Makerere University and Rockefeller boost district information dissemination capacities

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Makerere University in collaboration with Rockefeller foundation is carrying out a research project on how to empower districts in Uganda so they can build the capacity to access, encode, and disseminate information to various stakeholders.

The project, titled Information Manpower Capacity building for Decentralization in Uganda through industrial training, started in 2003 and aims to identify library and information service capacities in districts. Through this project, district officials will be in position to not only generate information but also to carry forward the experience obtained to strengthening decentralization programs in Uganda. The officials will be trained through internship placements.

Rockefeller Foundation has further in building cultural information centers in the districts of Kabale, Mubende and Kamuli and in the revitalization of Record keeping at the sub-county level Bushenyi, Kanungu, and Iganga.

The projects are being implemented through Innovations at Makerere (I@Mak) and the East African School of Library and Information Science (EASLIS)

