



COMMONWEALTH E-GOVERNANCE FORUM AFRICA 2015

24 - 25 MARCH 2015, KIGALI, RWANDA

DAY ONE 24 MARCH 2015

REGISTRATION

08:00 - 09:00

08:00 **Registration**

OPENING CEREMONY

09:00 - 09:40

09:00 **Welcome address**

Professor Tim Unwin, Secretary-General, Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation

09:10 **Vincenzo Aquaro**, Chief of e-Government Branch – United Nations Public Administration Network, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

09:20 **Ministerial welcome address**

Honourable Jean Philbert Nsengimana, Minister of Youth & ICT, Republic of Rwanda

09:30 **Official opening of the Commonwealth e-Governance Forum 2015**

E-GOVERNMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: THE ROAD AHEAD

09:40 - 11:25

Chair: **Honourable Jean Philbert Nsengimana**, Minister of Youth & ICT, Republic of Rwanda

09:40 **Keynote address: The United Nations e-Government Readiness Survey 2015: the state of e-Government Readiness at the global and Africa level**

Vincenzo Aquaro, Chief of e-Government Branch – United Nations Public Administration Network, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

09:55 **The ever changing role and importance of e-Governance in achieving the post 2015 development agenda**

Elida Recci, Public Administration and Governance Officer, e-Government Branch, Division for Public Administration and Development Management, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations

10:10 **Ministerial Discussion: How can governments strengthen accountability and transparency through the use of ICTs and engage citizens in policy making?**

Honourable Dr Fred Okeng'o Matiang'i, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Information, Communications and Technology, Republic of Kenya

Honourable William Nyombi Thembo, Minister of State for Information and Communications Technology, Republic of Uganda

Honourable Yamfwa Mukanga, Minister of Communications and Transport, Republic of Zambia

Honourable Tharcisse Nkezabhazi, Minister of Telecommunications, Information, Communication and Relations with Parliament, Republic of Burundi

11:25 **GROUP PHOTOGRAPH & MORNING REFRESHMENTS**

E-GOVERNMENT IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

12:00 - 13:50

Chair: **Rosemary Mbabazi**, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Youth and ICT, Republic of Rwanda

11:45 **ITU e-Government implementation toolkit**

Jean-Jacques Massima-Landji, Representative for Central Africa and Madagascar, International Telecommunications Union

12:00 **E-Government Project Implementation**

Victor Kyalo, Chief Executive Officer, ICT Authority, Republic of Kenya

12:15 **Prioritising e-Government Projects for Public Value**

Ellman Tigere Chanakira, Group Chief Executive Officer, Twenty Third Century Systems

12:30 **Case study: e-Government implementation strategies in Rwanda**

Paula Ingabire, Head of ICT Department, Rwanda Development Board

12:40 **Rwanda@online project**

Clement Uwajeneza, Chief Executive Officer, Rwanda@online

12:50 **Panel Discussion: Evaluating the implementation of e-Governance in the Commonwealth and beyond: Challenges and solutions**

Jean-Jacques Massima-Landji, Representative for Central Africa and Madagascar, International Telecommunications Union

Victor Kyalo, Chief Executive Officer, ICT Authority, Republic of Kenya

Ellman Tigere Chanakira, Group Chief Executive Officer, Twenty Third Century Systems

Paula Ingabire, Head of ICT Department, Rwanda Development Board

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13:35 **NETWORKING LUNCH**

E-GOVERNMENT SHOWCASES

14:55 - 15:55

Chair: **Hodge Semakula**, Executive Secretary, East African Communications Organisation

14:55 **Case study: The mobile electronic payment system in Cameroon**

Peter Mbengie, Director of Strategy and Forecasting, Telecommunications Regulatory Board, Republic of Cameroon

15:10 **Case study: E-Government solutions in Kenya**

Paul Kiage, Manager/Project Monitoring and Evaluation, Communications Authority of Kenya

15:25 **Case study: E-Government solutions in Malawi**

Victor Mallewa, Deputy Director, Department of e-Government, Ministry of Information Tourism and Culture, Republic of Malawi

15:40 **Q&As**

15:55 **AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS**

16:25 **Opening up government data for transparent and proficient governance**

Yosef Murangwa, Director General, National Institute of Statistics, Republic of Rwanda

16:40 **Q&As**

16:45 **CLOSE OF DAY ONE**

19:00 **GALA DINNER AT THE SERENA HOTEL**



DAY TWO 25 MARCH 2015

FUTUREPROOFING M-GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS

09:00 - 10:45

Chair: **Patrick Nyirishema**, Director-General, Rwanda Utilities Regulatory Authority

09:00 **Using mobile technology to access and track public budgets**

Oluseun Onigbinde, Lead Partner, BudgIT, Republic of Nigeria

09:15 **Mobile governance in Rwanda: From policy to impact**

Professor Tim Unwin, Secretary-General, Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation

09:30 **Case study: Rwandan YouthConnekt Hangout: Creating mobile applications which address socio-economic problems**

Auke Lootsma, Country Director, United Nations Development Programme

09:45 **Smart farming with smartphones**

Dominique Mvunabandi, Faculty of Geo-information and Earth Observation (ITC), Department of Natural Resources Management, University of Twente and Department of Land Surveying, Ruhengeri Institute of Applied Sciences (INES-Ruhengeri)

10:00 **Panel discussion: Mobile phones for good governance - Challenges and opportunities**

Oluseun Onigbinde, Lead Partner, BudgIT, Republic of Nigeria

Professor Tim Unwin, Secretary-General, Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation

Dominique Mvunabandi, Faculty of Geo-information and Earth Observation (ITC), Department of Natural Resources Management, University of Twente and Department of Land Surveying, Ruhengeri Institute of Applied Sciences (INES-Ruhengeri)

Auke Lootsma, Country Director, United Nations Development Programme

MORNING REFRESHMENTS

E-DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNMENTAL DEVELOPMENT

11:15 - 12:45

Chair: **Professor Anastase Shyaka**, Chief Executive Officer, Rwanda Governance Board

11:15 **Democratising data across emerging markets**

Kenfield Griffith, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, mSurvey

11:30 **Improving youth participation in governance through social media**

Ebele Okobi, Head of Public Policy, Africa, Facebook

12:00 **Panel Discussion: How ICTs can improve democracy?**

Kenfield Griffith, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, mSurvey

Ebele Okobi, Head of Public Policy, Africa, Facebook

Charles Munyaneza, Executive Secretary, National Electoral Commission, Republic of Rwanda

NETWORKING LUNCH

13:45 **Trends in the use of multimedia smart phones for medical diagnosis in remote areas**

Professor Robert Jallan'go Akello, Lecturer in Telecommunications and Electronics, Multimedia University of Kenya

14:00 **Q&As**

RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND E-GOVERNMENT SERVICES

14:05 - 15:20

Chair: **Didier Nkurikiyimfura**, Director General in charge of ICT, Ministry of Youth and ICT, Republic of Rwanda

14:05 **Challenging governments to spur economic growth in rural areas using ICTs**

Juma Kandie, Immediate Past Chair, Commonwealth

Telecommunications Organisation and Director for Human Capital and Administration, Communications Authority of Kenya

14:20 **ICT innovations: making villages smart**

Dr Terry van Gevelt, Project Manager, The Smart Villages Initiative, Research Associate and Affiliated Lecturer, Centre of Development Studies, University of Cambridge

14:35 **Panel discussion: Removing barriers for ICT investment in local e-Government**

Dr Terry van Gevelt, Project Manager, The Smart Villages Initiative, Research Associate and Affiliated Lecturer, Centre of Development Studies, University of Cambridge

Honourable Francis Kaboneka, Minister of Local Government, Ministry of Local Government, Republic of Rwanda

Juma Kandie, Immediate Past Chair, Commonwealth

Telecommunications Organisation and Director for Human Capital and Administration, Communications Authority of Kenya

AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS

ACCESSIBLE E-GOVERNANCE: EMPOWERING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES THROUGH ICTS

15:50 - 16:50

Chair: **Professor Tim Unwin**, Secretary-General, Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation

15:50 **e-Inclusion for people with disabilities in government services**

Honourable Gastone Rusiha MP, Representing Persons with Disabilities, Rwanda

16:05 **Panel discussion: How can governments utilise assistive communication applications for people with disabilities?**

Dr Evariste Karangwa, Dean, School of Inclusive and Special Needs Education, College of Education, University of Rwanda

Honourable Gastone Rusiha MP, Representing Persons with Disabilities, Rwanda

CLOSING CEREMONY

16:50 - 17:20

16:50 **Closing remarks**

Vincenzo Aquaro, Chief of e-Government Branch - United Nations Public Administration Network, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

17:00 **Thank you address**

Professor Tim Unwin, Secretary-General, Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation

17:10 **Official close of the Commonwealth e-Governance Forum 2015**

Honourable Jean Philibert Nsengimana, Minister of Youth & ICT, Republic of Rwanda

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CLOSE OF FORUM