The Institute of International Education (IIE) has had a strong presence in Sub-Saharan Africa for over 30 years and in 2008 opened an office in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Working closely with businesses, governments, and non-governmental organizations in Sub-Saharan Africa, the Institute focuses on leadership and organizational development, scholarship management, and higher education services.

In Ethiopia, IIE’s office works with diverse constituencies to develop leadership and organizational development programs that respond to specific professional and institutional development needs. Programs draw on the Institute’s program management expertise, global higher education and training contacts, and extensive international networks to advance leadership, learning, and organizational capacity throughout the region.

IIE Services in Sub-Saharan Africa

- **Scholarship Management and Higher Education Support Services:** The Institute administers all aspects of scholarship and exchange programs, including recruitment, selection, academic placement, orientation, student monitoring, grant management and alumni activities, among others for students in Sub-Saharan Africa and around the world.

- **Leadership and Organizational Development:** IIE’s programs help managers and emerging leaders envision and execute strategic leadership, and apply effective management techniques that position their organizations to perform in highly competitive markets. Our world class facilitators also deliver custom designed workshops that foster team effectiveness, increase trust and improve interpersonal and communications skills.

- **Building Partnerships:** Through the IIE Center for International Partnerships in Higher Education, the Institute connects higher education institutions in Sub-Saharan Africa with the U.S and other countries and develops institutional partnerships through delegation visits, study tours and exploring best practices.

- **Promoting Study in Africa:** Through initiatives such as the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program and IIEPassport.org, IIE’s study abroad directory, the Institute promotes study abroad and internship opportunities for U.S. students throughout Africa.

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IIE Experience in Sub-Saharan Africa

**Fulbright Student and Scholar Programs**: On behalf of the U.S. Government, IIE conducts publicity, recruitment and selection activities for some 1,700 U.S. Fulbright Students each year, enabling young Americans to pursue career-launching international study and research. For over 2,600 Foreign Fulbright Students who enter the U.S. each year, IIE provides university admission, placement, pre-academic and English language training, orientation, visa support, fiscal services, supervision and cultural and enrichment activities. Since 1947, IIE has administered the Scholar component of the Fulbright Program through the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES). On an annual basis, CIES recruits and sends nearly 1,200 U.S. faculty and professionals to 140 countries and brings over 900 foreign faculty and professionals to the U.S. to lecture, teach and conduct research.

**Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program**: With funding from the U.S. Department of State, the Humphrey Program brings accomplished professionals from designated countries throughout the world, to the United States for a year of non-degree graduate-level study and related professional experiences. Fellowships are granted competitively to professional candidates from both the public and private sectors, including NGOs. Fields of study have included public health, agriculture and public policy, among others. Since 1979, nearly 4,700 fellows from over 150 countries, including more than 1,200 Africans, have participated in the program.

**Ford International Fellowships Program (IFP)**: Through a major grant from the Ford Foundation, IFP provides exceptional individuals with fellowships for graduate study anywhere in the world. To ensure that Fellows are drawn from diverse backgrounds, IFP actively seeks candidates from social groups and communities that lack systematic access to higher education. IIE is responsible for finding academic placements for those Fellows studying in the United States and handling grant administration for all fellows globally.

**Higher Education Readiness Program (HER)**: IIE’s HER program provides young women in secondary school from underserved communities with a pathway to university. A new three-year pilot project in Ethiopia, HER will provide 100 girls entering the 11th grade with scholarship support combined with innovative leadership and life skills training to help them complete their secondary education and equip them with the tools needed to continue on to university.

**The Baker Hughes Scholars Program**: In 2008, the Baker Hughes Foundation launched the Baker Hughes Scholars Program, providing grants to local undergraduate students committed to furthering their education to drive Angola’s economic development. Administered by IIE, the program supports over 80 Angolan students pursuing degrees in engineering, geology, geophysics and various business related fields at eight different universities in Angola.

**Ethiopian Women’s Leadership Program (EWLP)**: Funded by the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, EWLP seeks to address the high attrition rate of first year university women by offering leadership development, mentoring, skill building, and service-learning to selected young students in four universities in Ethiopia. In addition, IIE/Sub-Saharan Africa trains university facilitators to implement the program and supports their ongoing professional development. The program is designed to create an impact at both the individual and institutional levels—facilitators become stronger advocates for improving the educational outcomes of young women and young women experience personal transformation and are more successful in achieving their goals.

**New York University Abu Dhabi (NYUAD)**: In partnership with NYU, IIE provides unique, strategic global outreach and screening services to identify outstanding students in Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda, Uganda, Nigeria, South Africa, Zimbabwe and other countries across the continent.

**African Centers of Excellence for Women’s Leadership (ACE-Women Leaders)**: With funding from the Packard Foundation, in Rwanda, Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda, the ACE Women Leaders Program is developing a network of African Centers of Excellence for women’s advocacy and leadership training in key development areas of economic empowerment, family planning and girls education.

**African Higher Education Collective (AHEC)**: Sponsored by the Ford Foundation office in Egypt, this program identified strategies for increasing equity and access to higher education in Africa. The collaborative sought to accomplish this by serving as a think tank and source of information for policy makers, practitioners, and the public from Egypt, Kenya, Nigeria and South Africa.

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