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**RESTLESS  
DEVELOPMENT**  
POWERED BY YOUNG PEOPLE

# AIM YOUTH POWER PROJECT



# WHO WE ARE

- Restless Development believes in young people demanding and being able to deliver a just and sustainable world for all, as envisaged in Zambia's Vision 2030. In Zambia, it supports the vision of a country where young men and women's voices are heard in decisions that matter to them most, from their communities to government; where they have ownership over the decisions that affect their bodies, health and wellbeing; where they have the skills needed to make a living and succeed in life and where they are able to build strong communities that work together to solve issues they care about.
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- We have over 10 years experience in building and strengthening the capacity of partners, our unique way of engaging with young people and having them lead the development activities that they prioritise. This has been a platform where meaningful engagement of young people is embedded in the practice of development partners in Zambia.

# WHO WE ARE

- We are the thought leaders on youth and youth-led development in Zambia, the experts that support and show others how to work for, with and through young people. Through our youth collective we have been a knowledge hub on youth and youth-led development issues in Zambia.
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- We advocate for young people's rights, for youth-responsive policies and plans – not just speaking on behalf of young people but also supporting them in their own advocacy efforts and youth-led accountability endeavours.
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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Restless Development Zambia in partnership with GIZ implements the **Aim Youth Power** project aimed at supporting youth-led accountability of duty-bearers articulated around the capacity-building of a network of youth-led organizations that are already active in youth-led accountability. Working through youth-led organizations we hope to create a sustainable way to engage young people in accountability work while making it safer than training young people directly and asking them to stand up in front of their leaders.

We hope to train Youth-led organizations so their capacity is strengthened and increased to deliver for their peers and communities in a sustainable way. Bringing them all together in a network will support their collective actions. With this increased capacity, they will better be able to inform and influence State actors on service provision issues pertaining to young people and will take action for dialogue between State actors and young people. Ultimately, this will result in Youth-Focussed and Youth-Led Organizations collectively being able to hold State actors accountable and to influence their decisions.

**GIZ module goal:** Institutions are more accountable and Government decision making is more transparent

**Project Outcome:** YFOs and YLOs collectively are able to hold State actors accountable and to influence their decisions

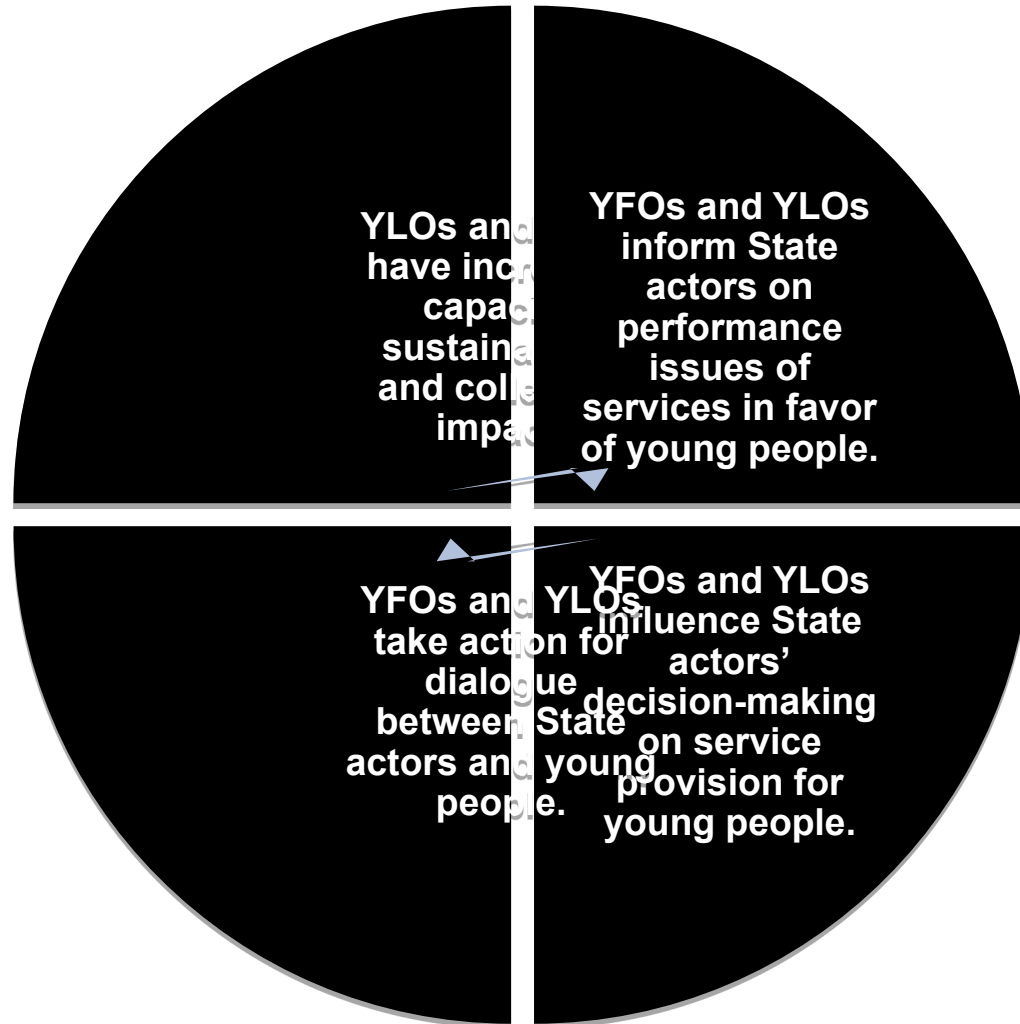
YFOs and YLOs inform State actors on performance issues of services in favor of young people

YFOs and YLOs influence State actors' decision-making on service provision for young people

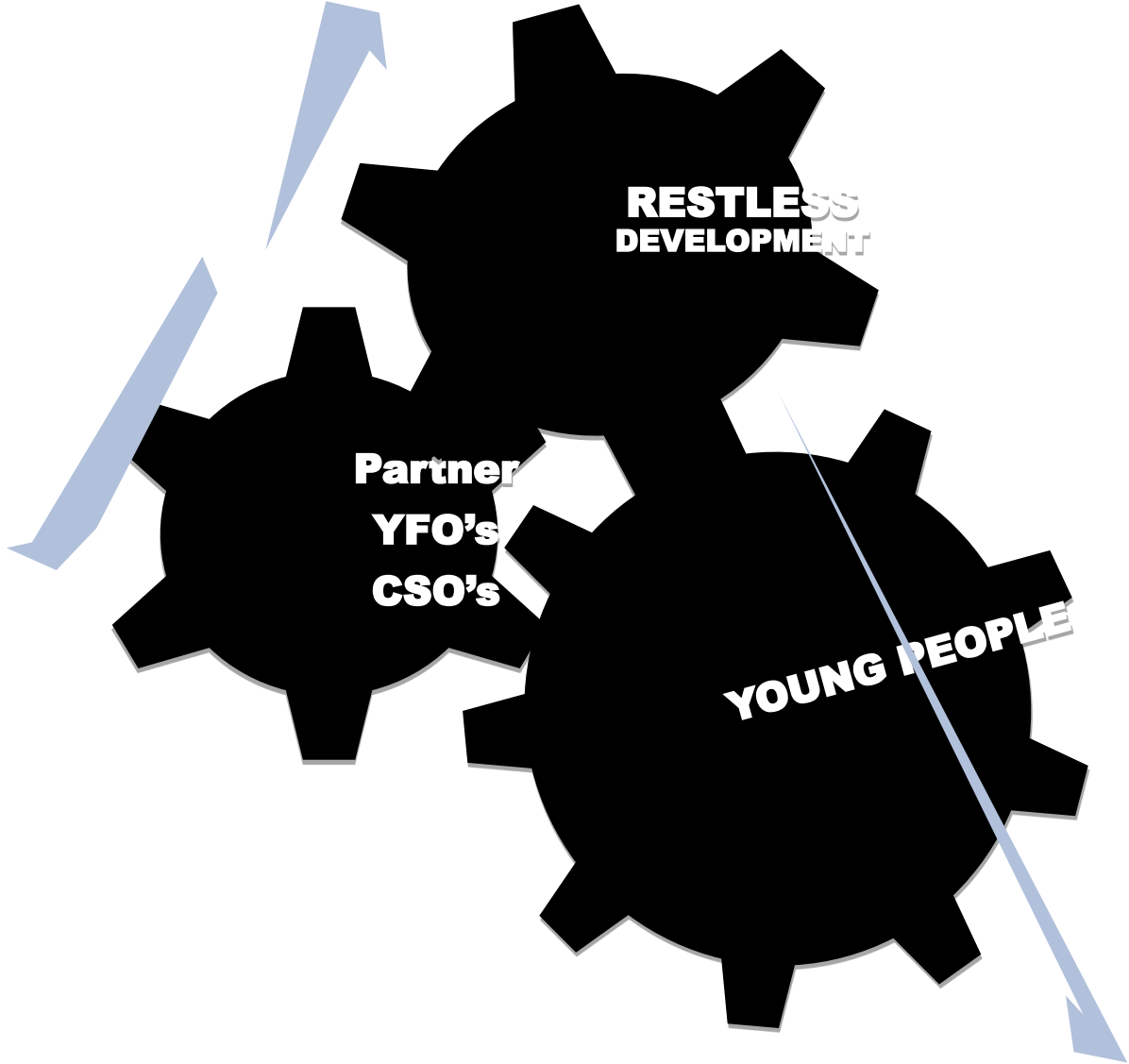
YFOs and YLOs take action for dialogue between State actors and young people

YLOs and YFOs have increased capacity, sustainability and collective impact

# OBJECTIVES



# PROJECT APPROACH



## Project approach

Restless Development's approach to amplifying the voices of young people is underpinned by our proven youth-led model and expertise from over 30 years of facilitating youth-led programmes. Restless Development focuses its efforts on ensuring that; young people drive change as active citizens, institutions become more accessible and responsive to young people's priorities and that young people influence those with power on the decisions that affect their lives. Putting this into practice, Restless Development is working with young people to:

- **Promote a policy environment that prioritizes and engages youth:** At the policy level, we work with local, district and national governments, the private sector and civil society to shape policy frameworks and implement initiatives that are both beneficial and accountable to young people.
- **Build the case for youth-driven development:** We bring youth-led research and evidence produced through our programmes to ensure that advocacy is rooted in the lived experiences of young people
- **Put the agency of young people at the heart of decision making:** We support young people's voices, skills, experiences and priorities to be reflected in key decisions and public discourses such as elections, political processes and shaping local and national development plans.
- **Build the capacity of youth networks to lead change:** We empower young people as active citizens and encourage them to inspire and work collectively to influence decisions and campaign for global justice.
- **Ensuring institutions are accessible and responsive to young people's priorities and agency:** We work with key institutions to protect and promote youth voices and the civic space for youth activism.



# ACTIVITIES

**Advocacy and campaigns,  
inputs into policies and  
Government plans ,  
mapping of mandates and  
stakeholders.**

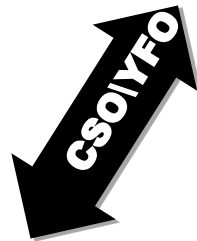
**Development and  
dissemination of material  
on youth-led accountability  
for young people (inclusive  
of various marginalized  
youth populations).**

**Meaningful youth  
engagement training**

**Dialogue/platform creation,  
support to  
community-based action.**

**Publishing of youth-led  
reports, data collection  
exercises, documented  
cases, situation analyses  
(including if possible on  
issues of corruption and  
budget tracking).**

**YLOs and YFO from all GIZ provinces of implementation (Lusaka, Copperbelt, Luapula, Eastern and Southern) as well as other organizations with a thematic mandate rather than a geographical one (e.g. young people living with disability, young women, etc.).**



**TARGET**



**Girls and boys, young men and women aged between 15 and 25 but will do so by working directly with youth-led organizations that represent them and propose to serve their interest. These will be reached through training, mobilization, joint publications, tools development, materials development, sensitization sessions.**



**Members of parliament, officers drawn from the line-ministries, government institutions, and civic leaders like councillors and Ward development committees. These will be reached through meetings, awareness raising sessions, advocacy activities and trainings.**

# WHAT THIS OPPORTUNITY IS NOT ABOUT

Not a sub grant

Does not change the agenda of the youth-led/ youth focused organization.

Not only for youth-led/ youth focused organization with Governance thematic areas.

# HOW TO ACCESS THIS OPPOTUNITY

Interested YLO's /YFO's will use the application template which will be shared through Email, and our Facebook platform. This application can be also be shared in your networks.

Application due date is 20<sup>th</sup> march 2022.

LUSAKA




LUAPULA



LOCATION

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Thank  
You!

The image features the words "Thank You!" written in a highly decorative, cursive script. The letters are filled with a variety of colors including purple, blue, orange, and yellow, and are surrounded by numerous paint splatters and drips of the same colors. The overall style is artistic and celebratory. A faint watermark "dreamstime" is visible across the middle of the text.