

Introduction

Somalia Association for Information Communication Technology (SAFICT) is a private, independent and not-for-profit association in Somalia with the purpose to promote know-how, tech-based solutions, cooperation and mutual support among the association members and promote the brand Somalia as a technology powerhouse in Africa. Together with our members and partners we promote the development of Somalia's tech Industry while protecting the members' rights and lobbying on important issues. SAFICT was established in April 2020.

Our Mission

Our Mission is to foster ICT industry in becoming the essential sector contributing to Somalia's economic recovery and growth and to elevate member expertise and collective interests of the member companies while upholding universal values

Our Values

- To ensure that qualified sufficient human capital exists in Somalia to develop and sustain the ICT industry
- To operate efficiently, effectively and sustainably, contributing to a better Somalia.
- To foster the ICT business environment to better enable the industry to grow Somalia's economic and intellectual capital.
- To engage with regional and global partners to coordinate ICT industry advancement
- To strengthen the competitiveness of Somali ICT enterprises in local, regional and international markets.

Our Activities

FOCUS AREA:	Capacity Building
ACTIVITY NAME(S)	Career Guide, Bootcamps, Hackathons and Top Tech Competition
ACTIVITY TYPE	Seminars
SKILLS RAISED	ICT Fundamentals Knowledge, Coding, Photography, Videography
ACTIVITY OBJECTIVES	<p>The primary objectives of our activities under the focus area of Capacity building are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educate high school graduates on the different aspects of Information and Communication Technology sectors • Provide guidance by preparing talking points and difficult questions • Hold Bootcamps and Hackathons during university holidays to give the necessary skills to ICT related students • Organize competitions on Multimedia and Development to motivate the upcoming workforce & provide solution to the

	unique challenges that we face in the country
STAKEHOLDERS	High School graduates, University students, recent graduates

FOCUS AREA:	Government Relationship
ACTIVITY NAME(s)	Advisory, Consultancy
ACTIVITY TYPE	Service
SKILLS RAISED	
ACTIVITY OBJECTIVES	<p>The primary objectives of our activities under the focus area of government relations are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advise the Ministry of Communication and Technology and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry to sensitive to the ICT industry and its contribution to post conflict economic recovery • Give consultation to fast track the provisioning of relevant legal and regulatory framework for the ICT Industry • To lobby on behalf of the ICT industry and its significant stakeholders inside the government • Give expert level opinion on important ICT legislations • To prophage government advise to the industry • To assist government in drafting and reviewing ICT related policies and guidelines • Encourage the government to give preference to local service providers and commission locally developed solutions • Prepare annual policy and budgetary recommendations on behalf of the ICT sector
STAKEHOLDERS	Public Sector, Corporate Members

FOCUS AREA:	Digital Transformation
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ACTIVITY NAME(s)	Consultancy, Conference, Expos
ACTIVITY TYPE	Multi
SKILLS RAISED	
ACTIVITY OBJECTIVES	<p>The primary objectives of our activities under the focus area of Digital Transformation are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggest reformatory solution to improve the societal issues and challenges • Curate all ICT related jobs and notify relevant members • Hold meet-ups that focus on digital transformation nationally • Bi-monthly specific tech forums and talkshows • Annual conference and ICT expo where industry leaders give talks and showcase ICT innovation in Somalia • Award the best tech solutions and entrepreneurial achievement
STAKEHOLDERS	All stakeholders, individual members, corporate members, affiliate partners

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