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2024

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INTRODUCTION

Port Harcourt Tech Expo 2024 is a dynamic and engaging event that seeks to bring together industry experts, thought leaders, and tech enthusiasts from various sectors to explore and discuss the present and future of technology. This expo will serve as a platform for networking, knowledge sharing, and collaboration, fostering innovation and growth within the technology ecosystem in Nigeria, in West Africa and beyond.

Continuous learning is essential in the tech industry. As technology evolves at an increasingly rapid pace, those who don't keep up will quickly fall behind. The most successful professionals are those who are constantly seeking new knowledge and skills."

— Dr. Dario Gil, Senior Vice President and Director of IBM Research

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PORT HARCOURT CITY

We are pleased to introduce you to Port Harcourt, the capital city of Rivers State, Nigeria. Port Harcourt is a vibrant and dynamic city with a rich history and a bright future, offering investors a wealth of opportunities across various sectors.

Strategic Location:
Port Harcourt is strategically located at the heart of the Niger Delta region, with easy access to the Atlantic Ocean and major transportation hubs. The city is a major commercial, industrial, and educational center, serving as a gateway to Southern Nigeria and the West African sub-region.

A Business-Friendly Environment:
Rivers State is renowned for its business-friendly environment, characterized by robust infrastructure, favorable government policies, and a skilled workforce. The state government has implemented a range of initiatives aimed at promoting investment, including tax incentives, streamlined business registration processes, and investment programs across various sectors.

Rich Natural Resources:
Rivers State is endowed with abundant natural resources, including oil and gas, timber, minerals, and fertile land. The state is the largest oil-producing state in Nigeria, with significant reserves of natural gas. The state is also home to abundant agricultural resources, including palm oil, rubber, cocoa, and cassava.

Thriving Economic Sectors:
Port Harcourt and Rivers State are home to thriving economic sectors across various industries. The state is a hub for the oil and gas industry, with significant investments in exploration, production, and refining. The state also has a vibrant manufacturing sector, including food processing, textile and apparel, and plastics. The tourism sector is another area of potential growth, with the state boasting a rich cultural heritage, natural attractions, and a vibrant nightlife.

Investment Opportunities:
The investment opportunities in Port Harcourt and Rivers State are diverse and abundant, with potential for substantial returns on investment. Some of the key investment opportunities include:

– Oil and Gas Exploration and Production
– Refining and Petrochemicals
– Agriculture and Agro-processing
– Manufacturing and Industrial Production
– Infrastructure Development
– Real Estate and Property Development
– Tourism and Hospitality

Dynamic and Growing Tech Ecosystem:
Port Harcourt is witnessing a rapid rise in technology-driven enterprises, driven by a young and talented pool of entrepreneurs, engineers, and innovators. The city is home to numerous tech hubs, incubators, and co-working spaces that foster collaboration, creativity, and knowledge sharing.

Access to Skilled Talent:
Port Harcourt is renowned for its exceptional educational institutions, producing a steady stream of qualified graduates in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. This talent pool offers a diverse range of skills and expertise, providing a strong foundation for your tech business to thrive.

Supportive Government Initiatives:
The government of Rivers State is committed to creating an enabling environment for tech investments. Various policies, tax incentives, and business-friendly regulations are in place to facilitate ease of doing business, attracting both local and international investors.

Conclusion:
In conclusion, Port Harcourt and Rivers State offer investors a conducive environment, rich natural resources, and abundant investment opportunities across various sectors. The state government is committed to creating an enabling environment for investment and fostering sustainable economic growth, making it an attractive destination for local and international investors.

We invite you to explore the opportunities available in Port Harcourt and Rivers State and partner with us in driving economic growth and development in the region.

Chief Host

Dr. Samuel Ogbuku

Managing Director, NDDC

INTRODUCTION

On behalf of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC), I am delighted to extend a warm invitation to you and your esteemed organization to participate in the Port Harcourt Tech Expo, which will take place in the beautiful Niger Delta region. We are proud to support this event, as it aligns with our commitment to encouraging technological advancement in the Niger Delta.

This event aims to bring together technology enthusiasts, innovators, entrepreneurs, and investors from various sectors, fostering collaboration, knowledge- sharing, and the exploration of investment opportunities within the vibrant tech ecosystem of the Niger Delta.

The Niger Delta region, with its rich cultural heritage, breathtaking landscapes, and abundant natural resources, offers a unique and conducive environment for business and investment. As the Niger Delta Development Commission, we have been actively involved in promoting and supporting technological advancements in the region, recognizing the immense potential it holds for economic growth and development.

The Niger Delta is home to a diverse community of skilled professionals, entrepreneurs, and startups, who are driving innovation across various technological fields. In recent years, the region has witnessed remarkable progress in sectors such as information technology, renewable energy, agriculture, healthcare, and infrastructure development. Through targeted initiatives, the Niger Delta Development Commission has played a pivotal role in empowering local talents, fostering an ecosystem that nurtures innovation, and creating an enabling environment for tech advancement.

By attending the Port Harcourt Tech Expo, you will have the opportunity to engage with industry leaders, explore cutting-edge technologies, forge strategic partnerships, and gain valuable insights into the vast potential and investment prospects available within the Niger Delta region. We believe that this event will serve as a catalyst for collaboration, knowledge exchange, and the exploration of investment avenues that can contribute to the sustainable growth and development of the Niger Delta.

We extend our warmest welcome to you and your organization as you embark on this exciting journey in the Niger Delta. We are confident that your participation in the Port Harcourt Tech Expo will be both rewarding and impactful, allowing you to connect with dynamic entrepreneurs, explore innovative solutions, and contribute to the growth of the tech ecosystem in the region.
Together, let us unlock the immense potential of the Niger Delta through technology and innovation. We look forward to welcoming you to the Niger Delta.
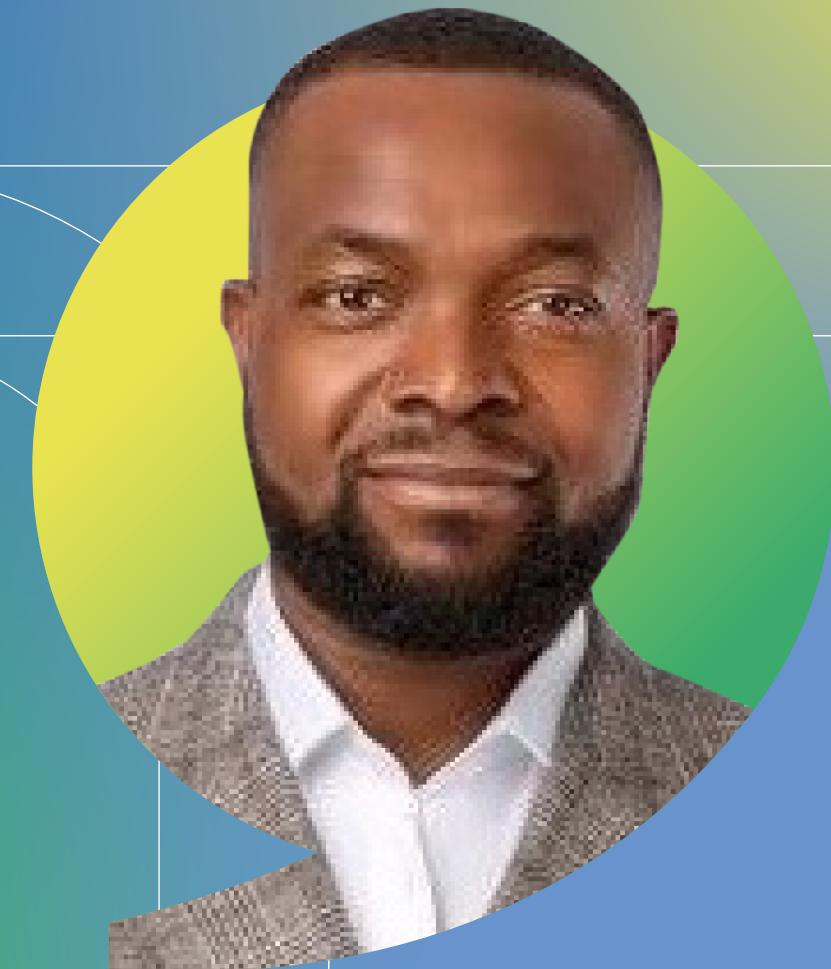
Dr. Samuel Ogbuku
MD/CEO
Niger Delta Development Commission

Special Guest

Dr. Bosun Tijani

Minister of Communications, Innovation & Digital Economy of Nigeria

Special Guest

Dr. Jamila Bio Ibrahim
Minister of Youth Development

Guest of Honour

Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi

DG, National Information Technology Development Agency, NITDA

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Dr. Maurice Dawson Jr. is a distinguished cybersecurity and computer science figure. He is a Professor and Director at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago, IL. Dr. Dawson's expertise is recognized globally with an academic foundation built on a Ph.D. in Hyper-connectivity: Intricacies of national and international cyber securities from London Metropolitan University and a Doctor of Computer Science from Colorado Technical University.

His academic journey is marked by a significant milestone at the Baltic Defence College, where he further honed his skills and knowledge in defense and strategic studies, adding a unique dimension to his cybersecurity expertise. Dr. Dawson's commitment to education and research is also evidenced by his impressive achievement of completing five Fulbright Scholarships. These scholarships have taken him across Europe, the Middle East, and Africa, where he has contributed to and expanded his understanding of cybersecurity in various cultural and operational contexts.

Dr. Dawson's work is at the forefront of cybersecurity research, focusing on securing emerging technologies, cyber-physical systems, and critical infrastructures against evolving threats. His research and teaching methodologies are designed to prepare the next generation of cybersecurity professionals to face challenges with innovative solutions.

Beyond academia, Dr. Dawson is a prolific author and speaker, contributing to the cybersecurity body of knowledge through numerous publications, conferences, and workshops. His insights are highly sought after by both governmental and private sectors, where he advises on best practices, policy formulation, and the implementation of cutting-edge cybersecurity measures.

As a mentor, Dr. Dawson is deeply committed to nurturing his students' intellectual and professional growth, guiding them through complex technical challenges, and encouraging them to achieve excellence in their endeavors. His leadership at the Illinois Institute of Technology advances the institution's standing in cybersecurity. It contributes significantly to the broader academic and professional community's understanding of critical cyber and technology issues facing our world today.

Dr. Maurice Dawson Jr.

Director, Center for Cyber Security & Forensics Education at Illinois Institute of Technology, USA

Keynote Speaker

A highly motivated Leader with a proven delivery track record in Business Transformation, Project/Programme Management and Strategic Change. Has extensive blue-chip experience, including C-suite and Board Level Engagement across Oil & Gas, Financial Services, Consulting and Technology sectors. Consistently achieves a high degree of success, working in an inclusive and collaborative manner. Is experienced at working across multiple regions and geographies.

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Director, Operations and
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Keynote Speaker

Dr. R. Tombari Sibe is a Cybersecurity and Digital Forensic Expert. He is the Co-Founder, Chief Executive Ocer, and Lead Forensic Examiner of Digital Footprints Nig. Ltd. He has about 2 decades of experience in Information Technology Consulting. He is an Ocial Member of the Forbes Technology Council and a Visiting Fellow of the University of South Wales. Dr. Sibe holds a PhD in Information Technology (Digital Forensics) and a Master of Science Degree in Digital Forensics, both from the University of the Cumberlands, Kentucky, USA. He also holds a master's degree in Electrical/Electronic Engineering (Telecommunication Option) from the University of Port Harcourt, Nigeria. He has a bachelor's degree in Computer Engineering (second class upper) from the Rivers State University, Nigeria. He is a COREN registered Computer Engineer and a Corporate Member of the Nigerian Society of Engineers.

Dr Sibe holds several top industry certifications. He has two certifications from the National White Collar Crime Centre, USA. He is a Certified Cyber Crime Examiner (3CE) and a Certified Economic Crime Forensic Examiner (CECFE). He also holds other industry certifications such as Cellebrite Certified Mobile Examiner (CCME), Cellebrite Certified Physical Analyst (CCPA), Cellebrite Certified Operator (CCO), Mobile Device Investigator (MDI), P2CO-P2C Certified Operator (Paraben), DSMO-DS Certified Mobile Operator (Paraben), Certified Cybersecurity Assurance Professional, and many others. He is a Member of the High Technology Crime Investigation Association (HTCIA), a member of the Computer Technology Investigators Network (CTIN), and a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE).

Determined to bridge the gap between the academia and the industry, Dr Sibe took on a lecturing role, where he volunteers to teach and mentor master's and Doctoral Students of Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics. He also lectures undergraduate students of Computer Engineering. His work experience has taken him through several organisations in sectors such as Information Technology, Finance, e-Government, Academia, Environment, Development, and consulted for several clients in the Public and Private sector. He has many years of Project Management experience and has led many successful multidisciplinary teams to deliver on critical projects. He has written and presented several papers

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CEO, Digital Footprints Nig. Ltd

Keynote Speaker

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SESSIONS

DATE/TIME	SPEAKER	SESSION TITLE	EVENT
24th			
09:00 am	Guest Arrival		
10:00 am	**Host - Andre Henshaw**		Welcome Address
10:15 am	**Pere Jason**	Performance	National Anthem
10:30 am	**Dr. Samuel Ogbuku - NDDC MD**	**Declare Event Open**	
10:45 am	Sei Wenemo	Performance	
11:05am	Goodwill Messages		
	• Rep Ministry of Innovation & Digital Economy • Rep Ministry of Youth Development • Herbert Wigwe Posthumous Award		
11:20am	**Dr. Maurice Dawson** (Virtual)	Keynote	**Keynote Address**
11:40am	Dr. Tombari Sibe		**Keynote Address**
12:00pm	• Dr. Tombari Sibe(Moderator) • Ulandi Exner, AfICTA Chair • Gbolabo Awelewa • Godffery Okolorie	CyberSecurity	Panel Session
12:40pm	Introduction of Tech Pitch & Hackathon Events		
	Lunch Break		

Time		Topic	Session
2:00 pm	• Ross Alabo George (Moderator) • Naona Usoroh • Dimieari Von Kemedi • Ikechukwu Amajuoyi	AgriTech	Panel Session
2:15 pm	**Engr. Christiana Onoja**	AI/Robotics	**Plenary**
2:30pm	**Ronald Ajiboye**	UAV/Robotics	**Plenary**
4:10 pm	• Andre Henshaw (Moderator) • Ronald Ajiboye • Engr. Christiana Onoja • Stella Justin	AI/Robotics	Panel Session
6:00 pm	**Drinks & Party**		**After Party**
25th			
	Andre Blaze	Overview of Day	
9:00am	**Eddy Datubo**	**Keynote**	**Keynote Address**
9:15am	• Stella Din-Jacob • Elijah Affi • Anwulika Olisa • Ngozi Chukwu - Tech Cabal (Moderator)	Media tech	Panel Session
10:00am	• Halima Mohamed • Oseghale Iyinbor • Marie-James Sibe • Chinedu Amah (Moderator)	Energy Tech	Panel Session

Time	Session	Track	Type
10:55 pm	• Chinedu Oraka • Dr. Bunmi Ajala • Dr. Ebbi Donald Robinson • Dr. Carlos Noujeim • Honey Ojukwu (Moderator)	MedTech	Panel Session
12:00 pm	**Lunch Break**		**Lunch Break**
12:30pm	**Daniel Essien - Vank Wallet (Virtual)**		
1:10pm	• Chidozie Ofoegbu • Adeolu Awokola	Fintech	Panel Session
1:50pm	Tech Pitch		
2:30pm	• Chuka Anthony-obi • Rita Anwiri Chindah • Davidson Oturu • Tamunonemi Tekenah • Smart Okpara (Moderator)	StartUp & IP	Panel Session
6:00 pm	**Drinks & Party**		**After Party**
26th			
10:00am	**Andre Henshaw**	Day 2 Overview	
10:10am	**Rep National Information Technology Development Agency**		**Keynote Address**
10:20am	• Sandra Owhor • Bola Yinka-Obebe • Chioma Aninwe (Moderator)	EdTech	Panel Session
10:50am	Tech Pitch		

11:20am	Geoffrey Okolorie	Cybersecurity	Plenary
11:40am	Asawo Ibifuro	E-governance	Plenary
12:00pm	**Chinenye Mba-Uzoukwu**	**Tech Landscape**	Plenary
12:20pm	**Partnership For Growth**	**NDDC Session**	Panel Session
12:40 pm	**Lunch Break**		**Lunch Break**
1:20pm	**Edmond Olotu (** Virtual)		**Plenary**
1:30pm	• Uche Aniche • Larte Badom • Engr. Pacqueens Ehiabhi Irabor	**Tech Funding**	Panel Session
2:10pm	Hackathon Winner Announcement	Presentation	
	Raffle Draw		
5:00 pm	Ajebo Hustlers	Musical Performance	
	Drinks & Party		**After Party**

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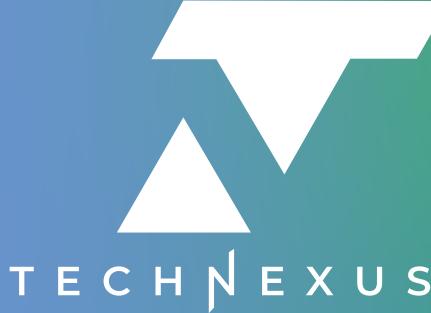
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We are a dynamic and innovative company at the forefront of the tech industry. Established with a vision to connect, inspire, and empower individuals and businesses through technology, we specialize in organizing conferences, tech exhibitions, marketing and promotion of tech products, training programs, and more.

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