

Fayda — Ethiopia's National Biometric Digital ID for 90 Million

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Quality score: 53/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Ethiopia's NIDP issues biometrically verified digital IDs (Fayda) using AI-powered multi-biometric matching. By Oct 2024: 8.8 million IDs issued, 3.2 million authentications, 32 agencies integrated; Ethiopia rose 10 places in the 2024 UN E-Government Development Survey.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	2/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability beyond pilot	2/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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