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#	Name of the program/host organization	Description	Country
1	INAPEM ICT Incubator	In launching the INAPEM ICT incubator, Chevron and INAPEM are making a commitment to join leading African ICT countries that have invested in ICT incubators. The INAPEM ICT incubator is the first in a series of incubators that INAPEM is looking to launch. Other public institutions also have plans to set up incubators. The INAPEM ICT Incubator has great potential to be point of reference for best practice in setting up incubators that deliver impact to entrepreneurs and the economy.	Angola
2	<u>Botswana Innovation</u> <u>Hub</u>	Botswana Innovation Hub is an innovative and networked organization that promotes technology, entrepreneurship and commercialization. Botswana Innovation Hub is under the Ministry of Tertiary Education Research Science and Technology with a Board of Directors from diverse disciplines to perform fiduciary duties for the company	Botswana
3	<u>First Steps Venture</u> <u>Centre (FSVC)</u>	First Steps Venture Centre (FSVC) is a technology entrepreneurship development and innovation commercialization program, within the Botswana Innovation Hub. The center is established to support entrepreneurship and innovation through technology transfer. FSVC identifies, develops and nurtures viable technology-oriented start-up businesses with potential to grow locally and into international markets.	Botswana
4	<u>Nest Hubs</u>	Nest Hubs mentor, support and connect entrepreneurs locally, regionally and globally. This is purely done by entrepreneurs for the entrepreneurs with the intention to grow the entrepreneurial ecosystem in Africa	Botswana
5	Botswana University of Agriculture & Natural Resources	The goal of the Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (BUAN) incubation agripreneur program in collaboration with the Local Enterprise Authority (LEA) is to equip beneficiaries with the much-needed entrepreneurial and technical skills in agribusiness.	Botswana
6	The Local Enterprise Authority (LEA)	The Local Enterprise Authority (LEA) was established by the Small Business Act of 2004, Chapter 43:10 of the Laws of Botswana to carry out on behalf of the Government of Botswana, and more specifically the Ministry of Investment Trade and Industry (MITI), the mandate of entrepreneurship and enterprise development in Botswana.	Botswana
7	Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA)	The Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA) was set up by Government of Botswana to provide financial and technical support for business development with a view to promote viable and sustainable business enterprises. The company was established in response to a recommendation made by the National Conference on Citizen Economic Empowerment (NCCEE) held in July 1999, to introduce the professional management of the Government financial assistance initiatives and to streamline the numerous projects providing similar schemes.	Botswana
8	UCCIA Union des Chambres de Commerce des Comoros	UCCIA is a public professional institution with a mission to serve the interests and support the private sector.	Comoros
9	Kobo Hub	Kobo Hub is an independent association under Congolese law whose mission is to accelerate the emergence and success of local entrepreneurs with projects that value local skills. Kobo Hub supports entrepreneurs and project leaders by providing them with a network of multidisciplinary experts and access to the skills, resources and infrastructure necessary for the success and growth of their start-ups.	DRC
10	Kivu Entrepreneurs	Kivu Entrepreneurs supports the creation and development of innovative start-ups in Goma through entrepreneurship training and a dynamic incubator.	DRC
11	Orange Corners RDC	Orange Corners RDC is a 6-month incubation program including monthly intensive sprints with workshops, masterclasses and meetups dedicated to project owners and startup founders	DRC

12	<u>Lumumba Lab</u>	 The LUMUMBA LAB (LLab) is a non-profit association which fights against the digital divide and which campaigns for digital inclusion. We focus on the use of digital tool We favor innovations that have a social impact We work together with the young people of the places where we settle in order to offer timely solutions We experience the strength and impact of simple initiatives 	DRC
13	<u>Ministère de</u> <u>l'agriculture</u>	The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), through the Ministry of Agriculture, has received a loan from the African Development Bank Group to finance the implementation of the Youth Entrepreneurship in Agriculture and Agro-Business Project (PEJAB). The PEJAB aims at promoting and creating profitable enterprises by young graduates, integrated in promising agro-pastoral sectors to reduce youth unemployment which is taking dramatic proportions with multiple and incalculable social consequences.	DRC
14	Université Catholique de Bukavu (UCB)/Bukavu agribusiness incubation center	This project aims at creating the Bukavu agribusiness incubation center (BAIC) at the Université Catholique de Bukavu (UCB), in South-Kivu province, DRC. It is offering a favorable environment for interaction, new initiative creation and mutual support. It will span two years, with a total cost of US\$ 50000 financed by RUFORUM.	DRC
15	Business Incubator RSTP	This is an initiative of the Royal Science and Technology Park (RSTP) in partnership with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). The objective is to introduce applications to the market that will help to optimize the utilization of agricultural resources, modernize the agriculture sector and increase the sector's contribution to food security, export revenue, job creation and overall economic development for Eswatini.	Eswatini
16	Royal Science and technology park	The Business Incubator (BI) Swaziland is a not-for-profit business incubator within the Royal Science and Technology Park (RSTP). It is housed on the third floor of the Innovation Park at Phocweni, Swaziland. BI supports small and medium enterprises (SMEs) developing innovative products and services (or ideas) in the Information Technology (IT) sector, including (but not limited to) software, computer hardware, telecommunications and the Internet, but also Electronic, Value-added agriculture, Health and beauty, Renewable energy, Environmental management.	Eswatini
17	NUL Innovation Hub	National University of Lesotho Innovation Fund (NULIF) is an arm of the National University of Lesotho Innovation Hub that seeks to raise funds for Business, Research and Innovation within NUL and the rest of Lesotho, with the sole purpose of creating smart jobs for the 21st century in Lesotho and the region.	Lesotho
18	Bacha Entrepreneurship Project	 The project sponsors entrepreneurs in the priority area selected by NSDP: Agriculture Manufacturing Arts and Culture Science and Technology Before sponsorship is awarded, the recipients must go through an incubation process. 	Lesotho
19	MSME E-Learning program	The program offers e-leaning on financial education, financial management, and business management	Lesotho
20	Centre Incubateur Fifamanor Antsirabe via le programme <u>PEJJA</u> mis en oeuvre pricipalement par le	The program aims on the one hand to promote the creation of remunerative, income-generating jobs for young people in agriculture and agro-industry; and on the other hand, to reduce the unemployment rate through the transformation and modernization of Malagasy agriculture.	Madagascar

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	auprès de la Présidence		
	en charge de		
	l'Agriculture et de		
	l'Elevage		
21	<u>mHub Malawi</u>	mHub is Malawi's first technology and innovation hub located in Lilongwe, Malawi with a working space in Blantyre, Malawi and Lusaka, Zambia. The hub has facilitated over 1 million USD in financing to emerging entrepreneurs over 5 years creating more than 950 jobs and impacting over 5,000 people in diverse value chains. The hub has trained over 40,000 youths with business and technology skills.	Malawi
22	Polytechnic Design Studio	Polytechnic Design Studio is a specialized lab or workshop, which provides space, equipment and materials for users to design, prototype, and deploy innovative technology solutions to real-world challenges.	Malawi
23	Green Innovation	GIC is a four-year project (or "a tool to train other entrepreneurs" operated by the GIZ.	Malawi
	Centers for the Agriculture and Food Sector (GIC) of GIZ	GIC provides trainings and coaching sessions for existing entrepreneurs (MSMEs) with a 6–9-month training and coaching program aimed at strengthening their business plans and entrepreneurial/digital skills.	
24	LUANAR Innovation and Incubation Centre	The LUANAR Innovation and Incubation Centre, well known by its brand name the Agribiz Hub is a university led creative space aimed at supporting development and growth of agribusinesses in Malawi and beyond.	Malawi
25	The Centre for	The Centre for Agricultural Transformation (CAT) is designed to be an inclusive science, Technology and Incubation Center of Excellence that will help	Malawi
	<u>Agricultural</u>	smallholder Malawian farmers make economically viable, data-driven decisions for diversifying their livelihoods.	
	Transformation		
26	<u>Mzuzu Entrepreneur</u> <u>Hub</u>	Mzuzu Entrepreneur Hub is an organization registered under company's incorporation Act with the aim of providing office space, business incubation programs as well as a platform for upcoming entrepreneurs to access information on investments, trade, banking, business registration, technology and other resources that can help upcoming entrepreneurs to grow their business ventures in the city of Mzuzu. The Mzuzu Entrepreneur Hub also runs Mzuzu Pitch Night which is a platform for entrepreneurs to present their business to potential customers, investors and partners	Malawi
27	Turbine	Turbine is an incubator and start-up accelerator that helps aspiring entrepreneurs turn ideas into start-ups and early-stage businesses into thriving, successful companies. Our vision is for Mauritius to become a vibrant and internationally recognized innovation and start-up hub.	Mauritius
28	Regeneration Mauritius	Regeneration Mauritius is a partnership aimed at making Mauritius a regional hub for sustainable innovation in food systems.	Mauritius
29	Aga Khan Foundation Mozambique /Agricultural Institute of Bilibiza (IABil)	Aga Khan Foundation Mozambique [AKF(Moz)] began operating in Mozambique in 2001 with the establishment of the Coastal Rural Support Program Mozambique [CRSP(M)], which implements integrated interventions in the education, health, agriculture, economic development, civil society, and habitat sectors. CRSP(M) is a Multi-Input Area Development (MIAD) initiative that collaborates with the CRSP (Tanzania) MIAD program in Southern Tanzania. IABil is a public institution dedicated to technical and professional training in the agricultural sector.	Mozambique
30	<u>Technoserve</u> <u>Mozambique (TnsMz)</u>	TechnoServe has been providing technical assistance to Mozambique's industries, agribusinesses, and entrepreneurs with high-growth potential for over 20 years	Mozambique
31	Green Innovation	The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH is Germany's leading provider of international cooperation services	Mozambique
	Centres for the		
	Agriculture and Food		
	Sector (GIC) of GIZ		

32	IDEÁRIO Innovation	Helping African emerging creators Start-up, Build-up, and Scale-up asset-light business ventures.	Mozambique
33	DEV Mozambique	DEV Mozambique is a Mozambican company enabling entrepreneurial solutions for food security. DEV Mozambique scouts high growth potential startups and SMEs to facilitate their entry into new national and international markets or access to investment opportunities	Mozambique
34	The Namibia Business Innovation Institute (NBII)	The Namibia Business Innovation Institute (NBII) provides training, mentoring and business support to innovative entrepreneurs looking to establish their own company as well to researchers interested in commercializing their technologies.	Namibia
35	Fablab Namibia	FabLab is a product support and innovation space offering almost free support to MTT and Registered SMEs Supporting idea generation and start-up companies boosting use of raw materials in product, sourcing, locally and growing at home. Also offer paid for services to industry	Namibia
36	<u>StartUp Namibia</u>	StartUp Namibia is a joint Namibian-German technical cooperation project for Sustainable Economic Development, implemented by the Namibian Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and SME Development and Deutsche Gesellschaft Fur Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ). StartUp Namibia is aiming at Improving conditions for the formation and growth of Startups.	Namibia
37	Agra ProVision	Agra ProVision is the professional consultancy business division of Agra Limited, providing expert advice and training	Namibia
38	Agripreneurship Alliance	Agripreneurship Alliance promotes and stimulates youth-driven entrepreneurship in agriculture and agribusiness within developing economies	Regional
39	Generation Africa	Generation Africa is the partnership initiative with a vision to strengthen the ecosystem for youth entrepreneurs in the agri-food sector across the continent.	Regional
40	<u>GIZ – SAIS Investment</u> <u>Readiness Program</u>	GIZ-SAIS is a project implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). The main purpose is to support African start-ups in scaling their digital innovations; these innovations should enable users in the agriculture or food sector to increase their income.	Regional
41	<u>The IITA Agripreneur</u> <u>initiative</u>	The IITA Agripreneur initiative is a youth in agribusiness model that was established to address the issue of widespread youth unemployment and to provide a platform that propels youth toward self-employment in agriculture. The issue of unemployment is a major issue among African countries because their youth, who constitute the largest population segment, feel marginalized from the economic mainstream and despite their best efforts find little means to meet their expectations for a better life. Nor are they contributing in a meaningful way to the development of their country's economy.	Regional
42	Enable Youth	The ENABLE Youth (Empowering Novel Agri-Business Led Employment) program helps young African men and women to incubate and scale-up their agri- business. In addition, ENABLE Youth supports youth in accessing financing to grow their enterprises	Regional
43	African Agribusiness Incubators Network (AAIN)	AAIN invests in nurturing member incubators to answer to the needs of incubates in an ever-changing agribusiness environment to create more jobs and wealth using tested models of agribusiness incubation with 4 core investment areas	Regional
44	<u>UniBRAIN</u>	UniBRAIN is/was an initiative for advancing agribusiness incubation and improved agribusiness education in Africa. It is supported by Royal Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DANIDA) and facilitated by a team of seven partner institutions. One of these partners is the Centre for Coordinating Agricultural Research and Development in Southern Africa (CCARDESA)	Regional
45	RUFORUM Entrepreneurship Challenge Program (RECAP)	Building the capacities of agricultural students in entrepreneurship and leadership to improve their professional insertion.	Regional

46	2SCALE	2SCALE is the largest incubator for inclusive agribusiness in Africa. 2SCALE offers a range of support services to private partners – companies and farmer groups – enabling them to produce, transform and supply quality food products to local, national and regional end-user markets, including Base of the Pyramid consumers.	Regional
47	Nourishing Africa	The Nourishing Africa Hub serves as a platform for entrepreneurs to accelerate their work, connect with funders, markets, talent, and celebrate their successes on the Continent. The portal includes information about data, funding, knowledge, e-learning, African food and chefs, career opportunities, and other resources to enable entrepreneurs to scale their impact	Regional
48	AWAN African Womens Agribusiness Network	Africa Women Agribusiness Network (AWAN) Afrika is a non-profit organization limited by guarantee. Its network that comprises of individual members' businesses including producers, processors, aggregators, export companies and input suppliers among others across the continent and globally. The organization provides women-owned and youth-owned agribusinesses with an E-Hub, which is a repository of information on agriculture along value chains and supply chains.	Regional
49	VALUE4HER	VALUE4HER seeks to increase the performance of women Agri enterprises, through access to markets and trade, finance and investments, knowledge and skills, networking and building women's collective voice.	Regional
50	<u>EU AfricaTheJourney</u>	 African-European online hackathon program to find innovative solutions to socio-economic problems that have been further escalated by the Covid-19 pandemic. Ideas we they are looking for: Pre-organized food distribution systems for a door-to-door distribution to avoid public gatherings. Distribution systems of seeds for future harvests to help households that may go hungry due to Covid-19. Mobile payment mechanisms to distribute compensation for vulnerable households. Other creative ideas on how to provide food for those in need. Agtech solutions that increase productivity and diversify agriculture. Solutions to transform the delivery of inputs, soil testing, crop insurance, credit, extension advice, and market linkages. Solutions that help all food producers, smallholder, and commercial farmers alike, adopt sustainable practices to become more climate-smart and therefore protect the entire ecosystem upon which human food production depends. 	Regional
51	<u>Blue Economy</u> Incubator	The Seychelles Blue Economy Incubator Program is a start-up incubator that encourages young, ambitious Seychellois entrepreneurs to develop innovative business ventures that will become leading ventures in the blue economy.	Seychelles
52	The Guy Morel Institute	Launched its Entrepreneurship Centre with the mandate to lead entrepreneurship development in the country. The process of building entrepreneurial culture is to equip people with an enhanced capacity to generate ideas and the skills to take these ideas to market. The Centre will build the entrepreneurship capacity of UniSey.	Seychelles
53	Impact Amplifier	Impact Amplifier exists to support both entrepreneurs and larger corporations that are committed to addressing the pressing social and environmental challenges confronting the African continent. They refer to the entrepreneurs they support as 'impact entrepreneurs'. These are individuals, which have developed innovative products and services that positively impact social and environmental challenges with commercially successful business models. These 'impact businesses' create scalable private sector led solutions in the agriculture, health, financial services, education, waste, water and energy sectors.	South Africa
54	Softstart BTI	Softstart BTI provides an integrated package of workspace, shared office services, access to specialized equipment and value-added services like management assistance, access to finance, marketing and networking support. Softstart BTI has full support and sponsorship from the SEDA Technology Programme (STP), a programme under the Small Enterprise Development Agency of the DTI. STP sponsored the Business Incubation initiative from its inception to fast track the links between the government, private sector and academia of South Africa.	South Africa

55	<u>mLab South Africa</u>	MLab Southern Africa is a mobile solutions laboratory and startup that provides the support for entrepreneurs to develop mobile apps. We connect the digital market to digital talent through our three programme areas: Skills Acceleration, Start-up Acceleration and through our Development of Innovative Technologies. All mLab programmes are primarily focused on youth aged 18 – 35. Each programme has unique requirements and participants are selected through online applications, interviews and bootcamps.	South Africa
56	StartUp 90 accelerator	Startup 90 is a business accelerator for seed and early-stage technology startups.	South Africa
57	The Innovation Hub	The Innovation Hub offers a number of incubation programmes in the Bioeconomy (agro processing and pharmaceutical), Smart Industries (ICT and advanced manufacturing) and Green Economy (Water purification, waste management and renewable energy). In addition, The Innovation Hub operates a range of enterprise development, skills development and innovation enabling programmes both in the science park and throughout the Gauteng region.	South Africa
58	<u>Akro</u>	Akro is a company dedicated to helping entrepreneurs turn ideas into businesses. We offer events, venture funding and consulting services, and we have a painfully practical attitude towards entrepreneurship.	South Africa
59	Timbali Technology Incubator	The Timbali Technology Incubator aims to springboard start-up entrepreneurs by addressing key constraints through an innovative incubation model. Timbali technology incubator was founded in 2003 to positively affect rural farmers. The world "Timbali" means not only flowers but "to blossom in siSwati, the language of the region	South Africa
60	<u>The AGCO Agriculture</u> <u>Foundation</u>	The AGCO Agriculture Foundation (AAF), initiated by AGCO Corporation in 2018, is a private foundation with the vision to prevent and relieve hunger through agricultural development. We launched the Foundation to focus our philanthropy on impactful programs that help feed our steadily growing world sustainably and equitably.	South Africa
61	<u>Ndoto Hub</u>	Ndoto Hub is a marketplace of business ideas and opportunities to socially and economically empower young women, bringing them together to access workspace, information, knowledge, markets and networks curated for their business and personal growth. The hub is supported with a digital learning platform and member led community groups.	Tanzania
62	Anza	Anza enables businesses in Tanzania to grow by providing them with access to personalized and strategic capacity building, affordable capital and relevant networks.	Tanzania
63	Startup Grind	Startup Grind supports startups, and small businesses. We connect you to mentors, offer entrepreneurial training & tell local business founders' stories.	Tanzania
64	The Agricultural Business Innovation Center (AIC)	The Agricultural Business Innovation Center (AIC) is a department within the PASS Institute that aims to provide business development services to agribusiness entrepreneurs with a business growth perspective. In addition, the AIC gives priority to agribusiness that involves or is owned by young people and women.	Tanzania
65	<u>BongoHive</u>	BongoHive is Zambia's first technology and innovation hub. Established in May 2011 and based in Lusaka, the co-founders, all enthusiastic programmers, sought to address the gaps they experienced working within the local technology industry leading to a lack of coordination, skills exposure and productivity. BongoHive has evolved to assist scalable startups of any background by enhancing skills, accelerating growth, strengthening networks, increasing collaboration, providing a forum for ideas exchange and reducing the barriers to entrepreneurship.	Zambia

66	Agribusiness Incubation Trust (AgBIT)	AgBIT is Zambia's pioneer agribusiness incubator, focused on accelerating innovation and the growth of scalable enterprises in the sector. Established with the initial support of DANIDA through the UniBRAIN Facility, AgBIT is a unique public-private-partnership initiative bringing together the private sector, research and university community to provide the requisite environment critical to enabling the sustainable take-off and growth of agribusiness startups and SMEs. Remarks National consultant: They are operational but in a much weaker position due to lack of funding. As you may know Agribusiness Incubation Trust (AgBIT) Ltd is a public-private-partnership bringing together a consortium of Zambian private sector, universities and research institutions. Its consortium members include the Zambia Agriculture Research Institute (ZARI), Frontier Development Associates, University of Zambia (UNZA), Mulungushi University (MU), and the Natural Resources Development College (NRDC).	Zambia
67	Impact Hub Harare	Home to changemakers, social disrupters and impact Innovators. We offer an ecosystem of resources to take your business to greater heights. Collaborate with like-minded social entrepreneurs to foster impact in Zimbabwe. As social disrupters we want to have a part in reaching the Social Development Goals by 2030.	Zimbabwe
68	Tech Hub Harare	We are passionate about building innovative entrepreneurs from the ground up through incubation and acceleration	Zimbabwe
69	The Tech Village	The Tech Village is an innovation hub and collaborative working space designed to provide resources, a community and the best possible working environment for entrepreneurs	Zimbabwe
70	FEITH	The spirit behind the Farm Export Incubation & Training Hub (F.E.I.T.H). We believe that with enough care and knowledge, smallholder farmers can grow into profitable entities.	Zimbabwe
71	<u>Green Innovation Hub</u> (<u>GiHUB)</u>	GiHub in Harare facilitates the transformation of promising ideas into practical solutions that address real social challenges faced by local communities in which young people are resident. The GiHub offers project financing, incubation, and mentorship as well as connecting young innovators to industry giants.	Zimbabwe

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