



Africa-Europe Diaspora Development Platform

A GUIDE TO DIASPORA OFFICES IN AFRICA



A compendium of information on which of the 54 states in Africa has a diaspora office and what opportunities there are available to those seeking these data.

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INTRODUCTION TO ADEPT

ADEPT aims to *'improve and enhance the capacity and impact of the African diaspora organisations that are involved in development activities in Africa'*.

The ADEPT aim is pursued through delivery of services to diaspora organisations and individuals in Europe and Africa. **ADEPT will work and engage with 84 countries** (28 EU countries, plus Switzerland and Norway, and 54 African countries). In particular, ADEPT will assist **Africa Diaspora-Development Organisations (ADDOs)** to:

- Optimise their development engagement in Africa
- Professionalise their organisations and activities
- Create effective partnerships in Europe and Africa
- Expand and improve their development activities in Africa
- Influence the policy and practice of development cooperation.

(ADEPT emerged out of the pilot Africa-Europe Platform [AEP] project which ran from 2010 to 2013, in line with the Joint Africa-EU Strategic Partnership [JASP] agreed at the 2007 Lisbon summit).

ADEPT is working to create a permanent service-delivery directorate with focus on:

- Providing **training, guidance and technical support** for capacity-development
- Producing and disseminating **information on relevant funding, jobs and events**
- Undertaking research and consultations for **advocacy on policy and practice**
- Facilitating **networking and partnerships to mainstream diaspora perspectives**
- Promoting **positive images of Africa** and showcasing **best practices of the diaspora**
- Promote programmes on **youth, women and under-represented diaspora stakeholders**.



High Level Panel of DDD2, Valletta, Malta, 28 May 2015 – L to R: Gibril Faal (ADEPT), Martine Cassar (IOM Malta), Minister Abdramane Sylla (Mali), Khady Sakho (FORIM/ADEPT), Minister George Vella (Malta), Amb. Hanna Simon (Eritrea)

HOW TO USE THE GUIDE

On behalf of the Africa Europe Diaspora Development Platform (ADEPT), we hope this information serves as a useful tool for your needs. ADEPT has established this channel to help coordinate the diaspora's potentials for its invaluable role in Africa's development process.

This guide is useful for anyone researching about what the individual countries have in place to support the diaspora and those interesting in returning to do business or to live in Africa and wanting to understand the protocols and facilities to ensure they integrate better – to include trade and investment, Public Relations, tourism, employment, job creation, improved financial markets and marketing etc.

This country-by-country guide will help get you started by selecting a particular country you are interested in and utilising our research and information sought for each country.

Notes about the guide:

The involvement of our diaspora in the national development is not an easy task and requires much effort and engagement, united and willing we will make it. ADEPT working closely with the African diaspora in Europe are willing to join their efforts and work harder for an even better and brighter African nation. This website is one of the ways to pull together all views and initiatives to make your search fruitful and useful to all diaspora members.

Information recorded in the country guide are:

- **COUNTRY NAME**
- **COUNTRY FLAG**
- **DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY**
- **WEBSITE**
- **CONTACT EMAIL**
- **CONTACT TELEPHONE**
- **DUAL CITIZENSHIP**
- **OTHER INCENTIVES**




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COUNTRY NAME	Algeria	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Minister of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	www.mae.gov.dz/default.aspx
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	+213 21 50 45 45/021 50 43 43
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Angola	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Institute of the Angolan Communities Abroad and Consular Affairs	WEBSITE	www.mirex.gov.ao
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Benin	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Minister of Foreign Affairs, African Integration, Francophonie and Beninese Abroad	WEBSITE	www.diplomatie.gouv.bj
CONTACT EMAIL	contact@diplomatie.gouv.bj	CONTACT TELEPHONE	(+229) 21 30 04 00
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Botswana	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of International Affairs and Cooperation, Promoting Botswana's interests abroad	WEBSITE	www.mofaic.gov.bw
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	+267 3600700
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Burkina Faso	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Secrétariat Permanent du conseil Supérieur des Burkinabè de l'Extérieur (SP/CSBE). Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation & Burkinabé Abroad	WEBSITE	www.mae.gov.bf
CONTACT EMAIL	mae@diplomatie.gov.bf	CONTACT TELEPHONE	(226) 50 31 80 17
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes. Citizens are free to seek other nationalities. There are dual and multiple citizenship.	OTHER INCENTIVES	Burkina Faso has lead projects in the Migration Information and Data Analysis System (MIDA) program that is of relevance in the transferring of intellectual, technical and financial competencies of the Burkinabe diaspora to Burkina. These skills will contribute to the development of Burkina Faso. The feasibility study of this program was carried out and the implementation of the research phase is waiting funding.

COUNTRY NAME	Burundi	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of External Relations and International Cooperation. (Ministère des Relations extérieures et de la Coopération internationale)	WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Cabo Verde	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation & Communities	WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Cameroon	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of External Relations	WEBSITE	www.diplocam.cm
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	+237 201687

DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	Residence Permits
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COUNTRY NAME	Central African Republic	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	No	WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Chad	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	No	WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No info	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Comoros	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/		WEBSITE	

MINISTRY			
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes* <i>Allowed for citizens from birth only</i>	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Congo, Democratic Republic of the	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Yes	WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No* <i>A child born abroad who obtains the citizenship of the country of birth may retain dual citizenship until their 21st birthday</i>	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Cote d'Ivoire	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Office of the Diaspora / Ministere des Affaires Etrangeres	WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL	minafet@gmail.com	CONTACT TELEPHONE	(+225) 2032 0888
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Djibouti	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministère des Affaires Étrangères et de la Coopération Internationale	WEBSITE	www.djibdiplomatie.dj
CONTACT EMAIL	moussagora@yahoo.com	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+21 35 24 71
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Egypt	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	The Arab Republic of Egypt Ministry of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	www.mfa.gov.eg
CONTACT EMAIL	Contact.Us@mfa.gov.eg	CONTACT TELEPHONE	25748620
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	<i>No* Person must obtain presidential authorization to abandon their Egyptian nationality. In such cases where authorization is not obtained, dual citizenship can exist by default.</i>	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Eritrea	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	

**DUAL
CITIZENSHIP**

No* *Special arrangements may be made for Eritrean citizens by birth who wish to retain a foreign citizenship they have since acquired*

**OTHER
INCENTIVES****COUNTRY
NAME****Ethiopia****COUNTRY
FLAG****DIASPORA
OFFICE/
MINISTRY**

Directorate-General of Diaspora Affairs,
in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

WEBSITE

www.mfa.gov.et/-/diaspora-affairs-directorate-general

www.mfa.gov.et

**CONTACT
EMAIL**

MFA.Addis@ethionet.et

**CONTACT
TELEPHONE**

+251-11-551-7345

**DUAL
CITIZENSHIP**

No

**OTHER
INCENTIVES**

Diaspora ID card – gives Ethiopian diaspora access to local rates and other benefits, other than political participation.


**COUNTRY
NAME****Gambia, The****COUNTRY
FLAG****DIASPORA
OFFICE/
MINISTRY**

No

WEBSITE**CONTACT
EMAIL****CONTACT
TELEPHONE****DUAL
CITIZENSHIP**

Yes



**OTHER
INCENTIVES**

COUNTRY NAME	Ghana	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	National Migration Policy	WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	


COUNTRY NAME	Guinea	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	


COUNTRY NAME	Guinea-Bissau	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Kenya	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Republic of Kenya Ministry of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	www.mfa.go.ke
CONTACT EMAIL	info@mfa.go.ke	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+254 20 3318888
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Lesotho	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs And International Relations of the Kingdom of Lesotho	WEBSITE	www.foreign.gov.ls
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	(+266) 2231 1150
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Liberia	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Government of the Republic of Liberia Ministry of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	www.mofa.gov.lr
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	

DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Libya	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs State of Libya	WEBSITE	www.foreign.gov.ly
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Madagascar	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No* <i>A Malagasy citizen, who upon marriage to a foreign spouse obtains a foreign citizenship, is not required to renounce their Malagasy citizenship unless it is a requirement (of their other citizenship).</i>	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Mali	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Republic of Malawi	WEBSITE	www.foreignaffairs.gov.mw
CONTACT EMAIL	foreign.affairs@foreignaffairs.gov.mw	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+265 1 789 088/789 115
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Mauritania	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	<i>No* Mauritanian woman who marries a foreign national and must take the nationality of her husband does not lose her Mauritanian citizenship unless she formally requests removal.</i>	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Mauritius	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Intergration and International Trade	WEBSITE	foreign.govmu.org
CONTACT EMAIL	mfa@govmu.org	CONTACT TELEPHONE	(230) 405 2500

DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	
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COUNTRY NAME	Morocco	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Kingdom of Morocco Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation	WEBSITE	www.diplomatie.ma
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	05 37 76 11 25/23 24
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	<i>Yes* Permission must be granted by the government before a second citizenship is acquired. Dual citizenship by default is not recognised</i>	OTHER INCENTIVES	


COUNTRY NAME	Mozambique	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	MINEC – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation	WEBSITE	www.minec.gov.mz/
CONTACT EMAIL	minec@minec.gov.mz	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+ (258) -21-327000 / 9
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Namibia	COUNTRY FLAG	
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DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of International Relations and Cooperation	WEBSITE	http://www.mirco.gov.na/
CONTACT EMAIL	headquarters@mirco.gov.na	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+264 61 282 2146
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Nigeria	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	http://www.foreignaffairs.gov.ng/ http://www.dtca-ng.org
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	+234 9 5523185
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Rwanda	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Republic of Rwanda Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation	WEBSITE	www.minaffet.gov.rw
CONTACT EMAIL	info@minaffet.gov.rw	CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Sao Tome and Principe	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Senegal	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Senegalese Ministry of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	www.diplomatie.gouv.sn/
CONTACT EMAIL	contact@diplomatie.gouv.sn	CONTACT TELEPHONE	(+221) 33 889 13 00
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	<i>No* Senegal does not remove a person's citizenship upon acquiring a new citizenship. If a Senegalese citizen acquires a second citizenship, in the eyes of Senegalese law the person remains a citizen of Senegal. Second citizenships will not be formally recognized until the person is legally released from their Senegalese citizenship</i>	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Seychelles	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/	Department of Foreign Affairs Republic of Seychelles	WEBSITE	www.mfa.gov.sc

MINISTRY

CONTACT EMAIL mfapesey@seychelles.net **CONTACT TELEPHONE** [248] 428 35 00

DUAL CITIZENSHIP No* The government of Seychelles only recognizes dual citizenship in specific cases concerning native born citizens of Seychelles who later obtain another citizenship for domestic or economic convenience (such as to work abroad) or involuntarily through marriage to a foreign citizen. **OTHER INCENTIVES**

COUNTRY NAME **Sierra Leone**

COUNTRY FLAG



DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation **WEBSITE** foreignaffairs.gov.sl/

CONTACT EMAIL info@foreignaffairs.gov.sl **CONTACT TELEPHONE** +232 79 242 276

DUAL CITIZENSHIP Yes **OTHER INCENTIVES**

COUNTRY NAME **Somalia**




COUNTRY FLAG






DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Federal Republic of Somalia **WEBSITE** www.mfa.gov.so/


CONTACT EMAIL ministry@mfa.gov.so **CONTACT TELEPHONE**

DUAL CITIZENSHIP **OTHER INCENTIVES**

COUNTRY NAME	South Africa	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	International Relations and Cooperation	WEBSITE	http://www.dirco.gov.za
CONTACT EMAIL	consular@dirco.gov.za	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+ 27 12 351 1000
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Sudan	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Swaziland	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation	WEBSITE	www.gov.sz
CONTACT EMAIL	psforeignaffairs@realnet.co.sz	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+268 24042661/3

DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Tanzania	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	The United Republic of Tanzania Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation	WEBSITE	www.foreign.go.tz
CONTACT EMAIL	nje@nje.go.tz	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+255 (0)22 2111906
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	<i>No* Tanzanian who marries a foreign national and involuntarily acquires spouse's citizenship is allowed to retain Tanzanian citizenship.</i>	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Togo	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	
COUNTRY NAME	Tunisia	COUNTRY FLAG	

DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	www.diplomatie.gov.tn
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	(+216) 71 847 500
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	Yes	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Uganda	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	Republic of Uganda Ministry of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	http://www.mofa.go.ug/
CONTACT EMAIL	protocol@mofa.go.ug	CONTACT TELEPHONE	256 414 230912
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Zambia	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY		WEBSITE	
CONTACT EMAIL		CONTACT TELEPHONE	
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	

COUNTRY NAME	Zimbabwe	COUNTRY FLAG	
DIASPORA OFFICE/ MINISTRY	The Ministry of Foreign Affairs	WEBSITE	www.zimfa.gov.zw
CONTACT EMAIL	mfa@zimfa.gov.zw	CONTACT TELEPHONE	+ 263-4-794681-6
DUAL CITIZENSHIP	No	OTHER INCENTIVES	





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