

Africa Information & Communication Technologies Alliance - AfICTA

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2nd e-Conference Concept Note

AfICTA convenes the 2nd edition of its e-Conference to discuss the need for Africa to harness the driving power of the 4th revolution to catalyze growth in the continent. It's no mystery that some of the major factors that indicate and affects a country's or continent's economic growth are: healthcare, education, employment and Agriculture. Africa seemed to be bystanders to the previous revolutions but with the 4th revolution's driving power being the internet, AfICTA holds this eConference to discuss how to fully exploit the digital age to ensure growth in the continent. Focus of the eConference would also be on South Africa and on the use of local contents for enhanced job opportunities and improvement in the living standard of the people towards the realization of AfICTA vision of a digital Africa and the Sustainable Development Goals 2030.

Theme and objective

The theme of the e-Conference is "**The 4th Industrial Evolution Application in Key Sectors**" and it is geared towards the realization of AfICTA <u>vision</u> of a digital Africa and the Sustainable Development Goals 2030.

The sub themes include:

- Ethics, AI and Machine Learning Ensuring IT professionals are doing the right things (Carolynn Chalmers confirmed)
- Digital role in support of Universal Access to health in Africa
- Bridging the education divide with free online courses
- Future of work: addressing Africa's unemployment challenge with 4th industrial technologies
- *Modern Farming methods: using technology for food security*

When?

10am South African Time (GMT + 2), Tuesday September 18, 2018.

Where?

On AfICTA ePlatform

How?

Register to participate and you'll receive a link and passcode to participate. Attendees would have opportunity to submit their questions for immediate response by the speakers.

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Guest Speakers:

Carolyn Chalmers, Executive Director, Candor Governance

Topic: Ethics, AI and Machine Learning - Ensuring IT professionals are doing the right things.

Mr. Sunil Geness, Director, ITA South Africa

Topic: Effective Internet Governance for Sustainable Development in Africa.

Mpumelelo Ncwadi, Non-Executive Director Eastern Cape Rural Development Agency (ECRDA).

Topic: Modern Farming methods: using technology for food security.

Moderator: Mr. Thabo Mashegoane, Vice Chair, AfICTA & Vice President, IITPSA Co-moderator: Engr. Mohammed Saeed, Vice Chairman, EITESAL,

Also happening is the "Tribute to the Legendary Kofi Annan" delivered by Dr. Jimson Olufuye, Chair AfICTA as well as a brief on "The 1 million ICT Jobs in Africa" by Engr Saeed Mohammed, EITESAL, Egypt

Registration fee: FREE.

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