

## CODESRIA Donates Books to African Universities

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**A**s part of CODESRIA's dissemination policy, the Council, through its Executive Secretary, Dr. Ebrima Sall, donated 21,771 books to seven African institutions of higher education and research and five public universities on the continent. The opening ceremony which was chaired by Professor Mamadou Sangharé, representing the Minister of Higher Education of Senegal was held at the premises of CODESRIA on 6 October 2016. The books, estimated at over 100 million CFA, were donated as part of CODESRIA's effort to strengthen teaching and learning in African higher institutions.

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The beneficiary institutions in Senegal include the Centre for Studies of Information Sciences and Techniques (CESTI), the Higher Institute of Information Sciences and Communication (ISSIC), the universities of Amadou Hampathé Ba, Bambey and Ziguinchor and the Ministry of Higher Education.

Five public universities in other parts of Africa including Rwanda, Chad, Gambia, Cape Verde and Niger also benefitted from this important CODESRIA initiative.

While expressing gratitude on behalf of the beneficiaries, ISSIC's Director, Abdoulaye Ndiaga Sylla, said the books will enable students to better conduct research and investigation, adding: "we appreciate the gesture of CODESRIA and we believe that such activities should be sustained to allow us to train and better equip students who come to pursue training in the various fields."