



Launch of the ATU Africa Innovation Challenge 2023 (Virtual)

Date: August 17th, 2023: Time: 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM EAT

Theme: Innovating for Digital Inclusion: Solutions to Bridge the Digital Divide in Africa

PROGRAMME

Time	Remarks/topic	Speakers
11:00 - 11:05	Welcome Remarks to Introduce the ATU Africa Innovation Challenge 2023 and give an Overview of the theme and objectives of the competition	Mr. John OMO ATU Secretary General
11:05 - 11:15	Collaboration beyond the Challenge	Mr. Abdinoor YERROW Inaugural Challenge Finalist and runner's up.
11:15 - 11:25	"Why Universities and other Higher Learning Institutions Offer the Optimal Launchpad for Cultivating Creative Solutions towards Innovations"	Dr. Mark Mutali CHETAMBE , Lecturer Kenyatta University
11:25 - 11:35	Shaping the digital ecosystem for an equitable digital future	Mr Mohamed BA , Senior Coordinator, Digital Innovation Ecosystem, Representing the ITU BDT Director
11:35 - 12:45	Shaping the digital ecosystem for an equitable digital future	Ms Caroline MBUGUA of GSMA
11:45 - 11:55	Private sector partnerships with academia for innovation	Mr Wan WEI , Vice President for Public Affairs, Sub-Saharan Africa Region, Huawei
11:55 - 12:05	Intel effort in fostering African specific solutions for African Challenges through DeepTech	Dr. Bienvenu SOGLO , Director, Government Affairs Africa and IGA CTO Liaison (PE), Intel Corporation
12:05 - 12:15	Address by the Chief Guest	Mrs. Léocadie NDACAYISABA Minister of Communication, Information Technology and Media of Burundi
12:15 - 12:25	Video to showcase ATU Innovation Challenge 2023	Tech Team
12:25 - 12:30	Closure of the event	John OMO (ATU Secretary General)

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