



African Digital Schools Initiative to be launched in Morogoro Region, United Republic of Tanzania

WHEN: October 12, 2017 from 8 am to 3 pm

WHERE: Kilakala Secondary School

EVENT: Official launch of African Digital Schools Initiative in Morogoro Region

The Ministry of Education Science and Technology (MoEST), The President's Office, Regional Administration and Local Government (PORALG) of the United Republic of Tanzania and the Global e-Schools and Communities Initiative (GESCI) will launch a program to transform 20 secondary schools in Morogoro region into digital schools of distinction. The official launching event will take place on October 12 2017, on the premises of **Kilakala Secondary School**.

The following personalities will be present at the ceremony:

- Officials from the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, and PORALG Tanzania
- Head teachers and Board of Management Chairpersons from the 20 Schools in Morogoro Region
- Invited Guests
- GESCI Staff

ADSI is a unique, innovative program to transform secondary schools into digital schools of excellence. It is designed specifically to build student 21st century skills, especially in Science Technology, English and Mathematics (STEM) subjects, and to enhance teachers' practice across the school in using ICT in a way that is responsive to the needs of knowledge economies and societies and in the work place. The program will be rolled out in 20 schools in the Pwani Region on October 10, 2017 and in a further 20 schools in Morogoro on October 12, 2017.

The African Digital Schools Initiative (ADSI) in Tanzania is part of a wider initiative across three countries in Africa - Tanzania, Kenya, and Côte d'Ivoire in 2017.

Mastercard Foundation funds this initiative.

The media is invited to the ceremony and to the lunch that will follow.

About GESCI

The Global E-Schools and Communities Initiative (GESCI) is an international non-profit organisation based in Nairobi, Kenya. GESCI was founded by the United Nations in 2003, GESCI's mission is to assist governments in their efforts to promote socio-economic development, through the successful and widespread integration of Information and Communications Technologies (ICTs) for the development of knowledge societies. More information available at www.gesci.org

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