

## First steps:

**Supporting science** in sub-Saharan Africa

### **Karl Collins**

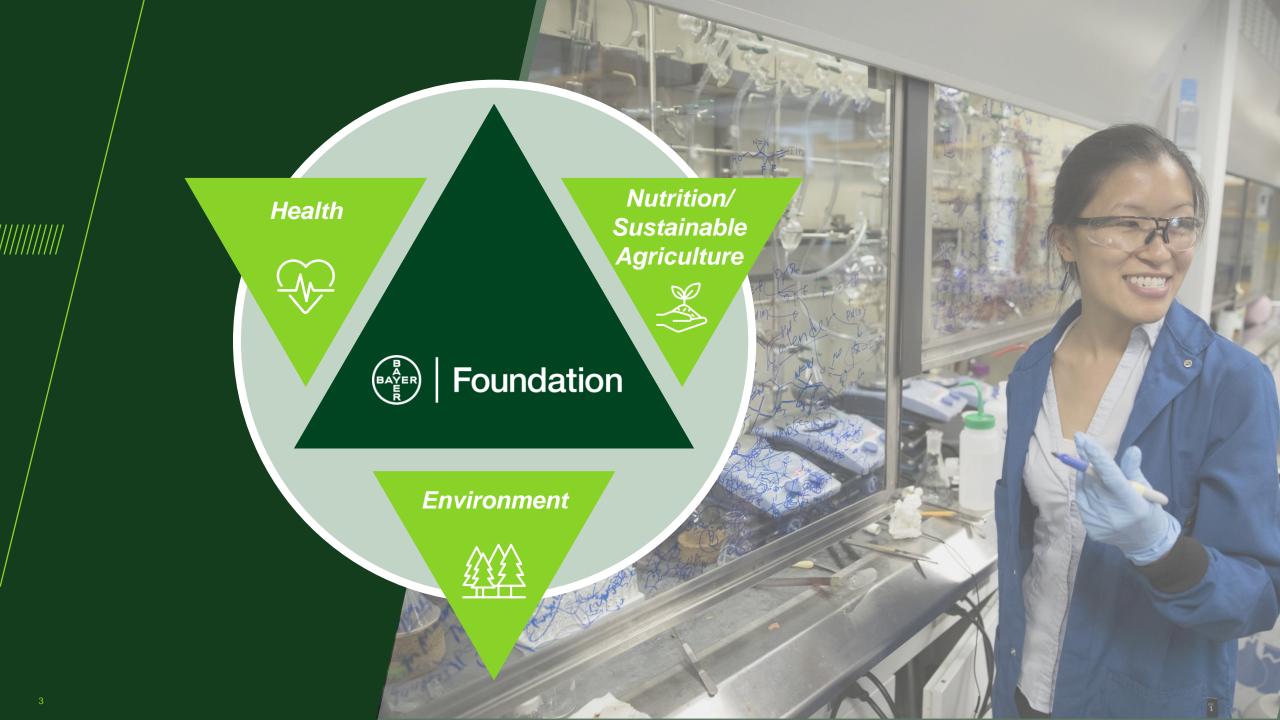
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"Catalyze advances in Science and Social Innovation for a world with Health for All and Hunger for None"







# Enhancing the impact of science as the basis for societal progress

"Health for All, Hunger for None"

Societal trust in science and technology is critical for effective implementation and acceptance of these innovative solutions.

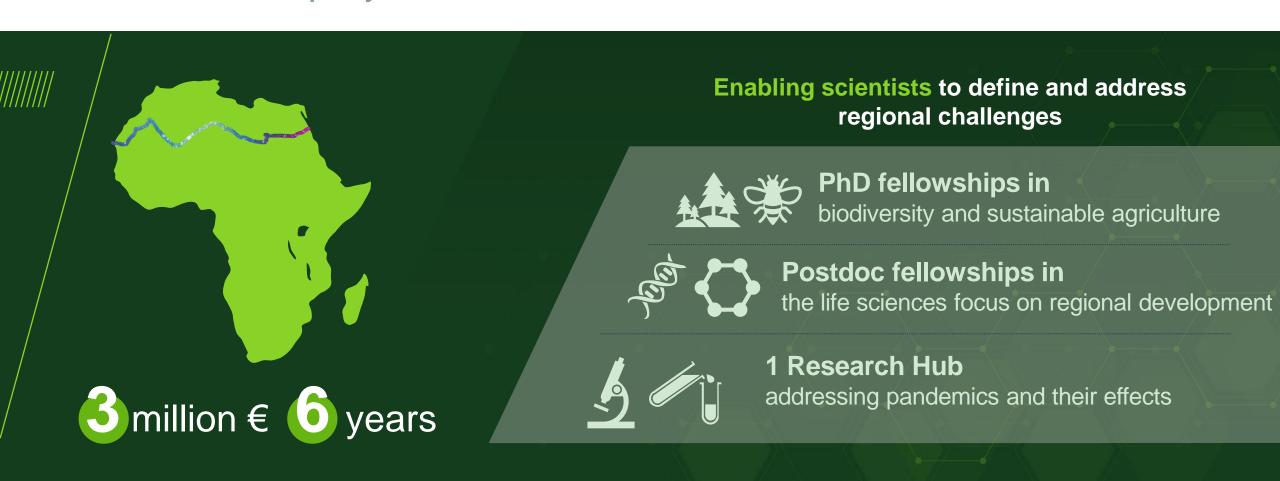
Collaboration in science and interdisciplinary research is essential to develop innovative solutions needed to address societal challenges in health and nutrition.

**Equality in science** is essential to address the needs of a global population. Everyone needs a seat at the table.



### Alexander von Humboldt – Bayer Foundation

Build scientific capacity across sub-Saharan Africa





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Research Hubs in sub-Saharan Africa



- Collaborative project
  - Prof. Velavan, University Hospital Tübingen
  - Prof. Osman, University of Khartoum
- Sustainable Impact
  - 3 Postdocs; 5 PhD students in Nigeria/ Sudan
  - Workshops, trainings & conferences
  - Establish biobank in Nigeria & Sudan



#### Professor Dr Daniel Olusola Ojurongbe

Medical Microbiology, Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Nigeria

### The role of Bayer Foundation

**Beyond financial support** 



- 1) Amplify & enhance the visibility of the science and scientists involved in the research hub.
- 2) Provide opportunity to engage with Bayer R&D including opportunity for collaboration & expertise/consultancy
- 3) Develop our scientific network across Africa, providing opportunities for exchange, collaboration & networking





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Research Hubs in sub-Saharan Africa



1) Professor Dr Ezra Chitando, Religious Studies, University of Zimbabwe

Fighting pandemics with religion? How female religious actors in Africa (can) contribute to ensuring healthy lives

2) Professor Dr Romain Lucas Glèlè Kakaï, Statistics, Biometrics, University of Abomey-Calavi, Benin

Socio-Ecological modelling of COVID-19 dynamics in Africa (HRH-SEMCA)

3) **Professor Dr Simeon Fogue Kouam**, Organic Molecular Chemistry, Université de Yaoundé I, Cameroon

CEnter of Competence for the study of Antimicrobial NAtural PROducts from Fungi (CECANAPROF)

4) **Professor Dr Francine Ntoumi**, Medical Microbiology, Fondation Congolaise pour la Recherche Médicale, Republic Congo

Humboldt Research Hub COvid-19 in Central Africa (HRH-COCA): Systematic Evidence of the Viral Dynamics of SARS-CoV-2 and Effectiveness of Vaccination in Co-Infected Individuals

5) **Professor Dr James Olopade**, Veterinary Medicine, Neurosciences, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Alexander von Humboldt Center of Excellence for Zoonotic Arbovirus Diseases (ACEZAD)

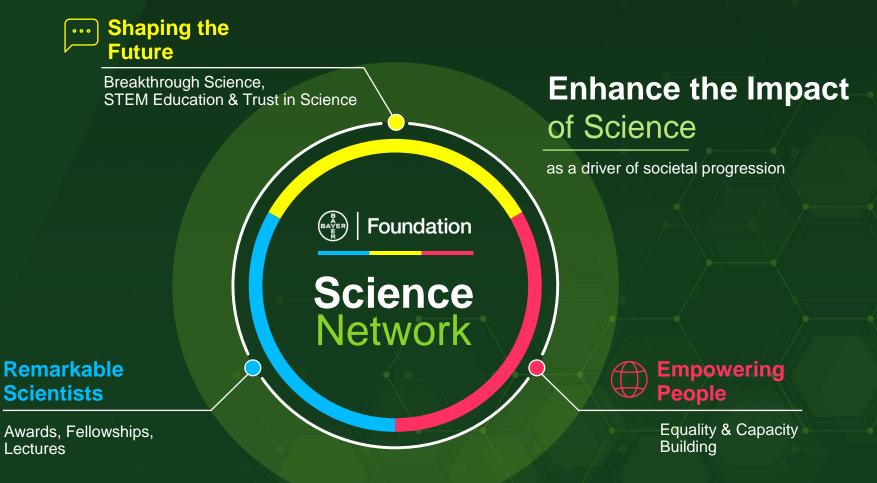
Press release: https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/explore/newsroom/press-releases/humboldt-foundation-supports-six-new-research-hubs-in-africa







## Science Portfolio



### Bayer Foundation Science Network

Enhancing the impact of science as the basis for societal progress



### **Bayer Foundation Awards**

Recognising oustanding scientists to enhance the impact of science





Otto Bayer Award for the Life Sciences



Hansen Family Award for Medical Research



**Bayer Thrombosis Research Award** 



Early Excellence in Science Awards
Chemistry, Biology, Medicine & Data Science



### Bayer Foundation International Scientific Fellowships

**Identifying and nurturing** the next generation of scientists





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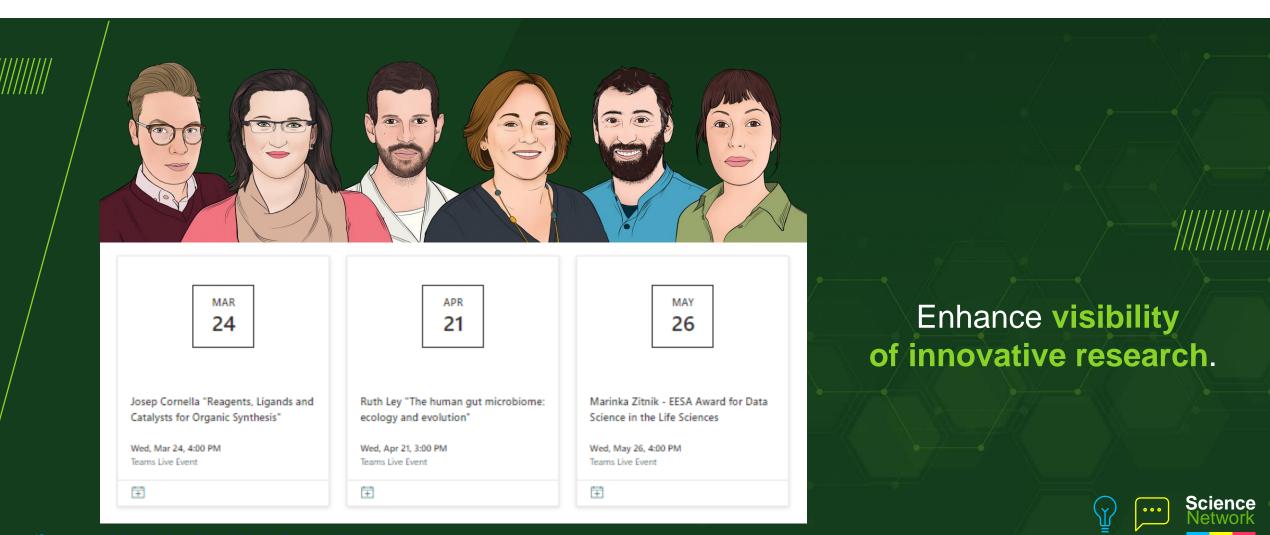
For master and PhD students in natural science, data science, pharmacy, medicine and related fields





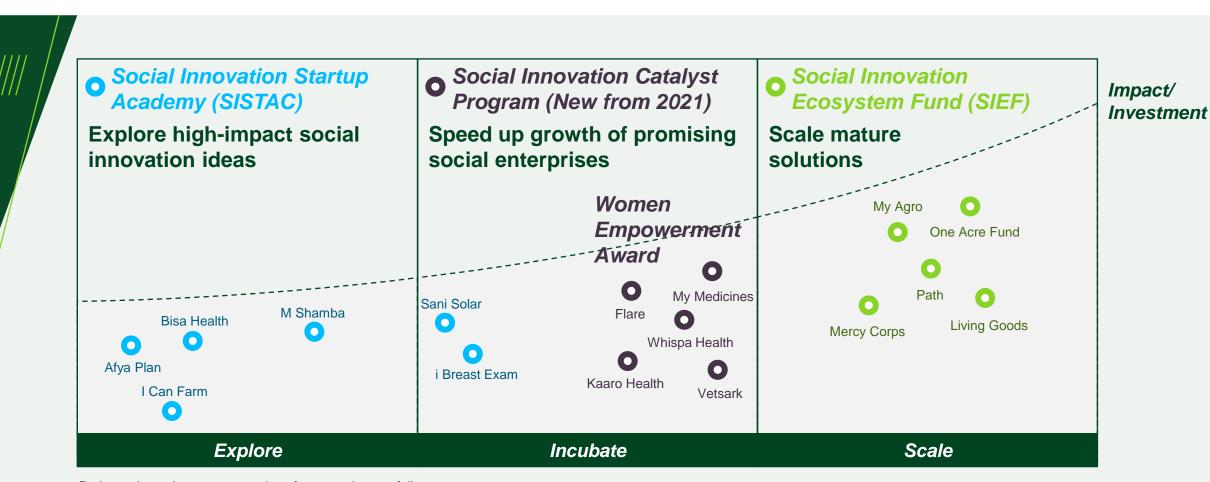
### Bayer Foundation Prize Winners Lecture Series

Engage and Inform the scientific community about cutting-edge research



### Social Innovation Program Landscape

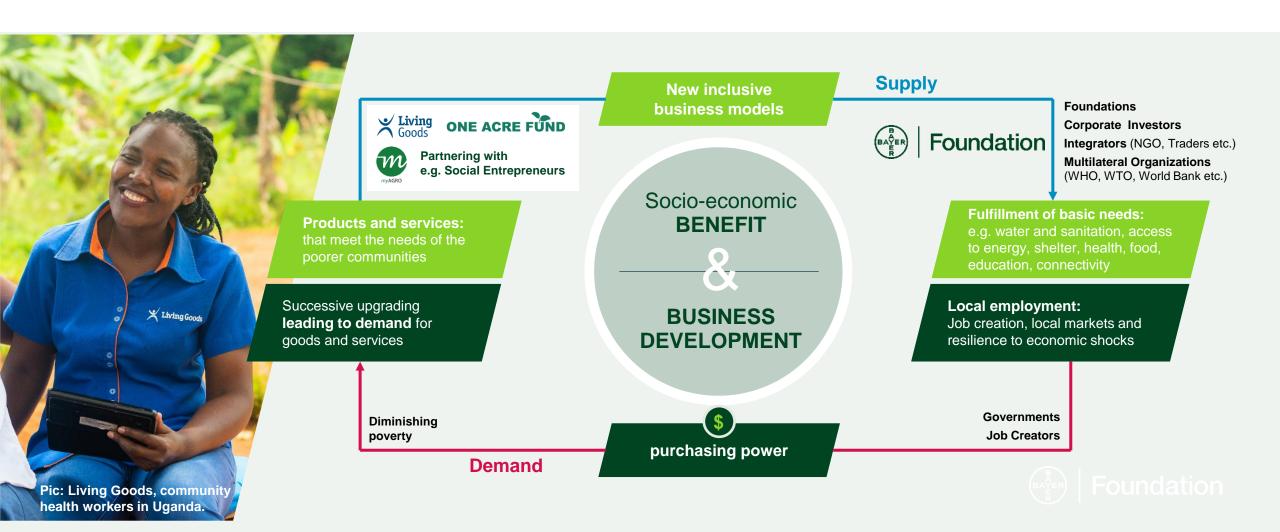
Bayer Foundation aims to build its social innovation program portfolio by empowering social innovators



Projects shown here are examples of our growing portfolio

# We aim to unlock the development in rural areas in sub-Saharan Africa by helping social entrepreneurs to scale

**New Market Creation** 







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