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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Invitation to the Award Ceremony of The ATU Africa Innovation Challenge 2021

The African Telecommunications Union (ATU) would like to thank you for your support and contribution to the success of the ATU Africa Innovation Challenge 2021. In this regard, we are delighted to invite you to the award ceremony that will be held virtually on **12th October 2021 from 11: 00 AM-12:45 PM East African Time (EAT)**.

Based on the Challenge's theme, "Best Ecosystem Practices in Africa Enabling Youth ICT Innovation", the Challenge hopes to pursue the development of a youth resilient ecosystem in Africa by recognizing best practices that can be replicated across the continent to provide both short and long-term sustainable solutions to the Challenges facing young ICT innovators.

The Challenge has been instrumental in recognizing and analyzing disruptive practices that support youth ICT innovation. The evaluation process was conducted by experts drawn from all over the continent and the International Telecommunications Union, who identified ten ecosystem stakeholders that have developed and implemented practices enabling youth ICT innovation to thrive. Apart from a cash reward of USD 10000, USD 5000, and USD 2500, the Challenge winner and the 1st and 2nd runners-up will be attributed the title of "2021 ATU Best Ecosystem Practice in Africa Enabling Youth ICT Innovation". Contestants that made it to the 2nd and final phase will also have their practice recognized and will receive mentorship and capacity building opportunities in collaboration with the Challenge partners, namely; the International Telecommunications Union, Huawei Technologies Company Limited (Title sponsor), Intel Corporation, GSM Association, and AfriLabs.

As a key ATU stakeholder, we will be privileged to have you join us as we close the curtains on this historic event.

To participate, please register using the meeting link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/join/9tZUdemptqzpkGdKqmjGFo-3Hp9mB_kekmlBA

Kind regards,

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