



**MANDELA
WASHINGTON
FELLOWSHIP**
FOR YOUNG AFRICAN LEADERS



SEEKING PARTNERS:

Engage with the Next Generation of African Leaders!

The Mandela Washington Fellowship, the flagship program of President Obama's Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI), is seeking partner organizations to support the professional trajectory of young African leaders. By partnering with us you will have access to young professionals from every country in sub-Saharan Africa who participated in six-week leadership training at U.S. universities in the areas of business and entrepreneurship, civic leadership, or public management. Competitively selected for this prestigious program, the Fellows represent the continent's emerging generation of entrepreneurs, community leaders, and public officials.

In partnership with the private sector, host country governments, international and regional bodies, and civil society organizations, the U.S. government and IREX are building a wide spectrum of high-quality training and networking opportunities for Fellows when they return home to Africa.

ACCESS PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE AND TOP TALENT:

- Host Fellows for virtual or in-person professional internships in Africa where they can contribute to substantive short-term assignments at your offices and learn about your organization.
- Convene Fellows for networking and roundtable events on key issues facing your organization in the areas of business, civil society, and public management.
- Sponsor Fellows' participation at your organization's public or virtual training programs, conferences, trade shows, and events.

SHOWCASE YOUR ORGANIZATION:

- Offer your staff as in-person or virtual professional mentors to Fellows through our facilitated mentor program.
- Market your organization at YALI Mandela Fellows Africa Regional Conference Expos.
- Provide your organization's business products and services at low or no cost to Fellows.

EXPAND YOUR PHILANTHROPIC AND CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAMS AND NETWORKS:

- Share information on grant funding your organization provides.
- Offer your expert staff as short-term consultants to Fellows' businesses and NGOs.

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ABOUT THE YALI MANDELA WASHINGTON FELLOWSHIP:

Each year 500 of Africa’s most promising young leaders under age 35 participate in six weeks of intensive executive leadership training, networking and skills building in the U.S. This initiative offers the Fellows an unparalleled opportunity to meet and share ideas with some of America’s dedicated leaders, from community organizers to the President of the United States. Nearly 50,000 young Africans applied for the 500 Fellowships in 2014.

Our partners, including Microsoft, Deloitte, the World Food Programme, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Procter & Gamble, and the Nigerian Leadership Initiative, are helping to encourage and foster the ingenuity, confidence, passion, and commitment of the next generation of African leaders.



Your institutional resources, networks, and skills can enrich the program by providing opportunities for these promising young leaders to accelerate their growth and leadership. Partners can connect with these talented African professionals to expand their own networks and access the Fellows’ knowledge, services and products.

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