

NIMC's ABIS Once-Only Identity — Nigeria's Biometric De-Duplication Powering a Single National ID

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Quality score: 60/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Nigeria's National Identity Management Commission uses AI-driven 1:N biometric matching to stop duplicate enrolments in the National Identification Number database, letting 121 million citizens verify themselves once and reuse that identity for SIM cards, banking and welfare.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[Evidoria practice page](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

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