#Dev4Africa is a campaign launched by grassroots groups, Indigenous Peoples, civil society organizations, communities, workers, women, and other right-holders and allies who share the common belief that fair and sustainable development in Africa is possible. We follow activities of the African Development Bank (AfDB) to hold this institution accountable and ensure it works in the best interest of people in Africa.

The AfDB plays a crucial role in shaping development pathways and priorities in all African countries through its projects, programmes and policies which are mainly funded by us, people of Africa. African people and communities should be able to design our own development agendas, decide on the AfDB priorities, and participate in their implementation in our countries.



Since its founding in 1964, the AfDB is lagging behind its peer institutions in terms of transparent and participatory policies and implementation, and it is very difficult for civil society, local communities, indigenous peoples and all right-holders to hold the bank accountable at all stages of its operations.

Different projects and activities financed by AfDB appear to be positive at first glance, but their design and implementation often lacks sustainability, transparency, accountability, participation, inclusion, effectiveness and efficiency. As a result, several AfDB projects have had serious adverse impacts and led to human rights violations.

OUR KEY DEMANDS TO THE AfDB

Prioritize community-led development and human rights-based approaches;

Protect natural resources and tackle environmental and climate crises;

Raise the bar on access to information, transparency and accountability;

Ensure participatory processes in policies, programmes and projects;

Find inequality, poverty, and the cutback and privatization of vital services; and

Protect African countries from the increasing debt crisis.

Join #Dev4Africa to urge the AfDB to endorse more open approaches in its operations and to effectively engage with and learn from the expertise of right-holders in Africa. Together we have the power to make a meaningful impact on the ground.