

# ANNUAL HUB REPORT

Grow. Impact. Sustain

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# MESSAGE FROM OUTGOING CURATOR

As my tenure as Curator of the Abuja Hub of the Global Shapers Community draws to a close, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey that we have embarked upon together over the past 12 months. It has been a time of challenges, growth, and triumphs, and I am proud to have been a part of this dynamic and inspiring community of changemakers.

When I first became involved with the Global Shapers Community, I was struck by the energy, enthusiasm, and sense of purpose that permeated everything that the community stood for. From the outset, it was clear that Global Shapers were not content to simply talk about the issues facing our world they were determined to roll up their sleeves and take action to create positive change.

As Curator of the Abuja Hub, I have been privileged to work alongside some of the most passionate, dedicated, and inspiring people that I have ever met. Together, we have organized events, developed initiatives, and forged partnerships that have had a real and lasting impact on our community and beyond. From shaping politics and donating school books to recycling plastic bottles to advocate for climate justice and social equity, we have tackled some of the most pressing issues of our time with determination and perseverance.

Of course, our work has not always been easy. We have faced our fair share of setbacks, obstacles, and challenges along the way. But through it all, we have remained committed to our shared values of integrity, respect, and service. We have supported one another through difficult times, celebrated our successes together, and never lost sight of our ultimate goal: to create a positive change in our community and beyond.

As I prepare to move on to new adventures, I want to express my deep gratitude to the members of the Abuja Hub for their unwavering support, dedication, and hard work. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve as your Curator for the 2022/2023 hub year, and I am humbled by the incredible accomplishments that we have achieved together. I also want to thank the Global Shapers Community for their encouragement, guidance, and inspiration throughout my tenure. You have shown me what it means to be a true leader, and I will carry your values and principles with me always.

In closing, I want to say that the past 12 months have been an incredible journey of growth, learning, and transformation. I have been challenged, inspired, and uplifted by the people that I have had the privilege to work with, and I will always cherish the memories and experiences that we have shared. As I move forward into the next chapter of my life, I will take with me the lessons that I have learned and the friendships that I have forged. I am excited to see what the future holds for the Abuja Hub and for the Global Shapers Community as a whole, and I look forward to supporting your continued growth, success, and impact in any way that I can.

#### A term like no other. A true moment of relfection and a privilege indeed.



Princess Ifeoma Ike
Outgoing Curator, Abuja Global Shapers
2022-2023 Hub Year

# ABOUT US

The Abuja Hub of the Global Shapers Community was founded in 2011 with the goal of empowering and mobilizing young leaders in the Nigerian capital to drive positive change in their communities. Comprising of a diverse group of young professionals from various fields, the hub is committed to fostering a culture of innovation, collaboration, and leadership among its members. Through various initiatives and partnerships, the Abuja hub works to create sustainable impact and address pressing issues in the region, ranging from education and healthcare to entrepreneurship and youth empowerment.



#### **Our Mission**

To tackle challenges through innovation while nurturing a progressive community that is changing the image of Nigeria.

#### **Our Values**

We believe in the infinite potential of youth and the power of collaboration, bold leadership with purpose and dignity, power of technology and creativity in impacting our community.

### IMPACT AT A GLANCE



12+ Hub Collaborations



15+ Hub Projects & Events



7,500+ Volunteer hours put in



Meet the Leader with Vice President of Nigeria



**Hub Charter Review & Amendment** 



1500+ Books Donated to a School Library



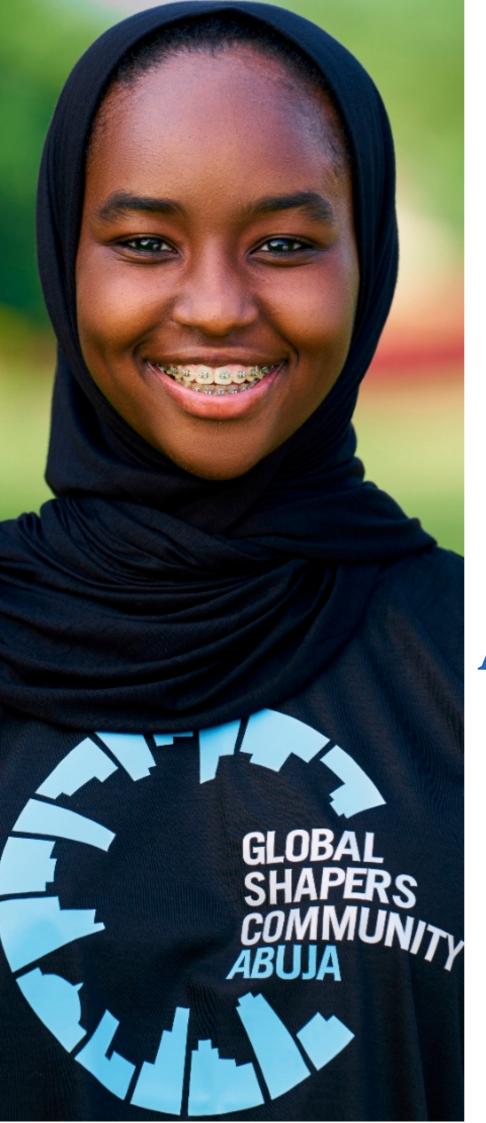
\$3,000 Climate Reality Grant



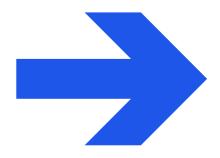
15 Internally Displaced Children School Fees Paid



12+ Media Highlights & Forum Agenda Contributions



# HUB PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES



#### 1. Recycle 4 Education

This project involved a plastic collection drive that was sold to a recycling company. Funds realized from the sale was used to sponsor 20 internally displaced children at New Kuchingoro IDP camp to school.





**Project Lead** 



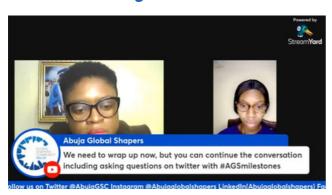
Shuwargwe Damak

#### **Impact Areas**

- Protect the planet
- Reskill for the future

#### 2. Employability and Entrepreneurship Program (EEP)

The hub hosted 'milestones', a virtual masterclass on reskilling the future on 'how to get a fully funded scholarship' which has reached over 300 people and counting. This led to a 100% increase in the hub's YouTube subscribers.



Favour Godwill

Blessing Ajimoti

Oluwafunmilayo Oni

**Project Lead** 



Yemisi Isidi

**Impact Area** 

• Reskill for the future

#### 3. SDGs Hangout

The hub in collaboration with Connected Development (CODE) and Follow the Money organized an SDGs hangout with over 200 persons in attendance aimed at flipping the script on our current methods of operation.



**Project Coordinators** 





Impact Areas

• I- SHAPE

Hyeladzira Mshelia & Wole Hammond

#### 4. Library 4 Education

The Abuja hub, in partnership with the Nigerian Tulip International Colleges (NTIC) donated over 1500 essential textbooks and literature materials to LEA Government Primary School Dagbana to improve pupils' literacy skills and expand their knowledge of the world around them.



**Project Lead** 



Motunrayo Fatoke

**Impact Area** 

• Reskill for the future

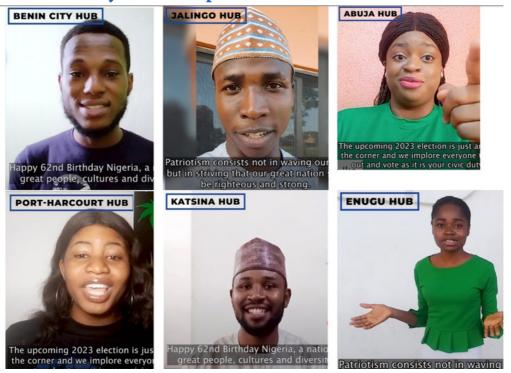
#### 5. 1st Cross Hub Collaboration

On the 15th of September 2022, the hub joined other 14 hubs in Nigeria to mark the International Day of Democracy which focuses on Strengthening civic engagement. With a focus on amplifying the importance of media freedom to democracy, the Global Shapers Community in Nigeria launched a coordinated social campaign to amplify our voices on the subject matter.



#### 6. 2nd Cross Hub Collaboration

On the 1st of October 2022, the hub joined 14 other hubs in Nigeria to mark the nation's 62 years of independence.



#### 7. 3rd & 4th Cross Hub Collaboration

The Nigerian hub's released a joint statement regarding the flood crisis and acts of discrimination and voter suppression in the 2023 general elections.

#### ▶▶▶▶ PRESS RELEASE

JOINT STATEMENT BY THE NIGERIAN HUBS OF THE GLOBAL SHAPERS COMMUNITY ON THE FLOOD CRISIS IN NIGERIA.

With at least twenty seven (27) of the country's thirty six (36) states experiencing floods that national emergency authorities such as the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) and the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs have labelled as 'beyond controt,' Nigeria is currently experiencing its worst flooding in a decade. So far, over six hundred (800) people have lost their lives and over 1.3 million individuals have been displaced from their homes. The most affected are frontline communities along rivers, especially the Niger and Benue rivers. The recent flooding has been linked to heavy rainfalls and the overflow of local rivers but most consequentially - the release of excess water from dams including the Lagdo Dam in northern Cameroon.

Beyond the loss of lives and damage of properties in affected areas, the flood crisis in Nigeria has posed severe challenges and disruptions across a wide range of sectors in the country ranging from shortage of gas supply, submergence of farmlands that pose a significant food security risk and influx of internally displaced persons among many others. The relevant government agencies are deploying a wide range of response, however, the scale of the disaster would require more resilient efforts to support victims and recovery.

While we appeciate the effort of Government in managing the flood crisis, we want to appeal to the relevant authorities such as the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs, Disaster Management and Social Development, Nigeria Hydrological Services Agency (NIHSA), National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), and National Inland Waterways Agency (NIWA) amongst others to take decisive steps by coming up with and taking swift action to implement a long-term strategic solution to mitigate and build adaptation and resilience against extreme weather events such as floods which the climate crisis could amplify. Moreso, we seek the support of the international community and key stakeholders in the private sector for local development interventions to support the inhabitants in building resilience against the climate crisis.

in order to find a long-term strategic solution to the flood disaster threat and lessen its effects on the populace and communities, it is also crucial for the Federal Government to work actively with State governments and their respective emergency agencies.

The Global Shapers Community, an initiative of the World Economic Forum, with over 480 hubs across the world, and fifteen (15) hubs in Nigeria; Abuja, Benin City, Calabar, Enugu. Rano, Kaduna, Itorin, Ibadan, Lagos, Katsina, Kano, Port Harcourt, Ola, Uyo, Warri and Jalingo, sympathise with those who have been negatively impacted by this unfortunate incident.



A JOINT STATEMENT BY THE NIGERIAN HUBS OF THE GLOBAL SHAPERS COMMUNITY ON THE ACTS OF DISCRIMINATION AND VOTERS SUPPRESSION IN THE 2023 GENERAL ELECTIONS.

March 23, 2023

The Global Shapers Community in Nigeria is deeply concerned about the acts of discrimination along ethnic and religious lines that were experienced during the recent general elections in Nigeria. We believe that such acts are a threat to the unity and progress of our country, and we strongly condemn them.

The general elections are a critical moment in our democracy, and they provide an opportunity for citizens to exercise their civic rights and responsibilities. However, it is disheartening to see that some individuals chose to promote ethnic and religious division for their own selfish gains, rather than engaging in constructive dialogue and cleate. This behaviour undermines the democratic process and the values of inclusivity diversity, and unity that we hold dear.

As young leaders, we recognize that Nigeria is a diverse country, with over 250 ethnic groups and a wide range of religions and cultures. We believe that this diversity is our strength, and that we must embrace it. We urge all relevant stakeholders, including political leaders, civil society organisations, and the media, to equally condemn such acts of discrimination and to work towards building a more peaceful and united Nigeria.

We call on the government to take urgent steps to address this issue and to ensure that those responsible are held accountable. We stand in solidarity with all Nigerians who have been affected by these discriminations during the elections, and we are committed to working towards a more just and equitable Nigeria for all.

The Global Shapers Community is an initiative of the World Economic Forum, with 522 hubs across 154 countries and 17 hubs in Nigeria: Abuja, Benin-City, Calabar, Enugu, Ibadan, Ilorin, Kaduna, Kano, Katsina, Lagos, Ota, Owerri, Port Harcourt, Uyo, Warri, Jalingo and Yola.

Signed



#### 8. Shape - Up Mentoring (SUM)

There was a character-building session on Respect with the students of Covenant Foundation School Gudu Abuja.



**Project Lead** 



Peter Odu

#### **Impact Area**

Reskill for the future

#### 9. Give a Gift

The hub through free-will donations, bought food items and toiletries, and donated to the City of Refuge Orphanage in Durumi Abuja.







**Project Leads** 



Aysha Hamu & Motunrayo Fatoke

**Impact Area** 

• Deliver Basic Needs

#### 10. Ride for Mental Health and Climate Action

The hub in partnership with Gatefield Impact and CWCD Africa organized a mental health and climate action awareness event to encourage cycling culture in the city.







• Protect the Planet

• Improve Health & Well-being

#### 11. End of the Year Party **(2022)**

After shaping what next? ... Time to relax, chill, make noise, and catch up with the amazing people who comprise the Abuja Hub.



#### 12. Toplink Tutorial

A Toplink engagement tutorial was organized by the Abuja hub and made public to the Global Shapers Community having over 100 registrations from over 15 hubs. The recording currently has over 1, 300 views. Watch <a href="here">here</a>

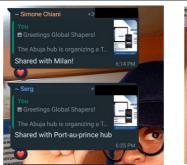


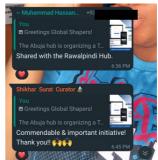


#### **Facilitator**



**Princess Ike** 





#### 13. Abuja Dialogue Series (Shaping Politics)

For the 2023 General Elections in Nigeria, the Abuja Hub through the 'Shaping Politics' initiative ran a series of mini-projects/activities to emphasize the importance of voting in the elections in partnership with Yiaga Africa and CEOs Network Africa.







**Project Leads** 





**Impact Areas** 

- Strengthening civic engagement
- Building inclusive communities

Nafisa Atiku-Adejuwon & David Nwachukwu

#### 14. CONNECT

#ShapersCONNECT is our window to the world, a platform where non-Global shapers can interact with Global shapers and other young people who have a desire to improve the state of the world. More pictures <a href="https://example.com/here-pictures-





**Project Leads** 





<u>Impact Area</u>

• Building inclusive communities

Alli-Bob Cinwon & Afolabi Adekaiyaoja

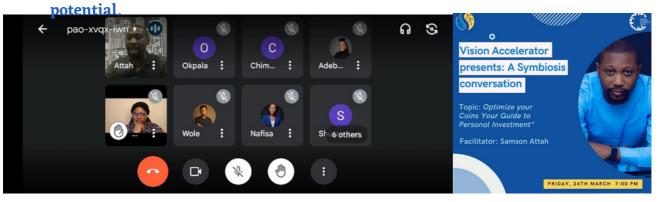
#### 15. Sip and Paint

We went sipping and painting in March 2023 to relax and catch up. It was fun to see the artistic side of some of our Shapers, and also just to have a really good time. You can sometimes call us the #PicassoShapers



#### 16. Vision Accelerator

The Vision Accelerator hub activity seeks to connect existing resources, knowledge and networks within the Hub to grow hub members to their fullest



**Project Lead** 



Adeboro Odunlami

**Facilitator** 



Samson Attach (Abuja Hub Alumnus)

#### **17**. **Climate Incubator Grant**

The hub won a \$3,000 climate reality project incubator grant to support our gender-inclusive plastic recycling action project.





Hyeladzira Mshelia

**Impact Area** 

- Building Inclusive Communities
- Protect the Planet

#### 18. EEP X Baze University Partnership (Ongoing)

Following a successful presentation of our proposal to carry out an employability training with the students of the institution, a draft MoU between the Abuja Global Shapers and Baze University has been sent to the institution. We currently await a date for formal signing by both parties.





**Project Leads** 



Yemisi Isidi



Ifeanyi Chukwudi Amam Rochas

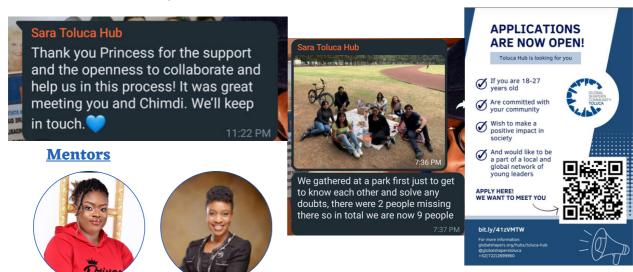




Maryam Gidado

#### 19. GSC Pilot Twinning Programme

As one of the top 50 best performing hubs within the Global Shapers Community, the Abuja Hub was selected to participate in the pilot of a brand new Twinning Programme aimed at helping Shapers and hubs better leverage membership benefits and broaden perspectives. We were paired with the Toluca Hub in Mexico from February to June 2023



#### 20. Meet the Leader with Prof Yemi Osinbajo

Princess Ike & Chimdi Neliaku

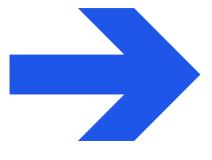
Solape Sonuga & Grace Ananaba

The Abuja hub was honored to have His Excellency, the Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria Prof Yemi Osinbajo as a Guest Speaker at the Meet the Leader Series addressing critical topics such as good governance, and leadership.





## HUB MEMBERSHIP



#### Recruitment

The Abuja Global Shapers hub prides itself at being an inclusive hub, with members being experts of diverse fields, hailing from various backgrounds and disciplines. Out of the many applications received, 10 passionate individuals were recruited to the hub.



#### **Meet the Avant-Garde Class of 2023**



Adeboro Odunlami



**Alli-Bob Cinwon** 



**Amam Rochas** 



Ifeanyi Chukwudi



Grace Ananaba



Joy Ayara



Maryam Gidado



Saraya Yaduma



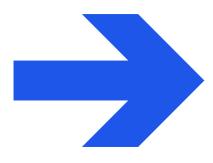
Solape Sonuga



Vivian Okpala



# HUB ELECTIONS



#### **Hub Elections**

The hub held it's first physical elections after the COVID-19 pandemic. This year the Hub saw the likes of 1 candidate; Chimdi Neliaku for the position of Curator and 3 candidates; David Nwachukwu, Blessing Tarfa and Afolabi Adekaiyaoja for the position of Deputy Curator. Chimdi Neliaku was voted in as Curator elect, while David Nwachukwu was voted in as Vice Curator elect for the 2023/2024 hub year.



#### **Curatorship Handover & Award Ceremony**



# CURATORSHIP SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDEES

#### **Active Shapers**



Afolabi Adekaiyaoja



Aysha Hamu



Akumishi Ayenajeh



Blessing Tarfa



Bolanle Iwobi



David Nwachukwu



Favour Godwill



Gabriel Onuh



Ifeayolu Nnadozie



JJ Enoch



Kenechukwu Ben-Umeh



Luke Alade



Motunrayo Fatoke



Murtala Abdullahi



Mabel Echewune



Miriamtherese Omanukwue



Peter Odu



QueenEsther Iroanusi



Shuwargwe Damak



Somto Chloe Keluo-Udeke



Oluwole Hammond



Yemisi Isidi



Hyeladzira Mshelia

# CURATORSHIP SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDEES

#### <u>Alumni</u>



Andy Madaki



Bella-Anne Ndubuisi



Blessing Ajimoti



Chioma Agwuegbo



Chime Asonye



Chukwuma Okoroafor



Doris Oji



Esther Eme



Fali Hamu



Ismail Bukar



Jake Effoduh



Juliana Imam-Iboh



Maryam Mshelia



Nafisa <u>A</u>tiku-Adejuwon



Nnamdi Ogbuagu



Samson Attah Igoche



Simi Fajemirokun



Rahima Aminu



Teniola Tayo



Johannes Wojuola



Tola Onayemi



Umar Abdulmalik

#### **SHAPERS OF THE YEAR AWARDEES**

Using our engagement and accountability evaluation plan, shapers eligible for this award were those in the shaper of the quarter category who had however scored an average of 75% throughout the hub year (from 1st-4th quarter). Amazing feat!!!



Afolabi Adekaiyaoja

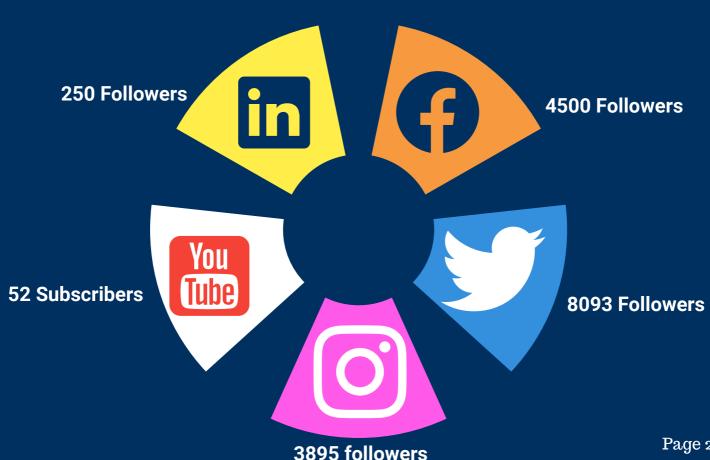


**David Nwachukwu** 



**Shuwargwe Damak** 

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS**



#### **MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS**

#### 1. Tribute to Founding Curator (Late Ken Saro-Wiwa Jnr)

https://leadership.ng/abuja-global-shapers-pay-tribute-to-founding-curator-late-kensaro-wiwa-jr/

#### 2. Ride for Mental Health and Climate Action Project

https://leadership.ng/abujacycling2022-promoting-wellness-and-climate-action/

https://goroinitiative.org/cycling-for-wellbeing-in-nigerias-capital/

https://thenationonlineng.net/global-shapers-community-canvases-for-cycling-to-reduce-emissions/

#### 3. Shaping Politics Project

https://leadership.ng/2023-polls-yiaga-abuja-global-shapers-hold-sensitisation-campaign-for-voters/

#### 4. Meet the Leader with the Vice President of Nigeria

https://www.yemiosinbajo.ng/politically-vibrant-youths-must-connect-with-peers-in-rural-areas-to-make-a-difference-osinbajo/

 $\underline{https://leadership.ng/build-bridges-to-win-elective-position-osinbajo-urges-youths/}$ 

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.thisdaylive.com/index.php/2023/05/05/osinbajo-charges-nigerian-youths-to-connect-with-rural-peers-make-a-difference/amp/

#### 5. Shapers Connect

https://newsdigest.ng/abuja-global-shapers-connect-event-inspires-attendees-to-foster-meaningful-connections-for-positive-change/

#### 6 .World Economic Forum Agenda Contributions

a. Princess Ike and Favour Godwill (Authors)

https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2022/09/period-poverty-menstruation-nigeria-education-global-shapers/

b. Princess Ike (Author)

https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2023/06/leverage-ai-eye-care-opportunities-limitations-africa/

c. Umar Abdulmalik (Author)

https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2022/12/nigeria-volunteering/

#### d. Princess Ike (Author)

https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2023/02/climate-change-eye-health-threat/

#### e. Chimdi Neliaku (Author)

https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2023/03/africa-government-youth-representation/

# **PARTNERS IN PROGRESS**































# **THANK YOU**

Thank you for taking the time to read our annual report for the 2022/2023 hub year. We are deeply grateful for your interest and support to the Abuja Global Shapers Community. Together, we are making a positive impact and shaping a better future.

Your continued engagement inspires us to strive for excellence in our initiatives. We look forward to another year of growth, collaboration, and transformative change. Thank you once again for being a part of our journey.

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