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ACA2K Book

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Research Methodology

The ACA2K in-country research methodology had two main components: a doctrinal review and impact assessment interviews. The aim of the doctrinal review was to understand the theoretical framework that shaped copyright regime in each study country. Impact assessment interviews were conducted to understand the impact of copyright regime on the ability of the creative sectors to produce and make available content. The findings of these interviews were used to generate a picture of each study country's 'copyright environment' (the interaction between laws and practice).

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Research Reports

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- Country Reports

Each ACA2K country research team prepared a Country Report outlining the findings of the doctrinal review and impact assessment interviews (as specified in the ACA2K Methodology Guide).

- Executive Policy Briefs

As well as preparing a Country Report based on research results, each ACA2K country team prepared an Executive Policy Brief to highlight key findings and the legal, regulatory and policy recommendations that emerged from these findings.

- Comparative Review

The project also generated a Comparative Review report looking at research findings across the ACA2K study countries.

Comparative Review: Copyright and Access to Knowledge in Eight African Countries

Análise Comparativa: Direitos de Autor e Acesso ao Conhecimento em Oito Países Africanos (Português)