

DEMO Africa selects top 40 best tech startups

Out of more than 400 initial applications, and 242 shortlisted ventures, DEMO Africa has selected the top 40 entrepreneurs to launch at this year's conference, taking place in Lagos, Nigeria, from 22-26 September.



DEMO Africa is described as a must-attend event for both investors, entrepreneurs, tech media & others looking for Africa's 'next big thing'.

The 40 finalists have gone through three rigorous screening processes with the final vetting and adjudication done by a pan-African panel of judges comprised of entrepreneurs, VCs and Academia.

Judges

The judging panel included Dele Akinsade, Bob Mbori, Victor Okigbo, Lukonga Lidunda, Martin Butler, Rebecca Enonchong, Stephen Gugu, Ali Hussein, Muchiri Nyaga, Toby Shapshak, Moses Sitati and Richa Tanksley.

On 25 and 26 September these 40 entrepreneurs will present their plans to a global audience of investors, media, strategic buyers, C-level executives, and other entrepreneurs addressing opportunities in Agriculture, Health, Education, Manufacturing, Retail, Media & Entertainment, Communication, Transport and Logistics, Energy, Finance & Banking, Water & Sanitation, and Waste Management & Recycling.

Top 40

- **.CONNECT FINANCE** allows companies to manage their finances, create invoices, quotations, sales orders, payments etc. *By Tope Olutola, Nigeria*
- **ASiM** is an integrated tool with Quickbooks and SAP Business One to produce rich, real-time business intelligence. *By Mark Migue Mwaura, Kenya*
- **Chura** allows interoperability between different mobile networks in a multi-SIM environment. *By Stephanie Gaku, Kenya*
- **Cribpark** is a catalogue of home designs, a web shop, and projects management tool. *By Oladapo Ayodeji, Nigeria*
- **Cube** enables anyone (whether individual or business entity) to accept card payments in person with

their phone. *By Titi Obala, Nigeria*

- **Feedbackplus** lets customers give feedback to different organizations online or through a mobile app. *By Omoniyi Falodun, Nigeria*
- **Foodstantly** an online marketplace which provides customers with fresh and cooked food + home delivery services. *By Uchay Ariolu, Nigeria*
- **Hutbay** is a platform that helps real estate consumers find and share vital information about real estate mortgages, and agents. *By Olatunji Owolabi, Nigeria*
- **InstaCare** enables real-time verification & authentication of beneficiary's health insurance. *By Michael Ike, Nigeria*
- **Integrated Medics** a web based application package to computerise any large scale hospital. *By Oladapo Gbenle, Nigeria*
- **IroFit** the only mobile card payment system that allows merchants to accept card payments without an internet connection. *By Omoniyi A. Olawale, Nigeria*
- **Jifunza** provides everyone equal access to the learning, loving and LOLing that digital content offers. *By Derek Blair, Rwanda*
- **Kitiwa** helps ordinary Africans send and receive money using the bitcoin technology. *By Nikunj Hank Ghana/Nigeria*
- **LocName** is an application that gives a short, unique name for your address, which you can share easily in just two seconds. *By Zeinab Alashry, Egypt*
- **Matibabu** is a phone application for early, non-invasive malaria diagnosis with a custom piece of hardware (Matiscope). *By Gitta Brian, Uganda*
- **Mergims** is an online platform that will enable African immigrants to pay tuition fees, airtime and utility bills for their loved ones back home. *By Muhire Louis-Antoine, Rwanda*
- **MobileJobs (mjobs) powered by SOMTEC** is a web and mobile job alert and recruitment services. *By Solomon Bleay, Ethiopia*
- **MuZik** is a virtual assistant for feature phones. *By Patrick Mveng, Cameroon*
- **MyeCompus.net** is an online teaching and learning platform. *By Cecil Nukator, Ghana*
- **Nerve** delivers cost-effective, higher quality and mobile convergent smart devices and services. *By Silas Okwocha, Nigeria*
- **Nikweli** is a mobile-to-web job matching platform that connects employers and job seekers for lower skill, "blue collar" type positions. *By Tiffany Tong, Tanzania*

- **Online Hisab** is a cloud based accounting package for Ethiopian SMEs who are looking for an affordable and easy to use solution. *By Asmeret Gebre, Ethiopia*
- **Oradian** is a cloud based core banking system for microfinance. *By Antonio Separovic, Nigeria*
- **Paysail** is a simple way for busniesses and accountants to better manage payroll. *By Osborn Kwarteng, Ghana*
- **PieRide** is a ridesharing technology platform offering monthly subscription transportation service for daily commuters. *By Karim El Mansi, Egypt*
- **Pliby** online platform for the African music lovers. *By Prudence Ogatcha, Benin*
- **Prepclass** is an education technology company focused on local content for digital devices. *By Ogunlana Olomide, Nigeria*
- **Saisai** is a wireless mesh network distributing free access to wireless hotspots in public areas and public transportation. *By Christopher Alexander Manzero, Zimbabwe*
- **Shamba Technologies** renewable technology company that designs domestic power products for families in Africa without power. *By Oliver Kynaston, Tanzania UK*
- **SmartPesa** allows merchants to accept credit card payments using a mobile phone. Comprising a low cost card reader, app and server-side processing. *By Barry Levett, South Africa*
- **SokoNect** an agribusiness solution designed to shorten the distribution channels of agricultural produce while facilitating fast trade between farmers and their prospective buyers. *By Mbuvi Nyamai Kenya*
- **SpacePointe** is an e-commerce marketplace which focuses on the African retailer. *By Sayu Abend, Nigeria*
- **SpellAfrica Initiative** is a set of proprietary apps for all smartphone operating systems. It is a softphone running on your current smartphone. *By Elvis Austins, Nigeria*
- **Telecosys** delivers innovative software solutions for Tech-based service providers including Telecom operators, Internet Service Providers, Cloud-based service providers, and pay TV. *By Mohamed Esmat, Egypt*
- **The Pearl Dream Inc** is a digital collection of African stories for kids and eCommerce retail site for animation inspired items. *By Brian Asingia, Kenya*
- **TrafficBytes** is a solution which allows mobile operators and telecom vendors to leverage existing big data and provide realtime accurate roads traffic information. *By Mohamed Hussein, Egypt*
- **Valuraha Trader** is a platform that simulates the African Financial Markets, enabling one to interact with various investment instruments under actual market conditions using virtual money. *By Betty Mutimbe Kenya*

- **VIGO** is a fully responsive website building tool allowing African entrepreneurs and business owners create their own websites from any device, including a feature phone. *By Carl Wallace, South Africa*
- **VOTO Mobile** is a mobile phone notification and survey platform. *By Kevin Schuster, Ghana*
- **What'sIn** mobile application platform service allows consumers with chemical allergies to instantly find the correct information when they scan a product UPC. *By Wassim Zoghlami, Tunisia*

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