

# Step by step instructions for how to apply

- 1) Read all information here: <a href="http://www.changemakerxchange.com/">http://www.changemakerxchange.com/</a>
- 2) Complete the application form <a href="http://bit.ly/29J6YoX">http://bit.ly/29J6YoX</a>
- 3) Send the following documents to Amy (<a href="mailto:abadiani@ashoka.org">abadiani@ashoka.org</a>). Include your first name and surname in the subject line. For example: "Thato Zwane: Southern Africa ChangemakerXchange supporting documents". Use the same first name and surname that you used in your application form.
  - a) Updated CV (if you don't have one on your LinkedIn profile)
  - b) Scanned birth certificate OR passport page showing your passport / identity number, date of birth and the country in which you reside.
- 4) You're done! You'll hear from us by Friday, 26 August!

# **Useful resources**

Need some inspiration before you apply? Check out the following links:

- <u>Transparency International's 2015 Corruption Perceptions Index</u>
- Anti-Corruption kit for young activists
- Social entrepreneur programme at the 16th International Anti-Corruption Conference
- Social entrepreneurs tackle housing corruption in Moldova
- Investigation into corruption and poaching in Kenya, South Africa and Tanzania
- Link between women, land and corruption in Zimbabwe
- Murky land deal in South Africa's Limpopo province

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### In a nutshell, what are we looking for?

We seek young changemakers who want to tackle social problems in Africa's land sector. Anyone between the ages of 18 and 35 from Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia or Zimbabwe is invited to apply to join our summit in Johannesburg, South Africa, from 2 – 5 October 2016. At the end of the summit participants will pitch new projects that fight corruption, or boost accountability or integrity in the land sector on a local, national or international level.

#### Which citizens are eligible to apply for the ChangemakerXchange?

Any citizen aged 18 to 35 from Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia or Zimbabwe. You must be living in one of these countries at the time of application.

#### Who is eligible to apply?

We welcome social entrepreneurs, intrapreneurs, journalists, bloggers, artists, government employees, and young changemakers from other fields with an interest in anti-corruption. You don't have to be an existing social entrepreneur to apply – applications are open to anyone in the specified age group from the private or public sectors, civil society or the media.

Examples of our participants could be:

- 1) A social entrepreneur who has a startup fighting corruption
- 2) A journalist
- 3) NGO activist
- 4) Government employee
- 5) Hacktivist
- 6) Business person working in the private sector

## Do I need to be fluent in English?

Yes. Unfortunately, we can only accept applications in English and participants who are fluent in the language. This is to ensure that all participants are able to communicate easily with each other and get the most out of the summit.

#### Is there an age restriction?

You need to be between 18 and 35 at the date of your application submission. We will require proof in the form of a scanned copy of your passport or birth certificate.

#### Can existing members of the Ashoka or Transparency International network apply?

Yes, but please specify your involvement in these networks in the application form under "additional remarks".

#### Confidentiality and intellectual property

We are aware that speaking out about corruption can be risky in some countries – especially where governments have clamped down on free speech and made threats to civil society. Rest assured that all information submitted to us during the selection process will remain confidential, however, please don't share specific cases of corruption in your application. We are not a whistleblowing channel or platform to be used to air personal grievances. If any information is found to be untrue, the candidate will be eliminated from the selection process.

#### What happens after the Xchange?

Collaboration teams will have one calendar month to return to their communities, refine their ideas, and provide us with detailed planning documents (refined story of change, elevator pitch, impact map and budget). An international panel of judges will assess each idea to come out of the summit and the participants / teams with the strongest collaboration-based submissions will get seed grants of between €1,500 and €2,000 to support the implementation of their new land-related anti-corruption project. Also up for grabs is a trip to Panama from 1 - 4 December 2016 to participate in the 17th International Anti-Corruption Conference. We'll announce more details about this in due course.

## Is group work at the Xchange compulsory?

No, but it will be encouraged.

## If my final idea to come out of the Xchange doesn't make the cut, what next?

You'll still have access to a wider Ashoka and Transparency International network of social entrepreneurs and previous winners, and we'll do our best to promote your stories about existing projects that have specific calls to action aligned with the goals of our ChangemakerXChange.

# What is the selection committee for the ChangemakerXchange and seed grants looking for?

Projects will be selected based on the following criteria: entrepreneurial vision, demonstrated and continued collaboration within and/or between teams, feasibility, innovation, impact, sustainability, relevance to anti-corruption, integrity or transparency.

#### What is the timeline?

- 14 July 12 August: Applications open
- 12 August 5pm SAST: Deadline to submit application
- 15 August 23 August: Review of applications
- By 26 August: ChangemakerXchange team to send decisions, notify selected ChangemakerXchange participants, get confirmation of participation
- 2 5 October: ChangemakerXchange in Johannesburg