



Location: Uganda and Tanzania

Duration: 15 months (July 2021 - Sept 2022)

Background

Pollicy has proactively led the fight for online safety and a feminist internet for women's organising in the continent. Based in Uganda, the organisation is one of the leading feminist civic-tech forming parts of a broader group of organisations holding governments to account for freedom of expression and internet governance.

VOTE: Women is a leadership springboard for women political aspirants and incumbents that leverage digital tools to follow their civic leadership ambitions. Less than a quarter of African national parliamentarians are women. Under Vote: Women Pollicy will present an opportunity to collaborate and co-create emerging. Catalytic content that will draw from the expertise of women champions, women politicians and technologists to create a product that is easily consumable and user friendly. The learning platform will focus on interactive content, peer learning and networking, mentorship, and fundraising to build digital skills to power successful political campaigns and careers.

Goal

The overall goal of this springboard is to build digital skills and resilience amongst women politicians.

Specific Objectives

- 1** To develop an open-source curriculum focused on data and digital skill development for aspiring and incumbent women politicians.
- 2** To pilot the VOTE: Women resource with 40 women, 20 each from Uganda and Tanzania, to increase data and skills amongst participants.

- 3** To create a mentorship network and peer community for participants to supplement learning and promote cross-border collaboration and best practices sharing.

Outcomes

Pollicy can improve the potential of local-level female political aspirants and incumbents in Uganda and Tanzania to leverage digital tools, support their ambitions of civic leadership and build their digital skills to power successful political campaigns.

Impact

This project will benefit Pollicy's efforts and ability to coordinate digital literacy for women leaders and align with national. Regional and global initiatives on women's political participation for inclusive democracies.

This springboard will form part of the body of knowledge to strengthen women leaders in their quest for leadership on the use of digital tools to engage their constituents and support their civic leadership ambitions.

Collaborating Partners

This project will be implemented and activities collaboratively refined in partnership with Uganda and Tanzania grassroots and national women's rights organisations, youth networks and community champions. It will significantly rely on the advisory direction and collaboration with past women political leaders, national processes such as Uganda Women Parliamentary Association (UWOPA), Tanzania Women's Parliamentary Group (TWPG), Human rights caucuses, among others.

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