ICT 4Africa

Venue: ICT University Campus
Theme: Digital Renaissance: Access, Innovation, and Inclusion

Monday July 21st, 2025 Day 1 (Evening) Restaurant (TBD)

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	**Welcome Dinner and Social Reception (Invite Only)**

Tuesday July 22nd, 2025 Day 2 (Morning)
Official Opening Ceremony

Master of Ceremonies:
Jemimah Maisamari and Excellent Joshua

07:00am - 09:00am Guest Arrival, Registration, and Networking.	We will have multiple registration desks to accommodate all attendees and provide them with event materials, such as badges, writing materials, notebooks, and pens.
10:00am - 11:00am	Keynote Address 1 by Mr Ousman Touray (Chairperson, Young Ancestors Foundation of The Gambia)
11:00am - 11.30am	Remarks by Top Government Officials in Cameroon
11:30am - 12:30pm **Panel Discussion 1**	(Designing for All: Inclusive Tech Innovation in the Age of Artificial Intelligence and Automation) Moderator: Mr Dina Epale Panelists: Ms Sheneya Wilson, Dr. Dahiru Kabo, Dr. Valentine Che, Ms Jane Tatapong
12:30pm - 1:30pm **Light up Africa and Lunch Break.**	As artificial intelligence and automation reshape industries and societies, how can we ensure that digital tools and platforms are built to serve diverse populations, including people with disabilities, rural communities, and low-literacy users? This panel will bring together resource persons to discuss inclusive innovation practices, ethical design principles, and how emerging technologies can close, not widen, existing equity gaps.

	Day 2 (Afternoon)
1:30pm - 2:30pm **Panel Discussion 2**	(Bridging the Digital Divide: Policies, Partnerships, and Practical Solutions for Inclusive Innovation) Moderator: Ms. Beyala Tatapong Panelists: Mr. Ousman Touray, Mr. Felix Fomengia, Mr. Manjong Kelvin, Mr Kyria Chendjou, and Ms. Fadimatou Iyawa
	This panel will explore how governments, private sector players, and civil society can work together to ensure that technological innovation benefits everyone, especially underserved and marginalized communities. Panelists will examine strategies for expanding digital access, fostering inclusive design, and promoting equitable participation in the digital economy across regions. Real-world case studies and policy innovations will be highlighted to ground the discussion in actionable solutions.
2:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Technology Innovation Challenge Semi-Finals (Olive Abunaw and Bill Agha)
4.30 pm - 4.40 pm	Day 2 Closing Remarks

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Wednesday, July 23rd, 2025.	Day 3 (Morning)	Master of Ceremonies: Jemimah Maisamari and Walter Wilson Nana
07:00 - 09:00	Guest Arrival, Registration, and Networking.	
	We will have multiple registration desks to accommodate all attendees and provide them with event materials, such as badges, writing materials, notebooks, and pens.	
9:00 - 9:15	Welcome Remarks by the MC and Introduction of Keynote Speakers	
9:15 - 9:45	Keynote Address 2 by Mr Manjong Kelvin (CEO of Hi-Tech Cameroon and CoFounder and COO of Buyam)	
09:45 - 10:30	**Lightning Talk by:** Mrs Fadimatou Iyawa Ousmanou (President, Cameroon National Youth Council) Dr Dahiru Kabo (Founder and CEO, Kabo Cash) Mr Steve Fah (Influencer) Ms Sheneya Wilson (CEO of FOLA Financial, New York) Ms Eunice Ajim (Founder, Ajim Capital USA) Dr. Darlington Okafor (Director, Green Center, Nigeria)	
10:30 - 10.45	Special Presentation from North Carolina, USA	
10:45 – 11:00	Special Presentation from Sheikh Gaye (Intwari)	
11:00 - 12noon:	Case Challenge Session: Work in a team (a team of 10)! Ready to unveil your team's name and slogan! This session is where collaboration meets creativity. Join forces with changemakers to architect groundbreaking, regionally tailored solutions that tackle today's most formidable challenges faced by Africa. Remember to make sure your strategy aligns seamlessly with the designated framework. Seize this moment to flaunt your team's unity and innovative prowess!	
12:00 – 13:00	Light up Africa and Lunch Break	

	Day 3 (Afternoon)
13:00 - 14:00	Panel Discussion 3 (Digital Bridges: Harnessing Social Media to Build and Empower Communities) Moderator: Mr. Johnson Edimo Panelists: Mr. Steve Fah, Ms. Nana Lynn Gloria, Ms. Rosine, Ms. Daphne Aurelie

Descrription

In today's hyperconnected world, social media platforms are no longer just tools for personal expression—they are powerful instruments for community-building, grassroots mobilization, and social impact.
This panel explores how individuals, organizations, and leaders are leveraging platforms like Facebook, Instagram, Twitter/X, TikTok, and LinkedIn to create meaningful connections, foster civic engagement, and support underserved populations. From digital storytelling and local advocacy to online education and resource sharing, discover how social media can be used strategically to empower communities both online and offline.

14.00 - 14.15	Special Presentation about the African Society for ICTs **by Prof. Foluso Ayeni**
14:15 - 15:15	Concurrent Workshop Sessions
	Session A: Introduction to Cyber and Information Security **– Richard Evina and Mr Eric Fru** **Session** B: Creation and Monetization of Content on Social Media **Session** C: Career Development Session (Career Ready: Crafting Resumes, - Rosine Sharpening Soft Scan the QR Code to register **Session** D: Graphics Design, Multimedia, and Video Editing – **Brain, Dani, and Prosper** **Session** E: Self-Employment and Job Creation Tools – **Dr. Joe Ngalle** **Session** F: LinkedIn Optimization – **Ms. Nana Lynn Gloria**
15:15 - 17:00	Tech Innovation Challenge (Finals) by Olive Abunaw and Bill Agha
17:00 - 17:10	Day 2 Closing Remarks

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Thursday, July 24th, 2025	Day 4 (Morning)	Master of Ceremonies: Dr. Ndah Grimbald
8:00 - 9:00	Campus	Breakfast, Registration, and Accreditation
9:00 - 9:15	George Mbarika Hall	Conference kick-off & Welcome by the Vice-Chancellor Introduction of Keynote Speaker by Prof. Foluso Ayeni
9:15 - 9:45	George Mbarika Hall	Academic Keynote Address: Prof. Calvin Nobles, Ph.D. (VicePresident, University of Maryland Global Campus)
9:45 - 10:45	BS Chumbow Hall & French Hall	**Parallel Sessions** (2 concurrent tracks) Track 1: Paper(s) 1,2,3,4,5,6 Track 2: Paper(s) 7,8,9,10,11
10:45 - 11:00	Morning Break	
11:00 - 12:00	BS Chumbow Hall	Francophone Panel/Workshop Session Moderator(s): Prof Pierre Fonkua, Eric Tic Panelists: Njolle Clavelle, Mongoue Mignon, Ekenguele Gabrielle, Njikam Fatima, Aboudi Chirtine, Nzadou Arthur, Kindukulu Rucien
12:00 - 13:00	**Break**	
	Day 4 (Afternoon)	
13:00 - 14:00	**Panel Discussion;** Doctoral and Early Career Researchers Consortium Moderator: Prof. Foluso Ayeni Panelists: Prof. Alain Isoh, Prof. Ifeoluwa Ogunrinola(virtual), Prof. Pierre Fonkua, Dr. Achanyi Alemnji, and Dr. Francis Yosa	
14:00 - 14:30	**George Mbarika Hall**	Presentation of Best Paper, Best Undergraduate Student Paper, and Best Reviewer Award
14:30	Conference Adjourn	
Friday, July 25th, 2025	Day 5	**Graduation Prep**
Saturday, July 26th, 2025	Day 6	**Commencement Cremony**