

INJINI

Partnering for Impact:
Transforming African Education
Innovation Together



About Injini

Injini is a **non-profit** company based in Cape Town with a **pan-African** reach.

Our **mission** is to increase the quality, accessibility, and relevance of education in the region.

Injini is a member of the **UVU Africa Group**.

We are founded on the belief that innovation and technology - developed **by Africa, for Africa** - can help solve the continent's most pressing education challenges.



Our Footprint

79

African EdTech Startups

supported through intensive incubation and acceleration programmes

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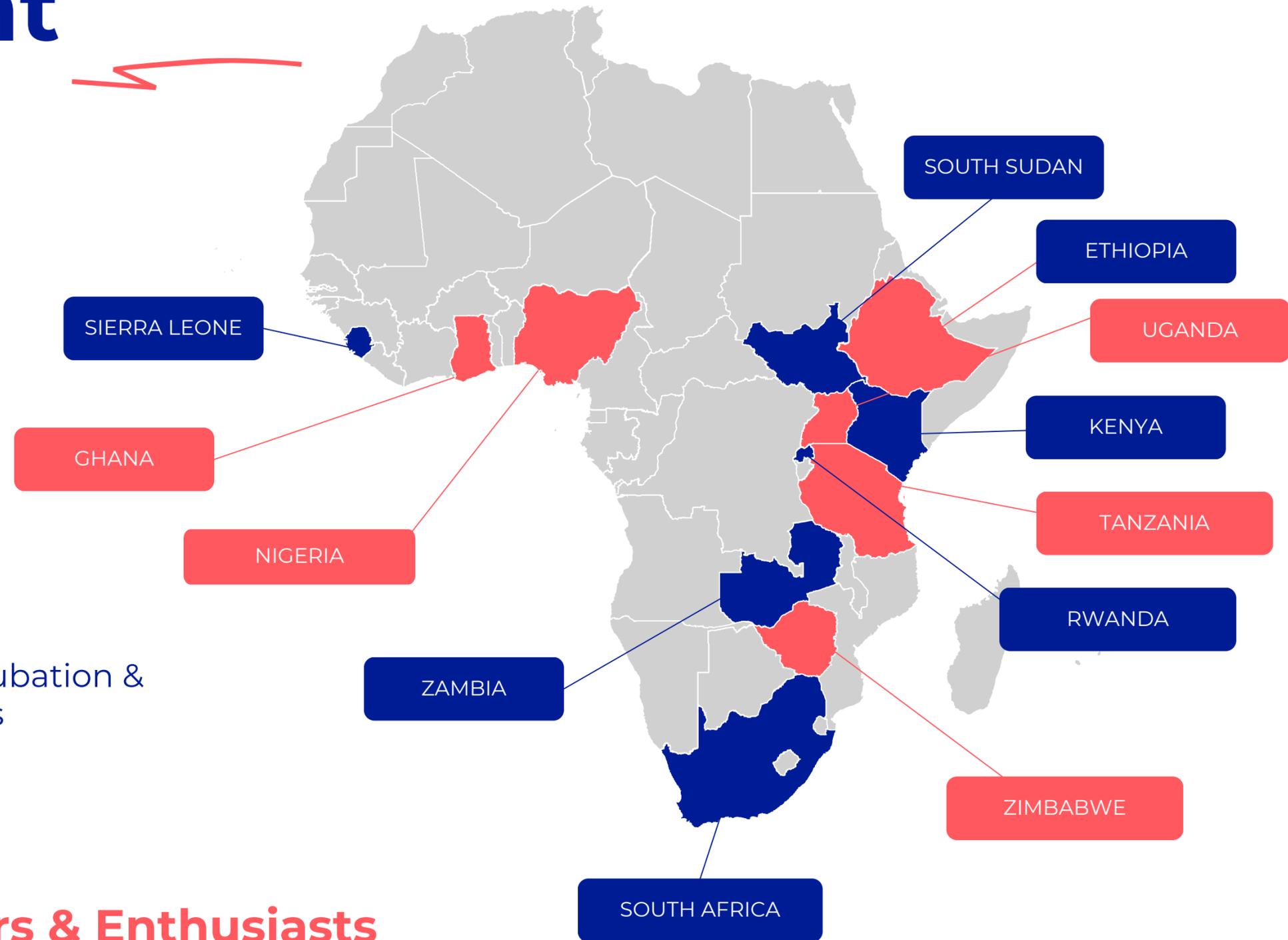
African Countries

represented in Injini's portfolio of incubation & acceleration programme participants

4,000+

African EdTech Innovators & Enthusiasts

reached and engaged with via Injini's EdTech ecosystem development initiatives, including 700+ trained



Our Team

Injini's team and board members embody our organisation's values: inclusion, transparency, agility and people-centricity.

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Executive Director

[Brendan Hughes](#)
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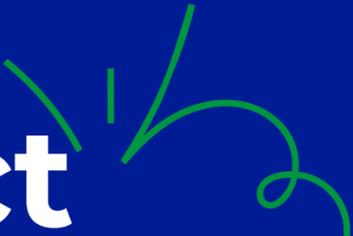


Nobuhle Mhlongo
Partnerships &
Ecosystem Lead



Nosiphelo Nikani
Programmes
Associate

Our impact



**2.2M+
learners
reached**

plus 440K+ teachers
across South Africa
since April 2023

**\$1.4M in
funding**

secured for portfolio
companies, despite
African EdTech
raising just \$34.6M
total

**65% of
new jobs**

went to women—
driving youth &
gender equity in
employment

**31.3% median
revenue
growth**

for 25-month participants
vs. 5.5% for newer cohort—
proving long-term impact

**Stronger
impact
measurement**

EdTechs are better
equipped to track & prove
educational outcomes

Our Unique Approach

A summarised representation of Injini's approach to creating impact in the African education sector.



Our Unique Approach

African EdTech Startup Acceleration

We support high-impact EdTech business founders and leaders to improve learning outcomes throughout sub-Saharan Africa - with a key focus on increasing their impact and sustainability.

African Education Innovation Ecosystem Development

We do our part to increase the quantity of viable, evidence-driven innovations, adoption rates by prospective EdTech implementers, investment by EdTech enablers and collaboration between all stakeholders.

Research & Advisory

The Injini Think Tank conducts industry research and provides market insights for EdTech entrepreneurs and other ecosystem members. We aim to influence decision-making to create a supportive environment for EdTech in Africa.



Testimonials from our Ecosystem



"The EdTech Fellowship programme has been nothing short of amazing. There is no programme with a bespoke and tailored approach like this programme. The support is relevant and real in a way that really aids your entity to grow. The programme is also not exhaustive in its requirements in a way that derails you from focusing on running your business which is also great."

Nhlanhla Mposula, 2024 EdTech Fellow

"Africa Tikkun Bambanani has achieved significant success in securing funding this year, and the programme has played a key role in this outcome. Several elements contributed to this, including the feedback on the pitch deck, input from all other Fellows, the Theory of Change framework and discussions in different programme workshops with stakeholders about their preferences and priorities. By leveraging 1% from every aspect that the programme offered across the two years, it culminated in a substantial collective impact."

Theresa Michael, 2023 EdTech Fellow



Our Acceleration Programmes

Mastercard Foundation EdTech Fellowship

The Mastercard Foundation EdTech Fellowship is a six-month, equity-free acceleration program designed for high-growth and high-impact companies that use technology and innovation to address challenges in South African education.

Injini Acceleration Partnership Programme

Injini has partnered with the UBS Optimus Foundation and other partners to deliver a pan-African EdTech-specialised venture development programme.

Evidence for EdTech Entrepreneurs Course

Injini partnered with EdTech Hub to support 44 entrepreneurs across two cohorts, providing peer mentorship and workshops on user experiments, product roadmaps, fundraising, and investment readiness. Each cohort's top founder received a £10,000 micro-grant.



Our Events and Ecosystem Engagement

South African EdTech Week offers a unique opportunity to explore investment prospects in innovative educational technologies, connect with emerging EdTech ventures, and collaborate with other stakeholders committed to transforming education across the continent.

South African EdTech Week

Our ecosystem events unite our alumni to exchange insights, ideas, and expertise. These gatherings provide a platform for EdTech companies to connect on a deeper level, fostering meaningful relationships and partnerships that drive impact and support scalable growth.

Ecosystem Events

Injini hosts startup showcases, roundtables, and panel discussions to spotlight the potential of EdTech. By creating a platform for engagement and exposure, Injini helps EdTech startups gain visibility, attract investment, and scale impactful solutions.

Stakeholder Events

Why partner with us?

Investing in Injini's work enables sustainable, scalable impact in education across Africa. By supporting high-potential EdTech ventures, driving research, and fostering collaboration, funders play a vital role in shaping the future of learning. This partnership offers several key benefits:



Contribution to systemic change in education



Direct engagement with top African EdTech startups



High visibility & thought leadership

Ways to get involved

Programme Funding

Support a cohort, research, or policy initiative

Event Sponsorship

Fund an event and gain visibility & engagement

Strategic Partnerships

Collaborate on ecosystem development, advocacy, or knowledge sharing

Non-financial Support

Support a cohort, research, or policy initiative



Our Partners in Impact

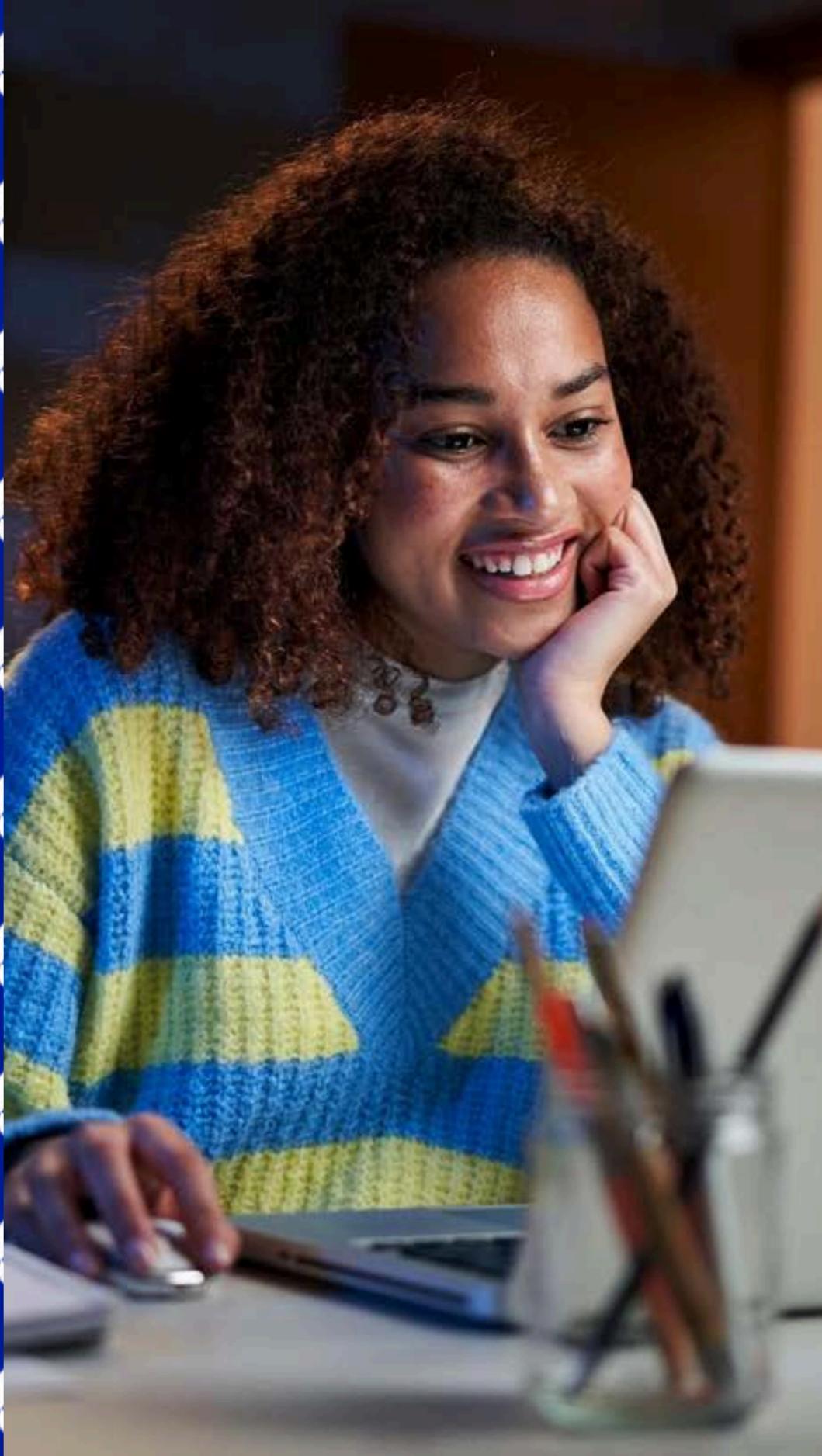
Our work has only been possible with close collaboration and support by aligned partners.

In partnership with



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Let's Collaborate

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