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Give1Project 5Year Celebration Summit

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USPA NEWS - The Give1Project 5Year Celebration Summit started yesterday September 14th in Washington, DC and will continue until September 20th, 2015. The summit brings together Young Global Leaders to celebrate the achievements of Give1Project over the 5 years of operation.

The Give1Project is an organization, which aims to engage young people as leaders in creating and building strong and healthy communities. The organization accomplishes this through the successful operation of global networks, leadership trainings and professional-cultural exchange programs. Audience members for the Global Leadership Program will comprise of young professionals from France; Canada; Saudi Arabia; Morocco; Ivory Coast; Gabon; Benin; Niger; Burkina-faso; Gambia; Senegal and from the United States.

Additionally representatives of various US government agencies, local NGO´s and businesses will be present. The global leadership program is purposely and strategically designed to assist young men and women through a period of transformation and empower and inspire them to continuously strive for greater social, economic and political participation in their communities both locally and internationally.

The Give1Project was founded by Thione Niang who is public servant, speaker and consultant. Born into a family of 28 children in Senegal, Thione arrived in the US in 2000, speaking no English and with $20 in his pocket. He worked as a waiter and sent money home to his family every month while saving up to obtain a college diploma.

Thione Niang became involved in politics while studying in Ohio, holding numerous positions within the Democratic Party. Having campaigned for several local and national candidates, in 2008 he was active in the Presidential campaign to elect Barack Obama.

In 2009, he launched the GIVE1 project "" a global not for profit organisation dedicated to helping young leaders promote economic and social progress in their communities. This organisation is active in numerous countries, including France, the US and Japan, as well as in Africa (Senegal, Benin, Togo, Ivory Coast, Ghana, Gabon, etc).

Today, Thione Niang travels the world promoting the importance of leadership and the involvement of youth in public life. He also founded the consulting group TN, which aims to improve communications and relations between governments and global organisations.

Thione is also the Co-Founder of Akon Lighting Africa which has been introducing solar system in many african countries: Mali, the Republic of Guinea, Benin, Senegal, Niger, Gabon, Equatorial Guinea, Congo-Brazzaville, Kenya, Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Nigeria, Madagascar, Namibia. Giving priority to training and local job, each of these projects has gone through the same phased process and was delivered very fast.

To learn more about Give1Project. Visit: www.give1project.org

To learn more about Akon Lighting Africa: Visit: www.akonlightingafrica.com

To learn more about Thione Niang. Visit: www.thioneniang.co

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