



International Visitor Leadership Program

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EMPOWERING YOUTH THROUGH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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PROFESSIONAL OBJECTIVES

The Department of State has outlined the following specific objectives for the project:

- Examine the role vocational education plays in providing Americans with training and skills tailored to fit targeted employment needs;
- Demonstrate specific workforce niches filled by community colleges, vocational/technology schools and certificate programs and how these institutions have evolved to meet economic needs;
- Assess the federal government's investment in innovative education for youth;
- Study ways teachers and businesses get youth interested in future-looking careers; and
- Explore student internships and opportunities for employment upon graduation.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Chad	Mr. Christian MOHAMMED NDONGA Executive Director, Global Entrepreneurship Network Chad
DRC	Mr. Erick NYANGA NYANGA Head of Technical Studies, Institut National de Preparation Professionnelle (INPP)
Djibouti	Ms. Idil Aden ROBLEH Director, Training Department, Djibouti Chamber of Commerce
Haiti	Ms. Rose Laure LAURENT BIEN AIME Agronomist, SAKALA
Madagascar	Mr. Rija Nirina RAKOTOMALALA Chief of Staff, Ministry of Education
Mauritania	Mr. Djibril DIOP Manager and Owner, Target-Prod
Morocco	Ms. Salima ADMI Director of Labor, Ministry of Labor and Professional Integration
Sierra Leone	Mr. Hamid M THORONKA Director, SABU International School

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Chad

<i>Name:</i>	Mr. Christian MOHAMMED NDONGA
<i>Present Position:</i>	Executive Director, Global Entrepreneurship Network Chad
<i>Concurrent Positions:</i>	National Coordinator, Youth Network for Development and Leadership
<i>Education/Training:</i>	Master Degree, Industrial Engineering, Higher Institute of Applied Sciences, N'Djamena, Chad, 2016 Bachelor Degree, Geo-science and Environment Engineering, Savana Higher Institute of Water, Environment and Energy, N'Djamena, Chad, 2013 Bachelor Degree, Oil and Gas Operations, Wintech Professional University, Ghana, 2012
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<i>Languages:</i>	French (primary), English
<i>U. S. Travel:</i>	California
<i>Other Travel:</i>	Bahrein, Belgium, France, South Africa, Turkey
<i>Professional Background:</i>	Christian Ndonga is a startup ecosystem developer, social entrepreneur, and community builder. He is a Co-Founder and CEO of a startup named General Services and Constructions (GESCO) and the Acting Managing Director of Global Entrepreneurship Network CHAD. He is also a Country Coordinator of African Union of NGO of Development, a network of African organizations working for development in African countries and Representative of Club Afrique 2030 Committed to Civic Social and Youth Development. In 2013, Mr. Ndonga founded "Protegeons L'environnement," an association that promotes leadership and Entrepreneurship for a Sustainable development in Chad.

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Name: **Mr. Erick NYANGA NYANGA**

Present Position: Head of Technical Studies, Institut National de Preparation Professionnelle (INPP)

Education/Training: Licence Degree, Gestion de Ressources Humaines, Universite de Kinshasa, 2009
State Degree, Commercial et Administrative, Lycee Techniaue et Scientifique de Limete, 2003

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U. S. Travel: No previous U.S. travel

Other Travel: Japan

Professional Background: Eric Nyanga is an officer at the Congolese National Institute for Professional Preparation (INPP). As the Head of Technical Training Unit, he plays an important role in designing training program meeting the actual needs of the students.

Djibouti

Name: **Ms. Idil Aden ROBLEH**

Present Position: Director of Training Department, Djibouti Chamber of Commerce

Previous Positions: Officer Agent, Economic and Information Department, Djibouti Chamber of Commerce, 2006 - 2009

Education/Training: Master Degree, Organizations and Development, University of Paul Valéry, France, 2005

Memberships: University of Djibouti
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Languages: Somali (primary), English, Amharic, French

U. S. Travel: Massachusetts, New York, Washington, DC

Other Travel: Dubai, Ethiopia, France, Germany, India, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Morocco, Senegal, South Africa, Switzerland, Togo, Tunisia

Professional Background: Ms. Idil Aden Robleh is the Director of Training at the Djibouti Chamber of Commerce. She works with unemployed youth, supporting training efforts in English language, computer skills and entrepreneurship. The trainings and courses provided by her department are meant to create a more capable workforce; and most importantly, an employable workforce that can respond to the needs of the current job market.

Haiti

Name: **Ms. Rose Laure LAURENT BIEN AIME**

Present Position: Agronomist, SAKALA

Previous Positions: Field Agent, Concern Worldwide, 2018

Education/Training: Diploma, Agronomy Engineering, Natural Resources and Environment, Universidad ISA, Santiago, Dominican Republic, 2003
Certificate, Forest Management and Forest Management Plan Implementation, SERFOR S.A.- Dominican Republic, 2007

Memberships: SAKALA,
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U. S. Travel: No previous U.S. travel

Other Travel: Dominican Republic

Professional Background: Rose Laure Laurent is the first female agronomist from Cite Soleil. She is a leader of the agricultural science program in the community. She is also an active member of the SAKALA's women league, that supports women and young girls. Through her work, she is providing youth with a safe and positive environment to learn the basics of agroecology, agroforestry, nutrition and to develop their leadership and entrepreneurial skills by using gardens as a business.

Madagascar

Name: **Mr. Rija Nirina RAKOTOMALALA**

Present Position: Chief of Staff, Ministry of Education

Previous Positions: Member of Cabinet, Inspector, Ministry of Environment, Ecology and Forests, Mediator, Arbitration and Mediation Center of Madagascar, 2013-2018
Lawyer Associate, Rakotomalala Cabinet, 2003 – 2018

Education/Training: Lawyer's Certificate, Bar School, 2007
Master's degree, Mediation, National School of Administration of Madagascar, 2007
Bachelor's degree, Law, University of Antananarivo, 2003

Memberships: Lawyers' Association, Secretary General, MMM political party

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Other Travel: France, Kenya, UAE

Professional Background: Rija Rakotomalala is a politically active civil servant, helping found the MMM political party. He is currently the party's Secretary General. He further serves as the Minister of Education's Chief of Staff in the Front Office of the Environmental Ministry. A lawyer by trade, he is focused on civil rights, and empowering youth to be politically active.

Mauritania

Name: **Mr. Djibril DIOP**

Present Position: Manager and Owner, Target-Prod

Education/Training: Master Degree, Marketing and Communication, Ecole Supérieure de Communication et Management, 2008

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Languages: Fula/Toucouleur (primary), French

U. S. Travel: No previous U.S. travel

Other Travel: Mali, Senegal

Professional Background: Djibril Diop is a marketing and communication specialist, a Manager, and the Owner of Target-Prod. Target-Prod develops marketing and communication strategies for local businesses. He also works to empower young people in the poorer neighborhood of Nouakchott. He employs many young people in his business, including at-risk youth. He participated in various youth outreach in Mauritania, including CVE, entrepreneurial program for youth and women. He has organized various public round table talks, start up and dinner debate about youth entrepreneurship and women empowerment.

Morocco

Name: **Ms. Salima ADMI**

Present Position: Director of Labor, Ministry of Labor and Professional Integration

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U. S. Travel: No previous U.S. travel

Professional Background: Ms. Admi has served as a head of several departments within the Ministry of Labor and Professional Integration. She is currently serving as the Director of Labor. She is also women and child civil rights activist.

Sierra Leone

Name: **Mr. Hamid M THORONKA**

Present Position: Director, SABU International School

Education/Training: Bachelor, Teaching, Makeni Teachers College, 2013
Certificate, Saint Francis Senior Secondary School, 2010

Memberships: English Schools Association of Guinea

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Languages: Temne (primary), English, French

U. S. Travel: No previous U.S. travel

Professional Background: As the Director of Sabu International School, Hamid Thoronka focuses on providing a bilingual English-French education to his student body. He has helped economically and socially disadvantaged students emerge from life on the streets to regularly attending school.