

# **CALL FOR PAPERS**



# Theme: "Building smart cities and smart societies"

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An AITEC Africa Event





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## The Summit audience

The event will have several key audiences:

- ICT managers & professionals
- Policy-makers
- High-level managers at CEO, COO and CFO level
- Innovators and service providers
- Telecom operators and service providers
- NGOs/civil society organisations
- Media representatives

### **Evaluation and Outputs**

There will be several outputs from the event:

- Increased knowledge among ICT managers and ICT professionals in the ICT sector of latest international trends and technologies and their application in the region.
- Increased awareness among high-level non-technical managers in the sector of the vital role ICT has to play in their business strategies and the range of technologies and systems available.
- Informed media coverage that will help build a profile for the issues under discussion.
- Broker relationships between suppliers and users of ICT systems.

## 2012 Conference Subject Areas

The Summit will focus on deploying ICT solutions to improve the quality of life for East Africa's citizens and empower them to export their knowledge and skills. Specialised streams will include:

**Building Smart Cities:** The region's cities are hampered by inefficient management and infrastructure, reducing the productivity of their workforces and degrading the quality of life for all levels of society. The smart application of ICT solutions can dramatically transform these cities from their post-colonial quagmire of corruption, maladministration, poor planning and under-performance. The Summit will act as a clearing house for international and regional best practice in order to identify short-term fixes and medium and long-term strategies to create smart cities that serve the needs of their citizens.

**Developing Smart Societies:** Deploying ICT solutions to increase the quality of life for both urban and rural populations. Delivering improved services in healthcare, education, agriculture and housing.

**Exporting Smart Skills:** Building an outsourcing industry in East Africa that capitalises in the region's expanding pool of ICT expertise, a tech-savvy workforce and customer-centric interpersonal skills.

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#### Presentation proposals

1. Fast-track Theatres (covering all proposed topics): Standard Presentation (20 minutes) – No fee for exhibitors; US\$1,250 for non-exhibitors\* Showcase Presentation (30 minutes) – US\$3,500

2. Focussed Streams (covering three main Summit themes): Standard Presentation (20 minutes) – No fee for exhibitors; US\$1,250 for non-exhibitors\* Showcase Presentation (30 minutes) – US\$3,500

\* Non-vendor analysts, academics and researchers will be invited to make presentations free of charge.

3. Panel discussions

No charge

#### Showcase presentation benefits

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- Branding on forum documentation.
- Appropriate sized pop-up or banner next to podium during presentation
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- Prominent branding on all pre-event publicity material and advertising.
- Sponsor's logo on the Aitec Africa website: <u>www.aitecafrica.com</u> on the event page.
- Insert in the event bag

To propose a presentation or if you wish to sit on a panel, send a topic title, brief outline, biography and photo to: Sean Moroney <u>seanm@aitecafrica.com</u>

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