

Introduction

The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) contributes to building the capacity of state and non-state actors to play their part in Rwanda's sustainable development processes and initiatives. Rwanda needs young citizens who are well-informed, engaged, and able to develop necessary skills and values.

Thus, the FES Rwanda continues to implement the second cycle of the

Young Citizen Training Program (YCTP) 2021

to encourage young Rwandan professionals to take active role in the development of the country by utilizing their full potentials.

For further details and application form please visit www.fes-rwanda.org!

Beneficiaries

- ✓ 24 young women and men (between 20 and 30 years) from civil society organizations, government institutions, trade unions, the media, the private sector, universities, the public sector, and various districts in Rwanda.

Specific Objectives

Young citizens representing various organizations and institutions to

- ✓ build their capacity to contribute to the processes of achieving the national vision,
- ✓ enhance and apply relevant concepts related to personal development, citizenship and youth civic engagement,
- ✓ connect with experts in different fields for their future career development

Expected results and indicators

At the end of the program, young citizens are able to:

- ✓ discover the concepts of good governance and their implications in the citizenship role in relation to the national priorities,
- ✓ understand and situate themselves in relation to regional and international trends,
- ✓ develop democratic values and culture in their citizenship,
- ✓ use acquired techniques and tools to engage more actively in society,
- ✓ carry out a personal project to improve organizational structures and behaviours,
- ✓ utilize their skills and potentials in their respective communities
- ✓ raise their level of confidence in citizen participation and voicing their capabilities

Concretely....

The young citizens take an active and visible position in addressing current challenges

- ✓ learners connect with resource persons and the world of the FES network,
- ✓ at least one pre-identified challenge is completed for each source organization after the training,
- ✓ a joint project is carried out by the group of learners to promote and experience good governance practices,
- ✓ young citizens commit to initiate social impact initiative in their respective communities,
- ✓ a strong alumnus of the program who are able to run initiatives together is empowered.

Content

The YCTP is a group citizenship learning program that includes

- ✓ thematic training and personal development tools, activities and conferences; visits and meetings with Rwandan and foreign personalities;
- ✓ Study tours and simulation exercises and role-playing games;
- ✓ Personal, group or peer support work, online documentation; film screenings and case studies;
- ✓ soft skills that respond to non-academic gaps

Stakeholders

- ✓ Academics, diplomats, political figures, national and international experts from fields as diverse as sociology, economics and politics, journalists, entrepreneurs, or artists ...

Duration and Frequency

- ✓ 09 sessions of 2-4 days per month / in residential system in Kigali.
- ✓ the launch of the program will be organized in February 2021 and the graduation of the trained citizens will take place in October 2021.

Training schedule dates & Topics

1st Session:	Ethics and Citizenship Wednesday, 24th of Feb - Opening Ceremony (afternoon) - Thursday, 25th of Feb - Saturday, 27th (lunchtime)
2nd Session:	Good Governance Thursday, 18th of March (morning) - Saturday, 20th of March (lunch)
3rd Session:	Genocide and Memory Preservation Thursday, 22nd (morning) - Friday, 23rd of April (lunch)
4th Session:	Decent Work and Social Protection Thursday, 20th of May (morning) - Saturday, 22nd of May (lunch)
5th Session:	Climate Change and Global Trends Thursday, 17th of June (morning) - Saturday, 19th of June (lunch)
6th Session:	Sustainable Development and Green Economy Thursday, 22nd of July (morning) - Saturday, 24th of July (lunch)
7th Session:	Study Tour Wednesday, 18th of August (lunch) - Saturday, 21st of August (lunch)
8th Session:	Open Space Friday, 24th of September (morning) - Saturday, 25th of September (lunch)
9th Session:	Foreign Policy and Regional Integration Wednesday, 20th of October (lunch) - Friday, 22nd of October (lunch incl. Closing Ceremony)

Unexpected changes are potentially possible.

Selection criteria

- ✓ Young Rwandan women and men, who are involved in social and/or community activities,
- ✓ Aged between 20 and 30 years,
- ✓ Students with community initiatives
- ✓ Holders of a university degree and/or 2 years of professional experience,
- ✓ Fluent in Kinyarwanda and English, French knowledge is an advantage.

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On www.fes-rwanda.org you can get the application form!

Deadline

The answered and fulfilled application form has to be submitted **until Sunday, 24th of January 2021, 4pm** – the document should be fully fulfilled via our website www.fes-rwanda.org only.