Enabling underprivileged youth to become thriving actors of the digital world
Created in 2005, our flagship program offers professional training in the digital sector to disadvantaged young people.

We operate in Cambodia, the Philippines, Vietnam and most recently in Madagascar.
Our mission

Inclusive technology
Our mission is to unlock the potential of underprivileged youth by empowering them with innovative education in key digital and soft employability skills.

Our objective
PN’s objective is that at least 90% of our students can become professionally successful and break the cycle of poverty.
Passerelles numériques: From digital education to employability

Education non-profit Passerelles numériques’ focus on deep learning sets them apart.
PN arrives in Madagascar

**Malagasy context:** Only 13% of young people have access to higher education. The low level of education, the lack of visibility and understanding of career choices are all obstacles to accessing professional opportunities.

**Our objective:** To enable disadvantaged young people increase their employability thanks to a one-year preparatory class which will open the doors to digital and technological higher education in Madagascar, with a goal of finding quality work in an IT profession.

**Program Components:** The project consists of a one-year preparatory program for digital careers focusing on:

- the development of digital and digital technical skills
- an upgrade in general subjects, emphasizing applied sciences
- language learning: official Malagasy, French and English
- training in personal development and soft skills
- orientation and knowledge of digital professions: how to build a sustainable career aligned with market needs
What we do

**Fair and rigorous selection process**
- information session
- written exam
- motivation interview
- social investigation

**General training in business skills**
- PN’s curriculum covers
  - trainings on oral and written
  - English, professional life, and
  - higher-level soft skills

**Solid technical and practical training**
- PN provides a 2-3 year program in IT education with specializations and majors in different fields

**Social and educational development**
- PN provides students with housing, financial aid, medical care, moral and educational support, and extra-curricular activities.

**Guidance to employment**
- PN offers guidance to employment through internship and job search support from our External Relations team, alumni network, and PN’s partners.
Our impact in Asia

- **+ 2 300** graduates
- **+11 000** people lifted from poverty (graduates & their families)
- **92%** of graduates are employed within 2 months of graduation
- **89%** of our students come from rural sectors
- **93%** of our graduates work in the IT sector

After studying at PNC for almost a half year, I have noticed that I have changed my mindset. My dreams got bigger.

After graduating from PNC, I would love to continue my studying as well as working to gain more experience at the same time. And I also dream to contribute what I have learned from PNC and University into my community as well.

I have no doubt that PNC is the right place to change underprivileged youths’ lives to be better.

Chhim Sopheak, 20 years old. PNC class 2023

Having the chance to learn programming, English, and soft skills at PNV has helped me to secure a stable job in the IT industry and ensure a better life for my family and loved ones.

During the 5 years of working, I have helped my mother pay off bank debts, pay for medical expenses for my whole family, rebuild our house, and support school fees for my cousins. In addition, every month, I also deduct 1-3% of my income or more to do charity work, helping the elderly in difficult circumstances in my hometown’s mountainous area.

I can say that PNV has given me the opportunity to transform myself, have a happier life, and become a useful person for society.

Ka Phu T.Y., PNV alumni 2016, front-end developer at an American IT company in Ho-Chi-Minh.
The first class in Madagascar

- 25 students
- Youth between 18 and 24 yrs
- From 8 different regions of the island
- 44% are young women

Recruitment has started for the next promotion, which will start in November 2022 and will include 25 students. At the start of the 2023 school year, there will be 50 total students.

The important thing is not to go fast, it's to go all the way. Let's use all our abilities and deploy all our ideas to move our island forward, together.

Hasina, 20 yrs, top of the class at PNM. She wants to become a software engineer.
Equal access = equal opportunity

51% of are graduates are young women

**PN Cambodia**, Class of 2020:
- average salary of male students = 250$
- average salary of female students = 288$
- National average salary = 205$
- 99% found a job upon graduation
- Nationally, women make 19% less than men

**PN Philippines**, Class of 2020:
- average salary of male students = 310$
- average salary of female students = 302$
- National average salary = 217$
- 99% found a job upon graduation
- Nationally, women make 23-30% less than men

**PN Vietnam**, Class of 2020:
- average salary of male students = 363$
- average salary of female students = 359$
- National average salary = 275$
- 94% found a job upon graduation
- Nationally, women make 30% less than men

Madagascar: 44% of our first-year students are young women
Our needs, how can you help?

**Financial donations***
- Operational costs
- Tuition Fees
- Accommodation and food for students

**In kind donations***
- Portable pcs and other hardware

**Internships**
- Minimum length of 1 month

**Workplace giving**
- Ask HR to host a workplace giving campaign
- Provide site visits for our students

*Financial deductions for companies with a branch or based in France. Donations deductible for other countries through our international giving platforms.*
Your impact

1 000 $  
Scholarship for a student for one year to cover expenses: tuition, accommodation and food

5 000 $  
2 months of food and lodging for 25 youth

or

The costs of a student fully covered for the year

10 000 $  
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12 000 $  
Program costs covered for one of our centers for a month (Cambodia, Philippines, Vietnam, Madagascar)
Our partners across the globe

Companies and Corporate Foundations

Individual Foundations

Universities & Private Academies

NGOs and Institutions
Thank you!

Accreditation and recognitions

- World Bank Digital Skills Innovation Awardee 2021
- MIT Solve Global Challenges finalist in 2017 and 2021
- Fondation RAJA Women’s Awardee
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