

## Just One Africa

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**Organisation:** Young African Leaders Initiative

**Country:** Rwanda

**Level of government:** Central government

**Sector:** Health, Recreation, culture and religion

**Type:** Organisational Design, Public Service

**Launched in:** 2016

**Overall development time:** 3 month(s)

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# Description

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African Countries are full of war and conflict and mainly those conflict are based on tribe. the only one way to get peace in sub-Sahara countries is to engage youth and empower them so as to promote peace. Just One Africa is the platform which will promote peace in Sub-Sahara countries by empower and engage youth where they will grow up with spirit and leadership skills of promoting peace. This innovation is very unique because of it will transform young leaders in Africa who are very passionate about peace and also is very unique because of it will combine peace-entrepreneurship as the way to end poverty and promote peace by creating young leaders of peace makers. the talent of the youth will be used to inspire community and human dignity improvement, for example if is about art talent, youth who draw a map or a picture will get money through selling. 75% will be given to the youth and 25% will remain in the platform as to continue activities of peace-building.

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## Why the innovation was developed

- Rwanda experienced Genocide Against Tutsi in 1994 where more than one million people were killed; now similar problems are emerging and many people are being killed.
  - Just one Africa will engage youth in peace-building activities through promoting their talent, inspiring stories for successful people like peace makers and team building among local leaders in sub-Sahara Africa and media use.
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## Objectives

Develop staff capacity, Enhance public trust, Improve effectiveness, Improve service quality, Support economic growth

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## Main beneficiaries

Businesses, Civil Society, Families, Government staff, Low-income groups, Students

# Results

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**Results not available yet**

# Development

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## Design

When I was young I saw a lot of people in my country were killed, I grew up by hating conflict in my country. In April 2016 I got selected among young leaders in my country and traveled to be trained by initiative of HE Barack Obama. When I was in the training of Young African Leaders Initiative in Nairobi, I present my idea to other participants from 14 countries in central and east Africa. My fellow participants liked my idea and we planned to develop a good way to implement it. Now we are 16 young leaders. four from Rwanda, three from Kenya, four from Uganda, one from north Sudan, two from Somalia and two from Burundi. Our vision is to end conflict in Africa by creating young leaders who embrace the spirit of peace building and higher democracy. Design time: 3 month(s)

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## Challenges and solutions

- The challenge is conflict in sub-Saharan countries and youth unemployment, where many leaders use jobless youth in political activities that usually spread bad ideology and divisionism.
  - the solution proposed is to empower, engage and transform young peace makers for the next generation where we will promote their talent for business, training about peace advocates, votes without violence and running workshops which will promote peace in sub-Saharan countries.
  - The proposed platform will contain online courses, open discussion for African Youth, and online shopping for the products made by young peace makers based on their talent like art, design and other business products.
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## Partnerships

### Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI Regional Leadership Center East Africa)

Private sector

At YALI Regional Leadership Center we presented the idea of the training and this Network designed to transform Young Leaders who are willing to transform Africa. Many African youth participate in YALI network and attend Mandela Washington fellowship for those above 25 years of age. This network is very effective because after training we can receive mentoring and support.

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## Lessons Learned

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