

A Policy Coherence Roadmap in ICT and Infrastructure Pillar towards Knowledge Society Development in Kenya

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INTRODUCTION

- Policy coherence in ICT
 - E-government strategy
 - Sessional paper No.1 of 2005
 - The Kenya vision 2030
 - National ICT policy-2006

Any policy in government has to be aligned to the Kenya Vision 2030.

ICT policy provides a roadmap for ICT implementation and coherence.

Policies seem to be weak in compliance of action plans.

INTRODUCTION – Kenyan context



RESULTS-FUTURE 2022 AND SIGNALS

Growth scenario

- Kenya's Internet Connectivity is provided by Submarine Cables Connecting Her to the Rest of the World
- Increased Mobile Use and Mobile networks
- Expansion of Kenya's IXP Regionally
- Global Mobile Money Transfer Service
- Kenya Is the Regional Hub for Technology Incubation
- Kenya has a Regional Techno-City

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Collapse Scenario

- Lack of co-ordination in broadband deployment.
- Dissatisfaction with education regulatory authorities
- Lack of coordination of government automation processes.
- Increased Cyber crime.
- Automation leads to Loss of jobs.

Discipline Scenarios

- Effective Cyber laws
- Automation policy in the government
- Broadband policy and strategy.

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Data and Information protection legislation

Transformational Scenario

- ICT has overtaken agriculture as a key industry.
- Stronger links between industry research institutions and education drive greater innovation
- All students can complete learning without going to school.
- Fierce global and regional competition for jobs means people of all ages are moving between towns, cities, countries and regions more rapidly and more frequently.

CONCLUSIONS / IMPLICATIONS

- Policy coherence will drive national ICT policies and strategies in development towards;-
 - Raising awareness
 - Committing resources for action
 - Building coalitions for policy reforms
 - Roles clarification
 - Legal framework and enforcement
 - Reducing digital divide among others

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Various recommendations emerge from the scenarios and the entire ICT Infrastructure Pillar
 - 1. Effective Cyber laws
 - 2. Automation policy in the government
 - 3. Broadband policy and strategy
 - 4. Data and Information protection laws
 - 5. Content development and usage policies