



Africa Leadership Initiative – West Africa

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VALUE PROPOSITION FOR:

NIGERIA GOVERNORS FORUM

Implementing entity and key partners

The African Leadership Initiative West Africa (ALIWA) forms part of the Aspen Global Leadership Network (AGLN). This network was established worldwide in collaboration with the Aspen Institute and consists of other similar leadership initiatives. ALIWA's vision is to develop the next generation of values-based African leaders. These leaders will not only impart knowledge and share opinions, but also guide and lead their countries with integrity.

Till date, ALIWA has graduated five classes of fellows, some of whom have risen to positions of greater influence in both the Nigerian and Ghanaian governments at the federal and state level.

Fellows have also been inspired to step up into service in Government- Omobola Johnson served as Nigeria's first Minister for ICT and Okey Enelamah has served as Nigeria's Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment bringing a solid foundation to this novel ministry.

The key to ALI's sustainability in West Africa lies in its expanding pool of fellows, who are committed to building a better society. With roots in the Aspen Institute and membership in the Aspen Global Leadership Network (AGLN), the stage is set for strong partnerships, with stakeholders whose core values are aligned with ours.

To get an overview of some of our fellows and their initiatives, please see **Appendix 1**

Objective

ALIWA would like to engage with the Governors on a State-by-State basis to support them in setting the stage for transformational leadership as they mobilize their various cabinets for effective governance.

We will be leveraging the tried and tested tools of the Aspen Institute, which have developed over the past half-a-century to develop leaders both in the US and across various continents. Our objective is therefore to deliver a 2-day robust Aspen-style seminar backed by key readings and resources.

We believe this is a good time to have conversations that will assist state governors:

- Foster values-based leadership, within their teams of commissioners, special advisers and key public servants.
- To reflect on the ideals and ideas that define a good society, and provide a neutral and balanced platform to highlight critical priorities and expectations.

Expected Outcomes

The expected outcomes, across the participants, that would participate in our intervention are:

- (1) The evolution of a shared vision around what governance would require for the administration
- (2) A sense of common unity around agreed goals (esprit de corps)
- (3) Clear expectations around the quality of service acceptable to His Excellency, the Governor
- (4) Early identification of potential synergies as well as possible risks to manage

Nature of our Intervention

We will be facilitating a 2-day leadership and team-building programme, focusing the essence of effective leadership in the public space, and a best-practice overview of how such leadership dividends have been delivered in various climes.

We will adopt relevant case-studies, tested tools and methodologies. The programme will be facilitated by highly trained ALIWA fellows, certified to deliver programmes by the ASPEN Institute, Colorado. Among us are Aspen-trained moderators who moderate similar sessions around the world, and have a wealth of experience in conducting Aspen-style seminar sessions to ensure we truly engage all the levers necessary for transformational thinking.

Please find attached the profiles of some of our core facilitators in **Appendix 2**

Key target beneficiary population

The State Executive Cabinet of all the 36 States of Nigeria.

Timelines

- Program commencement- To be Agreed on a State-by-State basis
- Six-month check in with the Chief Executive – Government House