



Young People
Connect
Africa

About Us

Young People Connect Africa is an African non-profit organization founded in 2017.

Young People Connect Africa seeks to connect the dots in the educational system through advanced skills development to support, empower, and transform the lives of school leavers, positioning young people for the future of work.

Through our programs and activities, Young People Connect Africa complements professional/graduate qualifications with the necessary skill set, positioning young people for marketplace opportunities. We aim to raise a generation of business leaders, problem solvers, change-makers, and entrepreneurs who enhance technological, economic, and social development across Africa.

With relevant support and collaborations, Young People Connect Africa has empowered over 10,000 Africans since 2018 with digital skills, business leadership, vocational and entrepreneurship skills through our training and incubation opportunities. This effort contributes to Africa's educational development and technological advancement.

Young People Connect Africa is the HOME OF SKILLS for every young African.





VISION:

We seek to eradicate unemployment through empowering young people with high-level skill set.



MISSION STATEMENT:

YPC works to improve the perspective of young people through advance skills development programmes.



Aim Of Connect Conference:

- To inspire, educate, and instigate a mindset shift in young undergraduates, graduates, corps members, and unemployed youths about the necessity and feasibility of acquiring additional skills alongside their academic or professional qualifications.

- To foster a balanced discussion on the interplay between skills and formal education, guiding our audience on navigating and succeeding in their career pursuits.

- To establish a networking platform for like-minded young individuals, creating a synergy that propels career advancement and drives positive change in society.

- To assist participants in discovering and maximizing opportunities available to undergraduates and graduates alike.

- To connect young individuals with skill acquisition training, internship, and employment opportunities.

- To provide information to our participants about workshops, conferences, and training sessions that can aid in the development of their skills, talents, and gifts.

- To decrease the number of unskilled young individuals and school dropouts while increasing the pool of employable young people.

- To equip our youth for the evolving landscape of future job opportunities.



8,000+

Connect Conference
Hybrid Participants



45+

Facilitators



500+

Volunteers



12,100+

Community
Members



100+

Online training sessions



35+

Conference Speakers



The Connect conference is an educating and engaging event filled with pulsating moments of deliberate interactions, insights and training poised to marry the academic and business worlds.

Highlights of Connect Conference

Interviews

*Tech/Digital
Workshop*

*Industry
Leaders/
Experts*

*Mentorship
Cohorts*

Networking

Collaboration

Testimonials

My name is Samuel Isaac a Cybersecurity Professional. My partner and I have always wanted to create talent pool for cybersecurity professionals but getting started was a challenge. Attending YPC brought some sort of clarity on how to start and as well build the team. And today we have completed the first cohort where we trained over 50 people across Africa. It is also important to mention that some members of this team were also people I met at YPC. I felt so good listening to the speakers and being among brilliant young minds.

YPC has help me to understand thatpersonal branding helps you control the narrative about yourself and introduce yourself in the best light possible. It's also a way to stand out from the competition. In a world where everyone has a website and an online presence, personal branding can help you stand out from the rest.

El-Roy Wisdom

Football Consultant

Serving in YPC has been a blessing to me. When I first started the journey with YPC, I neither knew about personal development nor the importance of showing your skills. Over the years, volunteering for YPC has helped me acquire many skillsets like proofreading, content creation, restartch writing to mention but a few. Connect conferences have consistently been an eye-opener for me. The just concluded connect conference helped me to see the importance of storytelling.God bless team YPC for what they do for young people.

Favour Njoku

Testimonials

Problem Discovered: As a young graduate of public health from the University of Calabar, Cross River State, My goal was to land on a well-paying job immediately after my service year. It was during my NYSC waiting period that I have to know about YPC from a good friend whom I admire a lot. I decided to get close by volunteering for the Connect Conference 2019 with the theme "School Vs Skills". At the CC'19, I realized that there was a need to build my capacity in Public Health beyond the average graduate and acquire the most relevant skills necessary to be outstanding in the field of Public Health.

Outcome/Success: The outcome of that realization drove me into acquiring basic and later advanced skills in data management and health informatics. First, I was retained after my NYSC later proceeded to work with UNICEF as An Adhoc staff and eHealth Africa as a program Intern. These two opportunities, which I can say, served as the foundation to where I am today were all came because of the data management sills employed working at my PPA during my service year. Because of a program I attended in 2019 and was informed about the future of Works, I made a resolution to position myself for the future I desire. I currently lead a team of Monitoring and Evaluation Officers across the BAY states of Nigeria coordinating the monitoring of globally funded projects and interventions geared at saving lives. Today I am paid for what I love doing...They call it a job, but I see it as my own way of touching lives and impacting those affected by untold conflicts and disasters.Finally, in the words of Larry Bird, "A winner is someone who recognizes his God-given talents, works his tail off to develop them into skills, and uses these skills to accomplish his goals". I can say that the amount of quality information accessible and network of professional and like-minded associates one has in his life is one of the fundamental drivers of ones success in life.

Ogbonna Gideon Okpuna

Public Health Scientist and Professional Humanitarian



Meet our founder

Joseph is a brand and media expert, providing valuable support to organizations to enhance stakeholder and community engagement. Notably, he is the founder of Young People Connect Africa (YPCAfrica), a thriving and fast-growing community of changemakers, brilliant entrepreneurs, and leaders.

As an alumnus of the Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI) program, Regional Leadership Centre Accra, Joseph's impact has improved the lives of over 10,000 young Africans. Through YPCAfrica, he equips youths with education and tech skills for career success and sustainable growth.

Joseph's efforts extend beyond YPCAfrica. He has been organizing the highly anticipated Youth Connect Conference since 2018, attracting 2,500 participants yearly across Africa.

Joseph's remarkable achievements have been recognized and awarded by youth communities and international organizations.

Joseph is driven to educate young Africans, train, and provide support for the next generation of innovators and creative geniuses.

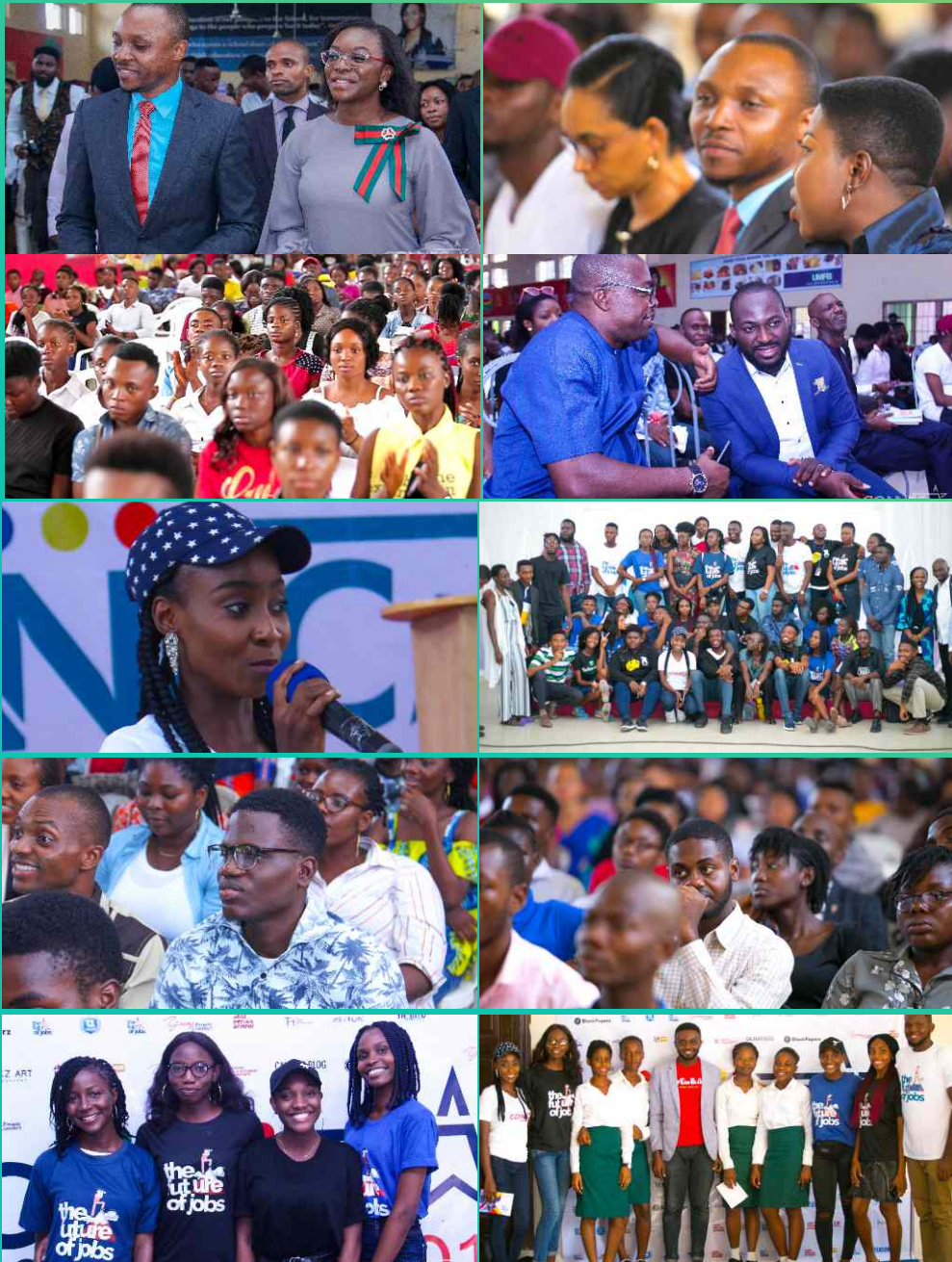
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CAMPUS TOUR 2018 & 2019



POST CONFERENCE TRAINING WITH ANITA SOLOMON, 2018



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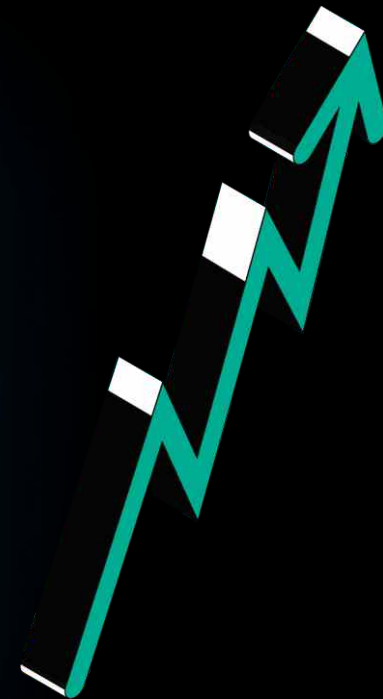
Previous Connect Conference Speakers





Transitioning:

Career, Business, Technology and the new internet Money



Abuja

Saturday, 27th July, 2024
At Merit House, Maitama

Lagos

Saturday, 3rd August, 2024



Let's Get Connected

