



Socioeconomic Institute for Advanced Studies (SIAS)

*Pioneering Socioeconomic Solutions
& Development by Multidisciplinary Holistic Academic Programs*

Visualisation & Purpose of Establishing Internationally Recognised (Socioeconomic Institute for Advanced Studies)

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One- Words from SIAS Founder

Life taught us that nothing can be achieved without visualization and persistence. After more than seven years since its inception (in 2015), and after building ‘the concepts’ besides ‘the content’ of different mechanisms for socioeconomic development, the International Institute of Inspiration Economy (IIIE), decided to optimize its academic and research programs through the visualized well-established ‘**specialised postgraduate institution**’. After carefully visting and studying many countries suitability for such project, IIIE choosen to establish in Nov. 2022 a company in Rwanda called the **Inspiration Economy Limited**, with the intent of establishing a postgraduate focused **Socioeconomic Institute for Advanced Studies, called for short SIAS**. As a registered company with Rwanda Development Board (RDB) IEL seeked at the first stage to get registered and accredited by the Higher Education Council (HEC) to offer Postgraduate Degrees (MSc and PhD) starting with MSc in Resilience Economy, MSc and PhD in Inspiration Economy.

In March and after the pre-review of HEC, IEL estabslihed SIAS as another company in RDB so that all the development projects and recruitments be carried under the same brand applied for in the accreditation. Benefiting from the outcome of the assessment review and the skills gap survey SIAS intends over a period of seven to ten years to deliver the following postgraduate programs which complement its mission in creating major leap in how socioeconomic development can be tackled:

- **Inspiration Economy (MSc & PhD)**
- **Resilience Economy (MSc & PhD)**
- **Behavioural Economy (MSc & PhD)**
- **Community Development (MSc & PhD)**
- **Future Foresight Economy (MSc & PhD)**
- **Aging Economy (MSc & PhD)**
- **Youth Economy (MSc & PhD)**
- **Poverty Elimination Program (PhD by research)**
- **Women Development Program (PhD by research)**

These new innovative conceptual programs, besides SIAS research centre and projects hubs would turn this Rwanda-based institution to be a hub for the African region, the developing countries and the rest of world.

Two- Visualisation and Purpose of SIAS in Rwanda

As per the detailed assessment review East Africa, including Rwanda, and the world in general still have a gap in bringing creative solutions for all types for the many complex and chronic socioeconomic problems. The world need to explore and exploit through postgraduate studies research, project hubs and initiative of focused programs how turn such chllanges into sources of communities development.

The uniqueness of the intended SIAS Postgraduate Programs comes from its target to create graduates that would lead waves of socioeconomic change and would bring many new types of jobs and business opportunities that are rare today with minimal dependence on financial resources. The purspoe of SIAS in both the strategic and business plans explain in more details how the three postgraduate programs submitted for accreditation are planned (within the next five years after accreditation) to bring a model for 'efficient' and yet 'effective' specialised institute that raise the reputation of Rwanda and in the same time bring unique solutions to world.

The other uniqueness that would be offered by SIAS is its contribution towards building unique culture in higher education institutions by emphasizing the role of the projects hubs, that start in Rwanda as a model and spread in all Africa; using 'experiential learning' and 'action-based learning' in the delivery of almost all the modules' designed intended learning outcomes.

In line with SIAS strive towards achieving this visualization, the founder purchased a building that was put under renovation to meet the Higher Education Council (HEC) requirements for 'specialised academic institution' abiding by the law No 010/2021 of 16/02/2021 & the Ministerial Order No 001/MINEDUC/2021 of 20/10/2021.

This Phase (1) SIAS building is located in *Kicukiro District, Niboye Sector, Buhoro Village, in Kigali City*. The Socioeconomic Institute for Advanced Studies (SIAS) would be ready to operate from this building starting from 1/4/2023. Supported by its detailed and updated policies, mechanism, procedures, structure, program planning and specifications, SIAS is committed and ready to meet the recommendations of the HEC given in Feb 2023. The details of each of the three

programs approached for accreditation are available, starting with the syllabus, the materials, the references, etc. following the template forms of the HEC.

We are sure that SIAS once approved and accredited, would make a clear contribution to Rwanda's and Africa's development, **since the institution has many projects, workshops, forums, and publication plans that would add value to the efforts of poverty elimination, and other UN-SDG's, besides enhancing Rwanda's status in the 'global innovation index'. This is clear and evidenced from the feedback we started to get from all the local and international collaborating partners that started to come or correspond with SIAS as its started its socioeconomic awareness workshops in Kigali in early April 2023.**

Sincerely yours,

Dr. MOHAMED Buhijji

Founder & Chairman of SIAS Board of Trustees

Dated: 3/6/2023

