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In Sudan, during the short-lived transition to civilian democratic rule, Kholood also hosted and co-produced Spotlight 249, Sudan's first English language political discussion and debate show aimed at young Sudanese.

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