

Access Bank's Womenpreneur Pitch-A-Ton Africa welcomes South Africa

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Are you a woman who owns and runs her own innovative business, looking for a grant that will assist you to expand? Perhaps you're seeking expert training to grow your business? Sounds like you're a womenpreneur, and you could qualify for a grant of up to R200,000 and a mini MBA to get you soaring to success.

Access Bank's campaign Womenpreneur Pitch-A-Ton Africa is designed to support women in business across the African continent. Now, the bank is looking to put South African women's businesses on the map.

Launched in 2019, the Womenpreneur Pitch-A-Ton Africa was the first women-in-business support initiative of its kind offered by the Access Bank W-Initiative.

In its maiden edition, the programme provided financial grants worth ₦9m (approximately R300,000) to the top five applicants, plus a free mini MBA certification for 50 women entrepreneurs in Nigeria.

As a dynamic new force in South African banking, Access Bank is extending the Womenpreneur Pitch-A-Ton Africa opportunity to the progressive, motivated women of our country. This will see South African business women included with their counterparts from Nigeria, Ghana, Rwanda, Zambia, Sierra-Leone, Gambia, Kenya, Mozambique and Congo.

In conjunction with the International Finance Corporation (IFC), a member of the World Bank Group, Access Bank Plc is reaching out to the growing innovating women sector on the continent.

So apply now on <https://southafrica.accessbankplc.com/womanpreneur/> pitch your business, get selected and stand to win a prize that will last a lifetime.

For more information, contact Access Bank Womanpreneur Pitch-a-ton on wcares@accessbankplc.com.

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The poster features the Access Bank logo at the top left with the tagline "more than banking" in orange. Below the logo is a large graphic of a map of Africa composed of colorful, patterned blocks. Three women are shown in front of the map: one in a white chef's uniform, one in a denim jacket, and one in a grey blazer. The text "WOMENPRENEUR PITCH-A-TON AFRICA season 3" is prominently displayed in the center, with "Bigger & Better!" underneath. Below this, a text box reads: "We are excited to bring you the largest business growth program for women in Africa! Are you an existing female owned business? Do you need training to scale up your business? If your answer is YES! then the Womenpreneur Pitchaton Africa program is for you." A red button says "Apply at www.womenpreneur.ng for a chance to". Below this are three bullet points: "Win a Mini MBA slot with the International Finance Corporation (IFC).", "Win grant rewards of up to R170 000.", and "Be one of the lucky winners to secure other exciting benefits." The text "Applications close 13th August 2021" is at the bottom. A list of countries follows: "Nigeria | Ghana | Rwanda | Kenya | DR Congo | Zambia | Mozambique | Sierra Leone | Gambia | South Africa". At the bottom left, it says "For more information, please contact wcares@accessbankplc.com". At the bottom right, it says "www.southafrica.accessbankplc.com".

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About Access Bank

Access Bank Plc. is a leading full service commercial bank operating through a network of more than 600 branches and

service outlets, spanning three continents, 12 countries and 31 million customers. The bank employs 28,000 people in its operations in Nigeria and has subsidiaries in sub-Saharan Africa and the United Kingdom (with a branch in Dubai, UAE) and representative offices in China, Lebanon and India.

Listed on the Nigerian Stock Exchange since 1998, Access Bank is a diversified financial institution – which combines a strong retail customer franchise and digital platform with deep corporate banking expertise and proven risk management and capital management capabilities. The bank serves its various markets through four business segments: retail, business, commercial and corporate. The bank has over 900,000 shareholders (including several Nigerian and International Institutional Investors) and has enjoyed what is arguably Africa's most successful banking growth trajectory in the last 12 years. Following its merger with Diamond Bank in March 2019, Access Bank became one of Africa's largest retail banks by retail customer base.

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