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From Policy to Platform

Governing and Securing Nigeria's Sovereign Digital Infrastructure

Policy, Regulation and Digital Economy Governance

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The RISE 2026 imperative

Digital innovation must now translate into structured national value

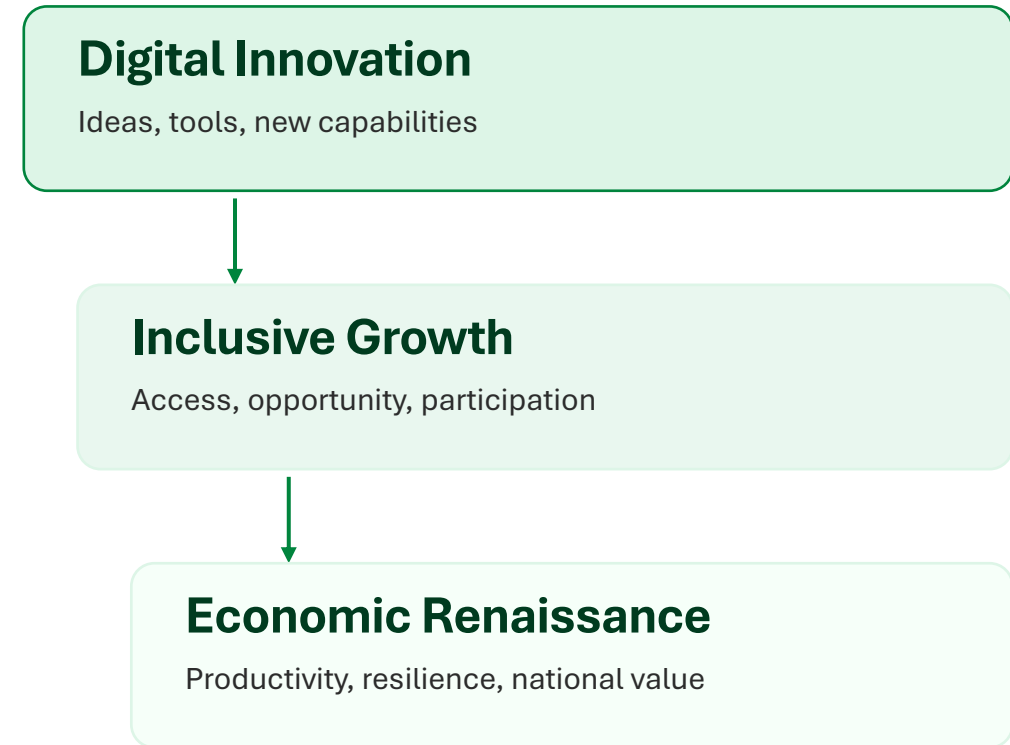
The question is no longer whether Nigeria should digitize.

The question is whether we can govern, secure and scale digital transformation in a way that creates value for citizens, institutions and the economy.

Emerging technologies are reshaping economies.

Digital innovation must support inclusion, productivity and service delivery.

Economic renaissance requires infrastructure, trust and governance.

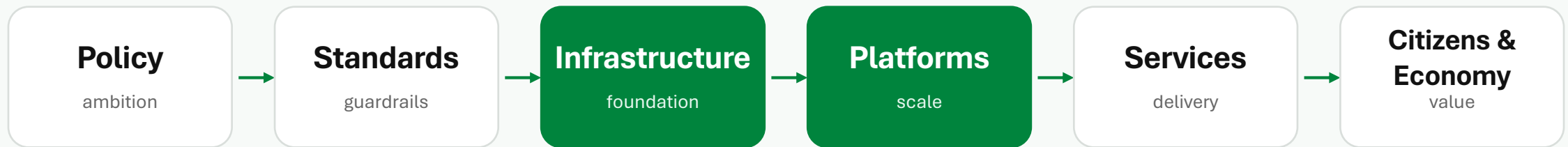


“ Technology adoption alone is not enough. National value comes when innovation is governed, secured and scaled.

The policy-to-platform gap

Good policy is necessary, but execution requires trusted platforms

Policy sets the direction. Regulation provides the guardrails. Trusted platforms turn national digital ambition into real services, productivity and inclusion.



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The policy-to-platform gap is the space where national ambition either becomes real delivery — or remains fragmented aspiration.

Sovereign digital infrastructure

Capability, resilience and trust — not digital isolation

Digital sovereignty is the trusted national capacity to host, secure, govern, interconnect and derive value from critical digital assets — while remaining open to responsible global technology partnership.

Sovereignty does not mean isolation. It means capability, control, resilience and confidence.

1 Host securely
critical systems and data

2 Maintain continuity
essential digital services

3 Govern access
to strategic digital assets

4 Protect systems
from cyber risks

5 Interconnect government
through interoperable platforms

6 Enable responsible AI
and data-driven services

Digital infrastructure is economic infrastructure

Infrastructure is no longer merely technical — it is developmental

In earlier phases of development, roads, power and ports enabled trade and productivity. In the digital economy, connectivity, cloud, data exchange and cybersecurity perform the same enabling role.

Industrial-era enablers

Roads	Movement
Power	Production
Ports	Trade



Digital-era enablers

Connectivity	Participation
Cloud	Scale
Data Exchange	Smarter services
Cybersecurity	Trust

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Economic renaissance will depend on the digital rails that allow institutions, businesses and citizens to exchange value securely.

GBB's mandate: from infrastructure asset to national value

Converting digital policy intentions into trusted operational platforms



GBB STRATEGIC CONTRIBUTION

Secure government connectivity

Reliable links for MDAs and public-sector services

Cybersecurity and continuity

Monitoring, resilience, disaster recovery and service assurance

Sovereign cloud and hosting

Trusted environments for critical systems and data

Shared platforms and interoperability

Reduced duplication and whole-of-government delivery

MDA transformation support

Helping policy become operational services

The trust stack for digital government

Trust must be designed into the architecture

Trust is not a slogan. It is engineered through layers of access, infrastructure, security, interoperability, governance and service experience.

Service Experience

Useful services for citizens and institutions

Governance

Standards, controls and accountability

Interoperability

Responsible data and service exchange

Cybersecurity

Protection, monitoring and response

Cloud & Hosting

Secure infrastructure for systems and data

Connectivity

Access to digital services

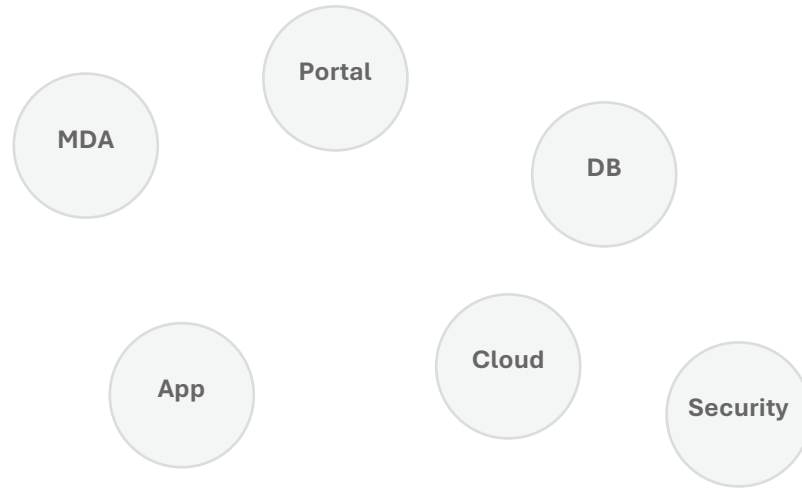
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Economic renaissance depends on citizens, MDAs and businesses trusting digital systems.

From fragmented projects to shared platforms

The next stage of digital government is connected, secure and governed ecosystems

Fragmented digital projects

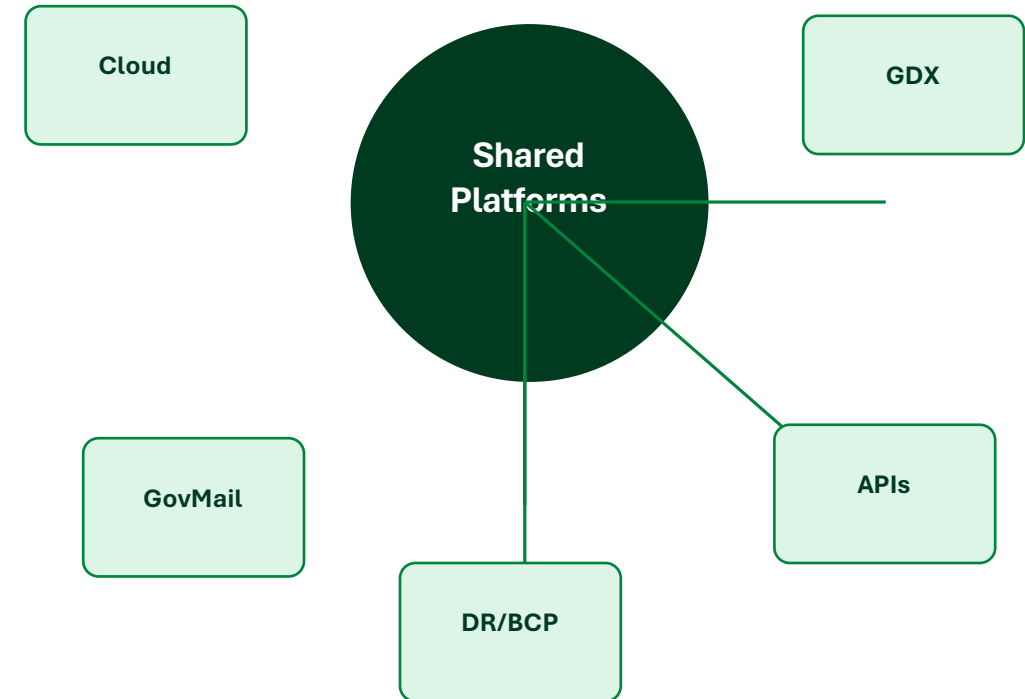


Higher cost

Weaker security

Poorer citizen experience

Shared, governed platforms

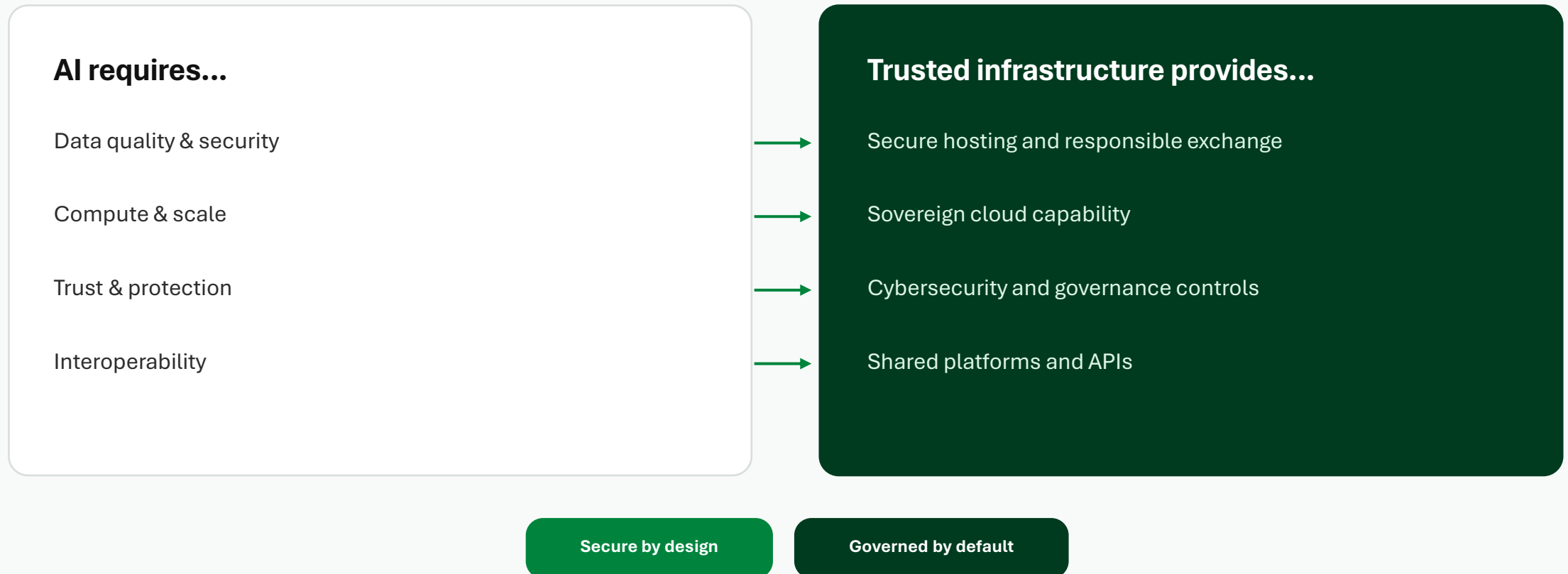


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Securing AI and emerging technologies

Responsible innovation requires trusted digital infrastructure

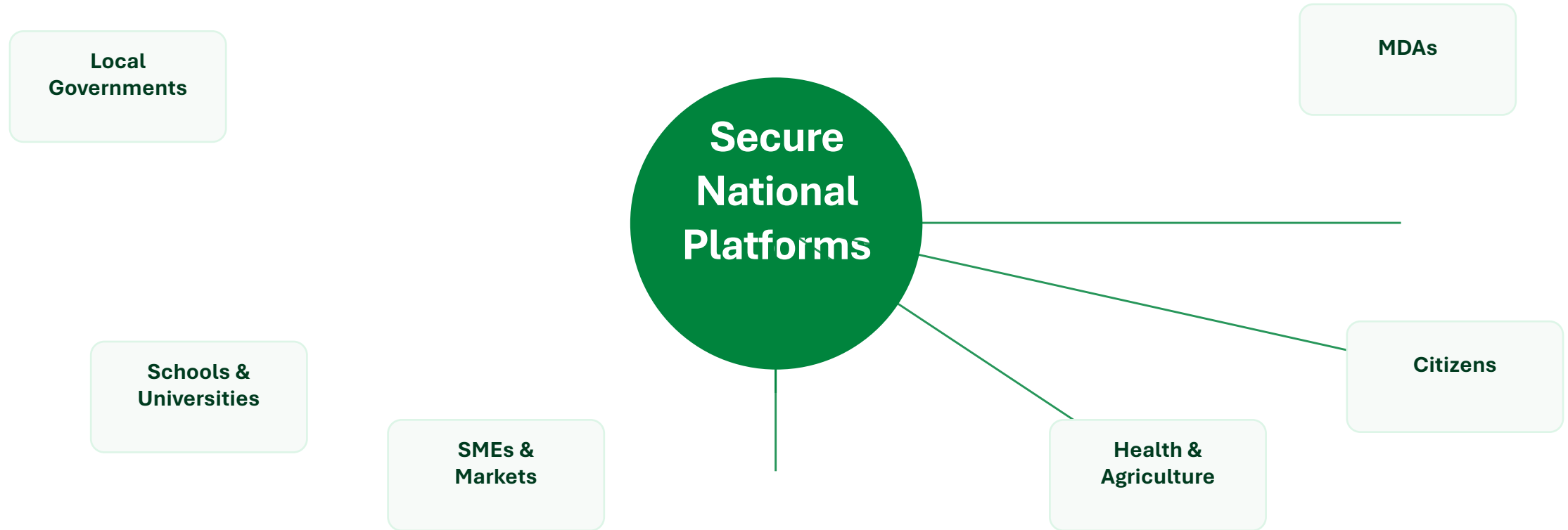
AI will not thrive on weak data systems, insecure hosting or fragmented platforms. Responsible AI requires trusted digital infrastructure.



Inclusive growth through digital infrastructure

Inclusion should be an outcome designed into the infrastructure

Inclusion is built into the reach, affordability, security and usability of national digital platforms.



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When secure digital services reach institutions outside the usual centres of advantage, infrastructure becomes inclusion.

Governance ecosystem for the digital renaissance

No single institution can govern the digital economy alone

Policy, regulation, infrastructure, security and service delivery must work as one system.

Policy leadership	Direction, national priorities, coordination
Regulation	Standards, safeguards, compliance
Infrastructure	Platforms, cloud, connectivity, hosting
Security & trust	Cybersecurity, resilience, assurance
Service delivery	MDAs, private sector, citizens, economy

GBB'S LANE

Provide trusted infrastructure • support secure platforms • enable interoperability • strengthen continuity • support MDAs to translate policy into delivery



CLOSING CALL TO ACTION

Nigeria's digital renaissance will be secured not only by the technologies we adopt, but by the trusted platforms we build, the governance we embed, and the people we include.

Policy to platform.

Platform secured by trust.

Trust delivering inclusive growth.

Thank you

