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Subject: Pitch for an Explainer Article on Game Development

Dear Editorial Staff of The Conversation Africa,

We are a team of Computer Science students who are avid readers of The Conversation Africa and have a passion for Game Development. We're reaching out to propose an article that we believe would be a great fit for your outlet under your Science and Technology umbrella.

In recent years, the exciting world of game development has undergone a remarkable transformation with the emergence of powerful yet easily accessible gaming engines and platforms that empower anyone to bring their vision to life.

The article would explain the programming aspect of game development and how the landscape has evolved with the emergence of popular gaming engines such as Unity, Unreal, Godot, etc. We're aiming to make the process and purpose more understandable to the average reader.

Key topic points include:

- > A brief overview of the history of game development engines
- ➤ A comparison between different notable game engines, with comments on their purpose, capabilities, and suitability for mobile versus PC development.
- ➤ A discussion on open source versus proprietary software, focusing on accessibility and licensing for indie developers
- > A focused look at the process of indie game-making, as compared to AAA titles
- > The future of game development and the prospective impact within indie game development.

We believe that publishing this article will serve as an inspiration to readers interested in game development and introduce them to the varied world of game engines. It also complements your current content such as the article published on March 13, 2024, "I created a 'cosy game' – and learned how they can change players' lives" by Adam Jerrett.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely.

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