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Employment and Growth Program: Inclusive Economies - Boosting decent employment in Africa's youth

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Description

IDRC, INCLUDE, and the International Labour Organization (ILO) seek concept notes for action-oriented research aimed at informing the design of effective and innovative interventions that boost decent employment for Africa's youth.

Nested within the [Global Initiative on Decent Jobs for Youth](#) [4], this call is part of a series planned for the next two years to help governments, civil society, and private sector actors design effective and innovative interventions that boost economic opportunities for youth in sub-Saharan Africa.

This initiative will support cutting-edge research projects that address either one of the following priority research themes:

- Soft skills and digital jobs for youth; and
- Effective approaches to foster work-based learning programs and mentorship.

Concept notes under each theme must address gender constraints that hold young women back from improving their economic prospects and accessing decent work.

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The call seeks concept notes that are systems-oriented; innovative; grounded in practice; engage directly with key stakeholders; and have the potential to inform action in one or more countries in sub-Saharan Africa.

For more details, please refer to the [call document](#) [5].

Eligibility

The call is open to applicants from research-focused organizations, academia, research institutions, think tanks, and non-governmental organizations around the world. However, the applicant must have a strong presence in sub-Saharan Africa or a partnership with a sub-Saharan-based institution.

Maximum Project Value

\$500,000 per project

Project Duration

Projects are expected to commence in the first quarter of 2019 and should be scheduled to be completed within a timeframe of up to 24 months.

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Monday, October 1, 2018 - 4:30pm	Please submit the complete application package along with a signed OR-5 form to resserv@uoguelph.ca [6].
External Deadline	Monday, October 8, 2018 - 4:30pm	Applicants will submit their full application, including all attachments, directly through the FluidReview online system [7].

How to Apply

Applications should contain the following:

- A completed Concept Note, to be submitted using the online application form in [FluidReview](#). [7]
- One (1) sample of work to demonstrate capacity to carry out rigorous research on the proposed topic, including capacity to integrate gender based analysis.
- An estimated budget, with a cost breakdown for different budget categories and any existing in-kind support or co-funding for this project.
- CVs of research team (each CV should not exceed 2 pages).

For Questions, please contact

IDRC's Employment and Growth division: eg@idrc.ca [8]

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[1] <http://includeplatform.net/>

[2] <http://www.ilo.org/global/lang--en/index.htm>

[3] https://www.idrc.ca/en/funding/boosting-decent-employment-africas-youth?utm_source=funding-alert&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=boosting-employment&utm_content=en

[4] <https://www.decentjobsforyouth.org/>

[5] <http://youth-employment-africa.fluidreview.com/pm/resource/eyJ0ZnJlJjogOTE0OTc3MzAsICJ2cSI6IDkyNTQ5fQ/>

[6] <mailto:resserv@uoguelph.ca>

[7] <https://youth-employment-africa.fluidreview.com/>

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