4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ICT FOR AFRICA
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KAMPALA-UGANDA

EVALUATION AND COMMENTS OF LECTURERS/PARTICIPANTS

1.0   Introduction:

During the conference participants were provided with Questionnaires to evaluate each of the conference Sessions attended. Evaluation questionnaires were designed to enable participants give feedback on various aspects of the conference. Some of these included; Conference organization, Content relevance, Clarity of presentations, and participants involvement among others.

2.0   Overall Summary of evaluation by participants

The table below shows a summary of evaluation by lecturers/participants

No.		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
1	Session organizations	66.7%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
2	Overall Content relevance	83.0%	10.0%	0.0%	0.0%
3	Presentation clarity	75.0%	8.3%	0.0%	0.0%
4	Participants Involvement	66.7%	8.3%	0.0%	0.0%

3.0   Lecturers/Participant's comments
a) General comments about the session
Overall comments from the participants about the conference were good. Below are some of their comments.
— Clear and relevant
— Good Measure of controversy
— It is Good
— Real and practical issues discussed in simple lay language
— Satisfactory
— Significant display in Presentation Skills of Students
— Very fruitful and relevant
— Very Good
— Very useful products to the African Environment presented
— Good, However Government Officials should have been represented in the different sessions such as Health, Education, Trade, Economic Planning
— The Schedule was not followed

b) How have you benefited from this session?
 Below are some of the selected responses from lecturers/Participants

— Gained valuable insight into current concerns, ability to discuss and debate with the leading Academicians

— Interacted with many scholars and got exposed

— Learn how to prepare and present Doctoral paper

— Many novel innovations introduced in the presentations

— New knowledge

— Yes, coming up and processing on how to pick up a research topic

— Yes, Even the biofoarmatic presentation was clear

c) *Would you recommend others to attend such a conference and why*

All the lecturers/Participants indicated that they would recommend others to the future conferences. Some of the reasons given by the lecturers/participants include;

— Adoption of products presented requires stakeholder's participation

— Conference has a potential to assist in grooming future researchers and Academicians

— Conferences is where people network and get exposed

— Connecting and meeting with other people

— It is Good for young Academicians but the Senior Ones should not present

— Its Educative

— Knowledge gained is worth it

— Need to foster collaborations to find out what is to be done and what is being done

— The Discussions Open up students formulating PHD research

— The taste of budding lies in testing; it will afford them the opportunities to learn what i have learnt

d) *Would you like more conferences?*

All the lecturers/Participants indicated that they would like more conferences in the future. Some of the areas recommended by participants to be covered in the next conference include;

— All Areas that are of benefit to the developing countries

— Central hospital, record keeping, health software

— Contributions of Mobile Computing in reducing the digital divide

— E-Contract and Software intellectual property

— Emerging technologies i.e. cloud Computing and telemedicine

— General ICT Subject Areas

— ICT to solve cyber crimes in Africa

— Integration and adoption of relevant innovations

— Shaping the future of ICT

— Virtualization and Cloud Computing

e) *Suggest theme for the Next Conference*

The lecturers/participants proposed the following themes for the next conference.

— Global E-Health, Learning and Information for Health Care Providers.

— ICT and Other Disciplines

— Implementation of ICT Technology in Africa, like Virtualization and cloud computing.

— Integration of the proposed Technologies (Emerging Technologies) in different Government Sectors

— Integration of ICT innovations in Developing countries

— Mobile Computing and the Developing world

— Prospects and Challenges of electronic contracts and transactions in Africa

— The Rise of emerging technologies: Will Africa be left behind

— Towards Solving Africa's Problems with ICT

— Transforming information into intelligence and Leveraging ICT for critical thinking

4.0   Conclusion

According to lecturers/participants, the 4th international conference on ICT for Africa 2012 was more successful as compared to the three previous conferences. The conference has greatly improved in terms of the number of papers presented, the quality of papers, the number of participants, and the organization generally.