CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
YALI REGIONAL LEADERSHIP CENTER DAKAR (RLC)

ABOUT THE YALI DAKAR RLC
With the support of USAID and the MasterCard Foundation, the African Center for Advanced Management Studies (CESAG) and its partners have established the Regional Leadership Center (RLC), which provides future leaders from 16 African countries with the skills, resources and opportunities to fulfill their dreams, and thereby work towards a brighter and more prosperous future for the continent. The YALI DAKAR RLC, located within CESAG, provides two types of training:

- **the hybrid/residential training** which takes place over 5 weeks including 2 weeks of online training, and a 1-week break followed by 3 weeks of intense training in the RLC in Dakar;
- **the online training** is conducted over 8 weeks, entirely online. The online training is flexible because it allows you to pick your own schedule but you are tutored and guided throughout the entire duration of the training.

Candidates can follow one of the following 3 programs: **business and entrepreneurship, civic leadership or public management**. Applications from leaders with disabilities, from rural areas and young women are strongly encouraged! NB: You are not eligible if you have already received training at the YALI DAKAR RLC (online, residential or hybrid) or at the Mandela Washington Fellowship.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
The program is open to young African leaders aged between 18 and 35, who meet the following criteria:

- French language proficiency;
- demonstrated leadership capabilities or potential;
- must be a citizen and resident of one of the following: **BENIN, BURKINA FASO, CAMEROON, CAPE VERDE, IVORY COAST, GABON, GUINEA, GUINEA BISSAU, EQUATORIAL GUINEA, MALI, MAURITANIA, NIGER, SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE, SENEGAL, CHAD AND TOGO**;
- must be an agent of public administration (on a regional or local level) or an employee of the private sector;
- must have a proven record of leadership in business and entrepreneurship;
- must be a leader of an association, NGO or a civil society organization;
- must be a project-holder within the fields of social entrepreneurship, civic engagement or the improvement of the public/private sector efficiency;
- Must have a valid passport or proof of identity (this applies to the candidates interested in the residential training cohort);
- The training is residential and requires a commitment to attend all sessions in person at the Regional Leadership Center.

Applications for the YALI DAKAR Regional Leadership Center's residential and online cohorts will start this **October 2019**, according to the table below. For more information on the programs or how to apply, please visit [www.yaliafriquedelouest.org](http://www.yaliafriquedelouest.org)

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** Application fees and training courses are entirely free of charge thanks to the generous support of our partners.**

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