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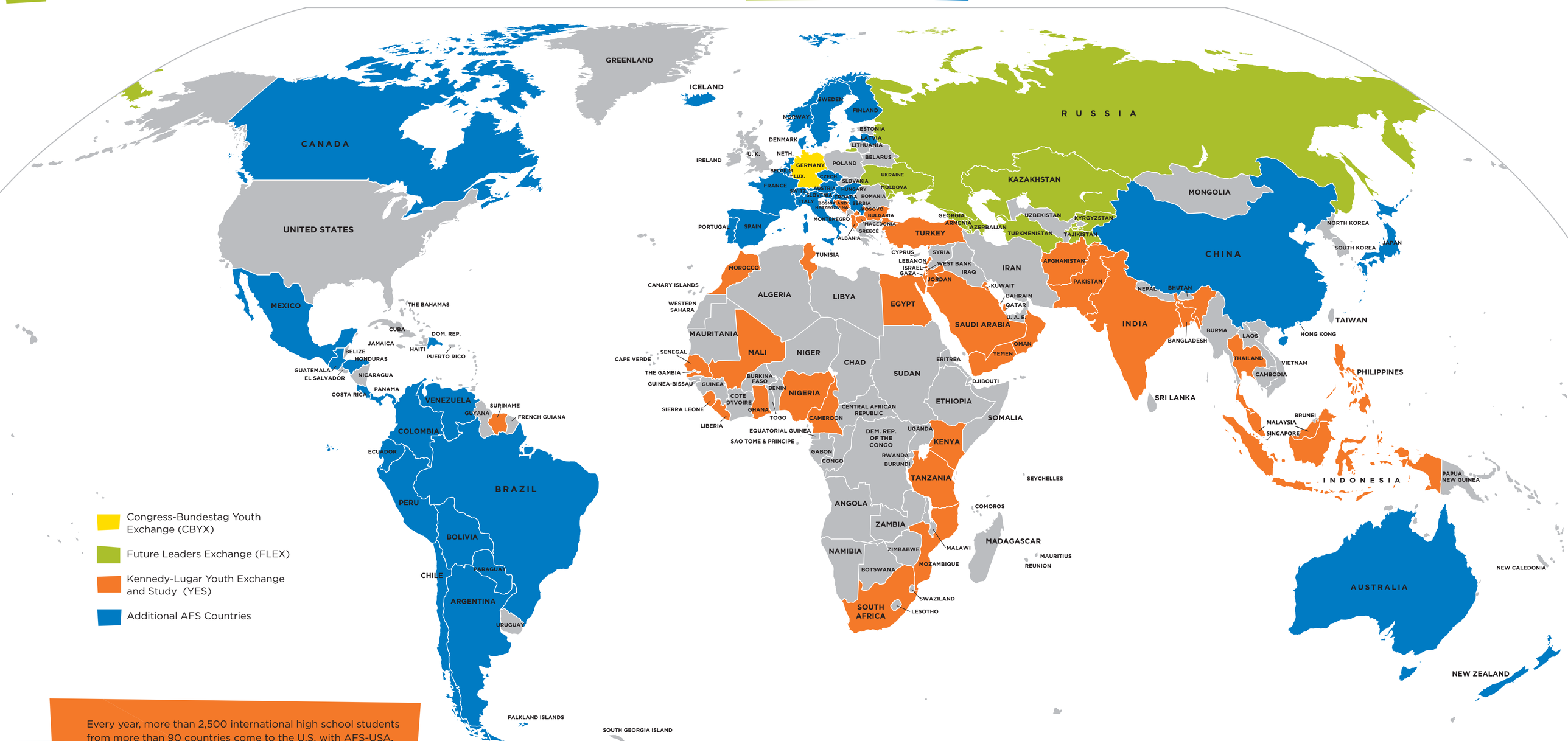
Public Diplomacy Initiatives



Every year, more than 2,500 international high school students from more than 90 countries come to the U.S. with AFS-USA. A select number of exchange students receive full merit-based scholarships awarded by the U.S. Department of State. These Public Diplomacy Initiatives include:

Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange

Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX)

The Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program was launched in 1983 by the U.S. Congress and the German Parliament (Bundestag).

Future Leaders Exchange (FLEX)

The Future Leaders Exchange Program originated in the FREEDOM Support Act, which was sponsored by U.S. Senator Bill Bradley and passed by Congress in 1992, to build relations with the countries of the former Soviet Union.

Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study (YES)

The Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Program was established in 2002 to build bridges of understanding between Americans and people in countries with significant Muslim populations.

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