

# Leveraging Artificial Intelligence & Data-Driven Insights to Future-Proof Pension Schemes

Training Program for Pension Trustees and Corporate Executives in Kenya

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# **Training Overview**

### **Purpose and Context:**

- 1. Why AI and Data-Driven Insights Matter for Pension Schemes
- 2. Kenya's Pension Transformation and Digital Imperatives

### Goal:

Equip trustees with the understanding and tools to harness artificial intelligence and data-driven strategies for effective scheme governance, investment decision-making, member engagement, and long-term sustainability across generations.





# **Training Goals & Outcomes**

- a) Equip trustees with AI understanding
- b) Improve data-driven decision-making
- c) Enhance member engagement and efficiency
- d) Build foresight for generational trends



# **Africa & The Future**

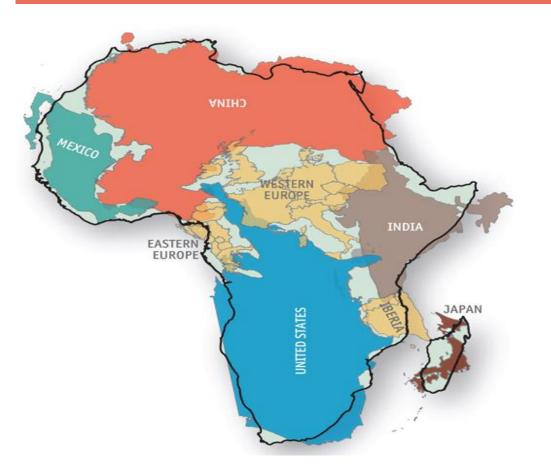






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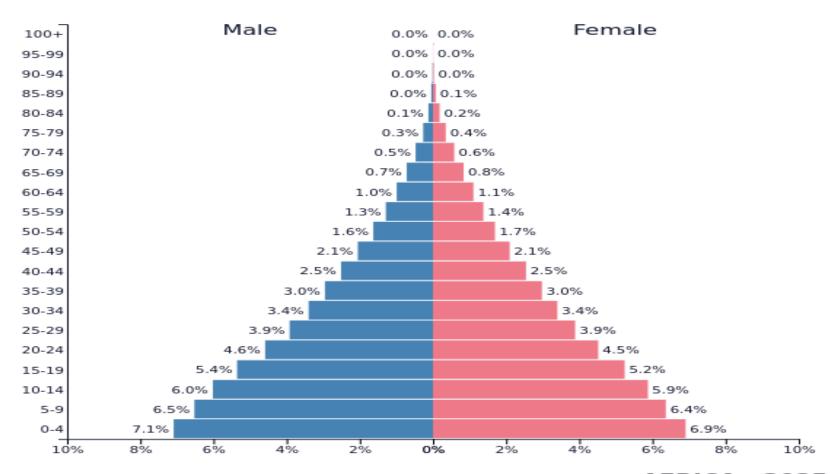
The landmass of the continent of Africa exceeds that of China, India, US, Mexico and Western/Eastern Europe

SSA represents approximately 1/6 of the world's population and 1/5 of its total landmass

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### **Africa & The Future**





PopulationPyramid.net

**AFRICA - 2025** Population: **1,549,867,579** 



### **Our Generations & The Future**



# EVERY GENERATION





# **Generations & Technology**



Generational diversity profoundly shapes expectations, attitudes, and digital behaviors within pension schemes — influencing how members engage with providers, interpret financial security, and use digital tools for retirement planning.







**Evolution of pension management:** 

Manual → Digital → Intelligent

'By 2030, 70% of pension interactions will be digital-first.'

### 1. Different Life Stages, Different Priorities

**Baby Boomers (born ~1946-1964)** 

•Focus: Security and stability; nearing or in retirement.

### •Expectations:

- Clear, trustworthy communication (often prefer phone or in-person contact).
- Simplicity and reassurance over innovation.
- Strong trust in institutions and regulatory frameworks.

#### Digital Behavior:

- Increasingly comfortable online but often cautious about digital-only services.
- Prefer intuitive, accessible interfaces (large text, straightforward navigation).
- Value hybrid options—digital access plus human support.





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### **Generation X (born ~1965–1980)**

•Focus: Balancing saving with current financial pressures (e.g., mortgages, children).

### •Expectations:

- Flexibility and transparency.
- Detailed performance data and control over investment choices.

### Digital Behavior:

- Pragmatic adopters of digital tools; expect efficiency and security.
- Comfortable managing pensions via apps or dashboards, but want expert guidance available when needed.





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Millennials (born ~1981-1996)

•Focus: Long-term financial wellness and sustainability.

#### •Expectations:

- Personalized, engaging experiences (gamified insights, progress tracking).
- ESG (environmental, social, governance) options aligned with personal values.

### Digital Behavior:

- High digital fluency; expect mobile-first design, instant access, and seamless UX.
- Prefer self-service tools, chatbots, and social-media-style engagement.





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**Generation Z (born ~1997–2012)** 

•Focus: Financial education, early wealth building, and short-term flexibility.

### •Expectations:

- Transparency and authenticity; dislike jargon.
- Expect pensions to integrate into broader financial apps or "super apps."

### •Digital Behavior:

- Native to mobile, social, and Al-driven personalization.
- Seek real-time, visual, and interactive content (videos, simulations, Al assistants).





# 2. Impact on Pension Scheme Design and Communication

ASPECT	GENERATIONAL IMPACT	Examples
Communication Channels	Older generations value emails, letters, and phone calls; younger ones prefer apps, notifications, or DMs.	Providers must adopt multi-channel engagement strategies.
User Experience (UX)	Simplicity and accessibility for older members; speed and interactivity for younger ones.	Tiered UX with customizable dashboards.
Education and Guidance	Younger members need bite-sized, visual education; older members value detailed guides.	Video explainers, interactive calculators, and webinars by age group.
Trust and Transparency	Boomers rely on institutional trust; Gen Z expects peer validation and open data.	Verified user reviews, ESG transparency, and easy-to-read disclosures.
Technology Adoption	Digital maturity varies; schemes must avoid alienating less tech-savvy users.	Maintain human support options (e.g., live chat with advisers).





### 3. Strategic Implications for Trustees

- Personalization by Age and Attitude: Use data analytics to tailor messaging, investment options, and interfaces based on user demographics and behavior.
- **Hybrid Engagement Models:** Combine digital tools (apps, dashboards, chatbots) with accessible human support to cater to all generations.
- Financial Literacy Integration: Embed education into digital journeys—especially for younger cohorts—to drive early and consistent engagement.
- Trust Through Transparency: Publish clear, plain-language information about fees, performance, and sustainability.
- Innovation with Inclusion: Design digital services that are both cutting-edge and accessible (e.g., accessibility standards, intuitive design).





### 4. Emerging Trends

- Gamification of savings (especially effective for Millennials and Gen Z).
- •Social proof and community-based learning (peer influence in financial decisions).
- •Al-powered personalization (adaptive dashboards that adjust to user behavior).
- •Cross-generational education programs (helping older members adopt digital tools and younger ones build trust in long-term saving).

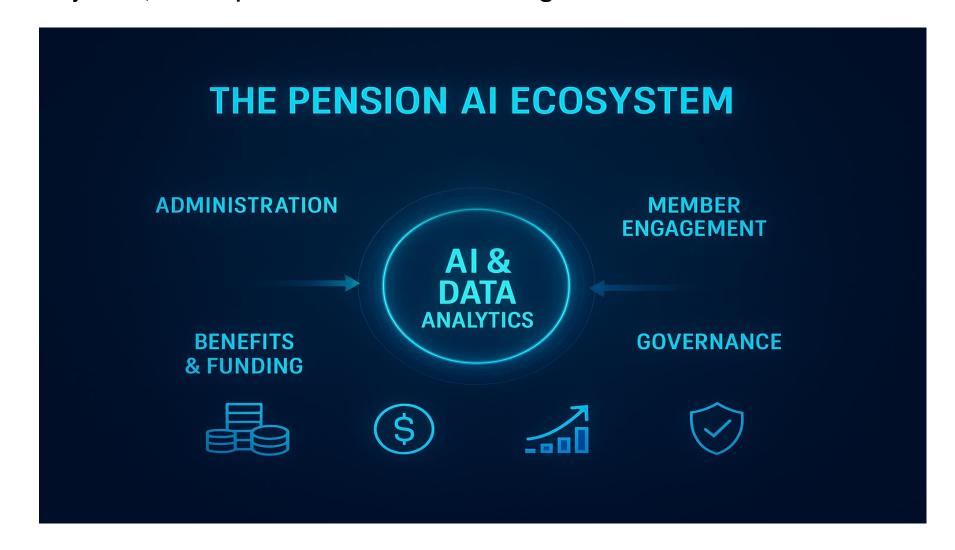




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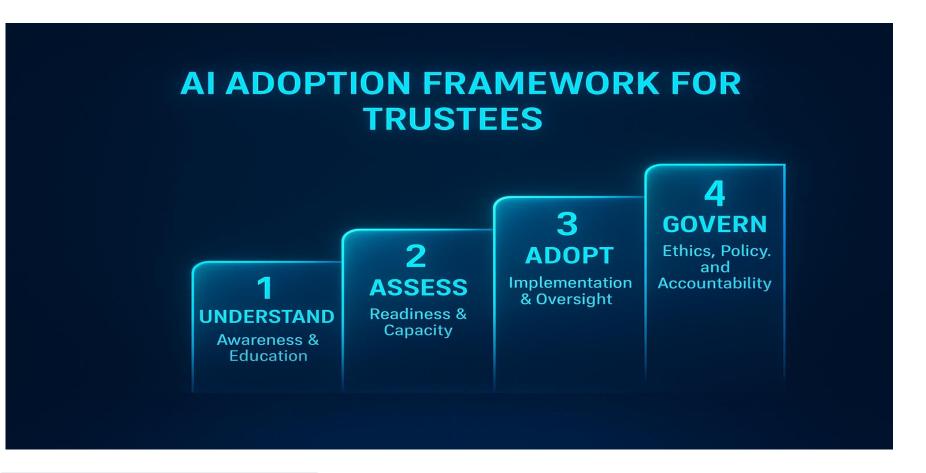
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# **Governance & Fiduciary Duty in the AI Era**



- Trustees' oversight responsibilities
- Ethical Al and data governance
- Compliance with Kenya's Data Protection Act

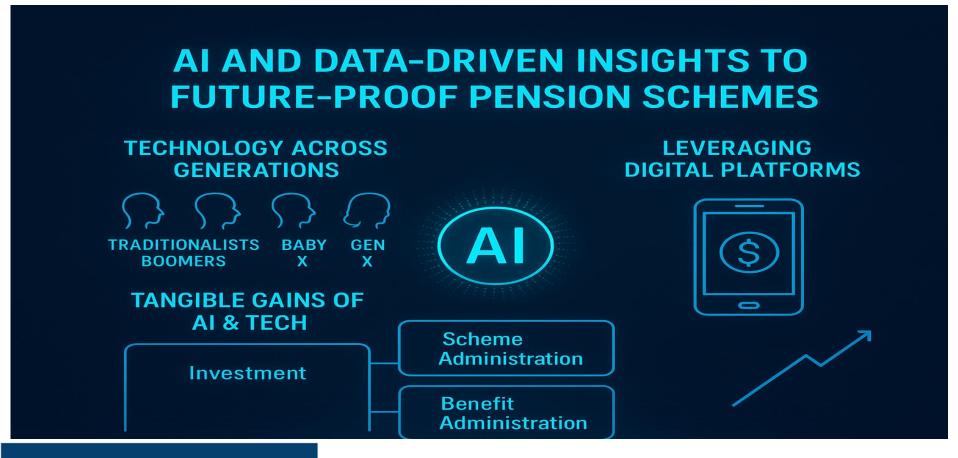




# The Tech Dividend - Al Across Scheme Operatio



- Administration: automation & reconciliation
- Investments: portfolio optimization
- Member engagement: personalization
- Funding adequacy: predictive analytics

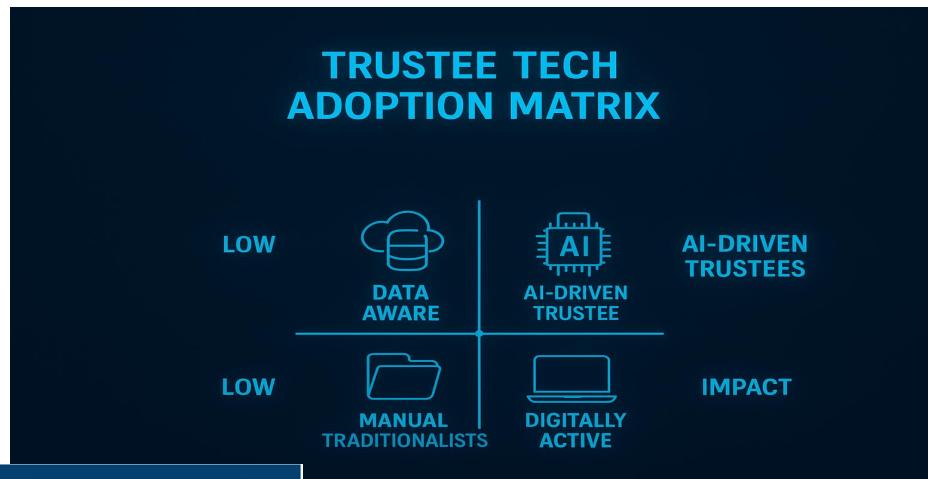






# **Digital Market Leverage**

- Membership as digital capital
- Partnerships: fintech, insurance, wellness
- European and African success examples

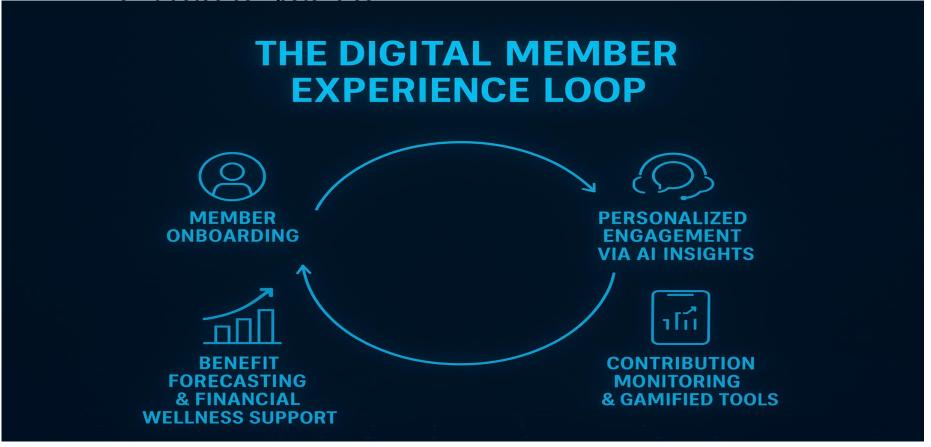






# **Future Outlook - Beta Generation & Beyond**

- AI, robotics, blockchain & the future of work
- Scenario 2035: Intelligent Pension Ecosystem
- New trustee competencies







### **International Case Studies**

- AP Pension (Denmark): AI document management
- Europe: Digital pension reforms
- Singapore CPF: AI member communication
- South Africa GEPF: Al data validation



# **Action Planning - Bringing It Home**



# Leveraging Artificial Intelligence & Data-Driven Insights to **Future-Proof Pension Schemes**

## 1. Build a Digital **Transformation Agenda**

 Develop a sector-wide roadmap for digital modernization



### 2. Strengthen **Data Governance Al-Readiness**

 Establish a unified framework for quality data



# 3. Adopt an Assessment

 Evaluate each provider's readiness for Al





### **Trustee AI Readiness & Action Checklist**

A: Governance – Data protection and ethics

**B:** Service Providers – Transparency in Al use

decisions D: Members - Digital engagement

C: Investments – Data-driven

**E: Operations – Automation** 

opportunities F: Foresight – Preparing for Gen Z-Beta

# TRUSTEE AI READINESS & ACTION CHECKLIST



#### **GOVERNANCE**

ETHICS & OVERSIGHTT

- Dovelop Al governance policy
- Embed Al topice in board training



#### SERVICE PROVIDERSS VENDOR TRANSPARENCY

- Require disclosure of Al use in services
- Evaluate Al systems for blas and accuracy



#### **INVESTMENTS**

DATA-DRIVEN PORTFOLIO

- Use Al for trend forecasting and risk modelling
- Align analytics with ESG metrics



#### **MEMBERS**

DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT

- Deploy chatbots and personalized dashboards
- Use predictive insights to support benefit adequacy



#### **OPERATIONS**

STRATEGIC ADAPTATION

- Create an Al-readiness roadmap
- Monifor emerging tech (Gen AI, blockchain, quantum)

EMPOWERED TRUSTEES. INTELLIGENT SCHEMES. SUSTAINABLE FUTURES.





### How Al, Robotics, and Immersive Technologies Will Redefine Pension Systems and Trustee Roles



### AI

Enhances predictive analytics and decision-making processes

### **Robotics**

Automates administrative tasks and processes





### Immersive Technologies

Transforms member engagement and education





# **Closing & Next Steps**

"The future will not wait. Trustees must lead their schemes into intelligence, not be led by it."





# THANK YOU

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'The future of pension governance will not be defined by technology alone, but by how boldly trustees embrace innovation to safeguard member value.'

Let's lead the transformation — responsibly, intelligently, and together.

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