



Building a democratic communication sphere in Africa for change and social justice

Created in January 2000, PIWA is a regional non-governmental organization, which contributes to democratizing communication, and consolidating public space for open African societies, where citizens' opinions are illuminated, and their voices amplified and heard. It is the first Panos of the South member of the Panos Council.

PIWA SUPPORTS:

- Public debates and political dialogue on key development issues in Africa.
- Constitution of knowledge on media development and the stakes of communication for development.
- Production and broadcasting of quality media contents, produced by Africans themselves.
- Capacity-building of actors of social change to make themselves heard.

PIWA UNITES, FACILITATES AND INNOVATES AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL FOR:

- Democratic and open African societies, based on public space that promotes change and social justice.
- Assured and exercised rights, opportunities and skills for African citizens to be informed and to communicate.
- An image of Africa which reflects African concerns, and produced by them.
- A leading institution in the sector of communication and information in Africa, committed to excellence.

In order to achieve its mission, PIWA's means of action articulate around the production of written and audiovisual information by way of any type of support, the organization of information and advocacy workshops and meetings, and the realization of technical training.

PIWA OPERATES ITS ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT FIVE REGIONAL THEMATIC PROGRAMMES:

- The « Media pluralism and development » (PLU) programme
- The « Democratic Governance » (GOUV) programme
- The « Globalization and Communication » (GLO) programme
- The « Digital Technology Policies and Uses » (TIC) programme
- The Diversities and Peace (DIV) programme

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