PAN-AFRICAN CLIMATE EDUCATION (PACE) NETWORK

PACE Climate Mentorship Program Brief

Annual Cohort Scale: 100 Certified Youth Leaders / Year | **Continental Footprint:** 500+ Schools/Communities across Africa

1. CONTINENTAL CONTEXT & PAN-AFRICAN REACH

Over **98% of African young people** face severe climate risks, yet continental climate literacy averages just **37%** (Afrobarometer, 2021)—leaving frontline educators and youth champions without specialized training or peer networks. The **PACE Climate Mentorship Program** recruits and builds practical leadership of emerging climate educators and social entrepreneurs from **40+ applicant countries** across Africa, transforming local classrooms and communities into hubs of applied climate resilience through a tailored capacity building and innovation co-designing rigorous mentorship aimed at creating actionable and sustainable solutions for contextual Climate challenges.

2. IMPACT STATISTICS: COHORT 1, COHORT 2 (2026) & ANNUAL SCALE

40+ Nations	80 Fellows	100 / Year	500+ Schools	10,000+
Continental Applicant Reach	Cohort 2 (2026) Innovators	Annual Certified Youth Leaders	Partner Schools Reached	Direct Beneficiaries (100+/Project)

Cohort Milestone	Geographic Reach	Verified Outcomes & Causal Impact Targets
Cohort 1 Pilot (2025)	5 Countries (Liberia, Uganda, Kenya, Nigeria, Zimbabwe)	Selected 20 fellows from hundreds of applicants; graduated **18 certified leaders (90%)** who launched projects in food security, waste management, soil restoration, and clean energy among other contextual Climate challenges.
Cohort 2 (2026)	Selected from **40+ African Countries**	Matched **80 selected mentees** with **15 expert mentors** across 10+ monthly sessions; driving **80 live community projects** and targeting **70%+ gains** in leadership confidence & climate literacy and **80%+ readiness** for innovating and leading actionable Climate projects that address grassroot Climate challenges.
Annual Program Scale	500+ Schools/Communities	Certifying **100 youth leaders annually**, with every Mentee required to reach **100+ direct participants**—generating **10,000+ grassroots beneficiaries** each year.

3. OUR MENTORSHIP APPROACH: APPLIED 8-WEEK METHODOLOGY

Curriculum Stage	Mentorship Activities & Pedagogical Tools	Required Deliverable
Weeks 1-3: Story & Context	1-on-1 mentor pairing, personal climate storytelling, and national policy-window & barrier brain-mapping.	Local Climate Context Map & 5-Year Systems Vision
Weeks 4-6: SMART Project Co-creation & Action	Peer thought-partner pairing, stakeholder mapping (schools, parents, authorities), and the *PACE Blueprint of Best Practices*.	Validated *SMART Project Plan* & Stakeholder Matrix
Weeks 7-8: Field Rollout, Pitching and Project Risk Analysis.	Rapid elevator-pitch iteration, live school/community implementation, pre/post tracking, and 3-5 min Showcase pitch.	Live Project Artifact & **100+ Participants Impacted**
Week 9+: Systems, Partnerships and Strategic Leadership	Applying Systems thinking, Partnerships and solution driven leadership frameworks to shift initiatives from one-off workshops into actionable innovations and project implementation.	Institutional Eco-Club & Designed Climate Projects Roadmap

4. VERIFIED MENTORSHIP IMPACT & FIELD TESTIMONIES

	**Atim Kenneth (Mentee, Uganda):** *"Before joining PACE, my understanding of climate education was limited to basic classroom discussions. Through the eight-week program, I grew in knowledge, confidence, and leadership—connecting education, agriculture, and climate resilience into practical community action."*
	**Rahma Ibrahim (Mentee, Kenya):** *"Through the mentorship, I gained hands-on skills in project design and youth mobilization—launching 'Youth for a Greener Future' to tackle poor waste management and low environmental awareness among young people in Nairobi."*
	**Joy Ifeany (Mentor):** *"Every session was a window into Africa's future—equipping emerging leaders with project-based skills to tackle waste and build lasting community solutions."*

	**Tracy Wacuka (Mentor):** *"Guiding fellows through applied climate education strengthened local climate literacy and delivered rapid, measurable impact for children and families."*

5. PARTNER WITH PACE: INVEST IN AFRICA'S FRONTLINE CLIMATE LEADERS

Co-Create Lasting Systems Change: Every fellow you sponsor equips a proven African educator or youth innovator with instructional toolkits, expert mentorship, and peer accountability to mobilize **100+ students and community members**—turning a single investment into measurable local resilience across 500+ schools and 10 regional hubs.

Partnership Tier	Fellows	Investment (USD)	Direct Programmatic Reach & Multiplier Impact
Climate Catalyst	1 Fellow	**$1,028**	Full 8-week mentorship, toolkits, & certification; impacts **100+ learners** & 5+ schools.
Community Builder	5 Fellows	**$5,140**	Launches 5 community climate action projects reaching **500+ direct beneficiaries** across 25+ schools.
Regional Hub Champion	10 Fellows	**$10,280**	Sponsors a full Regional Hub cohort reaching **1,000+ beneficiaries** across 50+ partner schools.
Pan-African Legacy Partner	25 Fellows	**$25,700**	Co-anchors 25% of the annual cohort (**$102,800** full cohort), reaching **2,500+ youth** & 125+ schools.

Ready to Sponsor a Cohort or Co-Design a Partnership? Connect with our leadership team at **contactpacenetwork@gmail.com** | Explore more at **www.thepacenetwork.org**