

FELLOWSHIP

The START Fellowship is a program for young entrepreneurs from emerging markets. Our so-called fellows are invited with their MVP (Minimum Viable Product) and scale it up to an international startup with team, customers and investors. To do so, our Fellows come and live in St. Gallen for 6 months during which START provides full access to the Swiss start-up ecosystem, its knowledge, network and mentors. Upon completion of the program, the aim is that the fellows return to their home country to successfully roll out their business and have a positive impact on the local ecosystem. The program is entirely free of cost for the participants to ensure that s low entry barrier for everyone to participate, regardless of their background.

Starting in September 2020, the first iteration of the program took place with 19 Founders from Colombia and Romania, that managed to grow personally and their startup while raising over 250k from investors. We are currently launching the 10-week online program that ends in November and selected to 35 best Founders that then come to St.Gallen from January until May. As a team, we create and run the entire project. Our responsibilities include reaching out to successful players in the European startup-scene, raising the financial resources for such a program and directly help in and shape the Fellows' startups to support them e.g. with business know-how. We learn a lot about building a business and with our own Investment Committee we can also take on a VC-like role.

Skills

- You have an intrinsic motivation to create a world of equal opportunities
- You are interested in foreign cultures, have empathy and care for others
- You are interested in seeing international startups grow and have entrepreneurial mindset
- You are curious, creative and open-minded
- You are proactive, autonome, reliable and have organizational skills

Benefits

- Meeting international founders from fascinating backgrounds
- Grow an exceptional network in the European startup scene with leaders in Tech, investing and education
- Shape early-stage startups
- Build an impactful project that can change the lives of young people from emerging markets
- Learn to work under pressure and grow beyond yourself
- Be part of a dynamic, highly-motivated & driven START Global Team

If you are interested and have any questions, please contact:



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