

THE 27 WINNERS OF THE 2015 SEED AWARD

In September 2015, during the SEED Africa Symposium held in Nairobi (Kenia) the [SEED Initiative](#) awarded the most innovative entrepreneurs for sustainable development. The SEED Initiative, founded by UNEP, UNDP and IUCN at the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg is a global partnership for action on sustainable development and the green economy.

The SEED Award for Entrepreneurship in Sustainable Development is designed to find the most innovative and locally led start-up social and environmental enterprises in countries with developing and emerging economies. An international jury of experts selected enterprises which have the potential to make improvements in poverty eradication and environmental sustainability while contributing to a greener economy

In 2015, the 27 [SEED Award Winners](#), coming from Malawi, Kenya, Mozambique, Uganda, Tanzania, South Africa, Namibia and Ethiopia, represented the most innovative and promising social and eco-start-up enterprises selected of more than 500 applications from 55 countries.

In 2015, the SEED Award had received support from the European Union, the Government of Flanders, UN Women, the Hogan Lovells law firm and the Government of the Netherlands.

The SEED Africa Symposium 2015 marked the SEED Award's 10 year anniversary. Around 200 SEED Winners had a positive impact on local communities and created thousands of jobs along their value chain, providing often especially women and the youth alternative income opportunities. These impacting results are presented in the Flagship Report available in the SEED website.

The call for applications for the 2016 SEED Awards will be opened in early 2016 and announced in the SEED website and social media channels.

The 2015 SEED Award Winners are managing innovative enterprises that could be of interest for other territories and local development actors.

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