



Socioeconomic Institute for Advanced Studies (SIAS)

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

Roadmap For SIAS Establishment & Development

December 2022

One- Background and Key perspectives

The world is changing, and one of the main changes is relevant to the disturbance of the socioeconomic development efforts that were built in the last century. This instability became very clear as we entered a new era called the new normal with the evolution of the COVID 19 pandemic. In this time of great transition, we believe we have a role in speeding up economic concepts that are focused on socioeconomic development regardless of the world condition.

This brought the necessity of a postgraduate university that advocates raising the capacity of the coming generations in relevance to socioeconomic development. The university, which shall be called in short SIAS, targets to leverage and facilitate the delivery of graduates that continue to spread the approaches for the new economies that create more flourishing communities and organisations that see alternatives to the capital economy.

In terms of teaching staff, a mix of permanent and part time faculty will be followed and the figures can be drawn from the business plan. The university will have a good number of visiting professors from some of the best universities delivering inspiration economy.

Some of the faculty in Rwanda who have known about the program have already expressed interest and public call for applications will be launched soon as soon as SIAS-Rwanda gets a good head from HEC. Inspiration economy founders have already initiated a MoU with the University of Rwanda which has expressed interest in offering the program. As of Sept 2027, SIAS-Rwanda will have achieved the construction of all its structures and playground. Short-term and medium-term perspectives have been sketched out and turned into a road map, summarized as follows:

Two- Indicative Time table

Year 2022	Action taken/action to be taken	By	RWF	Status
Nov	Exploratory steps and first business plan. Board approval			✓
Nov	MOU Signature with UR	Founder of IIEP		✓
Nov	Opening of the company	Founder of IIEP		
Nov	Purchasing of facility to host the proposed SIAS- Rwanda	Board of Trustees	Budgeted for	✓
Dec	Submission to HEC for authorization	Kigali Coordination Team		
Year 2023	Action taken/action to be taken	By	RWF	Status
Jan	Preparations for the establishment of SIAS-R			
Jan-April	Waiting for the HEC Response on the application			
Feb-June	Renovation of classrooms, toilets and offices Expansion of Library:	IE Company and Founding Members		
April- Aug	Communication campaign	IE team in		

		collaboration with Rwanda Team		
March- Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shipment of furniture, computers and books. - Checks on quality and reliability. - Equipment with internet connection - Contract with initial administrative staff 	BoT		
April	HEC audit and clearance	HEC		
April-July	Campaign workshops on Inspiration economy workshops			
July-Aug	Procurement and installation of internet	BoT		
May-Aug	Advertising for faculty staff and Contract	SIAS-Rwanda		
July- Aug	Librarian additional tasks contracted	SIAS-Rwanda		
May-Aug	Information Campaign. Registration	SIAS-Rwanda		
Aug	Launching of SIAS-Rwanda	BoT		
Sept	Beginning of the first cohort (First Academic year	SIAS-Rwanda		
Oct	Registration of the second Cohort	SIAS-Rwanda		
2024-2015	SIAS- Expansion program			
2025	First Graduation			

Three- Financial Resources

Investment made in 2022 have been covered by IIEP founder Dr. Mohamed Buhijji. Future small investments will be borne by SIAS-Rwanda, partly out of its income generating activities. Larger investment will be requested from ‘Inspiration Economy Limited’, called for short IEL. IEL was registered in Rwanda by the Company Code: 120879561 , in 29/11/2022.

Four- SIAS Facilities Planning

The SIAS campus, major capital and facility plans would be reviewed as per the best alternatives. i.e. Renting, or buying building(s), or going towards construction. The facilities would have a classroom, conference room, computer lab, and research centre, supported with learning visualisation room and a library with e-resources. The facilities are to be ready before the deadline for accreditation by HEC.

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