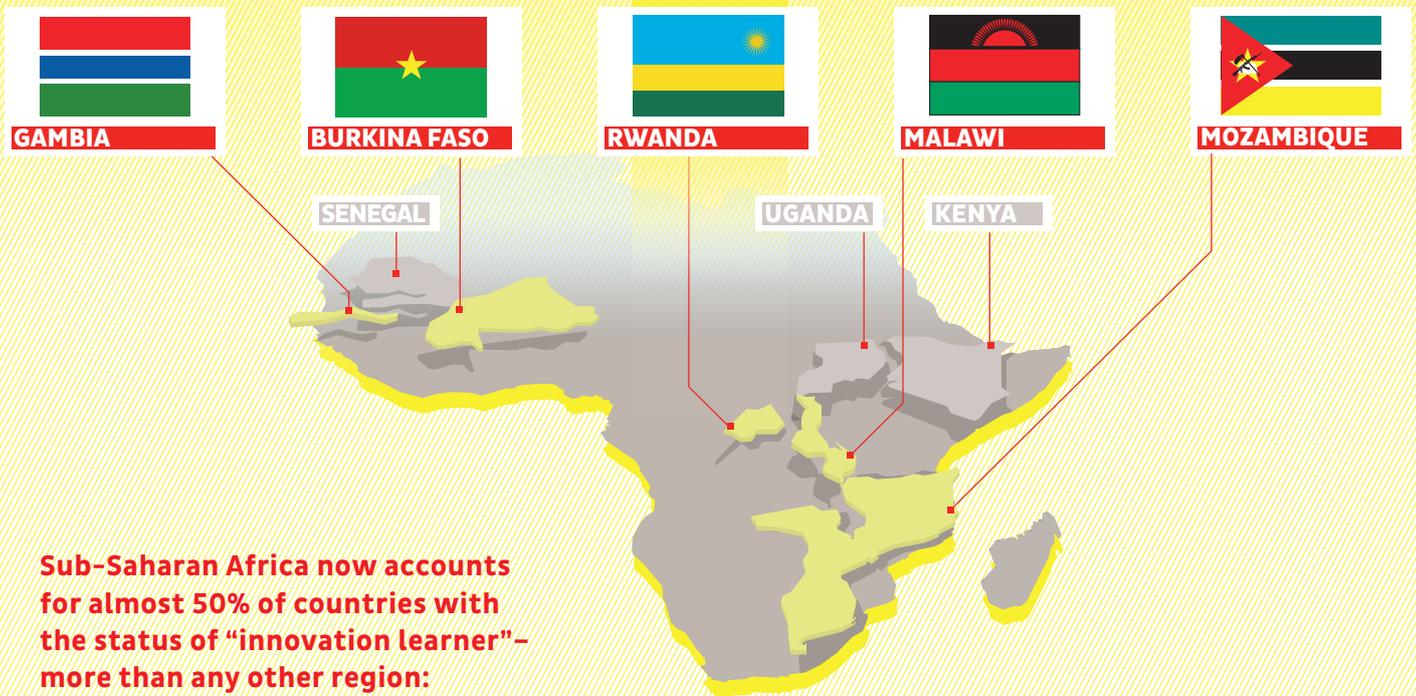


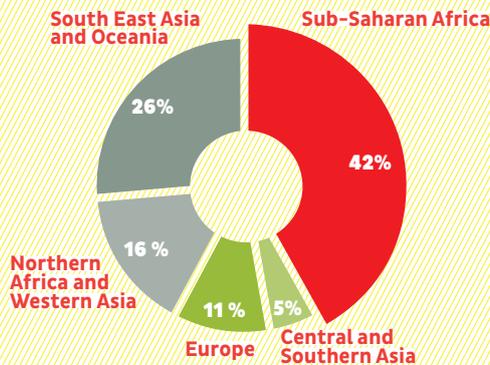
# The Global Innovation Index 2014

## SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA PUNCHING ABOVE ITS WEIGHT

In 2014, five new countries join Kenya, Uganda and Senegal as “innovation learners”. They all show rising levels of innovation, particularly in the areas of **human capital and research and market sophistication**:



Sub-Saharan Africa now accounts for almost 50% of countries with the status of “innovation learner”—more than any other region:



**INNOVATION LEARNERS**  
Countries performing over 10% higher than expected for their level of gross domestic product.  
Of the 7 new innovation learners this year, 5 are from Sub-Saharan Africa.