

## THE WINNERS OF THE 2016 SEED AWARD FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The [SEED Initiative](#) celebrated the 20 winners of the 2016 SEED Award at the 2016 SEED Africa Symposium held in Nairobi (Kenya) in September 2016, with the theme *From Innovation to Imitation - Replicating Successful Business Models for Green Growth and Sustainable Development*.

The 2016 call received 515 applications from the nine countries of 2016 SEED Awards: Burkina Faso, Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa and Uganda. Most of the applications were in sustainable agricultural and rural development, energy, waste management and manufacturing of sustainable products.

Each SEED Award Winner will receive technical assistance, free access to different supporting institutions, and tailor-made support to develop their business and skills. They will also join a network of more than [200 eco-inclusive enterprises](#) that have received the award so far. SEED provides a platform for networking and partnerships, bringing together a diverse group of enterprises, researchers, investors, policymakers and members of civil society.

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 Awards for Entrepreneurship in Sustainable Development is an annual awards scheme designed to find the most promising, innovative and locally-led start-up social and environmental enterprises in countries with developing and emerging economies.

The Seed Initiative web site presents the [20 winners of the 2016 SEED Awards](#). The winners are managing innovative enterprises that could be of interest for other territories and local development actors.

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