

October 6, 2018

Vincent Kumwenda Advisory Council Nomination

Dear Selection Committee,

Mr. Vincent Kumwenda is the executive director of [mHub](#), the first technology hub in Malawi, now with several locations in larger cities.

Having worked in Malawi since 2011, FAIR has seen the start and rise of this fantastic initiative carried out by Malawians and with the intention of building digital skills through education and community building, not least for the sake of entrepreneurship.

The work of Vincent and mHub is very broad, yet can be defined as digital development or ICT4D: Organizing pitch nights, training courses in contemporary programming, talking to investors, government and sponsors of the hub. Vincent does the work both as a leader of other members of the club and as a regular member, educating youths and children, going to local communities outside of the hub space to teach programming and entrepreneurship to schools.

The people behind mHub have founded their activities as pioneers in Malawi, and Vincent Kumwenda has been a leading figure in this work. As the international interest for the work of mHub has grown in the past years, Vincent has been invited to participate and speak at conferences in Africa, building a strong network and learning from others.

It is my firm belief that an advisory council needs mentors who are engaged directly with the day-to-day digital development in a country like Malawi. In Vincent Kumwenda, you will find someone who is diplomatic, cheerful, polite, creative and solution oriented.

In all sincerity,

Benjamin Bach
Chair 2016-2018 & software developer