Young Water Fellowship 2017
Empowering young social entrepreneurs to kickstart their own water and sanitation solutions
Young Water Solutions is an International NGO based in Brussels created by young and senior water professionals, that since 2015 empowers young people in low and middle income countries to implement solutions to water and sanitation issues in their communities.
Since its first edition in 2017, our flagship programme the Young Water Fellowship provides young entrepreneurs from low and middle-income countries the training, mentorship and seedfunding that they need to pilot and launch their social business initiatives to solve water, sanitation or other water management issues in their communities.

These slides presents the outcomes of the first edition in 2017, that had a broader focus and supported both WASH projects and businesses.
2017 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Call open **July 4th to August 4th 2017.**

**Over 1 million people reached** via Facebook and Twitter

**800 applicants** from **95 countries.**

**10 young leaders selected** to become **Young Water Fellows.**
TRAINERING OVERVIEW

**Dates:** 19th November – 25th November 2017.

**Location:** Brussels, Belgium.

**Modules:**

1. Mini hackathons (ideation).
2. Project sustainability.
3. Project management.
5. Global strategy.
6. Reporting tools.
7. Social entrepreneurship.
8. Sanitation
10. Gender.
11. Problem solving.
83% of Fellows said that the workshop helped them improve their project plan.

83% of Fellows said that the workshop exceeded their expectations.

The training modules in were given an average rating of 4.53 out of 5 by Fellows.

The Pitching Night (event organized to give visibility to Fellows) had 140 attendees, with many more following online.
Having participated in the training, 10 of the 13 attendees were invited to submit applications to receive funding. 10 Fellows were subsequently awarded a total of €44,045 in seedfunding to implement their projects.

They received continuous coaching from YWS throughout the implementation of their pilots and were paired with mentors according to their needs.

The pilot projects alone had 9,650 beneficiaries and 4 Fellows turned their project into a social business during or after participation in the YWF. What’s more, 100% of Fellows continue to work in WASH with some receiving awards and significant investment following their pilot projects.

Read on to discover their pilots and the outcomes achieved!
DIEGO SUERO (PERU)
28 years old in 2017

**Wetlands for Haparquilla Square**
Public sanitation and safe wastewater treatment using nature-based solutions

- **Pilot location**: Haparquilla, Cuzco, Peru
- **Amount funded**: €5000
- **Outcomes**: Haparquilla community’s public toilets repaired and functioning, water tank for toilet flushing added, two artificial wetlands constructed for wastewater treatment and 100 community members trained in sanitation and hygiene
- **Number of beneficiaries**: 1250 people
- **Scale-up plan**: After his project, Diego joined a WASH NGO in Perú to continue supporting communities.

PILOT COMPLETED - GOALS ACHIEVED
ALICE NDAGIRE (UGANDA)
30 years old in 2017

Kabuyonjo
Public sanitation for Kasokoso slum

- **Pilot location:** Kasokoso Slum, Kampala, Uganda
- **Amount funded:** €5000
- **Outcomes:** 6 pit latrines and two bathrooms built. 10 young people trained in latrine construction. 200 community members trained in hygiene.
- **Number of beneficiaries:** 500 people
- **Scale-up plan:** Alice is planning to replicate the project in other parts of the slum, and created an NGO to provide the service in refugee camps as well ([www.kabuyonjo.com](http://www.kabuyonjo.com)).
USAMA TANVEER (PAKISTAN)
25 years old in 2017

Pakstraw
Portable water filters

- **Pilot location:** H-12 Afghan Refugee Camp, Islamabad, Pakistan
- **Amount funded:** €5000
- **Outcomes:** 2 boreholes drilled, 140 filters and jerrycans distributed and all families trained
- **Number of beneficiaries:** 1500 direct and 4000 indirect
- **Scale-up plan:** Usama has turned Pakstraw in a social business ([www.pakvitae.org](http://www.pakvitae.org)) and currently has many ongoing projects and has received investment.

PILOT COMPLETED - GOALS ACHIEVED
SHADRACK GUUSU (NIGERIA)
29 years old in 2017

Safe Water for Improved Health and Livelihood (SWIHL)

- **Pilot location:** Jirgba/Kendeior and Poor Avule community, Benue State, Nigeria
- **Amount funded:** €4575
- **Outcomes:** Two communities with new and rehabilitated boreholes. 450 liters pumped per hour. Two water committees formed and 12 villagers trained in maintenance.
- **Number of beneficiaries:** 1000 people
- **Scale-up plan:** Shadrack has joined a WASH NGO in Nigeria to continue to benefit communities.

**PILOT COMPLETED - GOALS ACHIEVED**
MARLY JULAJUJ (GUATEMALA)
19 years old in 2017

Kaslem ya
Rainharvesting systems using recycled plastic bottles

- **Pilot location**: Panimaquin, Guatemala
- **Amount funded**: €4700
- **Outcomes**: 10 rain harvesting systems for 10 families and the using recycled plastic bottles
- **Number of beneficiaries**: 50 people
- **Scale-up plan**: Marly and her organization Compartiendo Nuestras Bendiciones have built 10 additional cisterns in Panimaquin, and continue to look for funding for other communities

PILOT COMPLETED - GOALS ACHIEVED
YVETTE ISHIMWE (RWANDA)
20 years old in 2017

Iriba Water Delivery
Rural water supply kiosks

- **Pilot location:** Ruramira, Kayonza district, Rwanda
- **Amount funded:** £5000
- **Outcomes:** One water supply kiosk that pumps water with solar energy from a protected spring
- **Number of beneficiaries:** 3000 people
- **Scale-up plan:** Yvette turned Iriba into a social business with dozens of employees. She also sells water filters and water ATMs. [https://www.ribawatergroup.com/](https://www.ribawatergroup.com/)

**PILOT COMPLETED – GOALS ACHIEVED**
VILMA (SAN SALVADOR)
27 years old in 2017

Geomembrane bag
Rainharvesting systems

- **Pilot location:** Jiboa Valley, El Salvador
- **Amount funded:** €4600
- **Outcomes:** Two geomembrane rainharvesting systems were installed for 30 families and 63 community members trained in their maintenance and operation.
- **Number of beneficiaries:** 150 people
- **Scale-up plan:** Vilma has submitted applications to get financial support for more systems, and is trying to find a sustainable business model to create a social enterprise.

PILOT COMPLETED - GOALS ACHIEVED
AINNA FISABILA (Indonesia)
19 years old in 2017

Emcekaqu
CLTS

- **Pilot location:** Cinibung, Indonesia
- **Amount funded:** €770
- **Outcomes:** Water supply for the school’s bathroom, multiple activities to train school children in latrine cleaning and hygiene, and CLTS process applied that led to 5 families building a latrine.
- **Number of beneficiaries:** 200 people
- **Scale-up plan:** Ainna continues to train school children and engage their teachers in delivering hygiene content.

PILOT COMPLETED – GOALS ACHIEVED
JOHN TUMAINI (KENYA)
27 years old in 2017

Sand dam in East Pokot
Water supply through a sand dam for nomadic communities

- **Pilot location:** Natan Village, East Pokot, Kenya
- **Amount funded:** €5000
- **Outcomes:** A 22-meter sand dam built, water committee in charge of maintenance established, water pumped to a vegetable garden
- **Number of beneficiaries:** 1500 people (nomadic communities)
- **Scale-up plan:** John and his organization Hifadhi Africa have built more sand dams in 2019 and have several other water projects in place.

PILOT COMPLETED - GOALS ACHIEVED
POORVA SHRIVASTAVA (INDIA)
24 years old in 2017
Neera
Water kiosk with biochar filter

• **Pilot location:** Dhulet, Madhya Pradesh, India
• **Amount funded:** €4400
• **Outcomes:** One biochar water kiosk built in Dhulet, which employs 3 women.
• **Number of beneficiaries:** 500 people
• **Scale-up plan:** Poorva has turned the Neera project into a social business and is looking for support to build other biochar water kiosks.

**PILOT COMPLETED – GOALS ACHIEVED**
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