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**35 projects** financed in 12 years, including at the regional level

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> 2 billion euros of commitments since 2008

**2 million** people benefit from improved access to drinking water

AFD began its activities in Nigeria 12 years ago and is now one of the country's important partners. Its varied financing solutions contribute not only to the development of a competitive economy that creates jobs and wealth, but also to shared, inclusive and resilient development.





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### OUR ACTION IN Nigeria

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### Financing the low-carbon energy transition

Available electricity power in Nigeria is insufficient for a country of 200 million people with growing needs. The power sector is moslty privatized and has suffered from chronic underinvestment. In response to this challenge, AFD is providing substantial financing and assisting on issues such as security of the electricity system, developing renewable energies, and promoting energy efficiency.

AFD thus provides support for:

- the national electricity transmission company Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN), for the development of the interconnected network of electricity transmission;
- support private electricity distribution companies (DISCOs);
- •vocational training in the electricity sector, via NAPTIN training centers.



### *Reinventing cities*

Urban mobility and access to drinking water are major challenges for a country like Nigeria, which has several cities with populations in the millions, the largest of which is Lagos with 20 million inhabitants.

Through its new mandates (sport, digital, cultural and creative industries) AFD promotes a new definition of a sustainable city: A city that engages in dialogue with its inhabitants and directly takes part in strengthening social cohesion and tackling exclusion.

Within this framework, AFD provides support in:

- implementing integrated urban transport programs, particularly in Lagos;
- the national urban water sector reform program, in particular by financing the improvement and extension of drinking-water production and distribution networks, developing access to and guiding water companies towards more efficient management;
- a social cohesion strengthening programme through sport in Lagos (implemented in partnership with the NBA).

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#### Diversifying the economy and modernizing public services

In addition to direct financing for the private sector which is essential for diversification of the economy, job creation and investment, AFD supports initiatives to facilitate access to loans for small and medium-sized enterprises, notably through its partnership with the Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN), and guarantee schemes, to share risk.

In collaboration with the World Bank, AFD supports the government's efforts to improve the management of public services and other sectors (intellectual property, personal data management, higher education).

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#### Boosting agriculture, including at the regional level

The agricultural sector suffers from shortcomings in all areas: inadequate or unmaintained infrastructures, limited access to inputs and techniques, lack of farmers organizations, etc. In view of these conditions, AFD focuses on basic infrastructures such as rural roads, to help unleash Nigeria's agricultural potential.

At the African regional level, AFD provides support for the agricultural policy of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), in particular through co-financing with the **European Union**, as well as for conflict reduction and prevention. As one of the donors of ECOWAS, AFD's actions focus on food security and agriculture via technical and financial support for regional projects. In order to reduce tensions in the region of Lake Chad, AFD provides assistance to a regional program implemented by Action Contre la Faim (Action against Hunger) to help vulnerable and displaced people.

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of rural roads

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**OUR KEY FIGURES IN** 

from better power

supply

of cereals purchased to alleviate food crises in North East Nigeria Agence Française de Développement Group (AFD Group) implements France's policy in the areas of development and international solidarity. It finances, supports and accelerates transitions towards a more coherent and resilient world. Comprised of AFD, which finances the public sector and NGOs; Proparco, which finances the private sector; and soon, Expertise France for technical cooperation, the Group finances, supports and accelerates transitions towards a more coherent extensitions towards a more coherent and resilient world.

With our partners, we are building shared solutions with and for the people of the Global South. Our teams are active in more than 4,000 projects in the field – in overseas France, in some 115 countries and in crisis areas, working to promote the "common goods" that are climate, biodiversity, peace, gender equality, education and health. It's our way of contributing to the commitment France and the French people have made to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. Towards a world in common.

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