

The State of Philanthropy in East Africa Institutional Giving
Preliminary Findings 2021

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# INTRODUCTION

- The study is an opportunity to gain insights on how organized philanthropy is evolving.
- It seeks to produce information that can inform the growth of philanthropy ecosystem in East Africa.
- This study investigated three areas:



The landscape of institutional philanthropy

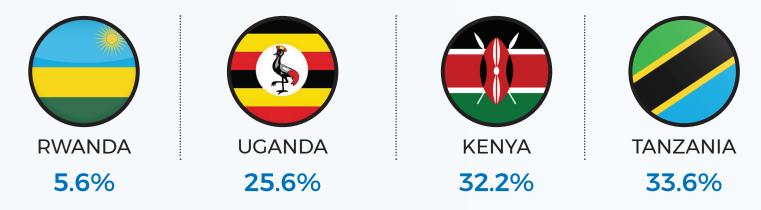


Existing and emerging practices

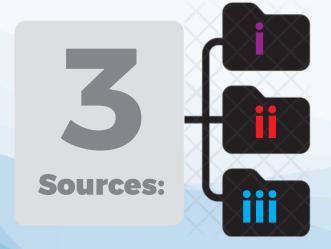


#### Methodology

EAPN combined both qualitative and quantitative methods, with a focus on the four East African Countries,



The data was collected from



Literature review/desktop research from existing publications on the industry

**Quantitative data** - a survey with 106 institutional philanthropists namely: NGOs, CBOs, Societies, Companies limited by Guarantee.

Qualitative data - Key Informant interviews (KII) with 15 institutional givers from the local giving in the four countries

#### **KEY RESPONDENTS**

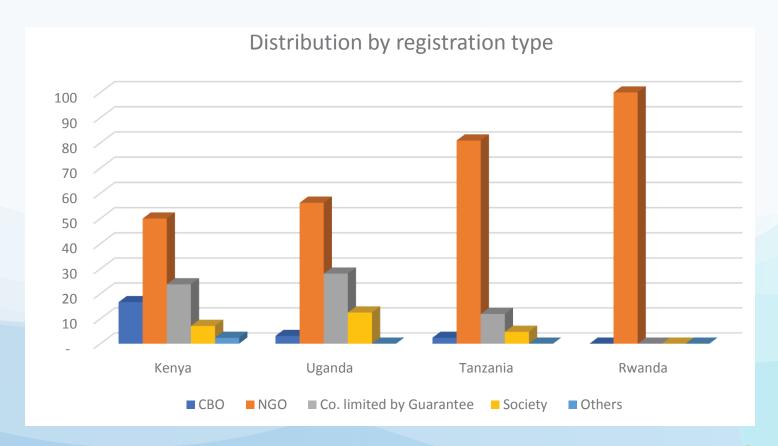


# LANDSCAPE OF INSTITUTIONAL GIVING

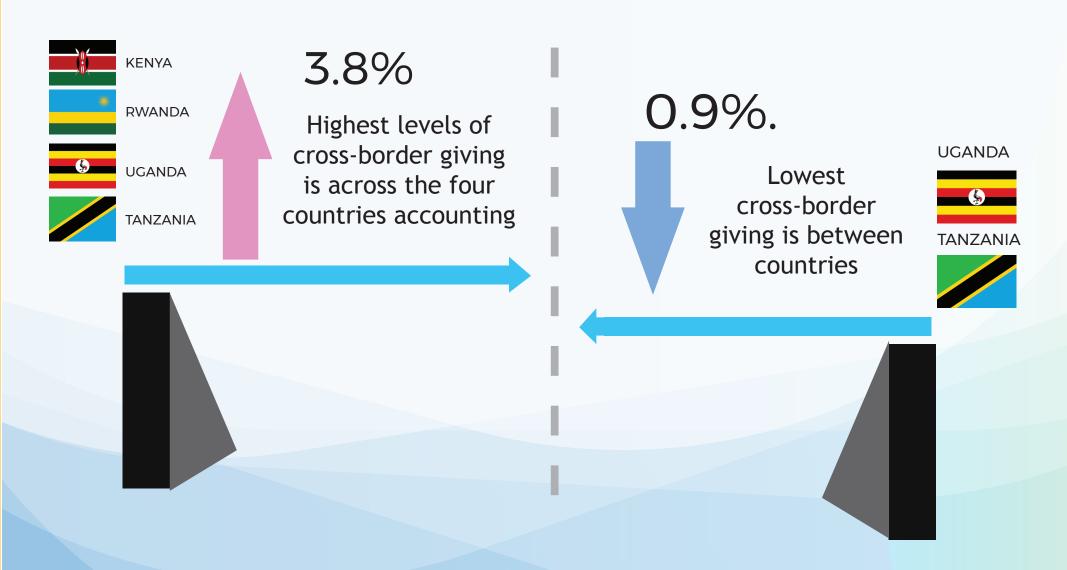
#### Registration frameworks

Institutional givers in East Africa seek to register with a framework that is

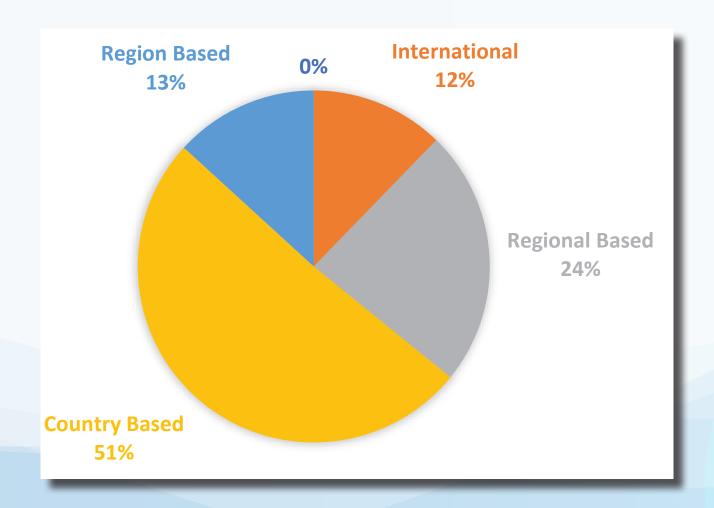
- Closely aligned to their giving model,
- Facilitates their operations and
- Where the benefits outweigh the cost of registration



#### Cross-border philanthropy



### Areas where institutional givers operate



### Institutional givers experience in philanthropy?

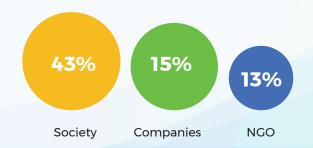




#### **11-20 YEARS**



#### 21 YEARS AND ABOVE



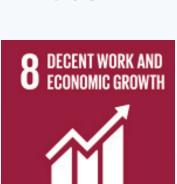
#### What motivates institutional philanthropy to give?



### **Contribution of Institutional Philanthropy to SDGs**



20.81%



24.83%



21.48%



8.05%



24.16%



0.67%

### Benefits of giving

Tax Rebates



10%

Recognition awards



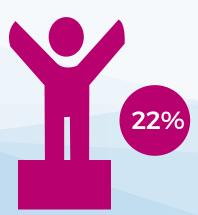
**14**%

Media Exposure

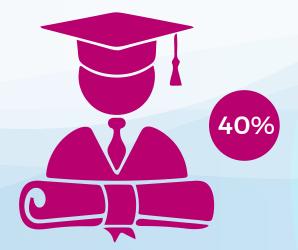


**15**%

Personal Fulfilment

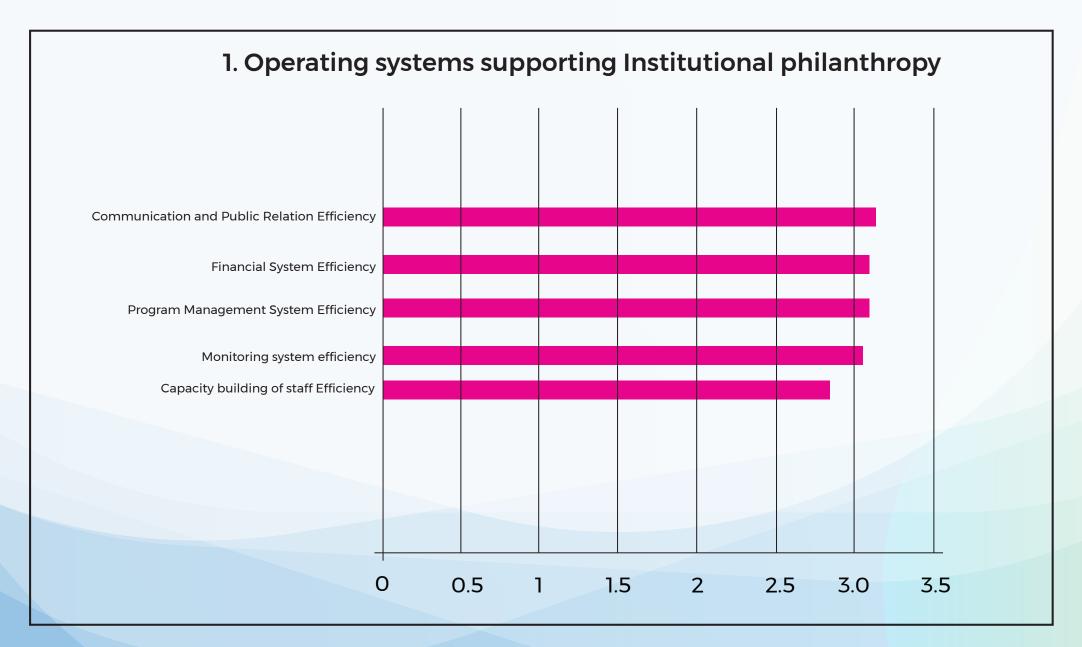


Increased scope of Social impact



# CURRENT AND EMERGING PRACTICES IN INSTITUTIONAL PHILANTHROPY

## **Current and emerging giving practices**



#### Annual contribution to giving practices



Give less than \$50,000 of their annual contribution



#### Sources of funds for Giving Practices



Multiple sources of giving

28% Individual givers

10% Anonymous givers

Single source of giving 14%

From international grants

13% From crowdfunding

#### Preferred giving approaches

Six ways of giving





#### Challenges faced in institutional giving

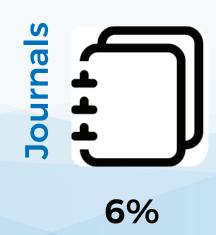


#### Where philanthropy Documents and shares their giving practices



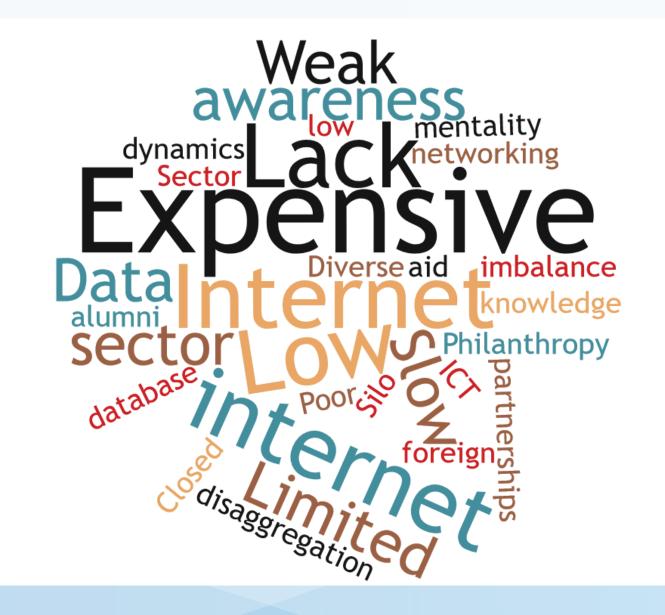






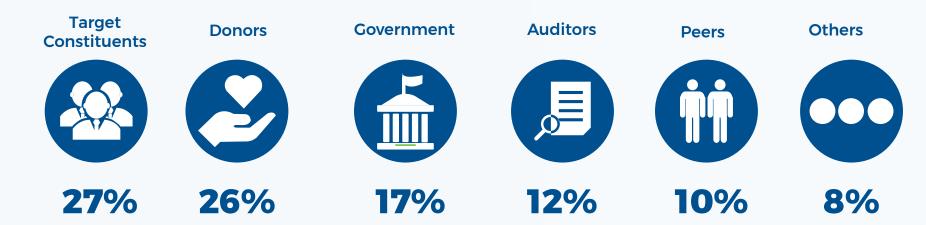


#### Challenges in accessing information on philanthropy

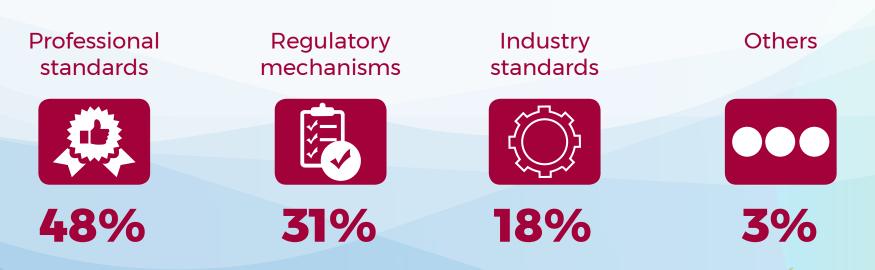


#### Accountability in philanthropy

Who is philanthropy accountable to?

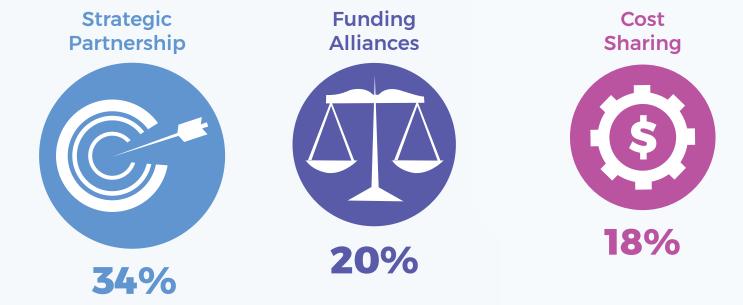


What accountability measures guide philanthropy?



#### Partnerships and collaborations in institutional philanthropy

#### Types of partnerships



**Joint Venture** 



15%

**Grant matching** 



13%

#### Future Partnerships for philanthropy growth



18%



**16%** 







15%



INTERNATIONAL NGO

14%

#### Community/ Self Help Group



11%

**Bilateral** 



6%

# Special Interest Group



3%



#### Philanthropy must invest in partnerships and collaborations:

- ► As an effective way for organizations to increase their impact and engage a broader audience on a key issue.
- ► Philanthropy is uniquely positioned to drive innovative strategies and improve the alignment of investments to enhance collective impact around a shared mission promoting partnership with the private sector, government, or even another foundation.
- Exploring its flexibility towards innovation and creativity and taking the lead in demonstrating partnerships that promote systemic change.

# IMPACT AND FUTURE OF PHILANTHROPY

#### Impact of institutional philanthropy









#### Future of philanthropy



**Learning Platforms** 





Influencing Policy on giving practice





**Alliance Building** 





Research and Data collection





#### Future interests for philanthropy



#### Future of Philanthropy is in communities...

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- Reviewing the partnership model for special interest groups from "recipients of support" to "a partner bringing change".
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  The growth of community philanthropy is the future of changing Society.
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#### **KEY INSIGHTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- There is a need to establish a guideline at the East African level that informs the national legal frameworks. This will enhance recognition and collaboration at the sector level.
- Technology plays a critical role in emerging giving practices;
  - knowledge hubs are necessary to harness the appreciation and use of technology as a tool to support philanthropy.
- The growth of philanthropy capital depends on
  - Moving towards long term investments and expand its perspective on impact have systems that support long term change, not just the immediate needs.
  - ▶ Tapping into the growing potential of individual giving
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