



EDUCATING AFRICA

2009 Pan-African Awards for Entrepreneurship *in* Education

“For Africa to be able to rise to the challenges of tomorrow, more and better education will be a key requirement”

To achieve this goal it will not be enough to offer more of the same kind of education in the same kind of school systems. It will require young people to learn how to solve the challenges ahead, in classes which are relevant to their lives today. It will require new and entrepreneurial models which can be replicated and taken to scale.

Now in its third year, the EDUCATING AFRICA Pan-African Awards for Entrepreneurship in Education continue to seek and identify the very best organizations which have risen to this challenge, to highlight their models, and to reward their achievements.

The Competition

Educating Africa in partnership with Teach A Man To Fish is proud to announce the **EDUCATING AFRICA Pan-African Awards for Entrepreneurship in Education 2009**.

This competition is open to organizations based in Africa working at all levels of education, from primary through to tertiary, as well as in non-formal education.

As well as a **first prize of \$10,000** and **two runner-up prizes of \$5,000**, there are up to 50 awards of \$1,000 for the best entry of each country.

The top three award-winners will be sponsored a trip to South Africa for the awards presentation and peer learning visits to key Educating Africa and Teach A Man To Fish partners.

Entrepreneurship in Education

We're looking for the very best programs and models for education.

- **They're entrepreneurial:** They develop innovative, replicable & scalable approaches to tackling entrenched problems in education; empowering future generations of entrepreneurs.
- **They're sustainable:** It is important for programs to be financially, socially and environmentally sustainable. Organizations that have a business plan which looks beyond donations and subsidies as the primary means of creating positive social and environmental outcomes.
- **They create impact:** Entrants should show potential for positive economic and educational impact for participants and in their communities.

Organizations running such programs can be found across Africa; driven by social entrepreneurs who understand the role education can play within their communities in creating positive social change.

Entry Details

Entrants will be required to *briefly* describe the background to their program and its success in rising to the challenges of education in Africa.

All entries will be assessed against three criteria of **entrepreneurship**, **sustainability**, and **impact**.

There are three ways to submit a competition entry:

- **Online Applications** - To fill in and submit an online application visit www.teachamantofish.org.uk/competition
- **E-mailed Applications** - A downloadable form can be found on the competition website (as above). This form can be completed offline and sent as an attachment to an email to competition@teachamantofish.org.uk
- **Postal Applications** - Print off the downloadable form and fill it in by hand, then send via airmail post to: **TEACHAMANTOFISH, 10 TOLLINGTON PARK, LONDON, N4 3QX, UNITED KINGDOM.**

NB: As postal entries may take several weeks to arrive at our office this option is not recommended.

Entrants should confirm that they have read and understood the full competition entry criteria (*see below*) and terms & conditions (*see www.teachamantofish.org.uk/competition*).

Note: All entries must be received by **TeachAManToFish** before the **31st December 2009**.

Entry Criteria

a. Institution	Entry is open to all organizations actively carrying out education work in Africa - however preference will be given to those which have been in existence more than two years, are legally registered, and which maintain good financial records of their activities.
b. Geography	For an institution to be eligible it must be based in one of the 54 African countries* for which awards are available.
c. Referees	Entrants must supply the work contact details of a suitable referee who can confirm that their entry is true and accurate. Referees must be i) independent of your organisation and ii) either a government official, qualified professional*, or internationally recognised institution.

* See terms & conditions for full list

Educating Africa is a foundation committed to introducing cost effective and sensible education initiatives throughout Africa, and to acknowledging some of the tremendous educational projects that have been developed across the continent.



It is apparent that there are superb educational ideas, generous benefactors and intellectual capital that is willing and able to be invested in worthwhile educational projects. However, often there is a mismatch in linking the various groups. Educating Africa seeks to bridge this gap and match up these groups.

By supporting educational initiatives that allow local Communities to become self sufficient through using their limited resources and the pooled of resources by benefactors and mentors, Educating Africa aims to create an African Educational model that works for local Community.

For more information visit www.EducatingAfrica.com

TeachAManToFish is an international non-profit organization working to improve the relevancy, quality, and availability of education in developing countries.



Our pioneering approach uses profit-making school-run businesses to teach entrepreneurship and livelihood skills. This model allows schools to generate additional income, improving their financial sustainability, while at the same time enabling them to offer a more relevant and higher quality education.

For more information visit www.TeachAManToFish.org.uk

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