

iHub Nairobi — Africa's First Tech Hub

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Quality score: 67/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Africa's first tech hub, launched March 2010 in Nairobi by Erik Hersman (Omidyar Network/Hivos). Now a CcHUB subsidiary. 450+ startups trace origins here; portfolio raised \$40M+ and generated 40,000+ jobs in East Africa.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	2/3
Innovation	3/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-06-26

[Co-Creation Hub Africa \(CcHUB\) / iHub](#) — accessed 2026-06-26

[iHub official website](#) — accessed 2026-06-26

[CcHUB acquires iHub \(TechCrunch, 2019\)](#) — accessed 2026-06-26

[CcHUB press release on acquisition \(2019\)](#) — accessed 2026-06-26

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