



AFRICAN-GERMAN
YOUTH OFFICE

The future? Let's shape it together!



Diversity under one roof

The African-German Youth Office (AGYO) helps young people from Germany and African countries who want to play an active role in sustainable development. Our **Teams up!** and **Team works!** programmes provide a platform for youth-group and young-expert exchanges. By sharing experiences, developing ideas and learning and taking action together, we can make the world we live in a more equitable place for the entire global community.

Getting involved: Who can take part and how?

Young people and young experts

- ▶ Would you like to conduct a sustainability project with a youth group or put your professional skills to good use on your neighbouring continent? Teams up! and Team works! offer great ways to get involved.

Groups, clubs and other organisations

- ▶ If you're looking to get your youth group involved in an African-German exchange project on sustainable development, the AGYO can provide funding and support.

Businesses and institutions

- ▶ Are you an employer seeking more information about how you can offer a young expert an assignment or give your young employees a chance to gain international experience through the AGYO? Contact us to find out more.



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Our aims

- ▶ Partnership in action: We connect the two continents' civil societies – young people and non-profit organisations and enterprises alike.
- ▶ Global learning: Virtual meetings, in-person visits and joint activities provide a hands-on understanding of global inter-relationships and options for action.
- ▶ Continued involvement: Participants in AGYO projects learn that each and every individual can have an impact. This experience and the new friendships and contacts they forge motivate them to continue their involvement.

The contract for the future of our One World

Each AGYO exchange project focuses on one of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), for example access to education, avoidance of waste or responsible consumption. There are plenty of places where action can be taken – both in the participants' own country and the neighbouring continent, in everyday life, school or at work.

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**Interested in the AGYO programmes?
We'd be happy to advise you on the possibilities!**

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**SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
GOALS**



Youth Exchange for
Sustainable Development

Teams up!

Teams up! provides funding for international youth exchanges and accompanying as well as pilot projects. Youth groups from Germany and African countries work together on a joint project for a maximum of two years, exploring one of the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

What are the aims of Teams up!?

1. Nurturing a new generation of global citizens
2. Strengthening global partnerships and personal skills
3. Raising awareness of and implementing the 17 Sustainable Development Goals



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„The exchange made me realise that no matter where in the world we are, we can and have to work together. It was encouraging to see that we all dream of the same things, even though we have different lifestyles and have grown up with different value systems.“

Melanie Matzen (terre des hommes)

Who can apply for project funding?

There are three requirements for Teams up! projects:

1. There must be at least two project partners – one in Germany and one in an African country.
2. The partner organisation from Germany must pass an implementing organisation assessment performed by Engagement Global and, just like the African partner organisation, must not be of a missionary, governmental or commercial nature.
3. The project partners from Germany and the African partner country make an active, long-term contribution to promote the implementation of the project, acting as equals in the process.

What types of project are eligible?

- ▶ Development-related youth exchanges for groups of young people between the ages of 16 and 30.
- ▶ Accompanying projects to improve the quality and strengthen the structures of African-German youth exchange.
- ▶ Pilot projects of special relevance to international development-related youth work.

Sounds interesting?

Find out more here: www.agyo.info



Team works!

A powerful partnership: Team works! brings together young experts and more experienced ones in a tandem team to help promote sustainable development. Working in cooperation with the Senior Experten Service (SES), the AGYO gives young professionals the opportunity to spend several weeks on assignment in African countries or Germany.

Both the experts themselves and the enterprises they are assigned to benefit from this exchange of ideas and knowledge between two generations and two continents.

Team works!...

- ▶ ... is all about working as a team across two generations and continents to foster personal, entrepreneurial and societal development.
- ▶ ... helps young people identify global interdependencies and develop skills and the ability to take action.
- ▶ ... promotes equal partnership by linking up experts from Germany and African countries.



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„I'm particularly interested in how companies in Germany train their technical experts. I think continuing professional development is important – learning how to improve my skills and knowledge.“

Eric Njung'e Njoroge from Nairobi, qualified electrical and mechatronic technician

Who can take part?

Young skilled workers from Germany or African countries who are between 18 and 30 years of age and at the end of their training or just beginning working life. More specifically, participants must be at least in their third year of training or have initial work experience of relevance to the assignment in question.

Where do the young experts' assignments take place?

The assignments are usually in small and medium-sized enterprises and institutions in the fields of (but not limited to) education, welfare, craft or medicine. The AGYO ensures there is a good match between the topic of the assignment and the young experts' knowledge and interests.

Like to find out more?

For further information and to register as an expert, go to:
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