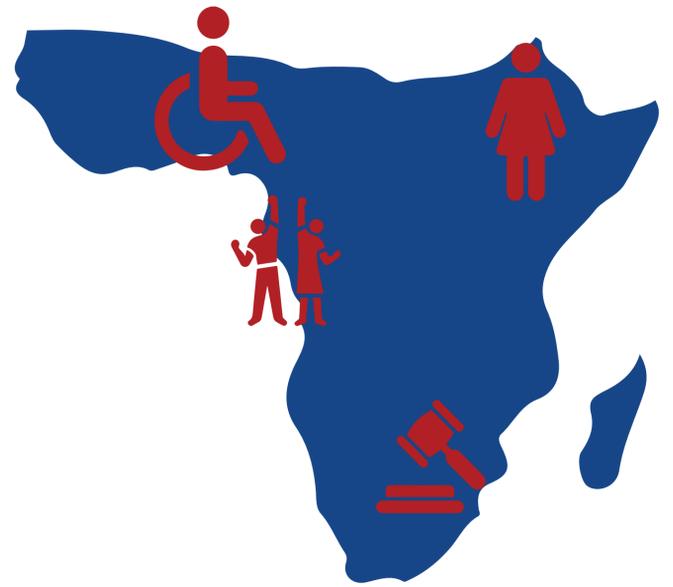




# An Evidence and Gap Map of inclusive governance interventions for underserved populations in sub-saharan africa

## What is this all about?

This Evidence and Gap Map (EGM) pulls together research on inclusive governance interventions for underserved groups in sub-Saharan Africa. It maps what is known and missing, and how different actors can use this knowledge to design more inclusive, accountable governance systems.



## Why we did this



To identify evidence clusters – areas with a concentration of studies showing policy-relevant knowledge



To identify evidence gaps – areas with little to no research on inclusive governance for underserved populations

## Where we focused our lens

Topic areas	Resources included	Groups of interest
Grassroots movements and coalitions Civil society advocacy Public policy and governance frameworks Media engagement Access to information and capacity-building	88 research sources from 1990 to 2023  Studies across sub-Saharan Africa, focused on underserved populations	Rural women, ethnic minority communities, youth from ethnic minorities, PWDs, sexual minorities, marginalised communities, CSOs, journalists, politicians



## What the research shows

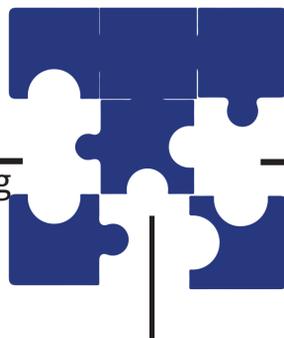
- ✓ Grassroots and CSO involvement increases civic participation
- ✓ Local media setups help elevate marginalised voices
- ✓ Access to information and translation improves community accountability
- ✓ Capacity-building strengthens grassroots and governance bodies

## Recommendations for policy



## We need more research and evidence

To understand gaps around youth-led movements and sustainable grassroots funding



To know how rural media pluralism is framing inclusive governance

To understand the long-term impact of inclusive governance

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