

The Frontier Incubators program is supporting incubators and accelerators in the Asia-Pacific region by building their capabilities through partnerships with global leaders in the field.

Frontier Incubators is a capacity building program for incubators and accelerators with an impact focus working in South Asia, Southeast Asia, and the Pacific Islands.

The cohort comprises of 31 organisations ranging from those running their first programs, to established groups looking to expand. Some are housed in universities, some have spun out of development programs, while others have grown from investment funds or even from scratch.

While they vary in focus, structure, and origin, the cohort have common interests: All are seeking to improve their programs, strengthen their business models, and build the ecosystems in which they operate.

In November 2018 the cohort was brought together for a program design workshop. During this time needs were assessed and prioritised, and organisations were matched with capacity building partners.

The partners - sourced from around the world - are mature incubators and accelerators with valuable skills and experience, and a willingness to assist with the development of other organisations.

Once matches were made the cohort began a program of one-on-one mentorship, intensive team training sessions, and a range of webinars covering key themes.

Programs will continue through to September 2019. Following this, learning from the program will be compiled along with training materials produced, and a number of resources will be published.

These public resources - consisting of webinars, exercises, frameworks and toolkits - will provide a valuable asset for those running impact focused incubators and accelerators, and for those seeking to support their efforts.

PROGRAM TIMELINE



MAY - JULY
Applications Open



AUGUST - OCTOBER
Cohort Selection



NOVEMBER
Program Design



JANUARY - SEPTEMBER
Capacity Building

PROGRAM PARTNERS

- Akina (NZ)
- Fledge (US)
- GEN (US)
- Invest2Innovate (PK)
- Miller Center (US)
- Social Enterprise Academy (UK)
- Spring (CA)
- The Difference Incubator (AU)
- Uncharted (US)
- Village Capital (US)
- Villgro (IN)

In addition to the main cohort (listed on the right) another 12 organisations participated in a less intensive support program focused on leadership and curriculum development. For more details about all of these organisations, and about the program, please go to the website:

frontierincubators.org

PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

- BRAC Social Innovation Lab (BD)
- CSIP (VN)
- FCEF (FJ)
- Impact Hub Phnom Penh (CM)
- Impact Hub Yangon (MM)
- Instellar (ID)
- KisStartup (VN)
- LightCastle Impact (BD)
- One to Watch (NP and MM)
- Rise Impact (TH)
- SEA Impact (SG)
- SHE Investments (CM)
- SBEC (SM)
- SIAP (ID)
- Social Innovation Lab (PK)
- Takhleeg (PK)
- Toru (BD)
- WISE (VN)
- xchange (PH)

Frontier Incubators is part of the <u>Scaling Frontier Innovation</u> initiative that is supporting social enterprises to scale their development impact in the Asia-Pacific region.

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