**ENTREPRENEURSHIP, LEADERSHIP AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**(ELIT 2020)**

**5TH EDITION NATIONAL YOUTH SUMMER CAMP**

**CALL FOR APPLICATION**

The Global Youth Innovation Network (GYIN) Gambia and the International Trade Centre (ITC) in partnership through the Youth Empowerment Project (YEP) invite interested candidates to participate in the Entrepreneurship, Leadership and Information Technology (ELIT 2020) 5th edition national youth summer camp. This opportunity will allow young people to acquire relevant knowledge and skills to start and successfully manage an enterprise or business venture.

**THEME: Entrepreneurship in the times of COVID-19 Crisis**

The spread of the Corona Virus has directly affected businesses worldwide; Small businesses are most harshly affected through production constraints, supply chain disruptions, lack of funding, loss of markets, and many other disruptions. ELIT 2020 will respond by building on its culture of creating equal opportunity for both male and female, young people on the camp's theme. This year's edition will place emphasis on using technology as a tool for growing successful businesses; participants will be introduced to efficient ways on how to use technology in managing their daily business processes. Previous ELIT’s has impacted greatly by changing livelihoods of young people’s in particular to those in the rural areas to become job creators in the poultry, horticulture, rice value chain, small ruminants, agro-marketing.

**Eligibility & Selection Criteria**

1. Participants should have interest in one of the following fields
2. Small ruminants including poultry, feed, supply of birds and marketing.
3. Horticulture
4. Rice value chain-processing, transportation and marketing of local rice.
5. Agro-marketing
6. First time applicants and participants who have not yet benefited from training support will be given priority.

**Aims and Objectives**

* Develop basic ITC Skills to manage small businesses
* Develop simple business management toolkits eg Business Plan, Pitch Deck, Business accounts etc.
* Experience sharing on entrepreneurship, leadership, ICT and Agribusiness
* Means of seeking business opportunity and networking thus linking them with projects supports

**Venue: Trans-Gambia Lodge, Pakalinding**

**Number of Participants: 50youths**

**Date: 9th to 18th August, 2020**

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Learn more about how to apply here: <https://www.yep.gm/opportunities>

**Deadline: 24th July , 2020 @16:00hrs**