# START FELLOWSHIP

ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2025/2026



#### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

The START Fellowship Accelerator by START Global supports committed entrepreneurs from low- and middle-income countries to turn their ideas into real startups and become the changemakers of tomorrow. This philanthropic program equips early-stage founders with mentorship, equity free funding, and access to the European, Latin American, and African startup ecosystems, including a 3-month stay in Switzerland.

#### WHO SHOULD APPLY

- You are **18-25 years old** (flexible)
- You are committed to founding
- You have strong English communication skills (C1 level)
- You are a co-founder with at least a team of 2 people (no solo founders!)
- You have an MVP (a first prototype to validate among first customers)
- You are enrolled or able to be enrolled in a partner university of the HSG (short-term courses accepted)

### **SUCCESS STORIES 24/25**

"Challenge today. Change tomorrow."





**Felipe Gatica** CEO & Co-Founder Blue Bite Biotech

**Joaquin Titievsky** CEO & Co-Founder Talentum

#### APPLICATION TIMELINE

**04.08 - 14.09** Application Period

22.09 - 03.10 Alumni Interview

29.09 - 10.10 Team Interview

**06.10 - 17.10** VC Interview

#### WHAT YOU WILL GET

- Swin up to CHF 60,000 equity-free funding
- Spend 3 fully-funded months in Switzerland
- of Get access to top tier mentors, investors & a powerful community
- ? 24h co-working space

Aug 4th Application Opens

Sep 14th **Application** Closes

Sep 22th Interviews Begin

Oct 26th **Final Decision** 

Jan-Feb 26 Pro-

Accelerator in Accelerator Switzerland

Feb-May 26

## CONTACT



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