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Master of Public Administration (MPA)

The African School of Governance is accepting applications for September 2025!

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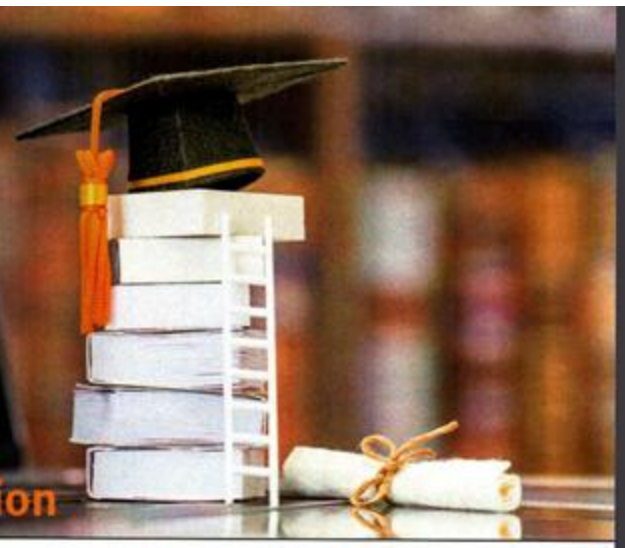
- Need-blind & Flexible Admissions
- Scholarship & Financial Aid Available
- Immersive Experience – Living in Kigali
- Students from over 30 countries
- World class faculty
- African curriculum

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Masters of Public Administration (MPA) Application Process

Transforming Governance,
Inspiring Change



Scholarships Available Upon Admission

Stage 01 → **Stage 02**

Screening of Academic & Professional Qualifications

- Begin your journey by applying via the ASG application portal.
- Candidates will be assessed based on academic excellence, professional background, leadership potential and commitment to diversity.

Critical Thinking & Decision-Making Assessment

Shortlisted candidates will undergo the following:

- **Video-Based Task**

Candidates will receive instructions for a video-based task assessing their analytical and decision making abilities

- **Interview (if applicable)**

Interviews may be conducted for some candidates to further evaluate their vision for impact.

Required Documents

- Notarised certificate and transcripts
- Evidence of English proficiency (if applicable)
- Updated CV
- Two letters of recommendation (Academic and Professional)
- Proof of identity (passport or national ID)

Who Are We Looking For?

Motivated and purpose-driven mid-level career professional with:

- Strong academic and professional foundation
- Leadership potential and commitment to ethical governance
- Passion for making a positive impact in public or private sector
- Diverse backgrounds and experiences
- Exceptional critical thinking, problem-solving and communication skills

Program Fees →

Application Fee:
$50 (Non-refundable)

Tuition:
$15,000
Per Academic year

Did you know?

We offer:

- Need-Blind Admissions Merit-Based
- Scholarships upon admission

Ready to Lead? Go Ahead and Apply



Contact Us

Get in touch today to learn more about ASG's ground-breaking work and how you can get involved in shaping Africa's future.

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Leadership

GOVERNING BOARD



Makhtar Diop

Managing Director of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and former Minister of Finance and Economy of Senegal



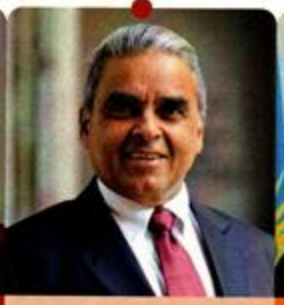
Dr. Donald Kaberuka

Former President of the African Development Bank



Professor Hajer Gueldich

Former Professor at the University of Carthage & Legal Counsel of the African Union



Kishore Mahbubani

Former Dean of the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore



Mr. Francis Gatare

Senior Advisor, Office of the President – Republic of Rwanda.



Professor Kingsley Moghalu

Inaugural President, African School of Governance

Professor Kingsley Moghalu, a globally recognised leader in governance, public policy, and economic transformation, is the inaugural President of the African School of Governance (ASG). With an extensive background that includes serving as Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of Nigeria, founding the Institute for Governance and Economic Transformation (IGET), holding faculty roles at such prestigious institutions as The Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy at Tufts University and the University of Oxford and a decorated career in the United Nations, Professor Moghalu brings unparalleled expertise to ASG. Under his leadership, ASG is poised to become a driving force in governance innovation and policy reform across Africa.

"The establishment of the ASG is a powerful expression of a clear vision on the part of the founding leaders. I share this vision of a transformed Africa driven by competent leadership and governance, and I am honoured to have been tasked to lead the ASG's critical contribution to making that vision a reality

STRATEGIC AND INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

The establishment of ASG is supported by strong strategic partnerships with other world class institutions, including the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore and the Mastercard Foundation.

Founders



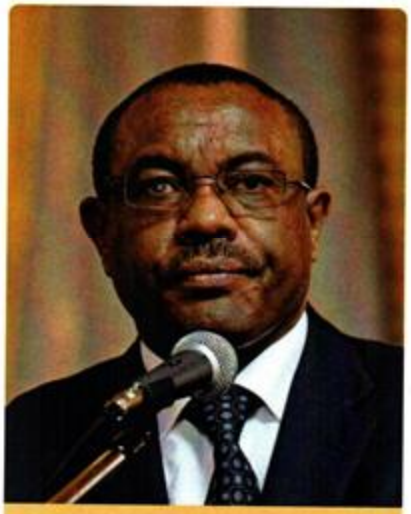
His Excellency Paul Kagame,

President of the Republic of Rwanda

H.E. Paul Kagame has been a transformative leader of Rwanda, turning the nation into a model of stability, economic growth, and technological advancement. Under his leadership, Rwanda has achieved inclusive growth and sustainable development, becoming one of Africa's fastest-growing economies. A cornerstone of Rwanda's social transformation has been the implementation of homegrown solutions—innovative approaches tailored to the nation's unique challenges and opportunities—which have fostered resilience and self-reliance.

Kagame's commitment to good governance, accountability, and innovation have been key to Rwanda's transformation. Beyond Rwanda, his influence is felt throughout Africa. Since 2022, he has served as the Commonwealth Chair-in-Office, playing a key role in fostering cooperation among member states. Additionally, as the African Union (AU) Champion for Domestic Health Financing, Kagame continues to lead the charge in strengthening health systems across Africa. His unwavering support for Pan-Africanism and his leadership in initiatives such as the African Union's reform agenda have furthered the cause of stronger governance and unity across the continent.

As a co-founder of the African School of Governance (ASG), H.E. Paul Kagame's visionary leadership will be a driving force in shaping the institution. His experience in fostering national development and championing institutional reform will guide ASG's mission to nurture future African leaders who can implement sustainable governance solutions. With Kagame's support, ASG will focus on developing leaders equipped to drive reform and innovation, not only in Africa but on the global stage.



His Excellency Hailemariam Desalegn,

Former Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn has made a profound impact on governance in Africa, particularly during his tenure as Prime Minister of Ethiopia from 2012 to 2018. Under his leadership, Ethiopia experienced significant economic reforms, becoming one of the continent's fastest-growing economies. His governance focused on stability, sustainable development, and fostering regional integration, while his efforts in conflict resolution, especially in the Horn of Africa, solidified his role as a key mediator. H.E. Hailemariam has also been a strong advocate for Africa's voice on the global stage, pushing for equitable partnerships and deeper engagement with institutions like the United Nations and the African Union.

As a co-founder of the African School of Governance (ASG), and Guardian of the African School of Governance Foundation, H.E. Hailemariam's vision, extensive experience, and commitment will continue to play a pivotal role in supporting the school's mission. His legacy of fostering inclusive economic growth and development, peace-building, and regional cooperation will directly influence ASG's approach to cultivating the next generation of African leaders. Through his leadership, ASG will be guided by principles of governance that are not only globally relevant but also deeply rooted in Africa's unique challenges and opportunities.

In addition to his time in politics, H.E. Hailemariam previous served in different academic and administrative capacities with the Arba Minch Water Technology Institute (now Arba Minch University) for 13 years, including as the Dean of the Water Technology Institute. He currently holds a range of board and leadership positions with other African and international institutions.

> **"The time is ripe for an institution rooted in Africa's needs and aspirations. The African School of Governance will be a hub for nurturing purpose-driven leaders equipped to tackle the continent's greatest challenges and opportunities, combing Africa's uniqueness with international best practices. This is not just an educational institution, but a movement towards sustainable African leadership**

KEY FEATURES OF THE AFRICAN SCHOOL OF GOVERNANCE

Pan-African school anchored in the African context

- ASG's faculty and student body will be drawn from across Africa and the world, and anchored in African issues and ideas to ensure that the institution represents the full spectrum of the continent's diversity and experiences. The school aims to foster cross-border collaboration and knowledge sharing to address common challenges.
- We will further strengthen the program through wider perspectives and lived experiences. It will also enable and steadily build a network of partnerships with schools and alumni with reach and influence into all countries and continents as students go out to work across Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, or elsewhere.
- The institution's Pan-African approach will also ensure that students are equipped to contribute solutions not only to their home countries but to Africa at large.

Culturally Relevant Curriculum

- All academic programs are developed with Africa's socio-political, economic, and cultural contexts in mind. The goal is to empower leaders who understand local governance challenges and can create solutions grounded in the continent's unique realities.
- This culturally attuned approach allows ASG to distinguish itself from global governance programs that may not sufficiently reflect Africa's unique governance dynamics.

Global Engagement

- ASG will engage in global dialogues on governance, offering students and faculty opportunities to contribute to international policy discussions. This ensures that Africa's voice is included in global governance frameworks.
- ASG will also promote international collaborations with institutions and experts, positioning itself as a Thought Leader in global governance while retaining a strong African focus.



CAMPUS AND LOCATION

Our Campus in Kigali

ASG is proudly headquartered in Kigali, Rwanda, a vibrant hub for innovation and leadership in Africa, alongside many other fast-growing pan-African schools and institutions. While Kigali serves as the home of ASG, the school's nature, mission and impact are international, extending far beyond Rwanda and embracing a Pan-African identity. ASG is committed to addressing governance challenges across the entire continent by engaging students, leaders, and policymakers from all African regions. With a focus on African unity, the school draws from diverse perspectives and experiences to foster solutions that are truly continental in scope.

04

Young Leaders Program

Duration: 6 weeks (full-time, hybrid)
Overview: Targeting high-potential recent graduates, this program will offer a unique blend of online and in-person learning. It will foster the development of young professionals poised to be Africa's next generation of leaders, equipping them with foundational leadership skills and a deep understanding of governance.

05

Senior Leadership Fellowship

Duration: 6 months (residency)
Overview: This prestigious fellowship is designed for leaders nearing the end of their careers who wish to leave a lasting legacy in Africa. The program will provide a residency experience where fellows engage in reflective learning, mentorship, and knowledge-sharing to influence the continent's future trajectory.



RESEARCH CENTERS AND INITIATIVES

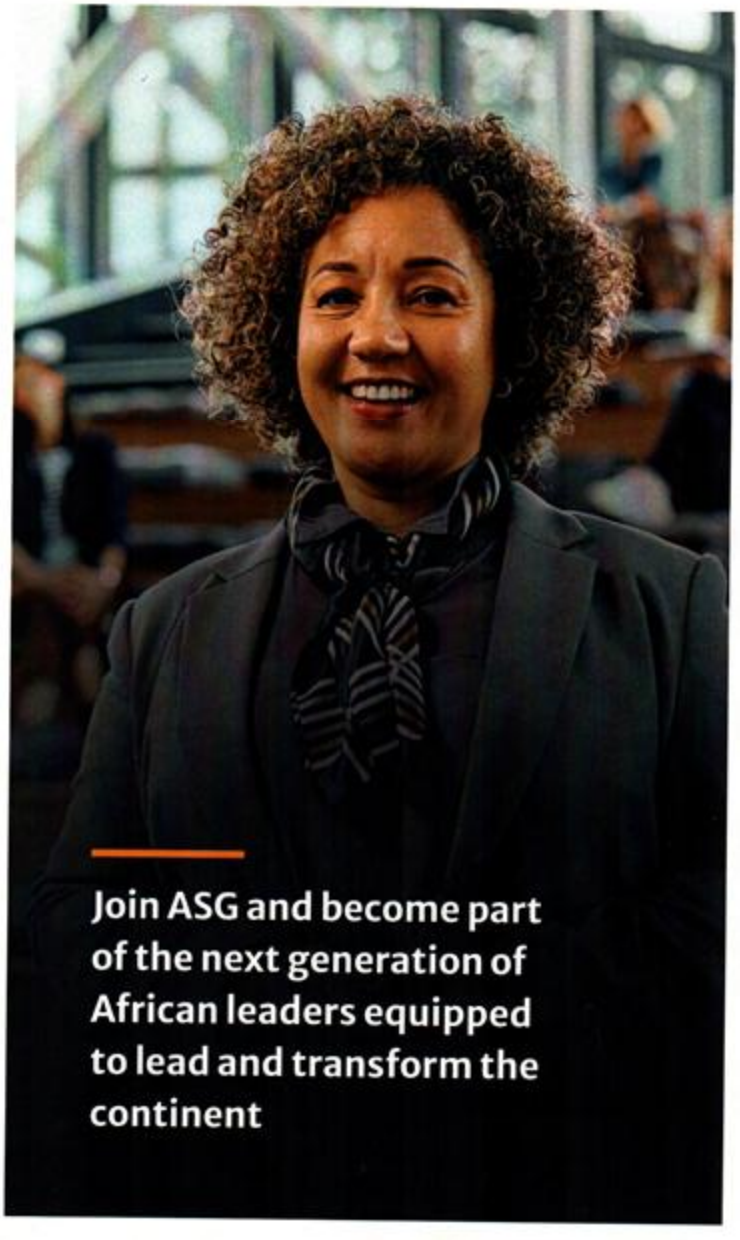
In addition to the educational programs, ASG will be home to four key research centres focused on advancing knowledge in areas critical to Africa's future:

- Centre for Home-Grown Innovations in Policy and Governance
- Centre for African History and Leadership
- Centre for Trade and Regional Integration
- Centre for Technology and Effective Delivery

These centres will drive innovation and research, offering evidence-based insights that inform policy-making across the continent.

POLICY ENGAGEMENT

ASG will actively collaborate with key stakeholders, including governments, international organizations, civil society, academic institutions, and the private sector. These partnerships are designed to foster governance best practices, drive economic development, and generate innovative policy solutions tailored to Africa's needs. ASG will also work closely with African policymakers to ensure that research and policy recommendations are translated into actionable solutions.



Join ASG and become part of the next generation of African leaders equipped to lead and transform the continent

PROGRAMME OFFERINGS

01

Academic and Professional Training Programs

- ASG will deliver cutting-edge and world-class academic and professional training programs in leadership, governance, public policy, and management, all designed to address Africa's specific needs and priorities. The multi-disciplinary curriculum will integrate African realities with global best practices and will equip students with the skills and mindsets required to lead complex governance systems.

02

Cutting Edge Research Centers and Initiatives

- ASG is dedicated to rigorous, evidence-based research on governance, development, and socio-economic challenges. Its research agenda will prioritise practical applications that can influence governance and policy reforms in Africa.
- ASG will develop and host a set of research centers and initiatives that influence policies and implementation on the key issues and questions of the day, generate new policy solutions and fuel its cutting-edge thinking, and continuously shape its education programs.
- As a centre for thought leadership, ASG will publish and disseminate policy research outputs and findings that contribute to policy discourse and provide actionable insights for decision-makers across the continent and the world.

03

Policy Engagement

- ASG will facilitate engagement with and between governments, civil society, private sector, and academics to design and shape policy debates for policy solutions that promote good governance, economic stability, and inclusive development.
- ASG's policy engagement work will focus on driving innovation in governance structures, encouraging transparency, and creating systems that reflect the needs and aspirations of African populations.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

ASG will offer five distinguished academic programs designed for students and executives across Africa and globally, each tailored to build governance and leadership capacities in public administration.

01

Master of Public Administration (MPA)

Duration: 2 years (full-time)
Overview: ASG's flagship MPA program will equip students with advanced skills, models, mindsets, and networks in public policy, governance, and leadership, with a curriculum grounded in African realities and global standards. It is aimed at emerging leaders committed to driving impactful and meaningful change across the continent for the public good.

02

Executive Master of Public Administration (EMPA)

Duration: 2 years (part-time, hybrid)
Overview: Designed for mid-to-senior level professionals with real-world experience who are seeking to gain transformative leadership and governance skills, knowledge, and networks to help them become more effective leaders in understanding, solving, and taking on complex and bolder problems for the next phase in their careers. As the EMPA will blend remote learning with flexible in-person sessions at ASG, its flexible format allows executives to balance the program with their professional responsibilities.

03

General Executive Courses

Duration: ~2-3 weeks
Overview: These intensive, short-term courses are tailored for senior executives seeking to deepen their knowledge, skillsets, mindset, and networks for governance, policy, and leadership. Each course will focus on critical areas of public administration and equips leaders with actionable strategies to tackle complex challenges and enhance their impact.

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FACT SHEET.

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OVERVIEW

The African School of Governance (ASG) is a groundbreaking graduate institution aimed at transforming leadership and governance across Africa.

ASG focuses on addressing the continent's pressing governance challenges through ethical leadership development, evidence-based policymaking, and impactful research.

The institution seeks to nurture the current and future leaders capable of driving sustainable development, economic growth, and social transformation across Africa, while elevating Africa's voice in global governance discussions.

Our Vision

ASG's vision is to nurture a prosperous and peaceful Africa where purpose-driven leaders are equipped with the mindsets, knowledge, and skills to drive sustainable development for all.

Our Mission

ASG's mission is to nurture leaders to drive Africa's sustainable development by providing innovative public policy education, cutting-edge research, and a platform for policy engagement that fosters transformative governance tailored to the continent's unique values and opportunities.

Core Values of ASG

L – **LEADERSHIP** – Leading with vision, integrity, mindsets, and purpose to transform the continent.

E – **EXCELLENCE**– Striving for the best in education, governance and academic standards.

A – **AFRICAN** – Inspired by the histories, dreams and experiences of Africa's peoples.

D – **DETERMINATION** – Driving forward changes to take on Africa's biggest challenges and opportunities.

E – **ENGAGED** – Listening and responding to the needs of people, experts and governments.

R – **RESOURCEFUL** – Combining knowledge and talent from across the continent and the world.