

Online Learning for 1000 Changemakers Globally

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As we head to celebrate almost a year since our Changemakers School was launched, we are extremely happy to see the impact young people are having by accessing our unique online resources. Their experience goes beyond learning -- it is creating meaningful, positive change in their communities.

+1,200

STUDENTS ENROLLED

Our partnership with the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation helped us provide scholarships and grant funding to young changemakers from Zimbabwe, Zambia and Malawi to foster youth-led community development in these countries.

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PROJECTS FUNDED

Two granting cycles were held last year, and we provided 20 grants in 12 different countries to youth-led projects that were created through our Project Management course. Whether teaching underprivileged girls how to build robots in El Salvador and Nigeria, facilitating access to drinking water in impoverished neighbourhoods in Venezuela, helping children learn English through interactive Ebooks in Romania or bringing solar electricity to remote villages in Malawi, the projects launched thus far from our Changemakers School are making a difference in their communities.

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Even though our operations had involved the use of technologies before, the Online School came at a time where training and capacity building for young people is more needed than ever, as many of them are stepping up to help their communities affected by the pandemic.



DigiLearns

34 million Nigerian children are missing out on quality learning opportunities due to school closures and disruptions to learning caused by COVID-19. Charles, a Project Management course student from Nigeria, developed DigiLearns -- a program that leverages artificial intelligence in curating and delivering high-quality, government-approved and contextually-relevant learning content. He is now facilitating the delivery of quality educational content via SMS and USSD to 100 secondary school students in Yangoji Village.



Stem in a Box

Conquer is a social enterprise founded by two of our Project Management course participants: Maria and Sophiyat. They are building STEM in a Box, incorporating concepts of electricity, robotics, math, and coding to allow girls to complete their national learning curriculum while building robots. Pilot tests are taking place in El Salvador and Nigeria, providing remote quality education to 120 girls (14 to 8 years old) who were falling behind in school due to the pandemic.



Awareness of SRH

Zambia remains in the top 20 countries in the world with the highest rates of early teenage pregnancies. Some statistics have shown rates of over 1,700 girls dropping out of school due to pregnancies within a period of ten months. This highlights and presents huge challenges of sexual reproductive health. To solve them, Veronica Musa and her team decided to embark on a project to deliver messages to their community about the impact of early teenage pregnancies and the challenges of unaddressed reproductive health matters.

"The course is very well planned and the teachers are available to the students, which is an amazing aspect of the course. It also allows for one to increase their network by interacting with other Changemakers." - Student from Botswana



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WHERE TO NEXT?

Due to language barriers, we have only been able to reach young people who speak English. However, in the coming months, we are looking forward to expanding our programs to Latin America and are in the process of sourcing new funding to provide scholarships to young leaders from the region that can benefit from the courses in Spanish and Portuguese. While they might not speak English fluently, many Latin-American youths are project leaders, NGO founders, social entrepreneurs, activists and community leaders.

EXCITING NEWS:

This March 8th, 2021, we will be launching a brand new Menstrual, Sexual and Reproductive Health course created by 10 Changemakers from 9 countries who are activists and/or medical professionals and have extensive experience in working on Menstrual, Sexual and Reproductive Health. They have also who founded organizations such as Awareness 360, BlurredLines, Udaan, the Leader Unleashed, and Tingathe.



The course not only covers standard MSRH lessons but also touches on important and often overlooked issues such as peer pressure, respectful relationships and consent from a current and youth perspective. It also provides valuable information on different, modern menstrual hygiene management products and the health and environmental impacts of their use.

On behalf of the Global Changemakers team, thank you for being part of our community and supporting the work we do. Without you, none of it is possible.

