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Nationality:

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I found out about the program through...

LinkedIn

My Fellowship role:

Investment Associate

Fellowship organization: Lightrock**Organization's mission:**

Lightrock is a global investment platform supporting the growth of technology-enabled companies. Its strategies invest in public and private companies delivering proven solutions to pressing global challenges across the themes of People, Planet, and Productivity.

My background:

I spent three years with KPMG East Africa's Transaction Services team, working across financial due diligence, financial modelling, valuations and feasibility studies for transactions and projects across Sub-Saharan Africa. I recently completed a Masters in Finance at London Business School, where I deepened my interest in private equity, sustainable finance and investing across emerging markets.

I joined the LGT Impact Fellowship because...

My experience so far has given me strong exposure to transactions, and I wanted to get closer to how capital is deployed and how investment decisions can translate into meaningful outcomes. The Fellowship stood out as an opportunity to develop that perspective while working with businesses addressing important social and environmental challenges.

In my Fellowship role I will...

Support the Lightrock investment team across the investment cycle, including market research, evaluating new opportunities, building financial models, conducting due diligence, and preparing investment materials. I will also support portfolio companies on strategic and operational priorities as they scale.

I am very excited about...

I am excited to work closely with businesses as they scale and understand how investment decisions translate into real outcomes. I am also looking forward to learning from the team and deepening my understanding of investing across African markets.