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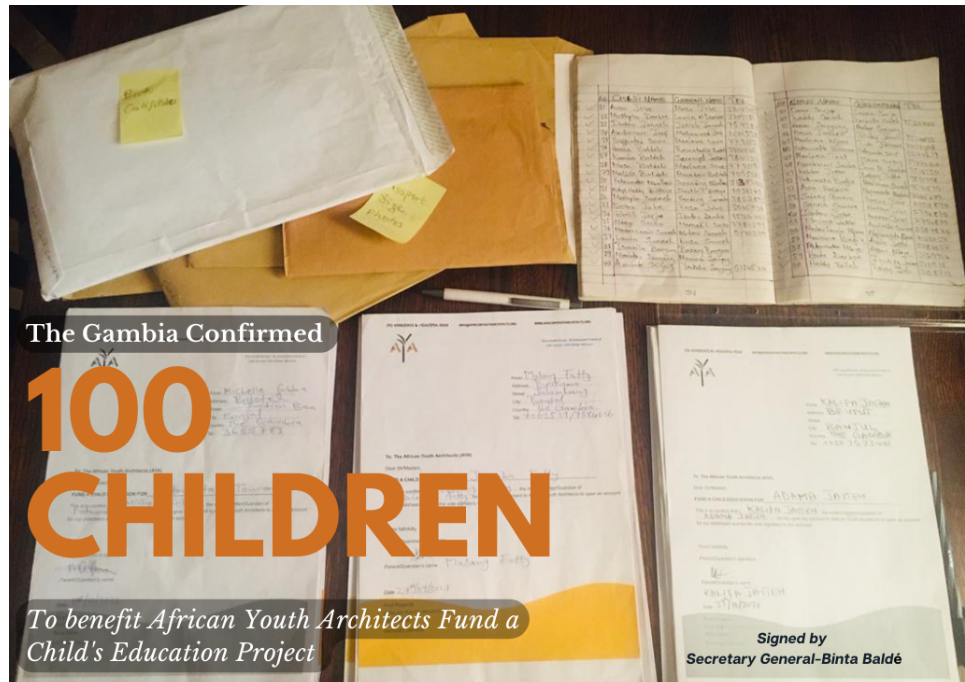
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CHANCELLE BILAMPASSI MOUTSATSI

The African Union Commission Department of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation. A woman of principle, with a high sense of leadership. Dedicated and multi-disciplinary worker, gifted to work in a multicultural and multilingual environment.

Ms. Chancelle will be the Keynote Speaker for the Graduation ceremony of the First Batch of AYA Research lab "Create and Innovate in SDG4 Program." May 14th, 2022.

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Graduation of the First Batch of AYA Research lab "Create and Innovate in SDG4 Program."

THEME: *If the future is to be sustainable, it must be planned collaboratively.*



AYA Research Lab First launched in 2021, "Create and Innovate in SDG4 " to enhance creativity and innovation in achieving the United Nations SDG4 2030 targets and commitments, is its first program run by African Youth Architects in collaboration with Students and Teachers from leading institutions around Africa. Its first-batch graduates will officially celebrate their newly-acquired prestigious AYA professional Certificate on May 14th, 2022.

AYA Research Lab was founded from the recommendations raised during the Students Speak Out Summit, organized by African Youth Architects in 2020. Nearly 3000 young participants from colleges, high schools, youth activists, educators, parents, and the community representatives attended the intensive five days of discussions about the global crises caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and its threats to achieving the United Nations SDG4 2030 targets and commitments.



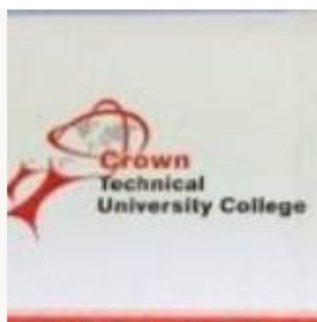
AYA Research Lab is a project of African Youth Architects that spotlights promising approaches to persistent challenges in Africa's education systems. Testing technologies that help innovate teaching methods, focusing on an inclusive approach, that can take into account the needs of every student, boost teamwork and problem solving.

Our goal is to create a new conversation that connects parents, students and educators to drive innovative solutions.

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University of
The Gambia



SURVEY WAS CONDUCTED TO EVALUATE THE TRAINING

The results of the survey will be published during the graduation ceremony.

We analyze policies and identify evidenced-based solutions to tackle today's most pressing educational challenges in Africa,

through collaborations with students and teachers at leading institutions around Africa such as Fourah Bay College, University of The Gambia, The Gambia College, University of Management and Technology, Institute of Public Administration and Management, Crown Technical University College, and Milton Margai Technical University.

At AYA, we are passionate about enriching the quality of education, serving the communities, and supporting young entrepreneurs in Africa. This is why we believe in giving young people a platform to present their findings, share ideas and exchange perspectives to drive innovative solutions in education and development.

After going through an intense 3-month professional training, coaching, mentoring and application of scientific approaches on educational development that aims to improve educational outcomes in the African continent.

A total of 38 students will graduate from our program. The ceremony will be held solemnly with the presence of the Board of Directors, NGOs, media partners, AYA International associates, faculty members, and especially the representatives from international institutes, etc.

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Dr. Busaina Nazzal

HOST

Dr. Busaina Nazzal will be the host for the Graduation ceremony of the First Batch of AYA Research Lab "Create and Innovate in SDG4 Program." May 14th, 2022.



Message from Dr. Busaina

"I embrace this great opportunity-with all the great challenges- that go with it to be part of this remarkable event that I believe will put to the test mine as well as other respectable colleagues' expertise in the field of education.

My credentials" that I would like to emphasize in this brief note stem from the fact that of all the areas I have involved myself in my one and a half decade of work experience, education has always truly been my other life."



15 year career life, multi-faceted experience in education, both inclusive education and TVET, accumulated from working in a number of positions with different International and national agencies/ organizations such as USAID, UNESCO, GIZ in Turkey, Cyprus and Palestine.



GRADUATION CEREMONY

First Batch of AYA Research
lab "Create and Innovate in
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THEME:

If the future is to be
sustainable, it must be
planned collaboratively.

📅 Saturday, 14th May, 2022

🕒 4.00 PM - 5.30 PM

VIRTUAL

THE SPEAKER LINEUP

SPEAKER 1



Chancelle Bilampassi Moutsatsi

African Union Commission
Department of Education, Science,
Technology and Innovation

SPEAKER 2



Muhammet Aydin

2022 Outstanding Teacher of the
year in Turkey, Award-winning
teacher of eTwinning, Europe's
largest education community, and
Global Teacher Prize Top 50
Finalist

SPEAKER 3



Dr. Busaina Nazzal

Multi-faceted experience in
education, both inclusive
education and TVET

SPEAKER 4



Hillary Taylor

Graduate student of
International Relations at
Harvard University

SPEAKER 5



Saikou Camara

Author, International
motivational speaker and a
seasoned storyteller.

SPEAKER 6



Ahmed Barrani

Founder of EgyptYo

2022

GRADUATION CEREMONY

First Batch of AYA
Research lab "Create and
Innovate in SDG4
Program."

Our Awesome Performers:



**DERICA ELIZABETH
MELVINA ATERE-
ROBERTS**

National anthem of Sierra
leone



YAHYA SONKO

African Storytelling



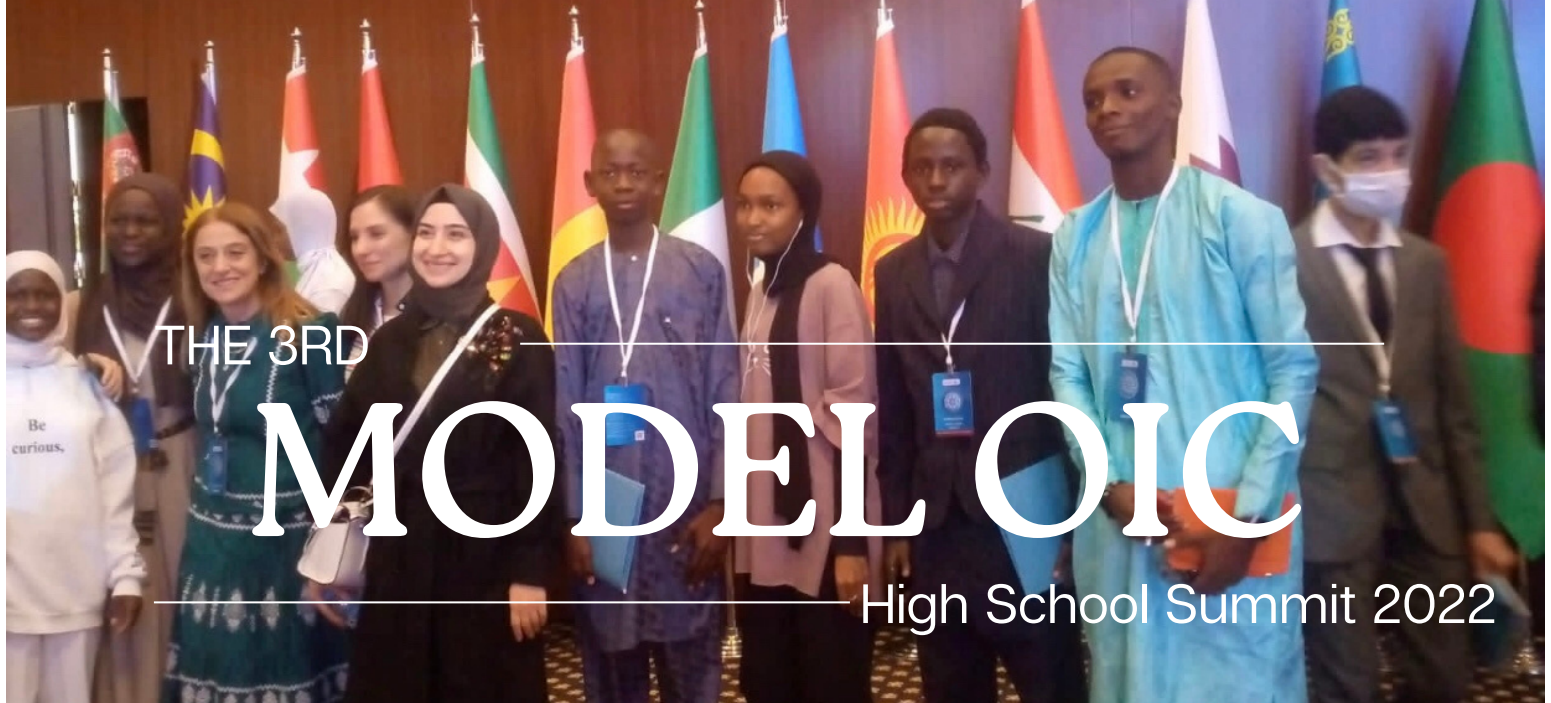
MARIAMA BAH

National anthem of The
Gambia



MOHAMED OMER OSMAN

LIFE COACH AND MOTIVATIONAL
SPEAKER



THE 3RD

MODEL OIC

High School Summit 2022

Model OIC summit in Istanbul closes with unity message among Muslim nations



ICYF MODEL OIC

3rd International Model OIC High Schools Summit held in cooperation with the Islamic Cooperation Youth Forum (ICYF), Beyoğlu Anatolian Imam Hatip High School and Beyoğlu Education and Culture Foundation from May 6 to May 9, 2022.

224 delegates from 56 member countries and more than 40 schools from Turkey joined together under the theme of "Establishing Global Peace for a Fairer World"

Participants in the four-day summit called for strengthening the bond of unity and solidarity between Muslim nations and the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation member states in a statement.



In declaration that was signed and sent to the OIC General Secretariat on Monday, participants of the represented countries emphasised that the bond of unity and solidarity between Muslim nations and member states should be further strengthened.

The statement underlined that a culture of dialogue and peace among these countries should be developed at the international level. It also highlighted the importance of Palestinian cause and the absolute necessity for Jerusalem to be in peace.

Anti-Muslim sentiment was another issue discussed at the summit, with participants calling for an immediate response to "Islamophobic acts."



MAMBUNA BOJANG

A High School delegate selected from the Republic of The Gambia, delivered a speech during the closing ceremony of the 3rd International Model OIC High School Summit, held in Istanbul, Turkey.

Students act as ambassadors, ministers or heads of state of OIC member countries and discuss a wide range of issues echoing the OIC agenda. They draft resolutions, issue declarations and plot strategies while negotiating with their peers from around the world. They also attend heated debates to resolve conflicts between members.

AK Party Deputy Chairman Numan Kurtulmuş attended the closing session of the 3rd International Model OIC High Schools Summit held in cooperation with the Islamic Cooperation Youth Forum (ICYF), Beyoğlu Anatolian Imam Hatip High School and Beyoğlu Education and Culture Foundation.

Türkiye ensures safety of Syrian refugees



AK Party Deputy Chairman Numan Kurtulmuş

Speaking at the ceremony on Monday, AK Party Deputy Chairman Numan Kurtulmuş stated that Türkiye is working on projects to ensure the safe and voluntary return of refugees. "Our Syrian brothers and sisters flee to Syria, where they escaped from bombs and chemical weapons in order to survive," Kurtulmuş said.

"I hope there is safety and security. As soon as safety is restored, they will return safely and voluntarily," he added. The Deputy Chairman also stressed that the roots of the migration crisis in the world need to be discussed.

"Those who are riding the wave of the immigrant problem, which is their product, and those who fuel xenophobia and Islamophobia, should first re-evaluate [their own actions]," Kurtulmuş said. re-evaluate Türkiye's President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said the summit "was held at a time that the Islamic world and all humanity struggle with serious problems from wars to economic crises, from terrorism to political instability."

"I hope that the summit will contribute to the increase of solidarity and the development of feelings of brotherhood among our youth," Erdogan said in telegraph to the summit.



YAHYA SOWE

African Youth Architects thank their Regional Director of West Africa, Mr. Yahya Sowe, for his extraordinary work and leadership skills.

Yahya participated as an advisor, accompanied the two delegates selected from High School in the Republic of The Gambia throughout their travel to Istanbul and prepared the delegates for the program.

Over the last four years, Yahya's stewardship of AYA has been characterized by innovative ideas, strategic thinking and, most valuable, your tireless efforts to increase the credibility and visibility of AYA in the regional and international space.

YALAWARDS

Côte d'Ivoire to host the 2nd edition of Young African Leaders Awards 2022



Hundreds of young leaders from across the world will converge in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire for the second edition of Young African Leaders' Awards, slated for the 24th of September 2022.

The awards, which is the brainchild of the African Youth Architects (AYA), a diverse continental youth organization, aims to celebrate and honor outstanding contributions of young people towards the attainment of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the African Union Agenda 2063.

Every day, the amount of hard work and dedication put in by our young leaders is truly inspiring and we want to recognise that through our annual Young African Leaders awards ceremony. After taking 2020/2021 off due to the Pandemic, we are so excited to be able to run these Awards back in person - hopefully, better than ever!

Additionally, AYA will officially launch Fund a Child's Education Project which aims to improve access to quality education for a child financially and skills development until he/she completes college or vocational education and is able to support him/herself.

The event will also provide a platform for young leaders to air their opinions and discuss the benefits of education, including the challenges and concerns that come with it.

These young leaders affirm the principles embodied in the AYA mission and provide inspiration and concrete evidence of what young people can achieve when afforded the opportunity and guidance.

Through a careful selection process by an experienced panel of judges, which picks the most deserving 30 award finalists from a pool of 360 nominees, 15 young leaders will be honored and their successes will be given international recognition.

The 14 awards up for grabs are:

- Award for Kwame Nkruma's Visionary Leadership
- Nelson Humanitarian Mandela
- Young Women of Innovation and Leadership Award
- Education star Award
- Art & Culture Award
- Global Environment Award
- Universal Peace Award
- First-Generation Entrepreneur Award
- Model African Diaspora Award
- Icon Award
- Innovative Young Leader
- Innovative Teaching Award
- African Country With The Best Education System Award
- Young influential African Leader

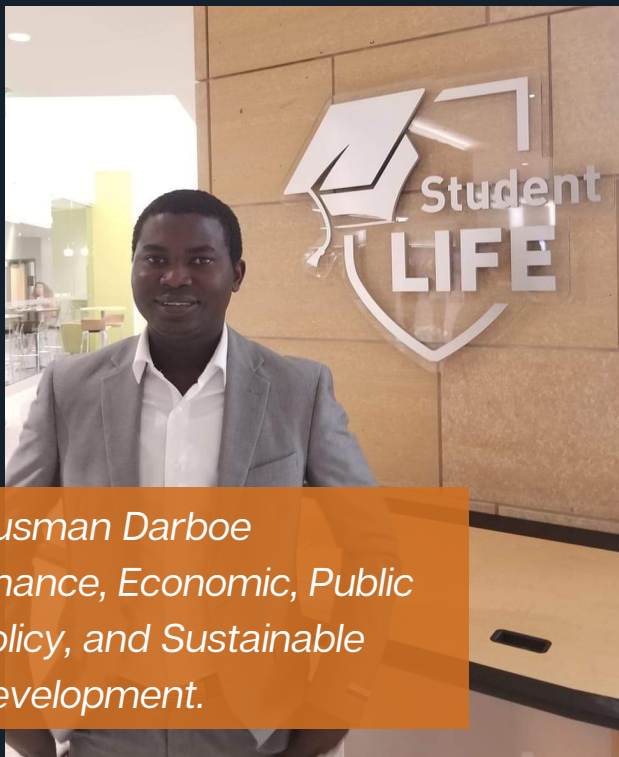
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For participation as a sponsor, partner, speaker, contact African Youth Architects, Email:

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Ousman Darboe donated 20,000 books to AYA Fund a Child's Education Project



*Ousman Darboe
Finance, Economic, Public
Policy, and Sustainable
Development.*

Ousman Darboe Becomes the second Education Ambassador of AYA.

With a donation of 20,000 books to support AYA efforts to enrich the quality of Education in Africa and to provide needful learning resources to support underprivileged children.

AYA Fund a Child's Education Project will be officially launched in Cote d'Ivoire during the Young African Leaders Awards ceremony slated for the 24th of September 2022.

Our aim is to improve access to quality education for a child financially and skills development until he/she completes college or vocational education and is able to support him/herself.

In Africa many underprivileged children are dropping out of school due to the cost associated in paying for their education and buying learning materials. Low standard of education has contributed to the inability to read and write. Low literacy rate has left many parents unemployed which in turn leads to their children not having the best living conditions and education required to earn a better living.

AYA Education Ambassadors network

AYA Education Ambassadors network is made up of young people, educators, leaders, and entrepreneurs throughout the world who promote the value of education in Africa, who are aware of the educational needs in Africa, and who have the enthusiasm to sponsor the cost of education for a child and skills development or total living expenses for one underprivileged child in Africa.

Some tasks that the Ambassador can perform include:

- suggesting and creating new ideas to make the process of delivering quality education to every African child easier;
- addressing and guiding AYA to ensure they reach as many underprivileged children as possible;
- motivating other resourceful individuals to participate in AYA Fund a Child Education Project.

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Message from our leaders

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Meaningful change takes action and a willingness to work together, such as we have committed to collaborate with other nonprofits, corporations, students and teachers at leading institutions around Africa and beyond by combining knowledge management and researching skills focusing on the current challenges in Africa's education systems and bringing new innovations and approaches to tackle those obstacles.

To our collaborators who stand with us and our team who lead this work: thank you. Together, we're creating a sustainable future, education, and entrepreneurship, for everyone in Africa.

EMAMSY MBOSSA-BOARD CHAIRMAN OF AYA
Supervisor & Management Editor

BINTA BALDÉ-SECRETARY GENERAL OF AYA
Deputy Editor-in-Chief

FATOU HYDRA-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AYA
Editor-in-Chief

