Centre for Local Governance in Africa (CEGLA)





Improving local governance through international cooperation: CEGLA delivers high-quality training for municipal authorities and promotes applied research on decentralisation and local development in West Africa.



GOALS

Good governance and the effective delivery of public services are essential foundations for sustainable development in West Africa. Higher edu**cation plays a key role** in achieving this: Only well-trained professionals can empower local governments to tackle the complex social, political, and economic challenges they face. This is where CEGLA comes in. The Centre strengthens efficient and citizen-focused public administration by training highly qualified professionals and future leaders for the public sector. Its aim is to establish demand-driven academic programmes at partner universities while also expanding urgently needed **research capacities**.

KEY ACTIONS

At the core of the project is the development and sustainable implementation of practice-oriented master's programmes in Local **Governance and Public Management** at three partner universities in Mali, Niger, and Senegal. In addition, a joint blended-learning master's **programme** and continuing education courses for public sector employees are being introduced. A practice-oriented **research and doctoral programme** focusing on decentralisation, local governance, and sustainable development strengthens academic capacity among early-career researchers.







Focus

Current funding phase Partner countries

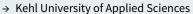
Good Governance and efficient administration

2022-2026

Mali Niger Senegal

Partner institutions

in Germany:



→ Arnold-Bergstraesser-Institute

in Sub-Saharan Africa:

- → African Centre for Higher Studies in Management,
- → Abdou Moumouni University Niamey, Niger
- → University of Law and Political Sciences of Bamako, Mali
- → Laboratoire d'Etudes et de Recherche sur les Dynamiques Sociales et le Développement Local, Niger



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