

Towards a digital future

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DIGITAL WEEK CAMEROON 16–20 OCTOBER 2023 • YAOUNDÉ

Towards a digital future

In keeping with the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation's (CTO) new thrust to support its members' digital transformation aspirations, the CTO will convening its second Digital Week in October 2023 in Yaoundé, Cameroon. Digital Week: Cameroon will bring together CTO's members from across the Commonwealth and stakeholders in the technology sector, for a series of activities designed to assist members in establishing an enabling environment for and effectively adopting information and communication technologies (ICT) for the benefit of all.

The theme for the Digital Week: Cameroon — *Towards a digital future* — is reflective of the imperative for digital transformation in nations, organisations and the lives of citizens.

Objectives

The objectives of Digital Week: Cameroon are as follows:

- Convene CTO's Executive Committee Meeting and 61st Council;
- Immerse Cameroonians and other delegates in a futuristic digital Cameroon;
- Raise the awareness of Government officials of the imperative for digital transformation;
- Present and explain the building blocks for digital transformation;
- Engage youth to promote productive beneficial use of ICT; and
- Showcase the work of Cameroon's ICT innovators.

Audience

The Digital Week: Cameroon is open to:

- ✓ CTO Members
- O Ministers and Parliamentarians
- ⊘ Government officials
- ICT regulators and stakeholders
- ⊘ Innovators
- Youth
- ⊘ Citizens of Cameroon

Date and venue

Digital Week: Cameroon takes place from 16–20 October 2023 at:

Hilton Hotel Boulevard du 20 Mai Yaoundé Republic of Cameroon



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There are several activities that are open to different audiences from 16-20 October 2023:

16 October 2023 Executive Committee

A closed meeting, the CTO Executive Committee will review plans, reports and recommendations for submission to the 61st Council.

16 October 2023 • 09:00–17:00 Women's Forum

The Women's Forum will highlight the socio-economic gains made by women using technologies in both urban and rural settings. The event will celebrate the achievements of women in this sector and will consider access gaps, to close the gender divide, as well as addressing security for a safe and inclusive digital FutureScape.

17 October 2023 • 09:30–11:30 Opening Session — Digital Week: Cameroon

The opening session officially marks the start of Digital Week: Cameroon.

17 October 2023 • 11:30–17:30 Ministerial and Parliamentary Seminar

Open to all Ministers of Government, Members of Parliament and senior Representatives of ICT Organisations, this seminar will explain the imperatives for digital transformation, the preconditions and requirements, the availability of appropriate technologies and effective adoption of ICT.

17-20 October 2023

Cameroon FutureScape

This immersive experience, which will portray life in a futuristic Digital Cameroon is open to all who are willing to spend an hour in this digital space.

18 October 2023 • 09:00-17:00 Building Blocks for Cameroon FutureScape



This event will explain the building blocks and provide insight for making Cameroon FutureScape a reality.

19–20 October 2023 **61st Council**

Open to Representatives of Full Member Countries and other CTO members, the 61st Council will determine the broad policies and strategies of the CTO; examine and approve the CTO's business plans, the annual reports and approve the plans for the next year.

19 October 2023 • 09:00–12:30 ICT Innovator's Forum

Cameroon's ICT innovators will be presenting their ideas, products and services at this Forum and experts will provide practical advice on business development.

19 October 2023 • 12:30–17:30 **Youth Forum**

Open to universities, schools and young people, this Forum will promote productive, beneficial use of technology, and online safety.

20 October 2023 • 09:00-11:30 Build your business

This event will look at how to expand technical enterprises to become thriving digital businesses.

20 October 2023 • 11:30-15:00 Inauguration of TRB HQ

Official opening of the Telecommunications Regulatory Board Headquarters Building, Boulevard du 20 Mai 1972, Yaoundé, Cameroon.

) More information on these events may be found at www.cto.int/events

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Registration fees

Fees for international participants only:

There is one registration fee for participating in both the Ministerial and Parliamentary Seminar and Building Blocks for a Cameroon FutureScape Forum (17–18 October 2023):

- CTO Members £250
- Non-members £400

Online registration

Online pre-registration is mandatory to participate in all events. Registration opens on Friday 8 September 2023. To select the events that you wish to attend please visit the CTO website www.cto.int/events

Visa assistance

For visa support, please email the CTO's Events Division at: events@cto.int

Cameroon Futurescape and exhibition

For organisations interested in participating in Cameroon FutureScape or in showcasing their products and services, a technology experience feature or exhibition space is available respectively, on a first-come, first-served basis.

Sponsorship

Opportunities are available to join the CTO's esteemed group of sponsors for Digital Week: Cameroon.

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