

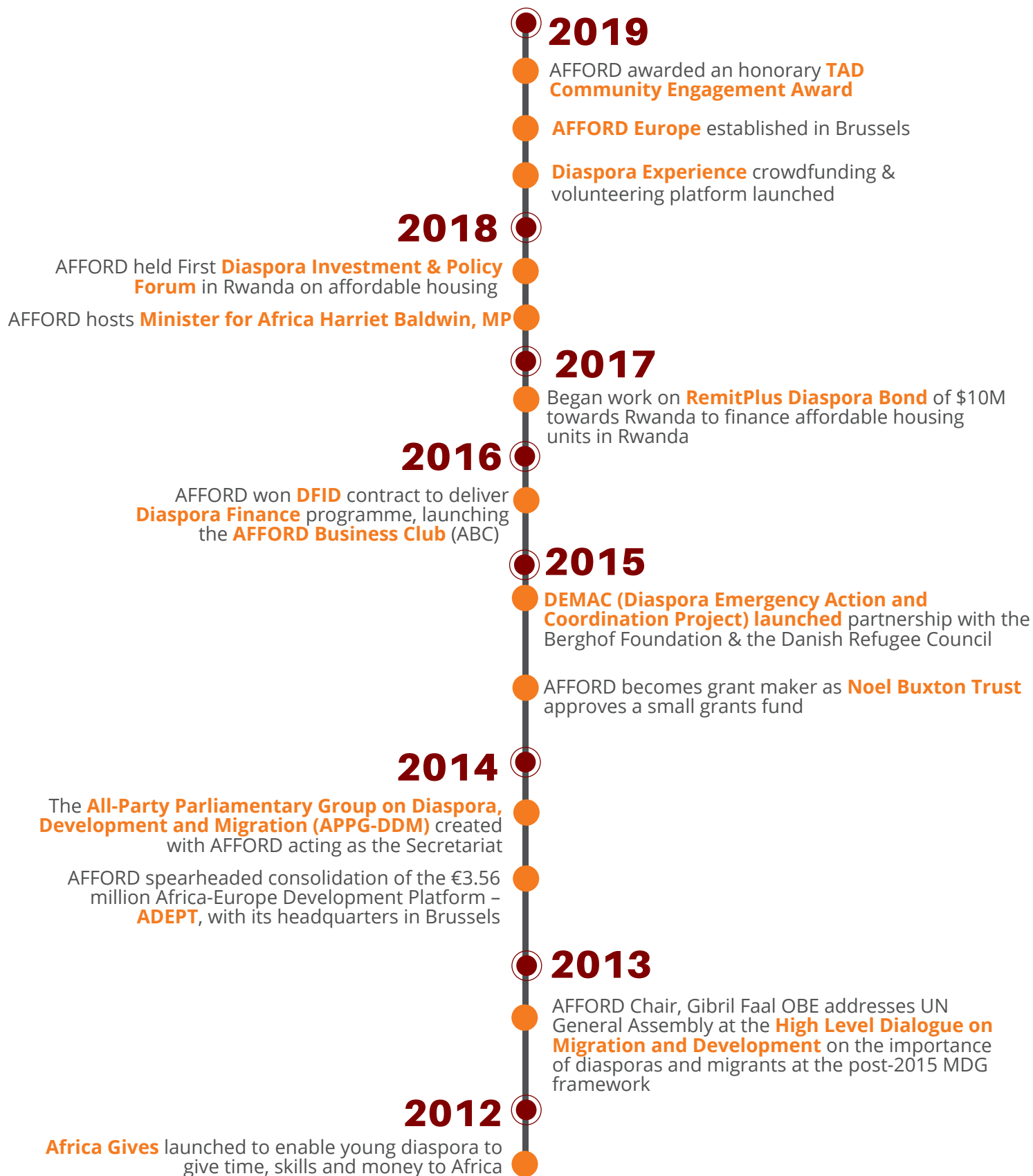
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UK based **AFFORD** is a pioneer and innovator in the field of policy and practice of diaspora and development.



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2008

AFFORD Sierra Leone is established with local board and staff, providing approx \$500,000 to SMEs as part of a business planning **Business Bomba** competition

AFFORD hosts **SCORE4Africa Awards** to celebrate the contributions of diaspora footballers to African development

2006

AFFORD pilots **SEEDA** with **VSO** for 150 diaspora volunteers to support 800 businesses in Sierra Leone and Ghana

2005

AFFORD launches its jobs focused direct development work in Africa at AD3. Keynote speaker - Kenyan Nobel Laureate Wangari Maathai

2003

First AD3 conference on '*Shaping Africa's Future: Do Young Africans in the diaspora share the dreams of NEPAD/AU?*'

AFFORD hosted **DFID minister** Sally Keeble ahead of establishing connections for development/ADVAD

2001

AFFORD receives first funds from **Comic Relief** for 'Hello Africa' project

2000

AFFORD pilots first development conference - **Target Africa 2015** to be rebranded African Diaspora and Development Day (AD3) in 2003

1999

Advocacy from AFFORD leads **Comic Relief** to start funding diaspora organisations

1998

A £5000 grant from the City Parochial Funds leads to the publication of the groundbreaking '**Survey of African Organisations in London**'

1997

AFFORD and others advocacy led to the sentence "We will seek to build on the skills and talents of migrants,... ethnic minorities.... to promote the development of their countries of origin" in the White Paper that set up **DFID**: '*Eliminating World Poverty: A Challenge for the 21st Century*'

AFFORD is founded by **Chukwu Emeka Chikezie** and **Nicholas Atampugre** with the aim of expanding African diaspora contributions to African development

1994