MGG Knowledge Cooperation and Policy Dialogue with the T20 Africa Standing Group
In a globally connected world, sharing knowledge and making one’s voice heard in global discussions is increasingly relevant. The **Think 20** (T20) process provides an informal platform of knowledge institutions that provide input into the G20 deliberations. Founded in 2012, the T20 saw an increasing participation of think tanks from rising powers.

The overarching objective of the **Managing Global Governance (MGG)** network is to contribute to transformative change at the global and domestic level by training, knowledge cooperation and dialogue. Currently, the network is aimed towards six rising powers: Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Mexico and South Africa. For the MGG network, the T20 is thus an important platform to jointly engage with.

Global development issues such as international finance, trade, and climate change, however, require a policy dialogue that includes, but also goes beyond the OECD-connected networks and rising powers. Particularly Africa’s development also hinges on increasing inclusion in global knowledge cooperation, so that African ideas and experiences meaningfully contribute to the global agenda. This is crucial for global policy making from the perspective of global justice, but also for a pragmatic and successful engagement that seeks to work towards the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Consequently, the MGG network closely engages with the **T20 Africa Standing Group**, created under the German G20 Presidency in 2018 as a transmission belt between knowledge institutions from G20 countries and Africa.
The T20 Africa Standing Group in the G20 process

The T20 is a so-called outreach group. It develops policy recommendations within thematic task forces. The T20 Africa Standing Group operates as one of these task forces and fosters co-creation of knowledge and policy dialogue amongst the G20 and Africa. It comprises researchers from both G20 and African think tanks. Other outreach groups for the G20 process include the Business20 (B20), Civil20 (C20), Labour20 (L20), Science20 (S20), Women20 (W20) and Youth20 (Y20).
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