

Startup Village Community Member

MISSION

Forward·Inc empowers refugees worldwide to launch, fund, and grow their own businesses through our entrepreneurship programs.

PROBLEM

More than 100 million people worldwide are forcibly displaced. Many of these refugees do not have access to education and other opportunities to work or start a business, leading to high poverty levels among refugees.

BUSINESS MODEL

Forward·Inc's business model is primarily based on grants and sponsorships. Our income comes from philanthropic funds, corporate sponsorships (Coca-Cola, eBay and many more), and municipalities.

SOLUTION

Forward·Inc is an Amsterdam-based, internationally operating organization devoted to helping newcomers pursue their entrepreneurial dreams. We do this by empowering them to launch, grow, fund, and sustain their own businesses. We believe in the incredible talent of people with a refugee background, their value to society, and their potential to build bridges across communities.

Forward·Inc's programs assist aspiring entrepreneurs with everything from concept development and becoming pitch-ready to implementing marketing strategies and scaling their businesses.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Forward·Inc has raised more than 2 million euros from donors since its inception in 2017. Since then:

- we have trained 831 entrepreneurs
- supported 110 entrepreneurs in starting a business.

Together, Forward's refugee graduates have raised 2.25 million euros in startup capital.

PARTNER REQUEST

Partners can connect with us for:

- Support through coaching of Forward·Inc participants or tailored employee engagement programs
- Sponsorship of our programs
- Sharing knowledge and expertise through training in one of our programs

TEAM

