314 ACTIVE* TECH HUBS IN 93 CITIES IN 42 COUNTRIES

AFRICA:

MOROCCO: 21
EGYPT: 28
KENYA: 27
UGANDA: 12
TUNISIA: 15

60% Incubators/Accelerators
12% Coworking Spaces

5 Countries
South Africa, Kenya, Nigeria, Egypt and Morocco totalise 50% of the tech hubs in Africa

28% Other Tech Hubs

4.3 years old
Average age of tech hubs is 4.3 years old (average launch date: 2012)

13% of Tech hubs
13% of tech hubs have partnerships with mobile operators. Orange, MTN and Vodafone are the most represented

49% of Tech hubs
49% of tech hubs have partnerships with non-telecom corporations. Microsoft, Google and Ashoka are the most represented

1.5 millions followers
Tech hubs Facebook pages have more than 1.5 million followers

600 thousand followers
Tech hubs Twitter pages totalise more than 600 thousand followers

We define “Tech hubs” as physical spaces designed to foster the success of tech projects. Among them we distinguish:
• Incubators & accelerators designed to accelerate the growth of startups through business support resources and services
• Other types of spaces supporting tech projects: innovation spaces, maker spaces, hacker spaces, fab labs, co-working spaces

Tech hubs are defined as active when they show recent online activity (on their website or on social networks) or have been reported as active by local experts interviewed. 314 were selected on a total of 422 screened.

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