

IMF Opens Africa Training Institute in Mauritius

The IMF's Africa Training Institute (ATI) was officially inaugurated in newly outfitted training facilities in Ebène, Mauritius, on June 26, 2014. Senior officials from some 20 sub-Saharan African countries and donor representatives attended the opening ceremony. The ATI started operations in June 2013 thanks to the generous financial and logistical support of the Mauritius government—the host country—as well as financial contributions from Australia, China, and Seychelles. The ATI's key objective is to contribute to improved macroeconomic and financial policies through high-quality training, which would support sustainable economic growth and poverty reduction in sub-Saharan Africa. ATI training is closely integrated with the activities of the IMF's five African Regional Technical Assistance Centers (AFRITACs), generating synergies between technical assistance and training, and the ATI and AFS share the same offices.