



African Leadership for Knowledge Society Forum
30 August 2017
Golden Tulip Nairobi, Kenya

The African Union Commission (AUC), the Ministry for Foreign Affairs (MFA) of Finland and the Global E-Schools and Communities Initiative (GESCI) wish to announce the Closing Workshop of the ALICT and LATIC Programme.

The African Leadership in ICT and Knowledge Society Development (ALICT) / Leadership Africain en TIC et développement de Société du Savoir (LATIC) has been implemented over two phases across 16 African countries covering Southern, Eastern, West and North Africa Region

Purpose:

The overall purpose of the Forum is to present research, case studies and futures thinking frameworks that have emerged from the implementation of the African Leadership for ICT programme. The forum provides a platform to present KS country and impact assessment findings, to share alumni new leadership experiences and practices and to facilitate dialogue, knowledge sharing and futures agendas for ensuring sustainability and strengthening leadership and networks towards KS and SDG development. The forum also officially closes the ALICT programme and introduces new leadership programme possibilities.

Expected outcomes:

- Increased knowledge on the status of KS development in the African region
- Enhanced understanding of the futures thinking frameworks and tools for leadership development inherent in the ALICT leadership capacity building model
- Strengthened network and platforms for futures leadership vision and action towards knowledge society and sustainable development
- Formal closing of ALICT/LATIC programme

08:30-09:00 HRS	Registration
09:00-09:15 HRS	<p>Opening session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening remarks: <p>Jerome Morrissey, CEO - GESCI</p> <p>Ramses Malaty, Deputy Head of Mission - Embassy of Finland. Nairobi</p> <p>Olivia Packalén-Peltola, Desk Officer, Department for Africa and the Middle East – MFA, Finland</p>

09:15 - 09:45 HRS	<p>Keynote: “Leadership for the knowledge age and sustainable development: breaking with business as usual when planning for the future”</p> <p>Dr. Morne Mostert, Director - Institute for Futures Research, Stellenbosch University, South Africa</p>
09:45 -11:00 HRS	<p>Session 1: African Leadership for ICT Programme: Implementation Moderator: Jerome Morrissey, CEO – GESCI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview, Senthil Kumar, ALICT Programme Manager - GESCI • Impact assessment report, Mary Hooker, Sr. Education Specialist - GESCI • ALICT/LATIC Alumni testimonies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Esther Gacicio, Ass. Director Kenyan Institute of Curriculum Development - Roger Marcelin Faye, Professor - Cheikh Anta Diop University, Senegal - Ricaud Auckbur, Director of e-Education & Skills Development - Ministry of Education, Mauritius - Michael Chilala, CEO - Examinations Council of Zambia
11:00-11:30 HRS	Coffee break
11:30-12:45 HRS	<p>Session 2: Education - Key pillar of knowledge society development – Country and Regional perspective Moderator: Mary Hooker, Senior Education Specialist, GESCI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aziz El Hajir, ICT in Education Program Specialist, ISESCO • Bessie Nyirenda, Malawi Institute of Management • Godson Gatsha, Botswana College of Distance and Open Learning (BOCODOL) • Maxwell Otim, Deputy Executive Secretary, Uganda National Council for Science and Technology
12:45-14:00 HRS	Lunch break
14:00-15:45 HRS	<p>Session 3: African Leadership in ICT Initiative: Way forward Moderator: Senthil Kumar, ALICT Programme Manager - GESCI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainability, Scaling and new capacity development; Leadership for Knowledge Society and Sustainable Development, Patti Swarts, Director of Programmes – GESCI • The Leadership Network for Sustainable Development (LN4SD), Tarek Chehidi, Manager Advocacy, Strategic Alliances and Programme Development – GESCI • University Partnership/s; Mohammad Santally, Pro Vice Chancellor, University of Mauritius • Ideas and suggestions on future Leadership Capacity building, Morne Mostert, Director Institute for Futures Research - Stellenbosch University, South Africa • Launch of Knowledge Products • Q&A

15:45-16:00 HRS	Break
16:00-16:45 HRS	<p>Session 4: Exchange of Information - Changing policy agendas and future trends of ODA investment in Knowledge Society related sectors: ICT, Education & STI (Interactive discussions)</p> <p>Moderator: Patti Swarts, Director of Programmes – GESCI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aki Enkenberg, Senior Adviser, Department for Development Policy - MFA Finland • KS forum participants • GESCI
16:45-17:00 HRS	<p>Official closing of ALICT and concluding remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Aki Enkenberg, Senior Adviser, Department for Development Policy - MFA Finland • Jerome Morrissey, CEO – GESCI
17:30 – 18:30 HRS	Cocktail and cultural dance / music