



GUIDELINES
AFRICA
IMPACT
SEED FUNDING (ISF) 2024

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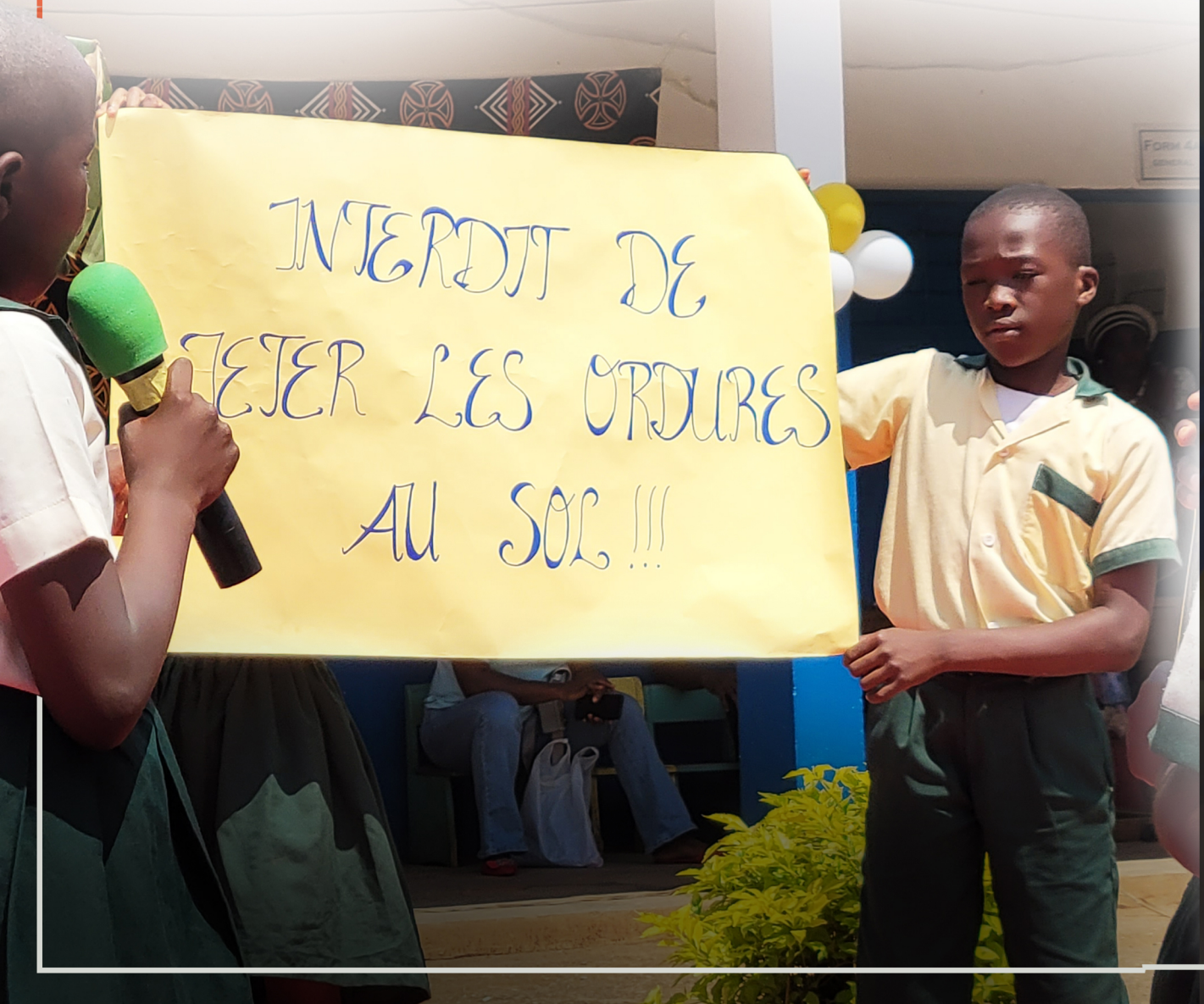
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CHAPITRE 1

FUNDAMANTAL FRAMEWORK



One INTRODUCTION

Africa - Impact Seed Funding (ISF) 2024

In the dynamic landscape of socio-ecological challenges facing Africa, the Africa - Impact Seed Funding (ISF) 2024 emerges as a beacon of hope and opportunity. Designed to catalyze positive change and foster innovative solutions, the ISF represents a concerted effort to address pressing issues related to rainforests, oceans, climate, and labor crises across the continent. With a diverse array of eligible countries spanning from the Democratic Republic of Congo to Mozambique, the ISF aims to empower educators, researchers, and students to become catalysts for change in their communities.

At its core, the ISF embodies a commitment to knowledge dissemination and community engagement. By providing micro-scale grants, the ISF seeks to unlock the potential of educators and researchers to amplify the impact of reportages by the Pulitzer Center's grantees and fellows. Through collaborative efforts, the ISF endeavors to increase awareness of urgent ocean and climate issues, fostering a culture of empathy, innovation, and action among diverse stakeholders.

With a multifaceted approach, the ISF aims to stimulate collaboration and creativity in addressing complex challenges.

Activities supported by the ISF range from student engagement initiatives, such as debates and journalism workshops, to mobility and community engagement activities, including knowledge exchanges and biodiversity expeditions. Additionally, the ISF provides support for research activities, encouraging data adoption and knowledge insertion to advance scientific understanding and inform evidence-based solutions.

As a testament to its commitment to transparency and accountability, the ISF adheres to a structured timeline and rigorous submission process. From the application phase to project reporting and closure, every step of the ISF process is meticulously planned to ensure the effective implementation of funded projects. Furthermore, the ISF fosters collaboration and knowledge exchange by providing avenues for stakeholders to connect and learn from each other.

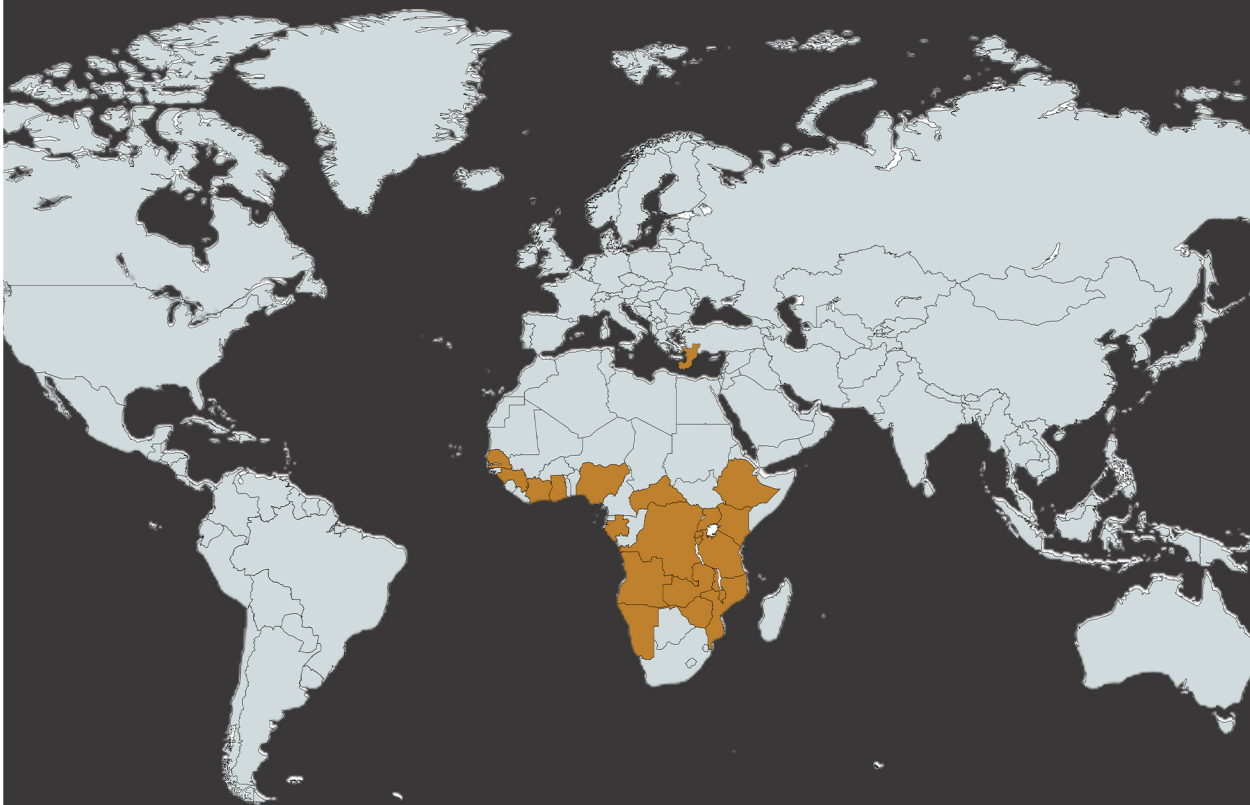
By harnessing the power of education, collaboration, and innovation, the Africa - Impact Seed Funding (ISF) 2024 aims to be a catalyst for positive change in addressing socio-ecological challenges across Africa. Through strategic investments and partnerships, the ISF seeks to empower communities to confront and overcome the pressing issues of our time, creating a more sustainable and resilient future for generations to come.

Two OBJECTIVE & COUNTRIES

The ISF endeavors to cultivate informed communities through education, leveraging the Pulitzer Center's Climate & Labor and Oceans Reporting Network (ORN). It aims to inspire change and action through impactful engagement activities.

Eligible Countries

- 1 Democratic Republic of Congo,
- 2 Republic of Congo, Cameroon,
- 3 Gabon,
- 4 Uganda,
- 5 Kenya,
- 6 Rwanda,
- 7 Tanzania,
- 8 Malawi,
- 9 Zambia,
- 10 Namibia,
- 11 Angola,
- 12 Nigeria,
- 13 Côte d'Ivoire,
- 14 Ghana, Senegal,
- 15 Ethiopia,
- 16 Zimbabwe,
- 17 Burundi,
- 18 CAR,
- 19 Guinea
- 20 Mozambique.



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ROLE OF PULITZER CENTER'S STORIES

The stories contributed by Pulitzer Center's fellows and grantees serve as representations of journalists' passion to report on global issues. These reports provide firsthand perspectives from affected communities, offering high-quality visuals to convey complex issues in interesting and easy-to-understand ways.



Four CONCLUSION

Africa - Impact Seed Funding (ISF) 2024

The Africa ISF aims to foster change in perspectives, narratives, and actions among university/school communities. By putting the spotlight on climate and labor crisis issues, it seeks to promote awareness and inspire impactful solutions.

Expanding upon this endeavor, it becomes evident that the Africa ISF represents a beacon of hope and possibility for the continent. Through its multifaceted approach to addressing socio-ecological challenges, the ISF not only seeks to raise awareness but also to catalyze tangible action and sustainable change.

By engaging with diverse stakeholders and amplifying the voices of marginalized communities, this initiative embodies the spirit of collaboration and inclusivity, harnessing the collective power of education and innovation to drive positive outcomes. Furthermore, by integrating principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion into its core framework, the Africa ISF lays the foundation for a more equitable and resilient future, where all individuals have the opportunity to thrive.

As we reflect on the profound impact of the Africa ISF, let us recognize the transformative potential of collective action and continue to work towards building a more just and sustainable world for generations to come.



CHAPITRE 2

OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES



One REQUIREMENTS & GUIDELINES

The Africa ISF is designed to be flexible and responsive to educator and community needs, allowing applicants to establish activities linked to urgent issues in the Environmental, Oceans and Climate crisis.

[Graph of the amount] The Africa ISF grants will range from USD \$2,500 to \$4,000. We expect that projects will be implemented within a four-months timeline after approval.



GUIDELINES

- The project must center around the stories reported by the Oceans Reporting Network Fellows or Climate & Labor grantees;
- The activity must showcase an intended impact towards the audience of the academic/school community (students or Fellow lecturers/researchers), or civil society;
- The project must be implemented in consultation with the relevant Pulitzer Center's grantees or Fellows;
- The project must demonstrate a strong Diversity, Equity and Inclusion approach;
- Applicants must deliver financial and narrative reports at the end of the grant period, detailing costs and results.

Please see the further details of SEA and Amazon opportunity details and priority reportages under the Rainforest Journalism Fund, Rainforest Investigations Network and Climate & Labor in Annex

Two TYPES OF ACTIVITIES

Examples of successful ISF grant activities and outputs may include, but are not limited to:

1 Student Engagement:

- Insertion in teaching materials, on-campus debates, social issues hackathons, student-led debates and dialogues
- Visuals production and dissemination (short videos, documentary, podcast, content);
- On-campus mini exhibition
- Journalism workshop for student press clubs

2 Mobility/local Community Engagement

- Knowledge exchange activities,
- Student visits,
- Biodiversity expeditions,
- citizen journalism

3 Support for Research Activities

- Data adoption to improve ongoing research accuracy,
- insertion of data or knowledge in a book chapter



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ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must be lecturers or researchers, k12 teachers, student groups based in Africa.

[See eligible countries on page 4]



Please check annex 1 for specific eligibility criteria and opportunities details of each country

CHAPITRE 3**PROJECT
MANAGEMENT
ESSENTIALS**

One PROJECT DURATION

The maximum duration of the proposed collaboration is **four months**. Once the funding is approved and a grant agreement has been signed by the Pulitzer Center, funds will be transferred to the successful principal applicant.

Formal project start and end dates will be established in the grant agreement.



Please adhere to the four-month duration outlined in the grant guidelines. Once funding is approved and the grant agreement is signed, project start and end dates will be finalized. Your cooperation ensures smooth progress and timely completion.

Two SUBMISSION PROCESS

The application must include the following:

- An overview of the proposed project in no more than 400 words. This must include the objectives, proposed activities, intended impact, rationale of the proposed project
- Target audience & projection of total audience, strategy, Detailed timeframe
- A preliminary budget estimate, including a basic breakdown of costs,
- If the proposed activities include knowledge exchange activities with forest communities, a statement by a member of the community showing a consent by them must be presented. This can be in the form of a message or letter
- If the activities include content production, you must include a concept note explaining how you would produce it and outputs that you are aiming at
- A copy of a curriculum vitae, including three professional references (heads of departments or leads in your workplace must be included). The references should be in the form of letters of recommendation.



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TIMELINE

Here is the timeline outlining key milestones for the project. Please take note of the following dates for each phase of the process.

Application process: March - May 27, 2024

Selection process: May 27 - Jul 27, 2024

Grants announcement: July 31, 2024

Briefing and grants administration: August 1 - Aug 14, 2024

Implementation duration: August 1 - Dec 1, 2024

Project reporting and closure: December 7 - 31, 2024



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SUMMARY

Discover the Impact Seed Funding (ISF) 2024 for Africa, dedicated to tackling pressing environmental challenges.

This micro-grant initiative aims to ignite change and raise awareness about issues such as deforestation, ocean conservation, and climate impact.

Grants will support projects aligned with ISF objectives, promoting creativity and inclusivity. Join us in driving meaningful action. Apply now to make a difference."



Learn more about the ISF and view previously approved projects for inspiration in the regional guidelines.

Apply Now button: [Link](#): [Pulitzer Center Application Manager \(submittable.com\)](#)

THANK YOU