HOW FAIR IS JUSTICE IF YOU DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO IT?





User Friendly Justice

Achieving SDG16 through data, innovation and transformation



SDG16plus



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"All 36 targets set out by the SDGs address an aspect of peace, inclusion and justice (SDG16)." "Without peace, justice and inclusion, none of the SDGs can be delivered in full." Therefore, achieving SDG 16 is central to achieving all other SDGs.





WHAT'S THE Problem?

The world faced a huge justice crisis even before Covid-19.

5,1 billion people...



International

<u>report</u>

TASK FORCE ON JUSTICE PATHFINDERS FOR PEACEFUL, JUST AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES

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"A significant majority of the world's 7.7 billion people, in other words, is denied meaningful access to justice.

- **4.5 billion** are excluded from the social, economic, and political opportunities that the law provides
- 1.5 billion have a criminal, civil, or administrative justice problem they cannot solve
- 253 million live in extreme conditions of injustice, without any meaningful legal protections

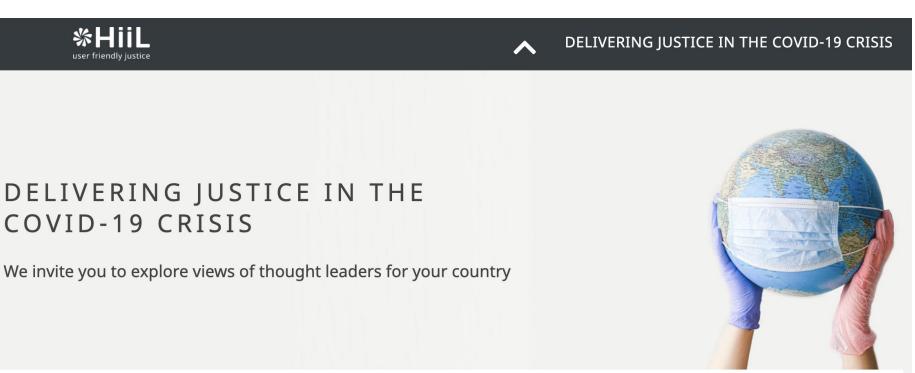


- Lately, systemic justice problems have also been coming to the fore: #metoo
 - #blacklivesmatter
 - #arabspring

Then Covid-19 hit...



- Covid-19 is magnifying the injustices experienced by people.
- Lockdowns have denied many of the world's 2.1 billion informal sector workers their right to work. Corporate abuses, such as price gouging, usurious interest rates, and refusing to pay refunds, are increasing. (Pathfinders 2019).







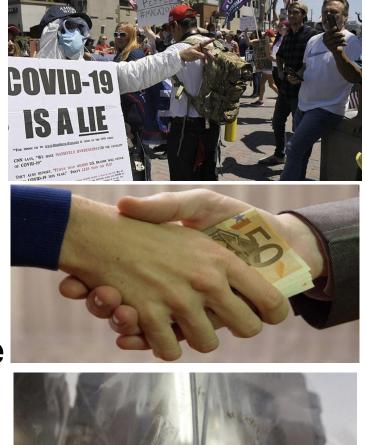
Real-time Covid-19 data

- In a survey conducted by HiiL, justice leaders in the world revealed that they expect disputes related to debt, unlawful lay-off and non-payment of wages to increase. As the new normal sets in, challenges related to housing, domestic violence and other family disputes will increase. In the MENA region and in Sub-Saharan Africa more than 60% of the respondents expect violence as a consequence of the new wave of justice problems. Solutions are expected to be less fair and achieved less quickly.
- A large increase in the number of disputes, together with Covid-19-induced inefficiencies, will widen the justice gap.

How can justice workers help?

- Maintain the legitimacy and effectiveness of Covid-19 health measures
- Ensure that financial support does not fall in the wrong hands
- To evenly re-distribute the burden of the economic downturn
- Enable justice systems in contributing to economic recovery







Doing more of THE Same Has NOT WORKED. ARE THERE NEW SOLUTIONS ON THE HORIZON ?





We at HiiL connect to the action by the <u>Justice Leadership Group</u>

"[Leaders] must [...] design new strategies and retool their institutions, embracing data-driven and evidence-based ways of working, and breaking with past models.

[...] they must innovate. Not simply to move face-to-face operations online – though this is now urgent – but to increase their commitment to prevention, rather than just acting after the fact, and to building partnerships that can deliver justice at scale and at reasonable cost within the communities where people live and work."



new Partnership **Entrepreneurship For Justice**

We have a solid foundation

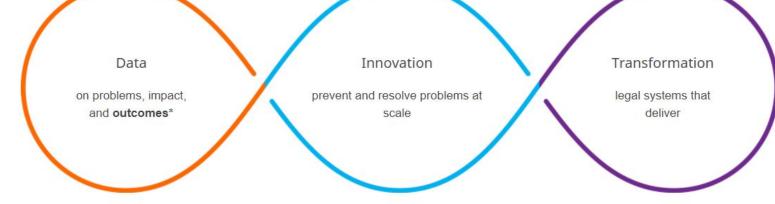


HiiL is a social enterprise that develops and supports innovations across Africa, MENA and Europe that provide easy-to-understand, affordable and **people-centred solutions to justice problems regarding family, employment, land, crime and neighbours**.

We believe that justice is a public good where the state plays a key role in its delivery. We propose public-private partnerships and encouragement from the private to enable the state in providing justice.

Data collected via the Justice Needs and Satisfaction Survey indicates that only 17% of the people approach courts and lawyers. The remaining 74% rely on personal network, self action, and other organised procedure. The private section can address the needs of this 74%.

How we work:



Justice entrepreneurs are ready to deliver



Since 2011, HiiL has supported 110+ startups globally. Each year 500+ startups apply to the <u>Innovating Justice Challenge</u>, out of which a new cohort of 20 joins our community.

HiiL has developed an ecosystem of more than 70 justice entrepreneurs in Africa and the MENA region. These entrepreneurs are a critical component of ensuring justice for all in this time of Covid-19 and economic crisis. Also for achieving SDG16plus by 2030.





The innovations focus on

Online Dispute Resolution & Mediation, Fraud, Finance & Identity services, (m)SME Legal Contract Automation, Online Legal & Insurance Services, Crime Prevention & Security,

& Claiming Platforms.





We need support from the private sector

We invite you to help harness the power of justice entrepreneurship to achieve SDG16plus and close the immense justice gap, made even bigger by the Covid-19 crisis.



Next steps



- Growing the *Covid-19 Justice Rescue Fund*
 - Upto 75 startups that have already been funded and trained by HiiL will receive grant of 10,000 Euros to finance their operation activities.
- Growing the HiiL Justice Accelerator

Ours is the only accelerator focused on justice and SDG16plus. It provides seed-funding (non-equity), training on product, impact, business, leadership/team, marketing and finance.

• Growing the *HiiL Justice Innovation Growth Fund*

It invests in high-growth justice startups that are not yet mature enough to raise equity capital and helps them to absorb larger-scale investments. It provides tailor-made capacity development, training and ongoing coaching services.



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