



Coalition for African Research and Innovation

A platform of The African Academy of Sciences



What is the Coalition of African Research and Innovation?

The Coalition of African Research and Innovation (CARI) is a sustainability platform set up with AAS partners to accelerate STI programmes in Africa to achieve outcomes that would help more Africans lead better lives sooner.

The CARI Strategic Framework

Vision: A well-funded, strongly supported and highly coordinated, African science, technology and innovation community, led by Africans to assist Africans to lead better lives sooner.

Mission: Leverage resource mobilisation for investment, undertake strategic advocacy to harness leadership and foster systematic collaboration to coordinate STI in Africa.



Partners:



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The Coalition for African Research and Innovation (CARI) sustainability platform provides support to the funding platform The Alliance for Accelerating Excellence in Science in Africa (AESA), that administers The African Academy of Sciences (The AAS)'s programmes.

CARI presents an opportunity to build new AAS programmes and invest in existing AAS programmes with a wider range of partners, focusing on African governments, philanthropy and private sector, that address priority research areas to drive the STI agenda in Africa. CARI is a sustainability platform set up with The AAS partners to accelerate STI programmes in Africa to achieve outcomes that would help more Africans lead better lives sooner.

Goal	Objective
Resource Mobilisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Catalyse greater investment for science, technology and innovation (STI) in Africa to strengthen institutional/national human capacities, research infrastructure, innovation hubs and technology platforms• Actively facilitate investments through innovative approaches• Leverage public funding to secure more sustainable funding for African STI including brokering co-funding schemes and regional STI funding pools
Strategic Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make the case for agenda setting and investment in African STI to be led by Africans• Demonstrate the economic and social impact of strengthened STI capacity in Africa• Advocate for a supportive policy environment that drives investment in STI• Convene leading high-level multi-stakeholder engagements aimed at sustaining demand for research and innovation, and monitor/publicise levels of investments
Systematic Collaboration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengthen systematic collaboration amongst actors that fund, conduct and engage in STI research in Africa• Work in conjunction with multiple stakeholders including national governments, philanthropic organisations, bi- and multi-lateral partners, scientists (and academia broadly), private companies (African and global), regional bodies (AU, EU), development financing institutions and other institutional investors to coordinate and connect STI initiatives

How you can get involved

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