



AFRICAN LIBERATION DAY 2026

STATE OF THE AFRICA DIASPORA REPORT LAUNCH

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY EDITION



“ Africa doesn't lack talent or ambition. We lack **connected systems** that build. ”

THE REALITY



African manufacturing potential is vast—yet our industry remains underdeveloped, fragmented, and under-invested.

THE OPPORTUNITY



YOUTH POWERED

70% of Africa's population is under 30.



GLOBAL MARKETS

AfCFTA opens a \$3.4T market opportunity.



INDUSTRIAL TRANSFORMATION

Manufacturing can drive jobs, exports & growth.



DIASPORA ADVANTAGE

Skills, capital & networks can accelerate scale.

THE BIG PICTURE

\$500 BILLION

Africa's manufacturing sector could add \$500B+ to GDP by 2035.



10M+

Manufacturing jobs potential by 2035



\$95B

Current manufacturing contribution to GDP



~\$90B

Annual manufacturing investment gap



GROWING FAST

Global shift to diversify supply chains

5 KEY FINDINGS



1 ENGAGEMENT IS EXPANDING BUT FRAGMENTED



2 FINANCIAL CAPACITY EXISTS BUT CONVERSION IS LOW



3 SKILLS PIPELINE IS GROWING BUT ABSORPTION IS UNEVEN



4 INSTITUTIONAL TRUST REMAINS A CRITICAL CONSTRAINT



5 POLICY & INCENTIVES EXIST BUT IMPLEMENTATION IS UNEVEN

5 STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS



1. BUILD LANDING ZONES

Create industrial platforms and SEZs that welcome and enable diaspora participation.



2. SEGMENT ENGAGEMENT

Engage diaspora by expertise, sector needs, and investment readiness.



3. CONVERT FINANCIAL FLOWS

Channel capital into manufacturing funds, ventures, and co-investment vehicles.



4. STRENGTHEN SYSTEMS

Develop skills, quality infrastructure, and technology adoption ecosystems.



5. ESTABLISH ACCOUNTABILITY

Track impact, improve data, and enforce performance standards.

THE VISION SHIFT

FROM FRAGMENTED ENGAGEMENT



TO REGENERATIVE SYSTEMS



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Uniting the diaspora. Transforming systems. Building the Africa we envision.

