



*building bridges through **technology and education***

## 2019 Goals

### **FOSTER BUSINESS NETWORKS BETWEEN AFRICA AND THE U.S.**

We want to do more than talk. We want to fund active, hands-on projects that implement innovation, technology and collaboration among involved countries.

### **PARTNER WITH AFRICAN ORGANIZATIONS**

Establish ties with organizations, such as ECOWAS and local industries, to assist with implementing innovation and technology projects.

### **BUILD AFITI MEMBERSHIP**

Attract interested people from Africa and the U.S. to become actively involved in our mission.

### **PROMOTE DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION EXCHANGES**

Leverage the AFITI web site as a shared space to collect, distribute and discuss issues related to business in Africa.

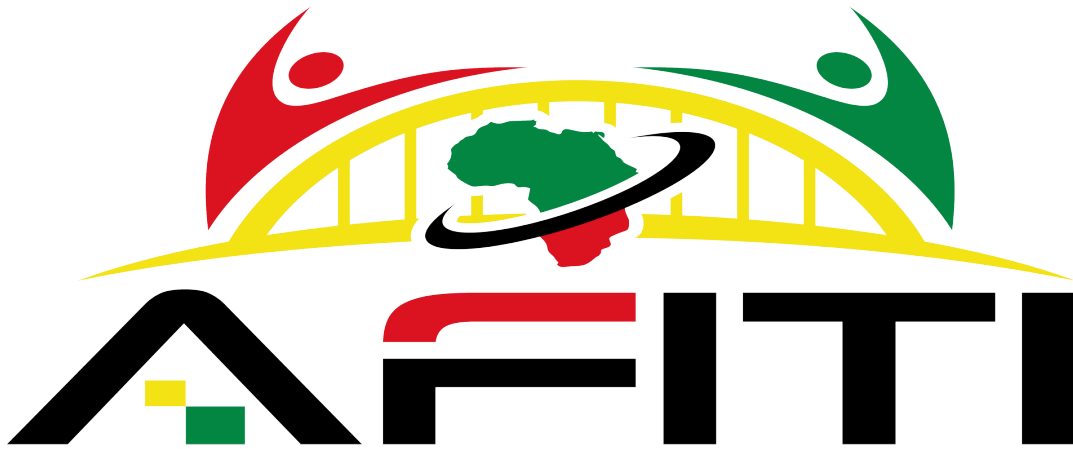
## Bridges Project 2019

### **Supporting Education Exchanges**

As part of AFITI's primary goal, we seek to establish an exchange of students and entrepreneurs between Africa and the United States, for the express purpose of energizing business cooperation, innovation and technology between these areas.



The purpose of the **Bridges Project** is to support travel and study between Africa and the U.S. Students and entrepreneurs will receive grants for travel, study and work, for projects that promote business collaboration, innovation and technology usage in Africa. Grants will range from \$5,000—\$7,500, and grantees will be required to prepare a project report on the outcome of their work.



## *How can you help?*

AFITI seeks donors interested in supporting our goals of advancing business collaboration between Africa and the United States. We are most interested in supporting and training students and young entrepreneurs by promoting travel, hands-on experience and training. Our goal for 2019 is to raise \$25,000 to support at least one grantee to travel from Africa to the U.S. and one grantee to travel from the U.S. to Africa for 8 weeks or more. If you can help, please visit <http://afiti.org/bridges2019> or contact us directly at [bridges@afiti.org](mailto:bridges@afiti.org). *AFITI is a non-profit organization and all donations are tax-deductable.*

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