

Webinar for Journalists in Africa

Demystifying the Demographic Dividend and its Development Prospects for Africa

Join the African Institute for Development Policy (AFIDEP) for a webinar on **28th September 2016 12:00pm-1:00pm EAT**

The webinar will provide a platform for journalists to engage with [AFIDEP](#) researchers on the [demographic dividend](#) (DD) paradigm and its prospects for accelerating development in Africa. AFIDEP is currently working with several African governments to generate compelling [evidence](#) to support the much needed policy reforms required to harness a sizeable DD and to foster the necessary political commitment to drive the process.

The webinar will seek to answer several key questions, among them:

- What is the demographic dividend?
- What can governments in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) do to take advantage of the opportunities it portends?
- What lessons can Africa learn from the “Asian Tigers” about harnessing the demographic dividend?
- What is the role of the media in supporting governments to harness the demographic dividend?

Speakers

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The demographic dividend is fast gaining traction as a development paradigm among African leaders, who see it as a pathway for sub-Saharan African countries to accelerate their social and economic development. This is especially because the demographic dividend has been partly credited for the transformative development realised by some East Asian countries over the last four decades. These countries were at the same development level as many African countries in the 1960s, but are now high or upper-middle income countries with decent living standards for their citizens.