Abstract

Transforming Evidence to Action (TEA) is a novel program of the LISA 2020 Network supported by USAID. Under the TEA program, University of Ibadan Laboratory for Interdisciplinary Statistical Analysis (UI-LISA) conducted a collaborative study with Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) in Nigeria, through The Electoral Institute (TEI), to address critical development challenges which include systemic or self-imposed hindrances to participate in the Continuous Voter Registration (CVR) exercise, problem of compromised voter register and voter apathy or fatigue. In this paper, UI-LISA experience while executing the collaborative project with INEC-TEI and the lessons learned are discussed under four major themes namely, connecting, collaborating, communicating and creating. We recommend that stat labs involved in TEA projects must think outside the box. There must be a sustainable plan to keep the collaboration beyond the current project.

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