

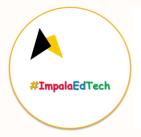


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ImpalaEdTech - Empower youth "Tech-Teacher" in Parakou (Rural areas in northern Benin)

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## Introduction







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- ✓ Non-profit organizations
- ✓ Tech Network connecting Digital Entrepreneurs, Engineers and STEM\* Enthusiasts, with a passion of digital for development

## Objectives / Activities



#### Objectives

- Teaching **21 century skills**, with **coding & robotics** in primary and secondary schools in Parakou
- Empowering local **youth** through **Technology Educator** career

#### Activities

- ✓ **Guidance and support** for teachers on how to use technology effectively in the classrooms in delivering their curricula.
- ✓ Training and awareness youth on Technology educator job
- ✓ **Coding** and **Robotics** workshops in classroom





## Schools



- Lycée Mathieu Bouké
- Lycée des Jeunes Filles
- Collège d'Enseignement Général Zongo

In total, +/- 80 students from 3 colleges, of which 60 % girls.



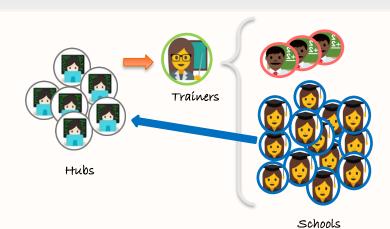


## Solution / Advantages



Training "youth geek" in Hubs on how to teach and share their passion with Kids, and connect them to the education ecosystem.

- Jobs creation for motivated and passionate youth
- Time saving as training connected, qualified and equipped trainers (Laptops, Skype, ...)
- Promote local ICT tools and contents creation
- Try to give a meaning to the life change youth hope, due to the digital hype
- Enable local content creation
- Preparing kids the earliest for tech entrepreneurship





## Material



#### Robot

#### **Makeblock Mbot**

- Suitable for programming and robotics
- Works with Scratch 2.0 / 3.0
- Arduino based
- Adjustable to cover different grade levels
- Easy to assemble
- Cheaper

#### Content

- Many existing books
- The mBot is used in French education system

#### Laptops













## Challenges



- Lack of basic infrastructure for digital education (Computers, Internet connection, ... )
- Rigid school programs
- Untrained teachers
- Sustainable "Business model "
  - Courses vs Materials
  - Full time in one school
  - Part time in different schools
  - A STEM training Center
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- The entrepreneurship hype, with many dramatized success stories
- Generation gap (Teachers vs Trainers)

- ...

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