convening included the development of a regional advocacy working group as well as a draft regional



Participants at the East Africa Convening on Governance in Health hosted by OSIEA from the 28th – 31st of May 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya



advocacy strategy that the stakeholders at the meeting agreed that the strategies proposed could be used for service delivery advocacy in the Africa region.

3.3 AFRODAD is Contributing to building capacity to understand the implications and develop frameworks on Publicly Supported Private Finance and Public Private Partnerships that contribute to sustainable development.

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i. Lobby and Advocacy

AFRODAD's Director Dr. Bokosi attended the 2nd African Union Independent Experts' Meeting on Finance, Monetary Affairs, Economic Planning and Integration in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 9-10 April 2018. This meeting provided a forum for independent experts, drawn from African civil society and academia, to discuss challenges and propose solutions concerning Domestic resource mobilization, the fight against corruption and the fight against illicit financial flows (IFFs). In addition, the meeting developed recommendations, which fed into the subsequent Ministerial meeting (Specialized Technical Committee Meeting), which took place at the AUC HQ on April 16-17, 2018. Dr Bokosi submitted recommendations on the session that focussed on Mobilising Private Investment in Public Projects and they were focused on Public-private partnerships (PPPs) based on the work that AFRODAD has done in the area of PPPs. These recommendations can be accessed [here](#).

Moreover, Dr Bokosi also participated at a Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation organised side event panel discussion titled “Compact with Africa – The state of affairs in Africa and its contribution to development”. The event took place at the AFRICA DAY– Business & Investment Forum on the 25th May 2018 in Hamburg, Germany. The panel aimed at addressing the current State of Affairs of the Compact with Africa assessing whether its initiatives positively serve African markets businesses, governments as well as the African people. Compact with Africa is an initiative that aims at increasing the provision of infrastructure while boosting private investment in Africa. It is a long-term project open to all African countries interested in improving their frameworks for private investment on a durable, sustainable basis. It also gives African countries a platform to showcase opportunities and conditions for investment.

In September and November 2018, the IPF portfolio also went on an advocacy drive that started with the capacity development of media practitioners in Malawi and Zimbabwe. The importance of the initiative was to raise the awareness of business journalists on Public Private Partnerships, Human Rights and financing for development and the role they can play in the monitoring of the implementation of these projects. This led to the establishment of working groups both on social media and email list-serves where information regarding PPPs in the respective countries is shared and strategies to engage the relevant stakeholders are proposed.





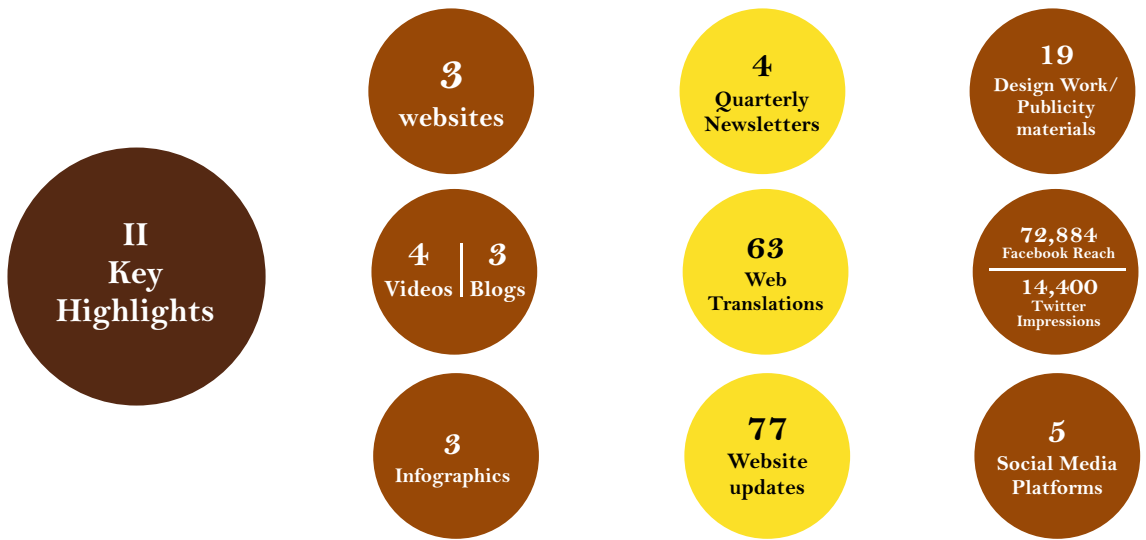
AFRODAD Attended the SEATINI Meeting on the ZIMBABWE - I-EPA, September 2018

D. INFORMATION AND MEDIA COORDINATION

Like other organizational activities mentioned earlier in this report, Information and media activities have contributed to implementing the AFRODAD strategic plan mainly under Key strategic actions:

- Action I:** Information generation and dissemination;
- Action II:** Awareness raising and
- Action III:** Media engagements to put thematic issues in the public arena.

An evolving communication strategy to guide action was developed in the course of the year.



Management of the Organizational bilingual website

Development of a mini website specific to IPF

Development of the Media/Advocacy website

Video on Media Training in Malawi

Video on Illicit Financial Flows

Video on the Summer School Training

Media corner during the Summer School

Growth in Facebook likes from 1,340 in Jan to 9,086 in Dec; 238 Posts with a reach of 72,884

2026 tweets; 1692 Followers; 4 Videos YouTube, Flickr, LinkedIn

Borrowing Charter infographics

AFRODAD strategic plan

Quarterly Newsletters

Publicity materials to be printed in 2019

'Africa is not Poor' Blog

'Governments must borrow responsibly to foster National Development' Blog

'AFRODAD Summer School: The Journey' Blog

Design Work: Policy briefs, 3 Infographics, 1 back drop banner, 1 wall banner, 5 web flyers, 1 brochure, 2017 annual report, 4 quarterly newsletters, summer school banner, organizational brochure, summer school speakers' brochure, 2 stickers

III. The Narrative

4.1 Raising Awareness

i. Websites

[The organisational website](#) is managed in-house including translation of the same. Social media (Facebook, Twitter and YouTube) are currently integrated on the website. Moreover, two more websites have been developed and they are under discussion stage. The media website will serve as a platform where voices from various communities will rise from and feedback will be received from the same place. Even investigative reports, videos or other materials whose authors are scared to expose their identities will be featured on the site as long as the authenticity of each material is confirmed. Voices will rise from this website and they will be amplified to reach a larger virtual community and grow into a voice of advocacy. AFRODAD will host the site.

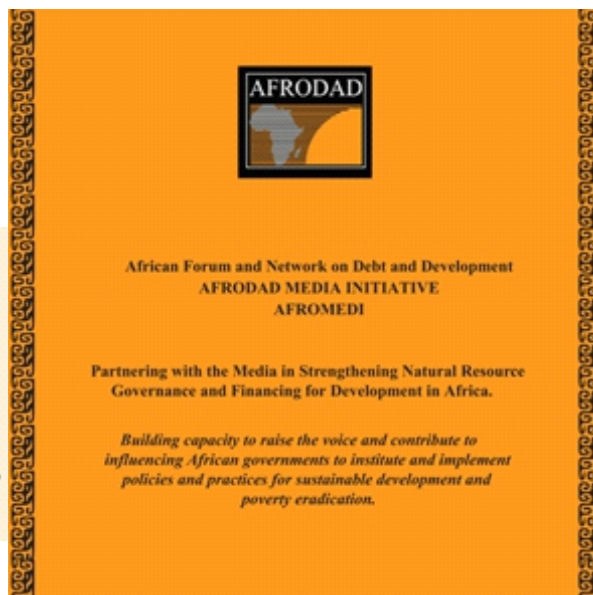
The second website is specific to the International Public Finance portfolio. It will serve as a repository for reports, videos, infographics, existing and rising information in the area and so on. Once completed and approved, it will be hosted as a mini-site under the main AFRODAD website.

ii. Social media

AFRODAD Facebook page moved from 1340 in January to 9,086 likes in November. Posts mainly reaching people from Zimbabwe, Ethiopia, Madagascar, Sierra Leone, Algeria, Guinea, Mozambique, Somalia, Libya and Malawi (just to mention the top 10 as per Facebook official report). AFRODAD has posted several times per week, both on Facebook and Twitter to keep AFRODAD visible on social media. At the highest, Twitter reached 12, 686 impressions in a week. Other social channels such as YouTube, Flickr and LinkedIn are expected to grow considerably in the coming months.

iii. Publicity materials

Generic publicity materials to save on cost for early production were designed: Just to share some:



4.2 Information Production and Dissemination

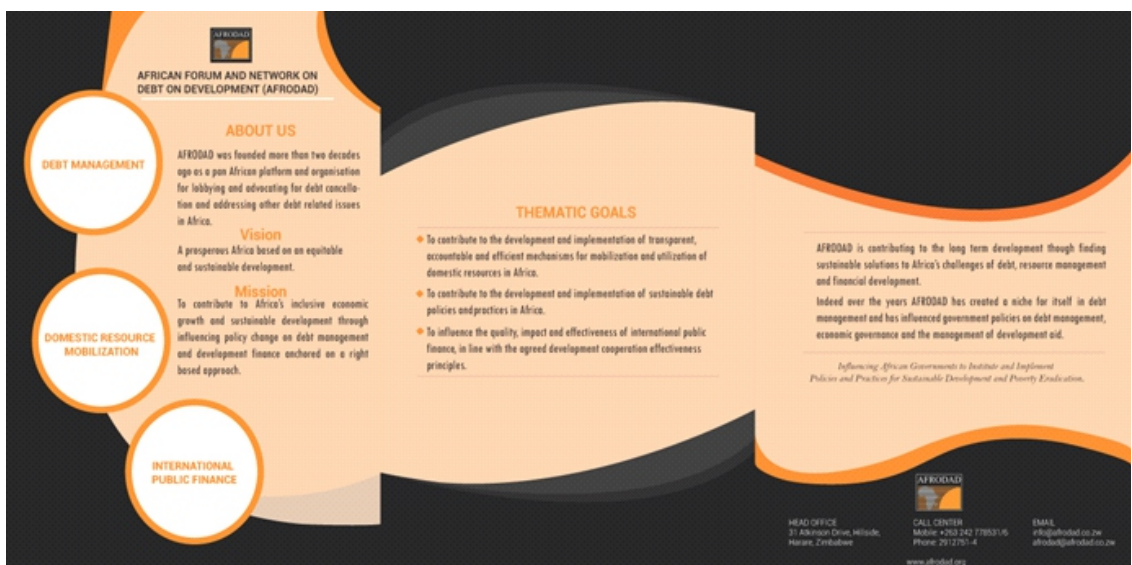
i. Videos

AFRODAD produced a Video on illicit financial flows from AFRODAD and this is an exciting move as [the last AFRODAD video](#) was produced in 2015. Other videos include the report on the [Malawi Media training](#).

Videos that are already underway, to be completed by December 2018 are: The summer school 2018 video report; the summer school daily media corner; the “AFRODAD story” and the “borrowing charter video”. The video on the borrowing charter will be very useful because the viewer will be able to have an overview of the charter in less than three (3) minutes. Going forward, it will be translated in French and Portuguese. The production of monthly video reports has been postponed to 2019 due to conflicting priorities.

ii. Infographics

The use of infographics is an effective way to convey simplified information from large and at times complex documents to ensure the same makes sense to the recipient.



iii. AFRODEBT Quarterly Newsletter

In addition, AFRODAD has developed 4 issues of the AFRODAD newsletter (AFRODEBT). This is a milestone as the newsletter (before these three) was released in 2010. The fourth will be produced at the end of the year as last activities get implemented. In 2019, plans are underway to be releasing monthly bilingual newsletters and weekly highlights.

iv. Blogs & Translation

Worth mentioning is that AFRODAD has been working to qualifying as a bilingual organisation. In this regard, translation from English to French is mainly done in-house under the communication docket.

The website, newsletters, some researches and the organizational Strategic Plan have been translated.

From 2019, information sharing from research will be done in various formats including blogs, infographics and social media videos but specific steps will be determined on a case basis.

AFRODAD has also created a List-serve which will keep expanding as more contacts are gathered.

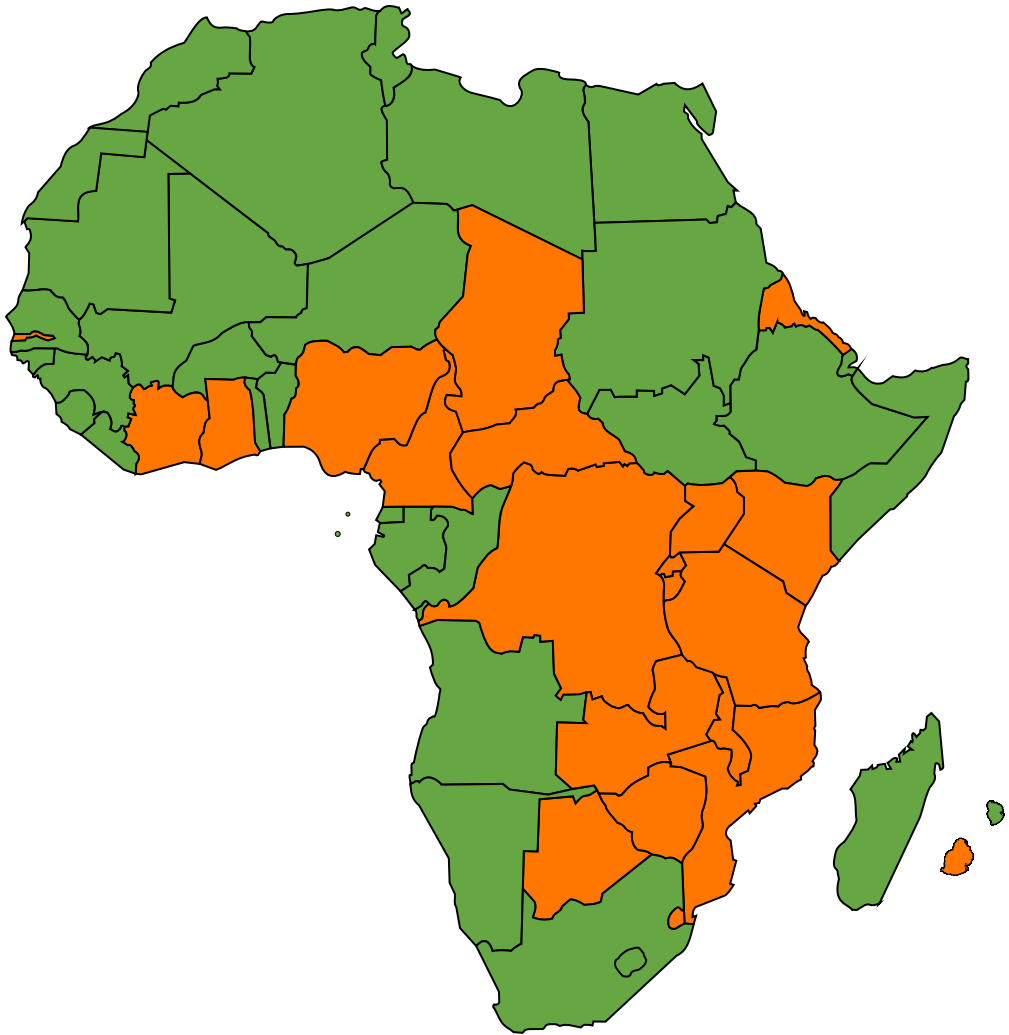
4.3 Media engagements

AFRODAD activities have been covered on local, regional and international levels. Albeit there is much room for growth, the organization has been in the limelight. The most exciting was Dr. Fanwell on BBC- Focus on Africa contributing to “Africa’s rising debt”. He urged governments to borrow responsibly. He highlighted that key words were: Transparency, Information/ data availability and generally demystifying debt language. <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=O3PvK5kPeRw&feature=youtu.be> He was also on WD TV in Berlin, advising on preventing the looming debt crisis.

Other media coverage were in Malawi, Zimbabwe, Busan, Ghana and Rwanda.

AFRODAD's focus is not on activities as an end in themselves. They are often a beginning to outputs, results and impact in the long stretch. Thus, one tactic to collect feedback from summer school participants was the “media corner”, an activity that was carried every evening during the summer school where various participants gladly aired their feedback on each day's presentations as many shared that they were going to put to use many lessons they learnt. People described the summer school as a great initiative, very informative, eye-opener while someone from Chad said it was the “will of God”, like a “miracle” to be able to learn everything that was taught in a single week and by experts. They requested that the same would be done in their various countries as francophones who were present literally pleaded to have a similar programme for French-speaking countries. The full programme was recorded and it will soon be available on AFRODAD's YouTube channel. One participant of the media corner termed it as a powerful tool to collect fresh feedback. He said he would borrow the idea from AFRODAD and use it in an upcoming event which the organization he works for is soon holding.

Some participants requested to have a WhatsApp group for discussions concerning further engagements at country level, and their wish was granted. Currently there are two such groups, one for the summer school participants and the other for journalists who were trained in Blantyre (Malawi)



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