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# Ekiti State Innovation Action Plan

## A shared vision:

Ekiti State as a beacon of knowledge and innovation for Nigeria

Focusing on strong networks and commitment to youth empowerment to unlock the potential of Ekiti's agricultural sector and drive jobs, food security, and revenue.

## Objectives that take us towards that vision

### Short term

Strengthened collaboration between Local, National and International agencies from the government and other public sectors, business, universities, innovation hubs, funders and entrepreneurial youth.

### Long term

Increased skills and capacities of stakeholders especially in the youth and agriculture sectors  
Strengthened value chains and innovation that lead to more job creation

## Outcomes that help deliver those objectives

1. Diverse stakeholders accessing a shared platform for innovation, increasing awareness and fostering innovation collaboration across Ekiti State
2. Demand-driven training that equips public and private sector innovation stakeholders with the skills they need to create or adopt innovative solutions
3. An Ekiti-state designed framework for job creation that empowers youth, women and entrepreneurs to leverage technology and find meaningful job opportunities in Ekiti State

## Deliverables: milestones on the way towards the outcomes

- 1 Co-created Innovation Action Plan and Local Innovation Network
- 2 Shared Platform for LIN Stakeholders
- 3 Targeted networking opportunities with local, national, and international networks
- 4 SMME Skills Builders Networking
- 5 Digital Skills Academy - for Public and Private sectors
- 6 Innovation Knowledge Exchange for Public Sector
- 7 Ag. Tech Incubation and Accelerator Programme
- 8 Job Matching and internship programme - youth supporting digital adoption
- 9 iX (Open Innovation) Challenges to support value chain development
- 10 Youth-run Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) Hub

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