

## Connected Summit 2018



### We Thank You All

The Connected Summit 2018 was held at the Bomas of Kenya grounds on 22<sup>nd</sup> October to 24<sup>th</sup> October 2018 and had over 225, 925 and 1,035 participants in attendance on the consequent days. Over 120 delegates competed in the Golf tournament. We would like to thank all the participants from those who made time to attend and contribute to the growth of the ICT sector in the region. Your insights and ideas will go a long way to making certain that we form alliances and partnerships that will build the regional integration agenda to achieve more through ICT. We are also grateful to all those who contributed online to the conversations at the Summit through our social media platforms.



### Notable Guests at the Connected Summit

The Summit had attendance from a number of countries including Taiwan, China, Estonia, Portugal, Argentina, Mali, Uganda and Rwanda.

In attendance were a pool of distinguished guests led by Cabinet Secretary from Ministry of ICT Hon Joe Mucheru, Principal Secretaries from various ministries including Information Communication & Technology; Jerome Ochieng, Housing and Urban Development, Charles Hinga Mwaura and Tourism, Joe Okudo. Dr Hamadoun Toure, Executive Director, Smart Africa, Jean Philbert Nsengimana, Special Advisor, Smart Africa and former Cabinet Minister of Youth and Information and Communication Technology in Rwanda are some of the notable dignitaries who were represented.

The Summit was also privileged to have members from the Kenyan Parliamentary Committee on ICT. The high powered delegation was led by the Chairperson Hon William Kisang and included Hon. George Kariuki (Vice Chairperson), Hon. Jonah Mburu, Hon. John Kiarie, Hon. Alfa Miruka, Hon Innocent Momanyi and Hon. Annie Kibeh who participated in the opening ceremony and actively deliberated on a discussion of how to FastTrack ICT policy/legislation framework to encourage diffusion and utilisation of information technology.

### Outcomes from the Discussions

Being the 10<sup>th</sup> regional ICT event of its kind with theme of “Preserving our Heritage, pioneering technology”, the Summit provided a platform for attendees from the region to have deliberations on Innovations and opportunities in ICT focusing on the Government’s BIG 4 agenda:

1. **Food Security**-Ministry of Agriculture indicated they are leveraging on technology to ensure the objective of food security is achieved. For example, the ongoing process of farmer registration, creating a database will help in identifying the true farmers hence elimination of middle men who for a long time have posed as a threat to food security. There are also plans to have a livestock identification system that will assist government in the process of animal monitoring.
2. **Manufacturing**- is a key component for growing ICT enterprise in the region. Program such Ajira Digital Platform and local assembly plants in Juja and Eldoret has helped youths get online jobs and has encouraged ICT innovations beyond the idea to actual viable businesses respectively.
3. **Affordable Housing**- Ministry of Housing indicated that plans were underway to build 500,000 houses in 5 years. The Internet of Things (IOT) is to be used to leverage the achievements of affordable housing. Also technology such as BlockChain will be used in solving issues pertaining to issuance of affordable housing.
4. **Universal Health**-The ongoing digitization of government records, will allow health centres to access analyse structured data in real time (real life data). This will go a long way to assist doctors with diagnosis of communicable diseases. Also emerging technology such as block chain may prevent alteration of patient’s data especially when being handled with different doctors.

### Congratulations to Connected ICT Innovation Awards 2018 Winners

ICT Innovation Awards 2018 was sponsored by Oracle. The winners in the 13 categories were:

	Category	Company	Product
1.	Agriculture	Engoho Kuku farmer	Engoho
2.	Business Process Outsourcing	Galena Media	M-Foleni
3.	Education & Training	PDTP Portal	Internship Management portal
4.	Environment	Jiji Safi Enterprises	Real Time Garbage Monitoring Services
5.	Financial Services	Data Integrated Limited	MobiTill Epesi Smart Public Transport
6.	Gender, Youth & Vulnerable Groups	Anisan	Ndovu Care

7.	Health care Delivery	Pearl Medicare and Equipment Ltd	M-tibu Digital Healthcare Platform
8.	Housing & Urbanization	one touch interactive	mrent
9.	Manufacturing	Laf Solutions Enterprises	SP app(smart professional)
10.	Social Equity	ICTA	Good Conduct Generation
11.	Tourism	Cloud Nine Experiences Limited	Cloud9xp
12.	Water & Sanitation	SHOFCO	Community Development
13.	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Movetech Solutions Ltd	Cloudbased POS

Apart from the recognition of the ICT Innovation Award, winners received a trophy, certificate and 3 months use of space at the iHub.

### Giving Back (Corporate Social Responsibility)

As a practice of Connected Summit we sought to give back to the community that has hosted the conference by supporting on raising the literacy levels of students of the host County. Huawei donated over 60 tablets at Don Bosco Kuwinda school in Karen. Moreover, the pupils were provided with technology skills, science education, soft skills, life skills and mentoring. We believe this is a bold step towards assisting the school and the county to positively impact on the literacy levels of students in the region.



We thank all the organizations that made donations to this worthy cause.

### Give us your feedback

We would like to hear about your experience during the 10<sup>th</sup> Connected Summit. Please fill in the feedback form [here](#) and let us know how we can serve you better in the next Summit.

## Keep tabs with all that took place at the Summit

Our [gallery of photos](#) and additional ones of the [Waziri Cup Golf Tournament](#) captured the different moments in the sports, debates and discussions held during the Summit.

A Rapporteur's report is shared [here](#).

## Next Steps after the Summit

In order to maintain the momentum gained from the insightful discussions at the Summit, some of the immediate areas of action are:

1. The need to adopt and hasten the passing of currently important legislation in the development of ICT, specifically the proposed ICT Authority Bill 2018 and The Critical Infrastructure Bill 2015
2. In order to promote governments big four agenda, conducive environment to promote local content and have preferential treatment for local and regional companies in procurement. This also includes support to engineers and entrepreneurs in the region by reassessing the environment, in which they fabricate, develop and assemble devices uniquely designed to respond to local needs and demands.
3. To move the ideas derived from innovative and transformative forums as the Connected Summit to action, it is important to have implementing caucuses in order to fully and quickly realise the benefits from such platforms

## Thank You to Our Sponsors

We are very grateful to all our sponsors for their support in making Connected Summit 2018 a success. We would not have achieved this success without you.

This year's sponsors were led by the Platinum Sponsors, Atlancis and Telkom (working with Cisco and Dimension Data). Others included Oracle for the Innovation awards, Safaricom Business the connectivity partner and Innovation Pavillion, Cellulant the payment/Hackathon partner, Littlecab, Intel, Dell and Redington, SAP, Liquid Telecom, Avanti, Huawei, Startimes, Lenovo, Citibank, ZTE, iHub, Pace, Opera, Computer Learning, Microsoft and Mastercard. Public Sector sponsors included The Ministry of Information, Communications and Technology, Communications Authority of Kenya, Konza and The ICT Authority.

This year's exhibition showcased solutions from the Postal Corporation of Kenya, Kenya Film Corporation, National Transport and Security Authority, Moi University and JP Sa Couto, CheckPoint, FiberHome, Positivo BGH and Adapt IT, amongst others.

We also thank the organising committee, Bomas of Kenya, the venue partner, Homeboyz, the event organiser, and the various partners who worked tirelessly to make the event a success.

Once again Thank You to all who ensured success of the event.



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