



ASAF: African Student and Alumni Forum



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Who We Are

The African Students and Alumni Forum - **ASAF** - is a **pan-African forum of student, staff and alumni** who have benefited from the African Union (AU) and European Union (EU) funded scholarships like Erasmus Mundus, Erasmus+, Intra-Africa mobility scheme, Intra-ACP mobility scheme and African Union's Nyerere scholarship.

The forum offers possibilities for



exchange, collaboration, and capacity building
for the sustainable development of Africa.

Up to date, ASAF has over **1866**
registered community members
living within and abroad the African continent.



89%

are active online
and contribute to
the activities
of the forum.



Over **11%**
of them are very
active in their
respective countries
and locations around
the globe.

ASAF is present in **36**
countries in Africa.

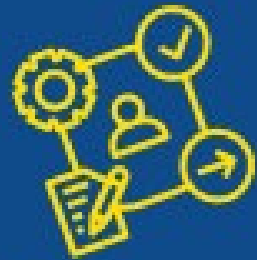
With currently about
28 established ASAF
Co-Ambassadors
representing the
forum in different
countries.



*As of December 2022



Our Vision & Mission



ASAF's mission

is to become a **platform for African change agents** who use their skills and knowledge to accomplish general continental transformation, especially by **improving the quality of education and increasing opportunities for employment**. With the help of the members' talent and commitment, ASAF will also promote international learning mobility across Africa.



ASAF's vision

is to become an **inclusive and transcultural platform** that contributes to the achievement of the United Nations **Sustainable Development Goals** (SDGs), of the objectives of the African Union's **Agenda 2063** ("The Africa We Want") and of the partnership between Africa and the European Union.

The Conception of ASAF



The conception of ASAF came about in 2017 after the 4th Africa-Europe Youth Summit in Abidjan, where **current and past beneficiaries** (students, staff, and alumni) of EU-funded scholarships – Erasmus+, Erasmus Mundus, the Intra-ACP Mobility Scheme, the Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme, and the African Union's Nyerere scholarship scheme **could come together as a forum with a common vision.**



In 2018 a first meeting was organized in Yaoundé, Cameroon, followed by a strategic kick-off meeting in Bonn in 2019, with a Core Group of 16 active members to lay the foundation and structure of the forum.

Since this meeting, the Core Group worked to start drafting the vision and mission of the forum and to initiate the first promotional activities, like the **regional workshops organized in 4 regions of Africa to promote ASAF and the EU-AU funded scholarships, and the first ever General Assembly** organized online due to COVID constraints.



Two years later, an Interim Board of 9 members was established from the Core Group, supporting the forum in perfecting its vision, mission, and values. **There have been many achievements since then**, like the first physical Annual General Forum in Dar-Es-Salam, Tanzania, the first version of the Statutes and Rules of Procedure, **and many capacity-building activities and webinars online as well as on-site in several African countries.**

Our Timeline



2019

Four regional workshops in Ghana, Morocco, South Africa, and Ethiopia



2020

Development of ASAF logo, website, and Community Portal, Core Group established.





Rules of Procedure
(RoP) vote
and
Launch of
Pilot Projects



2022

2nd Annual General
Forum held on-site in
Tanzania,
First Board elections




2021

1st Annual General
Forum held online,
Interim Board
established.

Online trainings
regarding skills
development, including
Leadership Workshop,
Conflict Management
Workshop, and
moderation training.





**2023
&
2024**

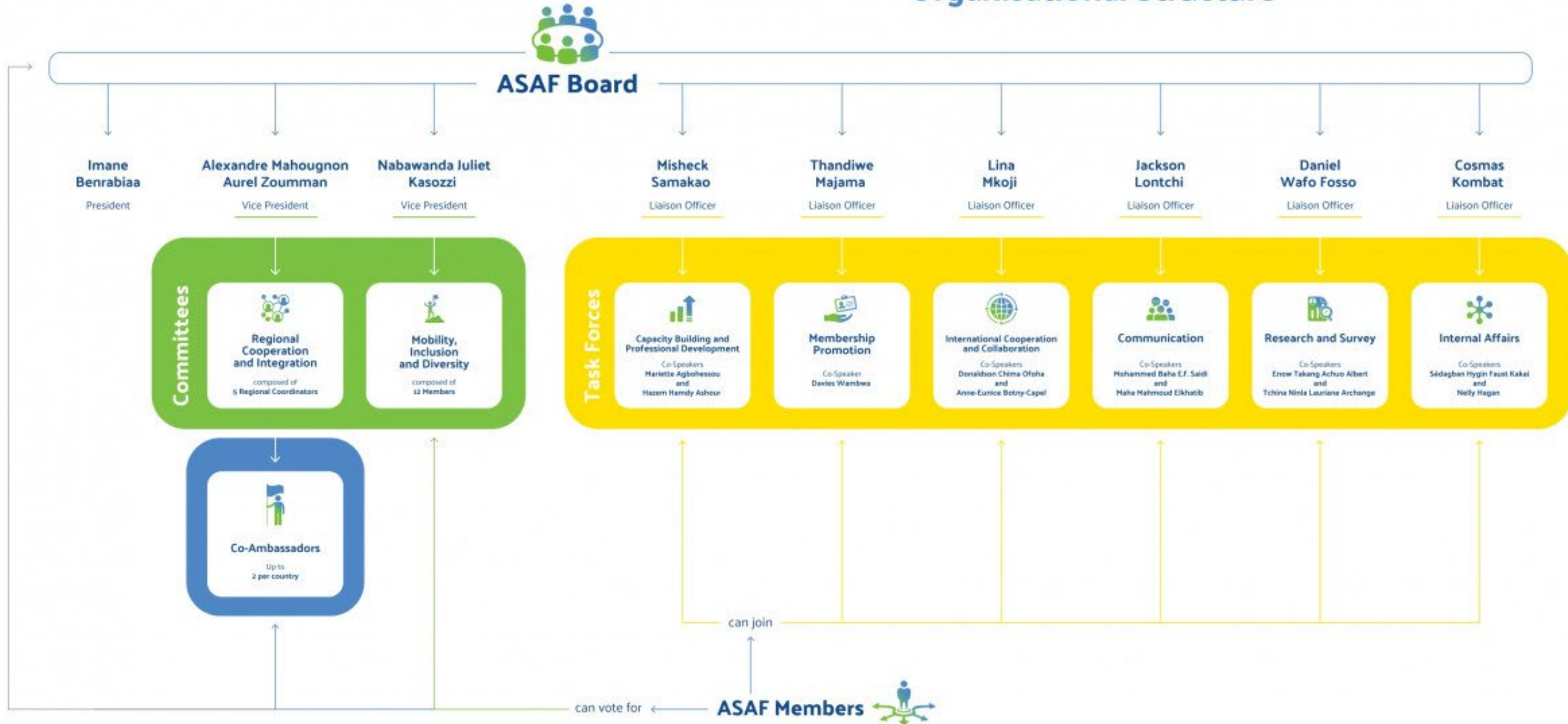
- 3rd Annual General Forum Held on-site in Nairobi, Kenya
- Co-Ambassador meeting and training in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- Members training in Tunisia
- Several online meetings and Webinars
- Local Projects awarded

Activities in Mauritius

- Meeting with potential members in June 2023
- Meeting with EU Delegation in Mauritius in August 2023
- Presentation on Erasmus Opportunities to Students in Oct 2023
- ASAF Promotion and training workshop in Oct 2023
- ASAF Presentation in Feb 2024
- Initiated contact with UTM, OUM, UDM in Feb 2024

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Organisational Structure



Name	Position
Imane Benrabiaa	President
Alexandre Mahougnon Aurel Zoumman	Vice President in Charge of Regional Cooperation and Integration
Juliet Kasozzi	Vice President in Charge of Mobility, Diversity and Inclusion
Cosmas Lambini*	Liaison in Charge of Internal Affairs
Daniel Wafo Fosso	Liaison in Charge of Research and Survey
Jackson Lontchi	Liaison in Charge of Communication
Lina Mkoji *	Liaison in Charge of International Cooperation and Collaboration
Micheck Samakao	Liaison in Charge of Capacity Building and Professional Development
Thandiwe Majama	Liaison in Charge of Membership Promotion and Activation

***not present in the photo**



Co-Ambassadors

ASAF currently has 28 Co-Ambassadors covering 20 countries*. Just as the Management Board is ASAF's structure on the continental level, **the Co-Ambassadors are ASAF's national structure.**

**They promote ASAF and support,
organize, and motivate ASAF members**

in their country of assignment and the corresponding country group in the ASAF Online Community.

Their main tasks are:



To promote specific
AU and EU mobility
programs



To assist and welcome incoming
students, teachers, lecturers, and
staff who will have their mobility
in their country of assignment



To assist students
and staff before
they leave for their
mobility

Pilot Projects



In 2022, the first ASAF Pilot Projects were organized. Out of many ambitious applications, **5 projects were chosen and implemented in Mali, Ethiopia, Cameroon, Tunisia, and Zambia.**

The projects mainly revolved around **capacity-building and mobility promotion** and have given much **visibility to ASAF** and its associated mobility programs. By bringing ASAF members from the above-mentioned countries together, the projects will hopefully lead to the conception of even more interesting projects in the future.

In 2023, 10 ASAF Local Projects have been selected out of 40 submissions. The project submitted by the ASAF Co-Ambassador of Mauritius was selected and implemented in Oct 2023

ASAF projects – On The Ground



Ethiopi



Mali



Cameroon



Zambia



Tunisia



Mauritius

ASAF Activities – Mauritius



Promoting ASAF with potential members – June 2023



Meeting with EU delegation – Aug 2023



Training and ASAF Promotion Workshop – Oct 2023



Sharing Erasmus Opportunities on UoM FB Page

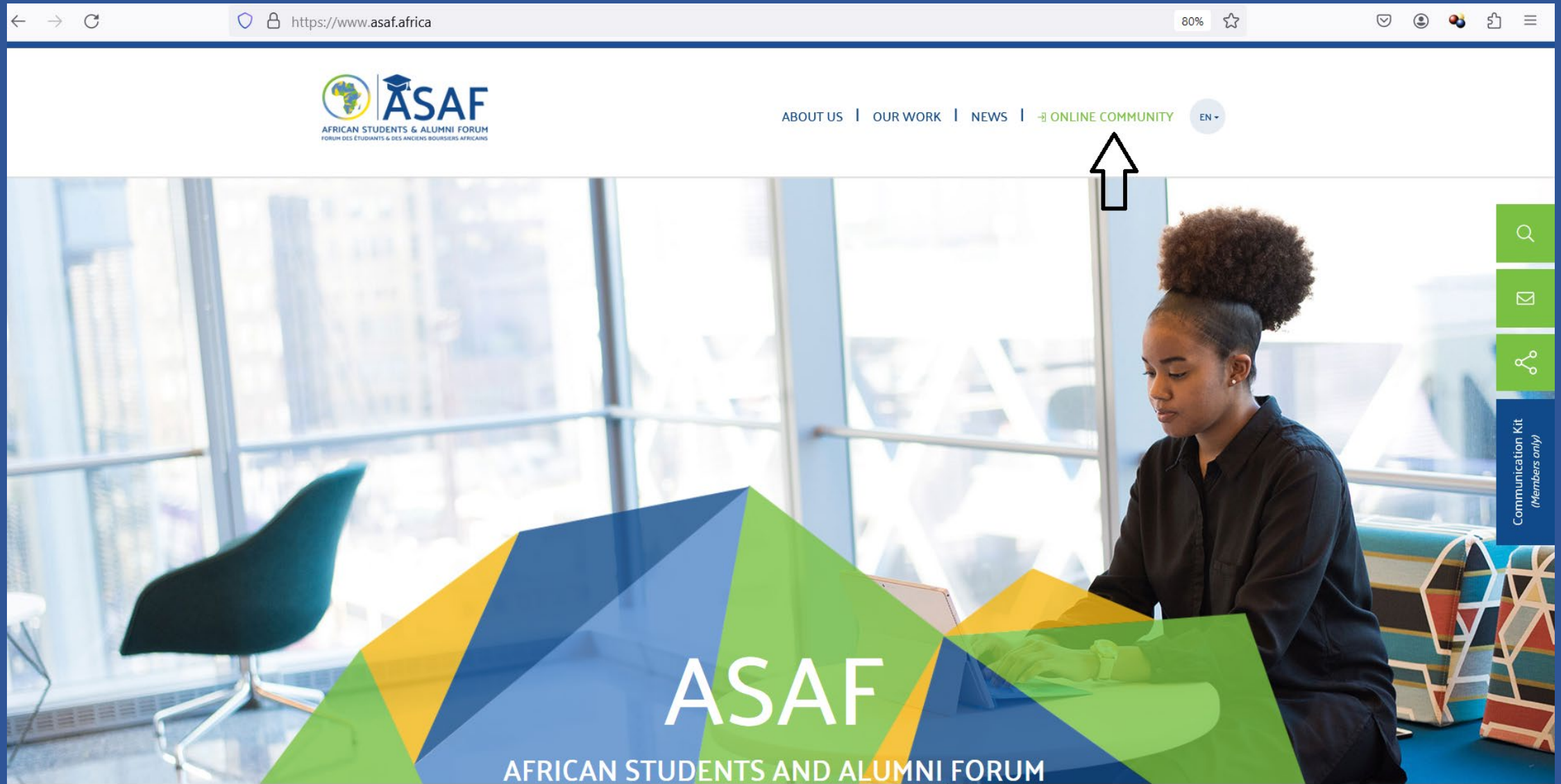
Sharing Erasmus Opportunities – Oct 2023

ASAF Activities – Mauritius



ASAF Presentation in Feb 2024

How to join ASAF



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Time for
questions!

