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The Lawyers Hub has today launched **Africa Start-up Law Accelerator** in partnership with HYBR South Africa, GoDo Hub Nigeria and Tech Build Africa. This accelerator is the **first of its kind in Africa** and is premised on leveraging the law to help startups scale their businesses. The program will support and promote Startup growth by strategically combining the Startup acceleration needs in strategy and business development with training on legal strategy for Startup growth, investor readiness and sustainability. Applications are open to pre-seed startups based in South Africa, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Ghana, Nigeria and Tanzania for the pilot program, which is scheduled to run for **12 weeks** in the first half of **2021**. For more on how to get involved, visit: lawyershub.org/startups

The Lawyers Hub has also [announced](#) this year's edition of the **Africa LawTech Festival** to take place from the **5th-9th of July**, with the support of the Omidyar Network for the second year running. The virtual edition themed **Digital Policy for Economic Growth**, will be centred around **5 summits**: Internet Governance and Content Moderation; Startup and Digital Trade; Artificial Intelligence and Ethics; Digital Identity; and Blockchain and Digital Currencies. As a **participant**, you may attend summit sessions, facilitate a session, host a watch party or showcase a product. **Attendees** will have the unique opportunity to interact with peers in various fields of law and technology, offering their insights and experiences towards a shared goal of holistic and well-researched policies to build back better post-COVID. For more on how to get involved, visit: www.africalawtech/festival.

The final announcement pertains to the **Africa Digital Policy Institute (ADPI)**. The program will cultivate the next generation of digital policy leaders through its holistic learning experience. With the support of the Omidyar Network, the institute shall be at the forefront of shaping the future of Africa's digital policy to be inclusive, responsive and responsible. The institute comprises an **annual fellowship** that will be tailored to meet the requirements expected of those already in the field of digital policy, and specially curated courses for individuals seeking to expand their knowledge in digital policy. For more information, have a look at our [website](#).

In order to receive more information concerning these programs and our **membership packages** feel free to visit www.lawyershub.org or to reach out to us at media@lawyershub.ke

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