



**RESILIENTAFRICA NETWORK (RAN)**  
**UNIVERSITY OF RWANDA (UR), COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES**  
**3-DAY BOOTCAMP ON IDEATION, MANAGING INNOVATIONS AND COMMUNITY CO-CREATION**

**Theme:** Resilient Community Solutions through University Led Innovations

**Host:** University of Rwanda

**Audience:** Students, Faculty & Community members

**Date:** 2<sup>nd</sup> March – 4<sup>th</sup> March

### **Introduction**

[ResilientAfrica Network](#) (RAN), through the East African Resilience Innovation Lab (EA RILab) in partnership with the National University of Rwanda (NUR), a network-plus university partner **invites you to a 3-Day Bootcamp on Ideation, Managing Innovations and Community Co-Creation** from 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016 hosted at the National University of Rwanda.

The EA RILab continuously examines community resilience in the face of climate change; conflict; health and innovation culture development in the region. In the same regard, the EA RILab also recognizes the importance of startups and local ecosystems as key engines to grow innovation and spur entrepreneurship in Rwanda and Africa as a whole. However, Startups in themselves are of little value, if the local masses/ users of the innovations and technologies being created are not involved in the innovation process. With a strong belief of “taking the university to the community”, RAN will, in the 3 days, harness the ingenuity and passion of university faculty, students, local entrepreneurs and community representatives to deliver a great learning experience on how to identify great ideas/ innovations, grow and diffuse them into the affected societies.

As innovation entry points, the bootcamp will dwell on various scopes of resilience that impact the vulnerability, mitigation and adaptive capacity of communities faced by the various challenges identified. These include; Wealth creation, Health, Agriculture, Infrastructure, Governance, Human Capital development, Social Networks, Environment and Psychosocial support.

The outputs of the bootcamp will include;

- How to Systematically identify and understand local problems/ needs
- How to create intervention strategies/ innovations using techniques like user-centered design and creative community co-creation.
- Establish a network of student innovators ready to work with community representatives, local entrepreneurs and mentors to tackle the looming challenges.

This Agenda is made possible by the generous support of the American people through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The content are the responsibility of ResilientAfrica Network and do not necessarily reflect the views of USAID or the United States Government





U.S. GLOBAL  
DEVELOPMENT  
LAB  
Powered by USAID



- Establish at least one collaborative partnership with a local innovation hub as an incubation and mentor support partner for the innovations sprouting out of the university.
- Strengthen the rapport between local communities and the university innovators through engagement activities like needs finding and creative capacity building (CCB).

### Who will participate?

The bootcamp will attract students, faculty members, community representatives and local innovators/ entrepreneurs.

### Innovation Bootcamp Agenda

#### DAY 1 March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016 – About RAN

Time	Activity	Responsible person
9:00 – 9:30am	<i>Arrival and registration of participants</i>	RAN Team
9:30 – 9:50am	Welcoming remarks and introduction	TBD
9:50 – 10:30am	Brief background of RAN, its projects and relationship with UR	Dr. Julius Ssentongo
<b>10:30 – 11:00am</b>	<b><i>Ice- breaker – team work game</i></b>	
<b>11:00 – 11:30am</b>	<b><i>Tea Break, poster and innovations exhibition visit</i></b>	
11:30 – 12:00	<i>State of innovation at the University of Rwanda (Structure, and innovation sub-program )</i>	Dr Theophile Niyonzima; Team leader, Innovation Sub-program
	<i>Innovation activities at the College of Medicine and Health Sciences, preliminary data presentation from the baseline study</i>	Nyandwi Theogene, Innovation coordinator
12:00 – 1:00	Identification of community challenges	
	Brainstorming on underlying phenomena	
<b>1:00 – 2:00pm</b>	<b><i>Lunch</i></b>	
2:00 – 3:00pm	Community Dialogues (Identification of existing coping strategies)	Community representative
3:00 – 3:45pm	Introducing the RIC4CONF call and relating it to the community challenges already brainstormed on	
<b>3:45 – 4:15pm</b>	<b><i>Tea Break</i></b>	
4:15 – 5:30pm	Support ‘Clinic’ on how to apply for RIC4CONF	
<b>End of day 1</b>		

This Agenda is made possible by the generous support of the American people through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The content are the responsibility of ResilientAfrica Network and do not necessarily reflect the views of USAID or the United States Government



CSIS | CENTER FOR STRATEGIC & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES



USAID  
Higher Education  
Solutions Network



**DAY 2: March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016 - Human Centered Design**

Time	Activity	Responsible person
9:00 – 9:30am	Arrival and registration of participants	
9:30 – 11:00am	Intro to Needs finding	
<b>11:00 – 11:30am</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>	
11:30 – 12:15pm	Problem framing and	
12:15 – 1:00pm	Generating How Might We we questions	
<b>1:00 – 2:00pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
2:00 – 4:00pm	Rapid prototyping Story Telling	
<b>4:00 – 4:30pm</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>	
4:30 – 5:30pm	Pitching and Prototype presentation and day's reflections	
<b>End of day 2</b>		

**DAY 3 March 4<sup>th</sup> – Outreach to Innovation Hubs in Kigali**

<b>10:30 – 10:30am</b>	VISITS TO EXISTING INNOVATION HUBS for possible collaboration /partnerships  1. K-Lab 2. The Office 3. Hehe Labs	RAN Team & UR CMHS Team
10:30 – 11:30am		
11:30 – 12:45pm		
<b>12:45 – 01:45pm</b>		
01:45 – 3:00pm		
01:45 – 3:00pm		
3:00 – 4:00pm		
4:00 – 4:30pm		
<b>End of Day 3</b>		

This Agenda is made possible by the generous support of the American people through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The content are the responsibility of ResilientAfrica Network and do not necessarily reflect the views of USAID or the United States Government

