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Graduation of Young African Leaders from 14 countries in East and Central Africa after an intensive four-week residential program in three tracks: Business & Entrepreneurship, Civic Leadership and Public Management. Over 3,200 alumni have graduated from the program and are now transforming themselves, their communities, and their countries.

EAST AFRICA

YOUNG AFRICAN LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE (YALI) REGIONAL LEADERSHIP CENTER EAST AFRICA

The YALI Regional Leadership Center East Africa empowers inspiring young leaders from 14 east and central African countries with the skills, knowledge, and networks to drive Africa's growth and unlock the continent's potential.

The Center houses East Africa's premier leadership development program, bringing together innovative problem-solvers to foster a regional perspective and address today's challenges within and beyond their countries. After completing the transformative leadership development program, participants continue to make a significant difference in their communities and across the region through the growing YALI alumni network.

OUR WORK

YALI Regional Leadership Center East Africa is one of four regional leadership centers in Africa that provide leadership training in three distinct tracks: Business and Entrepreneurship, Civic Leadership, and Public Management. The East Africa Center, located at Kenyatta University in Nairobi, is supported by a growing number of African and international partners from both the public and private sectors. Every young leader is carefully selected and, as a result of completing the unique and life-changing curriculum, emerges equipped and passionate to re-write the African narrative. Over 3,200 alumni have graduated from the program and are now transforming themselves, their communities, and their countries. Collectively, these alumni are setting a new standard for ethics, governance, and innovation in the public and private sectors across East Africa.

ACHIEVEMENTS

To date, YALI Regional Leadership Center East Africa has:

- Graduated over 3,200 alumni in 35 cohorts.
- Supported alumni job creation: 50 percent of YALI Regional Leadership Center alumni reported employing at least three new people in their enterprises.
- Partnered with a growing number of African and international companies and organizations.
- Linked alumni to U.S. Embassies in their respective countries.
- Established alumni chapters in each of the 14 countries in East and Central Africa. Alumni drive the Center's agenda of amplifying results throughout a regional network.
- Collaborated with the other three YALI Regional Leadership Centers in Ghana, South Africa, and Senegal towards a sustainable YALI Africa.

BUDGET: \$21.5 million

DURATION: 2015-2021

ACTIVITY LOCATIONS:

Burundi, Central Africa Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, and Uganda.

KEY PARTNERS

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- Kenyatta University
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