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*‘I’m hopeful because of a young woman named Jamila Abass. So Jamila founded Mfarm, which is a mobile platform that is already used by over 14,000 people across Kenya. Mfarm makes it easy for farmers to get information that lets them match their crops with what the market demands. And studies show that it can help farmers double their sales.’*

*As part of the 2016 fellowship program, in addition to recruiting fellows working across the development sector, the Aspen Institute is specifically looking for fellows with specializations in food security, vaccines/polio, and development policy and finance. Successful candidates for the fellowship will have a record of professional achievement and a desire to share their perspectives on global development with an international audience.*

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