

Event Round-up: Making Systemic National Change and Reforms Happen | Agora Thursday Thriving In Development Special Series 5/6

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Key Message

Making systemic national change is a difficult and complex endeavor that necessitates the collaboration of many stakeholders, including the government, industry, business, non-profits, and individuals. Notably, there is no one-size-fits-all approach that can propel this change. However, strengthening institutions is important as it helps check systemic reforms. The framework, guidelines, and methods that enable the implementation and maintenance of changes are provided by strengthened institutions. With Nigeria's numerous ethnic, religious, and regional diversity, it is critical to guarantee that systemic changes meet the yearnings of Nigerians, which necessitates a comprehensive and inclusive approach.

Achieving Systemic Change

1. Improve platforms for meaningful citizen participation and engagement in decision-making processes.
2. Putting equality and social justice first in systemic improvements.
3. Gathering and using accurate, disaggregated data to aid decision-making and policy formulation.
4. Improving the capabilities of government agencies, civil society organizations, and other parties involved in reform implementation.
5. Putting explicit monitoring and evaluation processes in place enhances transparency and accountability in reform implementation.
6. Creating effective communication techniques to share reform information and engage the public

Finally

As young professionals, we need to understand that social movement may be complex, dynamic, or evolving. However, social activities are deployed as peaceful protests, strikes, boycotts, awareness creation and civil disobedience. The success or failure of a movement depends on the strategies employed, the level of public support, and the response of those in power

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