







Kofi Annan Award for Innovation in Africa 2021

Initiator	Austrian Federal Chancellery
Award	Pan-African Award that recognizes digital innovation across Africa
Call for Applications	Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and Well-Being ("Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages")
Website	www.kofiannanaward.at 
Applicants	African social entrepreneurs and purpose-driven enterprises with an innovative digital health solution, a measurable social impact as well as a sustainable business model
Duration	November 2021 to June 2023
Award money and further benefits for finalists	<p>Up to 3x €250,000 in grants for winning teams 5-day Innovation Bootcamp for nine final teams 12-month Accelerator Programme for three winning teams International visibility and access to strong network of supporters</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <small>up to € 250,000 in grants per winning venture</small> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <small>Innovation Bootcamp</small> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <small>12-month sprint programme</small> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <small>Renowned network of international contacts</small> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <small>International visibility</small> </div> </div>
Programme phases and timeline	<div style="border: 1px dashed gray; padding: 10px;"> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 22%;"> <p>1 Source</p> <p>Open Call → Selection</p> <p><small>Nov. 3 – Dec. 1</small> <small>Feb. 2022</small></p> </div> <div style="width: 22%;"> <p>2 Boost</p> <p>Innovation Bootcamp → Pitch to Jury</p> <p><small>Feb./Mar. 2022</small> <small>May 2022</small></p> </div> <div style="width: 22%;"> <p>3 Award</p> <p>Public Award Event</p> <p><small>June 2022</small></p> </div> <div style="width: 22%;"> <p>4 Accelerate</p> <p>Follow up → Closing</p> <p><small>July 2022 – June 2023</small></p> </div> </div> </div>



<p>Africa</p>	<p>States: 54 Surface: 30 million km², approx. 20% of the earth's surface</p> <p>Population: approx. 1,4 billion (17% of global population), of which 77% is under the age of 35 Population projection 2050: approx. 2,5 billion – 26% of global population (UN)</p> <p>GDP 2021 (PPP): USD 7,170 billion (IMF) GDP per capita 2021: USD 2,030 (IMF) GDP growth forecast 2021: 5,1% (IMF)</p>
<p>Foreign Trade Africa and Austria</p>	<p>2020 (Statistik Austria) Austrian exports: EUR 1,7 billion Austrian imports: EUR 1,5 billion</p>
<p>Jury</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valerie AMOS, Master of University College Oxford and former UN Under-Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator • Kojo ANNAN, Ghanaian-Nigerian businessman and son of the late former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan • Elhadj AS SY, Chair of the Kofi Annan Foundation and former Secretary General of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (ICRC) • David BEASLEY, Executive Director of the World Food Programme (WFP) • Yacine DJIBO, Founder and CEO of "Speak Up Africa" • Bogolo KENEWENDO, Economist and former Minister for Investments, Trade and Industry of Botswana • Antonella MEI-POCHTLER, Special Advisor to the Austrian Federal Chancellor and head of the Strategy Unit ThinkAustria • Ludwig PRINZ VON BAYERN, German IT-entrepreneur and development actor in Kenya • Eric SCHMIDT, former CEO of Google and Chairman of Alphabet Inc. • Muhammad YUNUS, Nobel Peace Prize laureate, founder of Grameen Bank and pioneer of microcredit and microfinance
<p>Partner-organisations</p>	