ICT SUMMIT TECH WEEK 2026

PROGRAMME: DAY 1 – 25 NOVEMBER 2026

Theme: The Next Digital Decade: A Resilient, Inclusive and Globally Competitive Digital Economy

Programme Director: Mr Andile Stofile

TIME	AGENDA	RESPONSIBLE
08:00–09:00	Arrival & Registration Tea/Coffee, Networking & Exhibition	
09:00–09:15	Opening Production and Theme Introduction	Production Team
09:15–09:30	Opening Remarks	Mr Motse Mfuleni **Executive Chairman, Nozolile Capital**
09:30–10:15	**Roundtable Discussion:** Powering the Digital Economy – The Strategic Role of Data Centres in Driving Investment, Innovation and Digital Transformation	Ms Ayanda Ramncwana **COO, ELIDZ** Ms Magama Makgamatho **Chief Knowledge & Digital Officer: ICT & Research, Coega** Ms Nozipho Booi **Chief Director: Economic Development & Tourism, DEDEAT** Mr Jongikhaya Stuurman **CIO, PetroSA** Lerato Motsoeneng, **Chief of Sales, Telkom Business** **Microsoft** **Moderator:** Ms Juanita Clark **CEO, Digital Council Africa**
10:15–10:30	**Address:** Safeguarding Public Trust in the Digital Era: Accountability, Transparency and Ethical Governance	Adv. Kholeka Gcaleka **Public Protector, Republic of South Africa**
10:30–10:55	**Tea/Coffee and Networking**	**All delegates**
10:55–11:10	**Keynote Address:** Financing MSMEs in the Digital and Creative Economy	Ms Stella Ndabeni, MP **Department of Small Business Development**
11:10–11:40	**PGITO Roundtable:** Securing Africa's Digital Economy – Strengthening Cyber Resilience, Data Protection and Digital Trust	Mr Vernon Mosterd **ICT Project Lead, Department of Health** Mr Tebogo Kunene **IT Manager, Department of Health** Mr Cecil Swarts **Software Developer, Eastern Cape** Mr Xolani Mbulawa **State Information Technology Agency (SITA)** **Ms Reba Nkau** Director: Innovation & Empowerment Dept. of Transport **Moderator:** Ms Nosisa Penxa **ICT Strategist/Digital Storyteller**
11:40-11:55	**Address:** The Press Council in the Digital Age — Media Accountability, Trust and Responsible Information Sharing	Dr Phatiswa Tshangana **Executive Director: Press Council of South Africa**
11:55-12:10	**Keynote Address: :** Accelerating Digital Transformation Harnessing AI, Cloud and Intelligent Automation to Build a Competitive Digital Economy	**iOCO Technology Group**
12:10-12:30	Keynote Address: Shaping South Africa's Digital Future – Advancing Digital Transformation, Inclusion and Economic Competitiveness	Mr. Mondli Gungubele, MP **Deputy Minister: Communications and Digital Technologies**
12:30–13:30	**Lunch, Networking and Exhibition**	**All delegates**
13:30–13:35	**Proposed Expert Address:** Using Official Statistics to Understand Digital Inclusion and the Digital Economy	Nobutho Mpetsheni **Director: Statistical Support and Coordination & Acting Head of Stats South Africa**
13:35–14:05	**Roundtable Discussion:** Future Skills and Innovation — Developing South Africa's Talent Pipeline	Ms Tabani Njaba

		Senior ICT Training Officer, University of Venda Mr Chuma Memela **Director, Genie-yus AI** Ms Lolwethu Luthuli **IT Coordinator, Cape Peninsula University of Technology** Prof Willie Cinyamurindi **Univesity of Fort Hare** Mr. Babongile Mandela **Executive Head: International Public Policy** **Amazon** **Moderator:** Jackson Tshabalala, **Tangible Africa**
14:05–14:20	**Industry Address:** Connectivity, Investment and the Conditions for a Competitive Digital Economy	Phila Sithole — **Head of Industry Research, Association of Comms & Technology (ACT)**
14:05–14:20	**Address:** From AI Hype to business Value – Digital Transformation, Automation and Responsible Adoption	Khaya Mbhanga — **Chief Information & Digital , BDO**
14:20–14:45	Closing Reflections and Transition	Programme Director

TIME 14:45 –15:45

MASTER CLASS

Earth Orbit (VLEO) Satellites, Stratospheric Platforms and the Road to 6G after WRC-27"

"Closer to Earth, Closer to Everyone: Low Earth Orbit (LEO), Very Low

How the next generation of low earth orbit (LEO) satellites, High altitude platforms (HAPs)- and low-altitude platforms (LAPs), and the Space-Air-Ground Integrated Network (SAGIN) will bring affordable broadband connectivity to the rural areas, peri-urban, small towns, farms and villages of the Eastern Cape, and what ISPs, WISPs, start-ups, incubators and technology companies **must do now to be ready**.

World Radio Conference 2027 (WRC-27) from [18th October 2027 to 12th November 2027] Shanghai China will settle key spectrum and regulatory questions for IMT-2030 and non-terrestrial networks. The full 6G technical standards will be completed through ITU-R and 3GPP towards 2030

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PROGRAMME: DAY 2 – 26 NOVEMBER 2026

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Programme Director: Mr Jackson Tshabalala

TIME	AGENDA	RESPONSIBLE
08:00–09:00	Arrival & Registration Tea/Coffee, Networking & Exhibition	Secretariat
09:00–09:10	Opening Production and Entertainment	Production team
09:10–09:20	Opening Remarks and Reflections	Mr Baphelele Mhlaba **Head: Strategic Investment and Infrastructure - ECDC**
09:20–10:00	**Podcast:** MSMEs as Digital-Economy Unicorns	Mr Xolani Mbulawa **State Information Technology Agency (SITA)** Mr Luvo Grey **Managing Director, EC Internet** Prof. Thobekani Lose **Director & CfERI Head, Mandela University Africa Hub** Ms Ludwe Macingwane **Head: Science & Technology Park - ELIDZ and IASP Africa Division President** **Moderator:** Ms Nobulali Sigabi **Acting Deputy Director: Communication – EC Department of Education**
10:00–10:25	**Address:** FinTech for Inclusive Growth	Mr Lincoln Mali **Chief Executive Officer, Lesaka Technologies**
10:25–10:40	**Sponsor Address:**	**iOCO Technology Group**
10:40–10:55	**Keynote Address:** Advancing the Eastern Cape Digital and Film Economy	Ms Nonkqubela Pieters, MPL **MEC: Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism**
10:55–11:30	**Roundtable**: Governing the Digital Future — Building Trusted AI, Shared Systems and Responsible Regulation	Ms Vuyo Gwayi **AI Specialist & Principal Director, Zimingo Consulting** Dr Setumo Mohapi **Technology Executive** Dr Sizwe Mpofu-Walsh **Lecturer, University of the Witwatersrand** Mr Andrew Matseke **Councilor, ICAS**A **Moderator:** Dr Makaziwe Makamba **Executive Director: Transformation Strategist**
11:30–11:45	**Expert Address:** Connected Cars	Mr Andile Africa **CEO, Automotive Industry Development Centre**
11:45–12:20	**Fireside Chat:** How African Stories Can Become Globally Competitive Digital Businesses	Ms Unath Lutshaba **Executive Director, South African Cultural Observatory** Mr Zolisa Xaluva **Actor, South African Film & Television Industry** Mr Sipho Alphi Mkhwanazi **Content Creator, South African Digital Industry** Ms Palesa Kadi **CEO, National Arts Festival** Moderator: Mr Xabiso Zweni **Resident Theatre Director, Mandela Bay Theatre Complex**
12:20	**Key Takeaways and Closing Remarks**	Programme Director