Ecosystem Accelerator
AFRICA
Tech Hubs Landscape 2018

442 Active Tech Hubs*

Fastest growing ecosystems
(2016-2018)
Democratic Republic of the Congo +200%
Zambia +200%
Cote d’Ivoire +160%
Togo +150%
Nigeria +139%

13% of the hubs are partnering with mobile operators. MTN, Orange, and Vodacom are among the most represented.

Top 5 Ecosystem Cities by number of Active Tech Hubs
Lagos – 31 Hubs
Cape Town – 26 Hubs
Nairobi – 25 Hubs
Cairo – 23 Hubs
Accra – 16 Hubs

5 Countries
South Africa, Nigeria, Egypt, Kenya, Morocco totalise over 45% of all hubs.

5 y/o Hubs Maturity
Average age of active tech hubs is 5 years – launched in 2013.

Social Media Reach
Twitter: 1.4 Million Followers
Facebook: 4 Million Likes

Main tech hub alliances

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*Tech Hubs are defined as physical spaces designed to foster and support tech start-ups. These include incubators, accelerators, co-working spaces, fab labs, makerspaces, hackerspaces, and other innovation centres. Active tech hubs are defined as hubs that have shown active digital presence (website, news, social media) since October 2017.