

THE S4YE YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP (YAG)

To tackle youth unemployment,
young people must have a
greater say in the policies that
directly affect them!



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About S4YE

Solutions for Youth Employment (S4YE) is a global program that brings together donors, governments, foundations, private sector companies, NGOs, and youth to identify, curate, learn from and scale up innovations in youth employment programs.

S4YE's Mission

To help address systemic and persistent unemployment and lack of quality jobs for youth across the world, S4YE's mission is to identify, curate, learn from and scale up innovations in youth employment programs.

The YAG and its principles

S4YE recognizes the importance of including youth voices in our work and has therefore worked on expanding the S4YE Youth Advisory Group (YAG). The YAG provides valuable input on various S4YE and World Bank workstreams related to the youth employment agenda. The current members of the YAG are working on projects related to: disabilities, health, circular economy, indigenous peoples, refugees and inclusion, the orange economy, education as well as tech and digitalization. Guided among others on the principles of:

- Diversity • Respect • Innovation • Capacity building • Knowledge sharing**

Nitcharee Peneakchanasak (Thun) Thailand

Lead Youth Advocate, helping youth with disabilities raise their voice on barriers to quality jobs.

"Actions speak louder than words"

Thun



Olusola Owonikoko

Nigeria

Executive Director of Stanforte Edge where he is driving inclusive development through ICT.

"...With rising population growth, insecurity, food shortage, global health challenges and the burden of climate change that humanity is faced with, the resourcefulness of our youth is our opportunity..." Olusola

Dissa Ahdanisa **Indonesia**

Founder of Fingertalk connects deaf people in Indonesia and helps them find job opportunities.

"Start now and keep moving forward" Dissa

Israel Baelongandi

Congo

Founder of the Congo Innovation Academy,
with the goal of empowering youth with
disabilities to create their own jobs through
social entrepreneurship.

“Attitude is everything” Israel.



Srishti Pandey

India

A disability rights activist based in Delhi, currently pursuing her MA in psychology. Her work focuses majorly on disability and sexuality, education and accessibility.

"It's never too late to learn and unlearn" Srishti



Adereni Abiodun

Nigeria

Founder and CEO of HelpMum, a social enterprise that leverages the power of mobile technology and uses low-cost innovations to ensure safe and healthy deliveries in rural, remote and semi-urban areas.



Savera Weerasinghe

Sri Lanka

**Founder and CEO of Ananta Sustainables.
She is the co-founder of Waste Action LK
[WALK], a coalition for sustainable waste
management.**



Alexey Bolgov **Russia**

Founder and CEO of Waste.Karma - A mobile app that helps to recognize recyclable waste via barcode scanning, schedules a pick-up and allows users to exchange waste for rewards.

Cherrie Atilano

Philippines

Founder and CEO of AGREA Agricultural Systems International - a for-purpose and inclusive business, that is creating the first replicable one-island economy that is zero hunger, zero waste, and zero insufficiency, - through the 'Ecology of Dignity' approach.

Rita Kimani

Kenya

Co-founder of FarmDrive, using mobile technology, enables farmers to track their productivity, expenses and revenues to create comprehensive credit portfolios, preparing them to access affordable financial services.

Nicholas Kee

Jamaica

Co-founder and CEO of Kee Farms, a regenerative ocean farm network focused on growing seaweed and oysters with the aim of reducing greenhouse gases and increasing biodiversity in oceanic ecosystems.

Lemnec Tiller

Colombia

Co-founder of Wayuuda Foundation - aiming to strengthen access to education among indigenous communities and increase employability and economic empowerment.

Kantuta Conde **Bolivia**

**Coordinator of indigenous youth and
children at the CEM-Aymara and member of
the Latinamerican Indigenous Youth
Network.**



Abeera Abdullah

Somalia / Malaysia

**Co-founder and Vice President of Project
Stand Up, a youth initiative for and by young
refugees.**

**"Never underestimate the little steps you take along the way!
It is what built who we are today". Abeera**

Dorcas Asige Apooore **Ghana**

Founder of Advocacy for Social Inclusion and Girls Education (ASIGE), with the goal of improving skills and supporting financial independence among disadvantaged youth.



Seyi Oluyole

Nigeria

Seyi Oluyole is a filmmaker, choreographer and humanitarian. She is the founder and Executive Director of the Dream Nurture Initiative for girls and women.

"Every Girl deserves an opportunity to succeed irrespective of her background" Seyi



Fizza Abid

Pakistan

Mentee for the International Cricket Council future leaders program. She developed an athlete management system known as Crickistan that focusses on helping cricketers become better players.



Unathi September

South Africa

Co-founder at Gradesmatch - an Educational Technology and Innovation organisation that primarily provides career guidance to high school learners through a platform-based technology.



Alieu Jallow **Gambia**

**Founder of Startup Incubator Gambia,
which has supported 1500 startups and
created over 1000 jobs since its inception.**



Kalil El Kadri

Brazil

Engaged in entrepreneurial education as
an engine to accelerate youth employment.



Samrawit Fikru

Ethiopia

**Founder of Hybrid Designs, the company
behind the most popular taxi app in
Ethiopia, Ride.**



Kaleab M.Tesema **Ethiopia**

**Co-founder and operational director of Minab
IT Solutions PLC (HaHuJobsTM), a tech
company that offers various technology-based
solutions.**

Benson Musabe

Uganda

Benson's Foundation runs Uganda Computer Aid (UCAid), an initiative that organizes free I.C.T workshops for marginalized youth.

“My [advice] to my fellow youths is to discover what you are, set your vision and dream, focus on that and believe in yourself.” Benson



Emmanuel Alie Mansaray

Sierra Leone

Inventor and renewable energy engineer, soon a Geologist - Creator of Sierra Leone's first solar car built from waste.

**"You just can't beat the person who won't give up."
Emmanuel**



Roshni Anwar

Pakistan

Actively engaged in improving women's participation in digital economic engagement, especially in rural areas.



Anna Bethune

Jamaica

**Social impact strategist, systems designer,
and non-profit leader.**



Jaser Al Harasees **Jordan**

CEO and founder of Robotna - he works to spread knowledge about science and enhance analytic skills among young people and adolescents through technology.

"The future is in the hands of our generation, we must inspire to change the world positively through technology" Jaser

Vital Sounouvou

Benin

**Founder of Exportunity a virtual market space
which links SMEs and digital enterprises with
local and international markets.**



Amine Chouaieb

Tunisia

Founder of Chifco, a start-up specializing in the Internet of Things (IoT), Machine to Machine (M2M), Machine Learning and Big Data.

Ifedayo Durosinmi **Nigeria**

**Managing Partner for Herconomy, a platform
that connects women to each other and to
opportunities such as grants, finance and jobs.**

The S4YE YAG Workplan

Regular
Interactions with
the group and -
Innovation Calls

Youth to youth
training –
Leadership and
Entrepreneurship

1-1 mentorship -
coffee talks with
young leaders

Videos / blogs

Participation in
S4YE Webinars

Youth Summit as
part of the S4YE
summit

Participation in
S4YE board
meetings

S4YE Youth
Engagement
Report