

AFIDEP

African Institute for Development Policy

Bridging Development Research, Policy and Practice

5 YEARS OF MAKING EVIDENCE MATTER IN AFRICA'S DEVELOPMENT



2010

AFIDEP is launched!

Forging links with African governments, UN agencies, regional agencies, & development agencies

Conducted study on the linkages and integration of Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) and HIV/AIDS in Kenya

Worked with **Lesotho's** Ministry of Health & UNFPA country office to conduct a study on the **linkages and integration of SRH and HIV/AIDS in the country**

Produced **ground-breaking** report on **Drivers of progress in Family Planning and other Sexual and Reproductive Health issues in Africa**

2011



2012

Engaged the Prime Ministers of Rwanda & Ethiopia to develop & **publish a ground-breaking commentary in the Lancet** on how the two countries **increased access & use of family planning through sustained political will & deliberate investments**

Participated in **FP2020 Summit** in London

Contributed to the global **People and the Planet** Report

Engaged the African Union with evidence on how a focus on the **demographic dividend paradigm** could enable African countries to transform their economies. This **resulted in the African Union adopting the demographic dividend as its development paradigm** for its Agenda 2063 framework

Full Board of Directors is constituted and operationalized

Opened the Malawi office to lead work in Malawi and the Southern Africa region

Launched a 3-year ground-breaking programme funded by DFID to **Strengthen capacity for research evidence use in health policy in Kenya & Malawi (SECURE Health)**

2013



2014

Conducted rigorous & compelling analyses on harnessing the demographic dividend in Uganda that shifted H.E. President Yoweri Museveni's position from opposition to family planning to a supportive position, where he committed to promote family planning as critical to Uganda's development. We initiated a demographic dividend programme in 23 African countries in partnership with UNFPA, starting with Zambia & Mozambique in addition to Kenya, Tanzania & Uganda

First Strategic Plan 2015-2019 developed

Initiated a regional 5-year programme to **generate & use evidence to strengthen political commitment & investments** for tackling the challenges to HIV/AIDS services across the borders of countries in the Horn of Africa

Ministries of Health in Kenya & Malawi adopted SECURE Health as their own programme, demonstrating our thought leadership in the area of bridging research to policy & practice in Africa

Through our SECURE Health programme we developed a **comprehensive curriculum on evidence-informed policy-making for technocrats** working in African governments & parliaments. We went ahead to train 76 technocrats in Kenya & Malawi on evidence-informed policy-making

Our engagement with the Malawi President H.E. Peter Mutharika resulted in his commitment to make investments and policy options that will enable his country to harness a sizable demographic dividend. Malawi President also committed to **champion the demographic dividend paradigm among African Heads of States**. We continued implementing the demographic dividend work, initiating work in Botswana & Senegal in addition to Malawi

Through our enSURE adolescent SRH programme in Malawi, our engagement with the parliamentary committee on health greatly **contributed to the success in the Malawi parliament's passing a marriage law that prohibits marriage under the age of 18 years**

2015

