

Ministerial Forum (Virtual) to Commemorate the African Telecom/ICT Day2021

Theme: “Digital Skills Development for Africa’s Digital Transformation”

Forum Moderator: ATU Secretary General

Time period	Topic	Speakers
Opening session		
11:00 – 11:07	Welcome Remarks	Mr. John OMO, ATU Secretary General
11:07 – 11:10	Photo Session	
11:10 – 11:20	Keynote Address: Retooling the Workforce for the Emerging Social and Commercial Enterprises in Africa.	Joe MUCHERU, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of ICT and Chairman of ATU Conference of Plenipotentiaries, Kenya
Speakers		
11:20 – 11:30	Showcasing the Value Addition of Digital Skills Development on Efficiency of Emerging Social and Commercial Enterprises in Africa	H.E Yankhoba DIATARA, Minister, Ministry of Digital Economy and Telecommunications, Senegal
11:30- 11:40	Showcasing the Value Addition of Digital Skills Development on Sufficiency of Emerging Social and Commercial Enterprises in Africa	H.E Khumbudzo NTSHAVHENI, MP Minister, Ministry of Communications and Digital Technologies, South Africa
11:40- 11:50	Digital Skills Development for Digital Transformation	Hon. Mrs Ursula OWUSU-EKUFUL Minister of Communications and Digitalisation, Ghana
11:50 – 12:00	The Youth and Young People Form the Greatest Segment of the Digital Demographic in Africa, but They also Form the Largest Statistic of Unemployment. Where is the Digital Key to Unlock Africa’s Transformation Gridlocks?	S.E. Dr. Idriss Saleh BACHAR, Minister, Ministry of Posts and Digital Economy and Chairman of the ATU Administrative Council, Chad
12:00 - 12:10	In View of the Limited Incentives Within the Continent Available for the Talented Young Innovators to Motivate their Spearheading of Digital Innovation and Transformation, Can the Startup Ecosystem Retain Young African Digital Talent?	Mr. Kamel SAADAOU, Chief of Staff, Ministry of ICT, Tunisia
12:10 – 12:15	The Role of Digital Skills in the Transformation of African Economies through Digital and Financial Inclusion	Ms. Angela Wamola, Ag. Head, Sub-Sahara Africa, GSMA
12:15 – 12:20	Brief Overview on Case Studies of e-skills Development in Africa and Lessons Learnt	Brahim GHRIBI, Head of Government & Policy Affairs, Middle East & Africa, NOKIA
12:20 – 12:25	Q & A Session	
12:25 - 12:30	Summary and Closing Remarks	Mr. John OMO, ATU Secretary General