



# Eddy Kubwimana

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## About me

I am a Burundian entrepreneur and the Founder & CEO of PayVista, a fintech company advancing financial inclusion by empowering mobile money agents through float financing, digital tools, and microloans. Passionate about the intersection of finance, technology, entrepreneurship, and social impact, I have led PayVista's expansion across five provinces, growing the team from two to twelve and securing over \$15,000 in grant funding to scale operations. My long-term aspiration is to build inclusive financial systems that empower people ignored by traditional banking systems in developing countries.

## Work experience

**Chief executive officer** | PayVista Ltd | 29/06/2022 - Current | Buhiga, Burundi

Founded a fintech startup focused on empowering mobile money agents and undeserved communities across Burundi.

Expanded to 5 provinces, serving over 200,000 customers through a network more than 600 agents.

Raised over \$15,000 in grants, joined ImpactVest Alliance, and built a team from 2 to 12 employees.

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## Education & Training

**BSc. Computer Science** | Ashesi University | 16/01/2022 - 06/06/2025 | Ghana

**Field of study** Computer Science | **Final grade:** Cum Laude

## Skills

Programming Languages: Python, Java, C++, Dart, JavaScript | Data Structures & Algorithms. | Web Development: CSS, Flask, Django, HTML, React, PHP. | Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL. | Mobile Development: Flutter, Android Studio. | Leadership and team building. | Languages: English, French, Kirundi, Kinyarwanda.

## Projects

**PayVista Channel** | 05/05/2025 - Current

Developed a mobile app for 150,000 mobile money agents to manage finances and access credit.

Built with Flutter, Supabase and PostgreSQL; optimized to handle 1,000,000 CRUD operations per second.

<https://play.google.com/apps/internaltest/4700321948865209005>

**Iteme Shop** | 01/01/2025 - Current

Secured \$5,000 to launch Iteme Shop, a student e-commerce platform.

Collaborated with 3 software engineer to lead the design and implementation of the platform.

<https://itemeshop.com/>

**Iteme Finance** | 06/08/2024 - 06/06/2025

Co-created a fintech business model to digitize securities trading on Rwanda's stock exchange.

Recognized as Ashesi University Notable Entrepreneurship Project 2025.

[www.one-space.tech](http://www.one-space.tech)

#### **PayVista Web App** | 07/05/2023 - 12/05/2025

Led design and development of PayVista's official web platform, resulting in 110,000+ monthly visits.

Created with Django, HTML5, CSS3, and JavaScript, integrating SEO and analytics.

[www.payvistagroup.com](http://www.payvistagroup.com)

#### **PayVista Go** | 05/01/2025 - 10/05/2025

Built a revenue tracking and customer management app that increased operational efficiency by 46%.

Developed RESTful APIs that automated internal reporting and personalized KPIs for all employees.

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#### **Honours and Awards**

##### **Recipient, Mastercard Foundation FAST Program** | MDF | 07/10/2025

Accepted into the Build Phase, receiving up to \$15,000, business development training, mentorship, and peer support to scale PayVista.

##### **Recipient, Notable Entrepreneurship Project** | Ashesi University | 02/06/2025

Recognized for outstanding contribution as a team member in the Iteme Finance capstone project, selected for its innovation and entrepreneurial impact.

##### **Recipient, Scholar Entrepreneurship Fund** | Ashesi Mastercard Foundation | 29/01/2025

Received \$3,000 to scale and improve PayVista financial technology Infrastructure.

##### **Recipient, Community Entrepreneurship Program** | Ashesi Entrepreneurship Center | 01/05/2023

Granted \$3,000 to support the execution of PayVista's financial inclusion initiatives in Burundi.

<https://youtu.be/WcMbdDTPoWQ?si=PkNCxHivz6Wot7en>

##### **Recipient, Palantir Global Impact Scholarship** | Palantir Technologies Inc. | 29/05/2022

Awarded \$7,000 scholarship for demonstrated technical aptitude, leadership in technology-driven initiatives, and commitment to solving real-world challenges through innovation.

##### **Recipient, Mastercard Foundation Scholarship** | Ashesi University | 25/06/2021

Awarded a four-year Scholarship to pursue undergraduate studies.

##### **Recipient, Tujenge Scholar** | Tujenge Africa Foundation | 20/01/2020

One of 25 recipients of an 18-month scholarship focused on advanced academic study and leadership excellence.

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#### **Co-curricular activities**

##### **Peer Academic Advisor** | 01/06/2024 - 30/06/2025

Provided academic guidance and mentorship to two third-year students, helping them navigate their course load.

##### **Buddy Up Program** | 01/09/2022 - 31/05/2023

Assisted two first-year students in transitioning from high school to university life by offering academic advice.