

# KENYA



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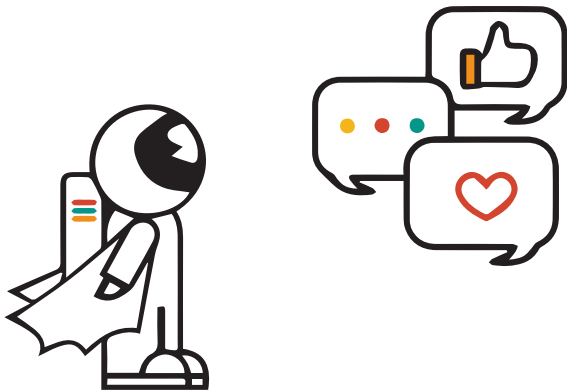
# KENYAN YOUTH FUTURES – INITIAL THINKING

## INITIAL FUTURES ATTITUDE

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Kenyan youth were very optimistic.

Predominant images generated in the workshops:  
**superheroes, influencers and angels.**



## PROBABLE FUTURES

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### *“United We Meme”*

Frustrations with pervasive human rights and existential issues (food, crime, mental health, corruption, gender, etc) masked in false solutions and triumphant memes.



## DESIRABLE FUTURES

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### *“An Educated Society is a Liberated Society”*

A focus on:

**functional and fair government** (accountable and non-tribal),  
**free and accessible services,**  
and **family as foundation.**



# REFRAME METAPHOR

***“Change is inevitable - a world of discovery where adaptation to novelty, shocks and surprises are natural.”***

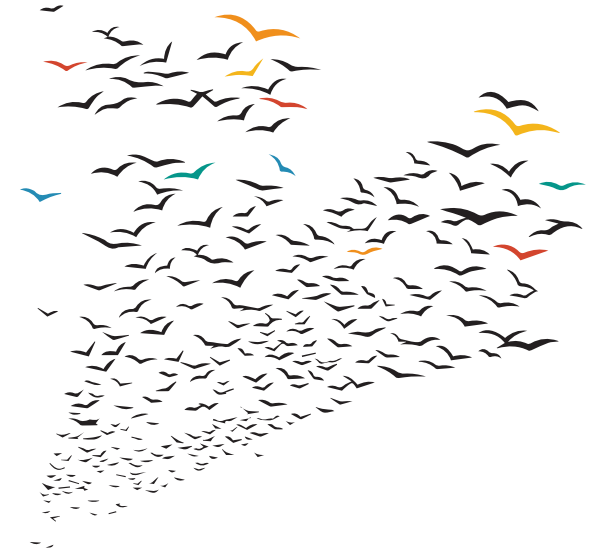
*“In the land of swarming minds,  
Where experimentation thrives,  
A nation stands, strong and kind,  
The people here, they work as one,  
No hierarchy, just collaboration,  
They experiment and they have fun,*

*They know that failure is not defeat,  
But a chance to learn and grow,  
With persistence, they do compete,  
Their minds and bodies in the flow.  
They value difference, they embrace change,  
Their norms are always evolving,  
Their society, it may seem strange,  
But it is in this way they are problem-solving*

*Their youth are free to dream and create,  
Their elders are respected and wise,  
Their society, it is never too late,  
To experiment and improvise.  
Their world is one of vibrant hues,  
Of art and music and dance,  
Where wellness is the daily news.*

*In the land of swarming minds,  
Where experimentation thrives,  
A nation stands, healthy and kind,  
Where everyone truly thrives.”*

- Poem by Filbert Mbugua Ibau.



# EMERGING POLICY ISSUES RAISED BY YOUTH



## CIVIC SPACE

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- Accountability & Transparency
- Press Autonomy
- Youth Representation
- Advocacy and Resilience



## EDUCATION SPACE

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- Education Reform
- Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- Skill Development & Coping Mechanisms



## SOCIETAL WELLBEING SPACE

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- Access to Social Services
- Mental Health Support
- Inclusivity & Equality
- Digitalization of Social Services
- Universal Access to Services



# VIABLE TRANSFORMATIVE INNOVATIONS

- **Bridging the Digital Gap:** establish learning centres for digital literacy and STEM education
- **Enhancing Vocational Training:** fostering innovation and practical skills
- **Empowering Startups:** youth lead incubation centers and mentorship programmes
- **Modernizing Agriculture:** optimize resources ensuring food security and global competitiveness
- **Anti-corruption Advocacy:** collaborating on legislation for a just and equitable society
- **Transforming Education:** advocating for the Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC), ensure effective teacher training and an interactive education environment
- **Promoting Renewable Energy:** leading solar and wind power projects and fostering environmental stewardship
- **Strengthening Independent Media:** advocating for media protections, enhance journalism through specialized training.



# KENYA VISION 2035

In 2023, Kenya faced numerous challenges ranging from political opacity to gender inequality and a flawed education system. However, the nation's youth took charge, recognizing the transformative potential of the Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC) and spearheading social accountability initiatives.



Embracing technology and innovation, they integrated Artificial Intelligence into the economy, fostering efficiency and accessibility. The society upheld its unity, with women playing a pivotal role in economic contributions.

Through collective efforts, Kenya achieved greater equity, sustainability, and accountability, resulting in universal healthcare, reduced unemployment, and a self-sufficient, food-secure society.

The empowered Kenyan youth emerged as catalysts for positive change, steering the nation towards an inclusive, transparent, and sustainable future.

