



**Youth Investment
Trust of Zambia**

The YAPYA Youth Investment Trust of Zambia (YAPYA) is proud to announce the disbursement of its first tranche of K8 billion to youth group businesses and youth-led SMEs located in Eastern, Southern, Lusaka, Central and Copperbelt Provinces. The official award ceremonies for this investment capital (being received by 130 young entrepreneurs) take place at the Pamodzi Hotel in Lusaka on 31st August 2010 and at Amigos in Kitwe on 1st September 2010.

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The esteemed Guest of Honour at both events will be **Zambia's Ambassador to Brussels, Dr. Inonge Mbikusita-Lewanika**, a grand mentor, supporter and co-founder of the YAPYA Youth Investment Trust of Zambia.

YAPYA has been created to support the economic empowerment of young people in Zambia as the "Agency of Choice" for achieving rapid country-wide job creation and economic impact through the success of young entrepreneurs, while leveraging a vast platform of local and international partners. YAPYA strives to dramatically increase the active participation of young Zambians in equitable economic growth to help reposition them into a key defining factor for the transformation of Zambia into a more prosperous society.

Working through a highly competitive and effective framework of public-private partnerships, the mission of YAPYA is to facilitate and promote rapid job creation and increased incomes for young people aged between 16 and 30 years through business skills development and access to technology, capital and markets,

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