



THE SOCIAL BUSINESS ACCELERATOR PROGRAM GRADUATION

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"Inspiring Social Entrepreneurs in Africa to Thrive"

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ABOUT **CAPITAL SOLUTIONS**

Our story began in October 2008, and was inspired by the economic depression which saw many civil society organisations close or shrink due to inability to access grants to deliver on their mission. This background pushed our Directors who at that time were working in the NGO sector to think innovatively on how social businesses could become sustainable through alternative Funding models to deliver social good. The two female founders of Capital Solutions, agreed to start a Company that would provide capacity building, research and business development to Social enterprises, SMEs, NGOs and private sector in order to support them to grow towards financial sustainability.

Capital Solutions Ltd (CSL) is a Social Enterprise incorporated in Uganda in 2008 but started operations in 2014 with a purpose to inspire, transform and build capacity of social entrepreneurs working with low income communities in Africa. CSL provides high quality services to build sustainable social enterprises through improved financial accessibility and designing innovative and impactful solutions.



Vision

An economy where social entrepreneurs thrive!



Mission

To inspire, transform and build African social entrepreneurs through improved access to finance and capacity development for sustainable social impact



Strategic Goal

To improve access to finance and strengthen the capacity of social entrepreneurs for sustainable social and economic impact.

CORE VALUES

We offer professional and quality services.



Excellence

We have the willingness to adapt to the current trends and working environment to work and serve stakeholders and our clients better.



Agility



Human Centered

We work with and for the people.



Transparency

We practice accountability and integrity in the work we do.



FOREWORD



DR. JOYCE N TAMALE (FCCA, PHD)
CO-FOUNDER & CEO CAPITAL
SOLUTIONS LIMITED

Welcome to our fourth Social Business Accelerator Programme Graduation ceremony! It is with great pleasure and excitement that we gather to celebrate the culmination of this transformative journey alongside you. From the onset, our aim has been to empower and equip you with the necessary tools to enable you thrive in your social enterprise, and we trust that your experience in the Programme has been nothing short of enriching.

Joining the Capital Solutions Social Business Accelerator Programme marks a pivotal moment in your entrepreneurial journey. We recognize the significance of this decision and are committed to standing by you, offering support and guidance as you navigate the path ahead. Our six-month accelerator program is turning point in a life of a social entrepreneurs as it tailored to foster the

growth of your social enterprise from their inception to scalable heights. With hands-on guidance from seasoned experts in the field of social entrepreneurship, our Programme has empowered 13 social enterprises to innovate, expand their networks, and enhance their capacities for driving social impact and sustainability.

Rooted in the principles of design thinking, our Accelerator Program has equipped participants with the practical skills and processes essential for accelerating their businesses and amplifying their social footprints. Today's graduation ceremony serves as a testament to your dedication and progress, providing a platform to showcase your achievements and milestones.

We are immensely proud to share that this programme has impacted over 365 participants who have emerged with sustainable business models, and many have undergone profound transformations in their entrepreneurial ventures. As we transition into next phase, our focus turns towards ensuring that all graduates are primed to attract investment and propel their businesses to greater heights. What makes us comfortable is that you will continue as members of the Social Entrepreneurship Forum.

On behalf of Capital Solutions, I extend heartfelt gratitude to each of you for championing the cause-driven movement of social entrepreneurship. Together, we are catalysts for change, and we eagerly anticipate the continued collaboration and impact that lies ahead.

"If your dreams do not scare you, they are not BIG enough."- Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

ABOUT THE SOCIAL BUSINESS ACCELERATOR PROGRAMME

Our Social Business Accelerator Programme is a six-month program that boosts Social enterprise owners at start up level to scaling level. The social business accelerator program is an innovation of post Covid-19 era designed in a unique way and brings hands on Social entrepreneurship experience from experts in social entrepreneurship. Our six-month engagement looks at a holistic approach through: personal and business profiling, financial management, leadership, fundraising, marketing & Sales monitoring and evaluation, investment readiness among others.

The programme provides a 360-degree approach, where by, capacity building is provided, coaching and mentorship – face to face through site visits and business profiling on all our social media platforms, networking space through the Social Entrepreneurship forum and the access to small amounts of funds through the Social Investment Fund and other impact investors.



WHAT PARTICIPANTS HAD TO SAY

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Considering all the areas that I was able to train in during the programme like Human Resource, finance, Monitoring and Evaluation, Branding among others, I have been able to put systems in place at my business which are making the work flow efficient.

Madrine Sanyu,
*Operations Administrative Assistant,
Byona Biyinzika Ministries*

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The Social Business Accelerator Programme has shared more insights on our market outreach and also helped us prepare documents required by investors when opportunity arises.

Mary Nabandeke, Team Lead ,
Eqwick Uganda Limited.

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I was able to get a loan from SIF which helped grow my business as well as getting a bigger market from the entrepreneurship forum.

Babirye Namutebi Imelda,
Co-Director Darraine Stiches.

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I have learnt how to handle financials in the company and also the documentations that guide direction of the organization.

Simon Peter Katandi ,Co- founder
*Tekere Girl-child Empowerment
(TEGEM)*

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CSL TEAM

We work with a lean full-time team of highly passionate and qualified staff supported by over 20 associates in different fields to deliver our mandate. Our team is 85% women and youth.



Dr. Joyce N Tamale (PhD, FCCA)
Co-founder & CEO



Hellen Nakyeeyune
Senior Programme Associate



Angella Nakato
SIF Associate



Kevin Nabukenya Sikyoomu
Finance & Admin Assistant



Keith Tamale
SIF Assistant



Edith Norah Namwanje
Finance & Admin Associate



Mercy Atim
Communications & ICT Assistant



Angel Nakasuja
Advisory & Marketing Services



Mariam Kiwujjo
Programme Associate



ACCELERATOR PROGRAMME ASSOCIATES/ FACULTY TEAM



DR. JOYCE TAMALE
Business Development
Associate



JOAN LAROK (FCCA),
Team Leader at Magister
Training Associates



DADA DEOGRATIUS
Marketing and Sales Associate



BRENDA AMONY
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Associate



MONICA KASIRYE
Finance and risk management



DERRICK M SSEYONGA
Taxation & Legal training.



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Online Business Branding



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Human Resource Managemnt



ABID WERE BUSIGYE
Invesment readiness



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Monitoring and Evaluation



ROBERT KIGULA
Marketing and Sales

“S PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & PROFILING”

SPECIAL BUSINESS ACCELERATOR PROGRAMME
MARCH 22ND 2023

Facilitator: *Dr Joyce N Tamale*
CEO - CSL



PROGRAMME

TIME	PARTICULAR	RESPONSIBILITY
8:30AM	Guests and graduands arrival Registration	All
9:00-9:30am	Breakfast/Entertainment	Egret Gardens
9:30-9:40am	Welcome Remarks	Special Guest
9:40-9:50am	Entertainment	Saxophonist
9:50-10:00am	Remarks from Capital Solutions Ltd	Dr. Joyce Tamale CEO
10:00-10:10am	SBAP Documentary	Ms. Mercy Atim
10:10-10:20am	Remark from Chief Graduand	Dr Cathy Mbidde (PhD) Makerere University Entrepreneurship and Innovation Centre Manager
10:20-10:40am	Graduation Ceremony	Chief Guest
10:40-10:50am	Remarks from Cohort Representative	Mr. Fredrick Bwire CEO - URA
10:50-11:10am	Recognition Awards	CSL - CEO
11:10-11:15am	Closing Remarks	Mr. Jude Kigozi SEF Vice Chairperson
11:15-12:00pm	Lunch/Entertainment & Departure	All

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**Nanyanzi Hadija Mariam,
Co-Founder, Palm Professional
Counsellors.**

An organization that was started with an intention of giving professional help to people with psychosocial challenges. This focuses more on teenage counselling, young adult programs, couple strengthening so as to help families bond better. This will give raise to stable families that will later on give us a community of sane people as a result of good family background.



**Fredrick Ouma Bwire,
Team Lead, URAA Health and
Wellness Centre.**

URAA is a national voluntary not-for-profit, non-government organization whose Vision is a dignified, self-fulfilled poverty free aging Uganda and the Mission; To champion the realization and preservation of a dignified quality of life for older persons in Uganda.



**Babirye Imelda Namutebi,
Co-Director,
Darrainestitches**

They make all clothes both casual and party wear using African prints and other materials. They turn their clients ideas into reality by delivering exactly what they ordered in that they have made it easy for all people with different sizes especially the plus size ladies, those with special occasions, maternity mothers, etc to easily acquire clothing that fits them perfectly well.



**Simon peter Katandi,
Co-Founder,
Tekere Girl child Empowerment**

Their goal is to empower and uplift young girls and women through innovation, research, health initiatives, education excellence, and eradicating Gender-Based Violence (GBV). At the core of TEGEM's mission lies their commitment to fostering community, cultural values, and development through social mobilization. Their impactful work extends beyond empowering families to cultivate their own sustenance, reducing reliance on external aid. From agricultural empowerment to providing essentials like organic food, clothing, and education materials.



**Sanyu Madrine
Operations Administrative
Assistant,**

It is a health facility offering medical services ranging from medical consultation, Treatment, Laboratory testing and counselling, Maternity and Antenatal care, child immunization and minor surgeries among other services. The enterprise is run under the Organisation Byona Biyinzika Ministries whose main mission is to offer care to the Elderly people. So at the health center we put more emphasis in offering elderly friendly services.

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Mary Nabandeke
Equick Uganda Limited
Team lead and Trainer

Equick Uganda Limited is a company that offers both accounting softwares and monitoring tools to social and other kinds of enterprises after assessment of their problems and needs.



Christine Nankubuge ,
Director,
Dignity Junior School

It is a private primary school, started in 2019. It falls in one of the pillars of Dignity Africa: Education. We are located along Gayaza - Zirowe Road. We employ a holistic approach to education. Currently we have 100 children. Some children are on bursary (sponsored by me). We also have 3 pupils living with disabilities.



Gloria Kamedha,
Co-Founder,
Greenthos Capital Limited

Greenthos capital is a wealth management firm that helps Ugandans transfer, preserve and manage wealth across generations. Greenthos Capital's services have a clear objective: sustainable wealth creation for Africans across generations. We help our clients create legacies for their families through our comprehensive suite of legacy planning and management services.

Community Integrated Development Initiatives (CIDI)



Rachel Nagadya



Inviolah Nambi



Hellen Ainembabazi



Hellen Kasujja

CIDI mainly focuses on actions that directly improve on the lives of the poor, vulnerable & marginalized communities in urban, peri-urban and rural areas. CIDI is to continue investing in community empowerment programs that contribute towards poverty reduction through the provision of sustainable integrated technical and material support, in broad areas of sustainable agriculture, environmental conservation, lobbying, health promotion, income generation, water & environmental sanitation, lobbying and advocacy.



Susan Esther Nambozo
Co-Founder, Bison Le Petit (BLP)

The enterprise provides opportunity for women to access digital marketing information through available technological platforms.

PRESIDING OFFICER



DR. CATHY IKIROR MBIDDE is a Lecturer and Researcher at Makerere University; and also the Director at Makerere University Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center. She is a Master Trainer for Uganda Association of Private Vocational Institutions (UGAPRIVI); and a certified International Labour Organization (ILO) trainer on Start and Improve Your Business (SIYB) and Gender and Entrepreneurship Together- Ahead (GET-Ahead) programs. She is also a certified Business Mentor,

Cathy is a Marketer and Business Development Expert with over 18 years' experience and holds a PhD in Commerce; Msc. Marketing and BBA degrees. Her main areas of expertise are: a) developing marketing strategies for businesses; b) business development services (curriculum development, training, mentoring and coaching) for startups, micro and small entrepreneurs. With specific interest in youth (women/men, refugees/hosts, urban slum dwellers, students and those out of school) entrepreneurs.

CLOSING REMARKS



He is the Managing Director at LUK Solar Limited located in Kitetika Gayaza. His company specializes in affordable high-quality solar products with the intention to bring solar energy to all the huts and houses in Uganda. Jude is ambitious and always seeking new ideas, with a personal objective to put into practice the skills of his entire career and all related areas. He is also the Vice Chairperson of the Social Entrepreneurship Forum committee, reliably and actively contributing to the growth of this impactful community of social entrepreneurs.

ORGANISERS



Mariam Kawujjo
Programme Associate,
CSL



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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SOCIAL BUSINESS ACCELERATOR PROGRAM





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