## **FREDERICK SWANIKER**

African Leadership Academy

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## **BIG BOLD IDEA**

Create long-term political stability and economic growth in Africa by developing future generations of principled, ethical African leaders.

## PERSONAL BIO

Fred Swaniker is passionate about Africa and believes that Africa's future will be determined by the quality of its future leaders. He has thus devoted the last several years to building an institution that aims to transform Africa by developing its next generation of leaders. African Leadership Academy, Before founding African Leadership Academy, Fred founded Global Leadership Adventures, a leadership development program for youth throughout the world, and also helped launch Mount Pleasant English Medium School, one of the top-performing private elementary schools in Botswana. Fred began his career after college in the Johannesburg office of McKinsey & Company, where he advised management teams of large companies across Africa. Fred has an MBA from Stanford University, where he was named an Arjay Miller Scholar, a distinction awarded to the top ten percent of each graduating class. He also holds a BA degree magna cum laude from Macalester College.

Fred Swaniker, co-founder of ALA. He just started a new technology company called Sand Technologies. Here's a lovely post on LinkedIn about where the name came from. Given the job crisis on the continent and low starting salaries of all these amazing college grads he started this tech training company for these young people that has already trained thousands of them (can't remember if Don said 80K or 800K). He then bought four companies in Poland, UK and elsewhere and now these young people are taking care of the tech needs in these locales. He's already driven revenues from 15M to 200M. Will share this with DT and Signal as well. Organization/Fellow Location

Hurlingham, Sandton, South Africa

Impact Location

Africa

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**Organization Structure** 

Nonprofit

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