



# SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

By the ICT Association of Uganda.

## You are Welcome!

Hello ICTAU Family,  
Welcome to our September newsletter! Here's a quick update on  
the major events and highlights of the month.

# TICON AFRICA

2024 - RECAP

It was a moment of pride for the ICT Association of Uganda as we took our place alongside Africa's top tech innovators at the TICON Africa Conference 2024 in Mombasa from 25th to 27th September. The conference was a collective step forward, reminding all in attendance of Africa's potential to lead the global tech narrative.

In every conversation, whether on the revolutionary impact of M-Pesa or strategies to enhance cybersecurity, the message was the same—***Africa is not waiting to be led, IT IS LEADING.***

## Quotes



"AI, big data and digital infrastructure are more than trends, they are Africa's tools for building a sustainable future,"

**David Gowu, President of TICON Africa**



"The African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) is Africa's opportunity to leverage digital transformation to fuel growth... improving access to essential services and fostering economic resilience,"

**Alain Gbeasor, Executive Director of Mobex Africa**

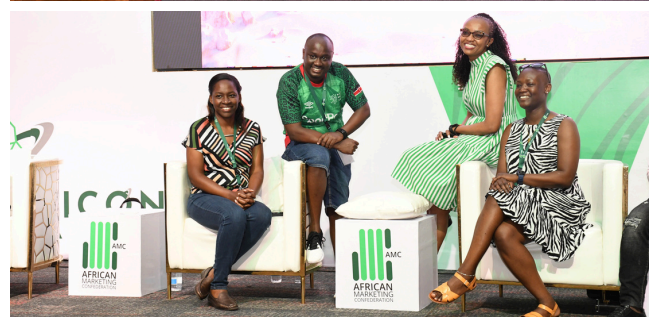


"Women are not just participants in this space—they are trailblazers, and empowering them is central to Africa's tech evolution."

**Grace Labong Achire, Boardmember at ICTAU**

# TICON AFRICA 2024

## GALLERY



# ***Africa's as A United Digital Nation.***

Over the past decade, Africa has moved from catching up to leading the digital narrative. The rise of innovations like M-Pesa and Rwanda's e-governance are proof that the continent is crafting its own solutions, transforming sectors like finance, healthcare and agriculture.

Another is Uganda's Matibabu, developed by Brian Gitta and his team. It is an exceptional non-invasive device that diagnoses malaria without a blood sample, offering faster and easier diagnostics, especially in rural areas.

This journey has been powered by innovation and resilience, all qualities that define Africa's relationship with technology. Where gaps once existed, local solutions have flourished as the focus has shifted to digital transformation as a tool for inclusion, growth and Africa's future on the global stage.

## **BRINGING IT HOME TO EAST AFRICA**

The work is far from over. To truly carve out a path that positions East Africa as the hub of digital excellence for economic excellence in the continent, we must now take our collaboration to new heights. The Inaugural National ICT Summit is where this next chapter begins.

The summit will provide a platform to reflect on the lessons learned over the past decade and identify the strategies we need to adopt for the future. It's a space where thought leaders, policymakers and tech innovators from more than 50 industries can come together to map out a bold vision, one that addresses our unique regional challenges while capitalising on the immense opportunities ahead.

At the summit, we'll explore how to further strengthen our digital infrastructure, build an inclusive digital economy and ensure that cybersecurity remains a priority in an increasingly interconnected world. We will also dive into emerging technologies like AI and blockchain in hands-on solution clinics to assess how they can be adapted to East Africa's specific needs.

**THE FUTURE OF  
EAST AFRICA LIES  
IN OUR HANDS**

Together, we can ensure that East Africa doesn't just contribute to the digital transformation of Africa BUT LEADS IT.

—let's seize it, **register for the National ICT Summit today** ([CLICK HERE](#)).



## Cybersecurity Awareness Month

October is recognized globally as Cybersecurity Awareness Month, an initiative designed to raise awareness about the importance of staying safe online. Launched in 2004, it has become a collaborative effort between governments, businesses and individuals to promote best practices for online safety.

The theme for 2024 is **"Secure Our World,"** emphasising simple steps we can all take to safeguard our digital lives.

### Events this October

- 23RD** Inaugural National ICT Summit by CTAU – October 23rd -24th at the Kampala Serena Hotel.
- 8TH** Global AI Summit on Africa – October 8, Kigali, Rwanda
- 9TH** Moonshot by TechCabal – October 9, Nairobi, Kenya