

# Want to fight climate change and improve the quality of life in Africa?

# WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOU!

# THE EISENHOWER FELLOWSHIPS AFRICA PROGRAM



Eisenhower Fellowships (EF) engages ascendant leaders from around the world to enhance their professional capabilities, broaden and deepen their perspectives and enlist them in a global community of likeminded individuals united by their drive to make a positive impact in their societies. Eisenhower Fellows are outstanding leaders with a track record of achievement who are expected to assume positions of greater influence in their respective fields and countries.

In 2021 Eisenhower Fellowships will host a regional program focused on connecting and empowering outstanding midcareer African leaders ages 32–45 from diverse fields confronting the negative impact of climate change in Sub-Saharan Africa. We will recruit dynamic change agents primarily from Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania and Zimbabwe and bring them to the United States for a unique personal and professional transformational experience.

## **SELECTION**

We seek a diverse mix of applicants from a wide range of professional fields confronting the many destructive dimensions of climate change across the subcontinent. These include leaders in the fields of agriculture, public safety, environmental protection, finance, water and food security, energy and other sectors where climate change has negatively affected the quality of life across Sub-Saharan Africa.

Fellows are selected based on their track record of leadership, their potential for future impact and their commitment to lifelong engagement with Eisenhower Fellowships to advance our mission of enhancing international understanding through dialogue to build a world more peaceful, prosperous and just.

Through individually tailored fellowships, these Eisenhower Fellows will develop their leadership skills, forge interdisciplinary professional relationships and launch concrete projects with a positive impact in their nations through collaborations across the prestigious EF global network of more than 1600 active Fellows from more than 60 countries.

### **BACKGROUND**

In the fall of 2016, Eisenhower Fellowships hosted the first regional program in its history dedicated exclusively to leaders from Sub-Saharan Africa. From a pool of more than 800 applicants, EF assembled a diverse group of 24 visionaries from across the region and brought them to the United States to meet with top leaders in their fields and apply what they learned to bettering their societies after returning home. The program culminated with a visit hosted by U.S. President Barack Obama in the Rose Garden of the White House.

Since then this group of Fellows has remained active in the EF global network, participating in an EF global conference on the Future of Work in Malaga, Spain in 2017 and our 2018 Annual Meeting events in Philadelphia and honoring former Chairman General Colin L. Powell and welcoming Secretary Defense Robert M. Gates as Chairman of Eisenhower Fellowships.

Our 2016 Africa Fellows built on this momentum to work with other Eisenhower Fellows across the region and organize a regional conference in Kigali, Rwanda that brought together 345 participants from 43 countries to discuss the future of Global Integration in Africa. The 2021 Africa Fellows group will join a network of more than 230 Eisenhower Fellows from the continent who have participated in our programs since EF's founding in 1953.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

For more information on how to apply visit our website at www.efworld.org. We will be accepting applications in February-March 2021.

Diverse. Dynamic. Doers.