

Skills and human capital development for green growth and climate adaptation and green jobs in Africa
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The lack of adequate skills and human capital remains one of the key obstacles for many African countries to adapt to climate change and to achieve their full potential for green growth, decent work and green job creation and eradication of poverty. Building the right skills will enable African countries to create new jobs in a range of economic sectors, to attract investments and to create sustainable, decent and green jobs for a growing labour force. It will help increase productivity of the workforce and make African economies more competitive. The objective of this event is to provide insights on success factors, challenges and lessons learned in the promotion of skills and human capital development for green growth and green jobs in Africa, drawing on policy-relevant and solutions-focused analytical work conducted by AfDB and the ILO and the lessons from technical cooperation implemented to date. The event is expected to generate key policy messages that will inform the design and implementation of future programmes and projects and policy advice on skills and human capital development for green growth and green jobs in Africa. In addition, African countries will be able to share their experiences, learn from one another and benefit from experiences of projects implemented in other world regions.
