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President Donald J. Trump Proclaims November 2017 as National Entrepreneurship Month

The White House

National Entrepreneurship Month celebrates one of our Nation's proudest qualities: our innovative, hardworking, entrepreneurial spirit. American entrepreneurs invent and sell fascinating and endlessly useful new products and services, creating millions of jobs and driving American global leadership along the way. This month, we emphasize the importance of creating and maintaining an economic and regulatory environment that helps new businesses thrive and inspires generations of entrepreneurs for the future.

For America to be the land of opportunity, we must ensure that entrepreneurs have access to the capital, markets, and networks they need to get off the ground, to finance and build helpful innovations, and to export their products and services around the world. My Administration will continue its work to eliminate unnecessary, burdensome regulations and to fight for a simpler, fairer tax code that eases burdens on doing business and enhances access to capital. We want entrepreneurs to spend less time dealing with red tape and more time growing their businesses.

The American Dream should be within reach of all those who work hard. For too long, women, despite hard work and a drive to succeed, faced significant barriers in achieving their economic vision. Today, we celebrate that women entrepreneurs are growing their businesses all over the country. The number of women-owned firms is growing much faster than the national average for all firms. Our Nation has more than 11 million women-owned businesses that employ nearly 9 million people and

generate more than \$1 trillion in revenue. My Administration is committed to expanding opportunities for women entrepreneurs, including by expanding women's access to needed capital and networks, because our economy and our communities thrive when women are empowered.

For our entrepreneurs to thrive, we must protect their innovations, which are the result of their long hours of work and years of training. My Administration is committed to ensuring that American and global intellectual property regimes firmly protect American innovations at home and abroad. Our entrepreneurs have already done great things with that research and innovation -- like bringing us the smartphones that connect us more closely, the medicine that keeps us and our loved ones healthy for longer than ever before, and the myriad other technologies that make our lives better, at home and at work. Our researchers deserve their investments of time and effort -- their property -- to be protected against theft and unfair practices.

Entrepreneurship has played an important part of my life and the lives of my family members. I know that starting and growing a business takes tremendous grit and that facing the unknown requires determination. I also know that taking on that risk makes our Nation and our world a better place. Entrepreneurship is the fuel of our Nation's economic engine, and this month, I call upon Americans to recognize the entrepreneurs who strengthen our economy, drive creativity, and increase the vibrancy of our great Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONALD J. TRUMP, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby **proclaim November 2017 as National Entrepreneurship Month**. I call upon all Americans to commemorate this month with appropriate programs and activities and to celebrate **November 21, 2017, as National Entrepreneurs' Day**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.

DONALD J. TRUMP

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Entrepreneurs and Investors Selected for the 2017 Global Entrepreneurship Summit - Hyderabad, India | November 28-30, 2017

The United States and India are proud to announce the selection of the 1,500 individuals who will participate in the 2017 Global Entrepreneurship Summit, which will be co-hosted by the United States and India in Hyderabad, India, November 28-30.

Advisor to the President Ivanka Trump will lead the U.S. contingent to the summit, which will highlight the theme of “Women First, Prosperity for All” and focus on supporting women entrepreneurs and fostering economic growth globally.

Participants at this year’s GES represent four key industry sectors: Energy and Infrastructure, Healthcare and Life Sciences, Financial Technology and Digital Economy, and Media and Entertainment. Approximately one third of the entrepreneurs are from the United States, one third are from India, and one third are from other countries around the globe. The 1,500 participants include nearly 300 investors and ecosystem supporters who will catalyze investment and networking at the Summit. Here are a few key facts on this impressive, diverse group.

- Women will represent 52.5 percent of entrepreneurs, investors and ecosystem supporters at GES 2017. This is the first time that women have been the majority of participants at a GES.
- Women from 127 countries are participating. 10+ countries will be represented by an all-female delegation, including Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, and Israel.
- Overall, participants hail from 150 countries and territories across the world.
- The American entrepreneurs, investors, and ecosystem supporters come from 38 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.
- Indian entrepreneurs from the length and breadth of the country will join GES and connect with entrepreneurs and investors from around the world.
- 31.5 percent of entrepreneurs at GES are 30 years old or younger.
- The youngest entrepreneur is 13 and the oldest entrepreneur is 84.

For more information on the Global Entrepreneurship Summit, please visit <https://www.ges2017.org/> and follow @ges2017 on Twitter and ges2017 on Instagram.

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[From Japan to India, Ivanka Trump a voice for empowering women](#)

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White House adviser Ivanka Trump is speaking out on the world stage about the importance of changing workplace culture and government policies in ways that will help women and their families and will produce healthier economies.

Upcoming Activities on Entrepreneurship



Do you want to be a mentor?

The [U.S. Embassy in Madrid](#) and the [U.S. Consulate General in Barcelona](#) are collaborating with Technovation Spain, a program of the U.S. non-profit [Iridescent](#) to expand the [Technovation Challenge](#) in Spain and Andorra.

Technovation is Iridescent's flagship program, and the world's largest **global tech entrepreneurship competition for girls**. The program offers girls around the world the opportunity to learn the necessary skills to emerge as tech entrepreneurs and leaders. Every year, Technovation challenges **10 to 18 year old girls to build a business plan and mobile app that will address a community problem**. Since 2009, over 15,000 girls have participated from over 100 countries.

In 2018 we would like to see over 400 young women complete the program in Spain and Andorra, and we are seeking key contacts interested in becoming **Technovation Challenge Club Leads within their regions**. **More specifically, we are looking for women mentors who are community leaders with a passion for innovation and technology.**

The Timeline

Technovation Timeline for 2018 Season

- Saturday, December 2nd: Full-Day Seminar in Madrid: - with Katie Morton, Partnerships Manager at Iridescent and U.S. Embassy Madrid
- January 10, 2018: Official Season Launch
- April 25, 2018: Submission Deadline for registered teams

Interested?

If you are interested in becoming a Technovation Challenge Club Lead on any of the cities mentioned above **please fill out this [form](#).**