THE KENYA SOFTWARE & AI SUMMIT

KENYA SOFTWARE SUMMIT 2025
VENUE: Moi University Annex, Eldoret
DATES: 10TH - 12TH NOVEMBER 2025
Theme: Connecting Minds, Shaping Software, Driving Growth

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY		TOPIC	FACILITATORS
	Sunday 9th November 2025				
	10:00 AM - 5:00PM	Registration		registration open all days	**Software Division**
	6:00:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Pre-Summit Event		**Alumni Dinner**	MICDE/Moi University
Day 1 - Monday 10th November 2025 **Focus:** *Government, policy frameworks, and creating an enabling ecosystem.*					
	All Day	Exhibition			All Delegates
	7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration & Networking			MICDE
	8:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Setting the Tone & Official Opening		Cultural Entertainment	**MC** Linda Koskey & Maina Chege
				National Anthem & Prayer	**State Functions**
				Prayers	**Iman:** Abubakar Bini
					Christian: Rt. Rev. Bishop, Dominic Kimengich, Bishop Catholic Diocese of Eldoret
				Salutations	**State Functions**
			Speaker	**Remarks:** Building a National Software Ecosystem: Policy, Regulation & Infrastructure	**Eng. John Tanui, CBS** - Principal Secretary, State Department for ICT & Digital Economy
			Speaker	**Remarks:** The Global Software Economy: Trends, Risks & Opportunities	**Kunal Lotiya ,** McKinsey & Company
			Speaker	Remarks	**1. Louise Haxthausen** - UNESCO Regional Director and Representative for EA
			Speaker		2. **John Omo** - ATU, Secretary General
			Speaker		3. **Prof. Kiplagat Kotut PhD,** Vice Chancellor, Moi university
			Speaker		4. **Samuel Cheng,** Country Manager HUAEWI Kenya
					5. **Evid Sibi ,** Director Chief of Products, Electronic Citizen Solutions
			Speaker		6. **Prof. Noah Midamba,** Chairman, Moi University
				Remarks	**Dr. Jonathan Bii,** Governor, Uasin Gishu
				Remarks: Cabinet Secretary	**H.E. Hon. William Kabogo Gitau,** CS Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy
				Official Opening Speech	**H.E. Dr. William Samoei Ruto, C.G.H.**
				Photo Session	
	11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**			
	12:00 PM - 1:00PM	Setting the Tone	Moderator	**Plenary Session**	**Josephine Ndambuki, KoTDA**
			Speaker	**Remarks:** What it take to make a Champion	**Eliud Kipchoge**
			Speaker	**Remarks:** Creating a Software Champion	**Dr. John Olukuru,** Head of Data Science and Analytics, Strathmore University
			Panelist	High Level Panel Discussion	**Eliud Muriuki,** Founder & CTO, E&M Tech
			Panelist		**Naftal Nyambuto CEO,** Mzawadi Group
			Panelist		**Savio Wambugu,** Mt Kenya Hub and Board Member ICTA
			Panelist		**Mark Tunga,** CEO & Founder,
	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	**Lunch Break**			
	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Software Ecosystem Landscape	Moderator	**Plenary Session and Panel Discussion** Software as a Catalyst for Inclusive Growth, Jobs & Competitiveness	**Michael Odhiambo, Director Digital Infrastructure & Services,ICTA**
			Speaker	How Innovation & Emerging Technologies is driving Economic growth	**Prof. Shaukat Abdulrazak,** PS, Science Research and Innovation
			Speaker	AI for Industry	**Lunga Zonke,** CTO Huawei Cloud, Sub-Saharan Africa
			Speaker	Role of Data Adequacy in Software Trade	**Immaculate Kassait,** Data Commissioner
			Speaker	From Code to Catalyst: Powering Kenya's Digital Economy	**Catherine Muraga,** Microsoft ADC
			Speaker	Leading in the Age of AI Transformation	**Joel Onditi,CEO & President** Pathways Technology

		Q&A Discussion	Software as a Catalyst for Inclusive Growth, Jobs & Competitiveness	
			Business Networking	HUAW

Day 2 - Tuesday 11th November 2025 Focus: Developing Kenyan talent, startups, and innovation				
	All Day	Exhibition		All Delegates
	8:00 AM	Registration & Networking		MICDE
		Speaker		**Ambassador Philip Thigo**, Kenya's Special Envoy on Technology
9:00 AM- 10:00 AM	Digital Skilling, Talent acquisition & Retention	Moderator	Plenary Session	**Richard Chirchir,**Director and Principal Digital Technology Specialist, Development Pathways
		Speaker	**Presentation:** Talent of the future: Strategies and Opportunites for Software Talent and Faculty Reskilling	**Winnie Karanu,** AI Skills Director, Microsoft East Africa
		Panelist	**Panel Discussion:** Digital Skills, Gaps, opportunities and everything in between	**Irene Githinji,** Ecosystem Lead, Microsoft ADC
		Panelist		**Dr. Lawrence Nderu,**Chair Department of Computing JKUAT & Founder JHUB Africa
		Panelist		**John Okande,** Programme Coordinator, UNESCO
		Panelist		**Mercy Ndegwa,** Director Public Policy, East and Horn of Africa
		Panelist		**Nikki Germany,** CEO, Moringa School
10:00 AM- 10:30 AM	Tea Break			
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Digital Work/ Remote Work	Moderator	Plenary Session	
		Speaker	**Keytone Address:** Digital work Landscape	**Caroline Njuki,** Chief Technical Advisor, ILO
		Speaker	**Keytone Address:** Positioning Kenya as a Global Talent Hub	**John Paul Okwiri,** CEO KOTDA
		Speaker	**Keytone Address:** Role of Diaspora Affairs in facilitating Remote Work and Digital Jobs	**Rosiline Njogu,** PS Diaspora
		Panelist	**Panel Discussion:** Opportunities for Kenyans digital workers	**Humphrey Muchuma,** Founder InuaAI
		Panelist		**Ken Mwenda,** Managing Director and Co-Founder, eMobilis Technology Training Institute
		Panelist		**Martin Chomba Mureithi,** Founder, Ujuzi Space
				David Lemyaian, Regional Director for the Eastern and Southern Africa Open Mapping Hub (ESA Hub) of the Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team (HOT)
		Panelist		**Gracemary Muchiri,** the Ajira Digital Manager, KEPSA
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM		Moderator	Plenary Session	
		Speaker		**Dr. Shiku Gitau,** Founder Qhala
		Panelist	**Panel Discussion:** Women Coders	Mumbi Ndungu, Chief Changemaker at Power Learn Project Africa
		Panelist		Victoria Mutai
		Panelist		**Cecilia Mulandi,** PolkaDot Cryptography Developer
		Panelist		**Nelly Wambui,** Founder LedgerLady
		Moderator		**Magdaline Chepkeboi,** EldoHub
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM		Judge	AI Hackathon Pitch	**Brian Omwenga,** THiNK
		Judge		**Dr. Lawrence Nderu,** Chair Department of Computing JKUAT & Founder JHUB Africa
		Judge		**Meshack Kihingu,** Engineering Lead- Mobile apps, ECS
		Judge		**Allan Rop,** Co-Founder and Chief Innovations Officer,TheCube
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK			
		Moderator	**Breakout Session 1:** Fintech, Web3 & Beyond: Bridging Gaps and Unlocking Opportunities through Virtual Assets in Kenya	MC: Linda Koskey
		Speaker		**Allan Kakai,** Executive Director, Virtual Asset Chambers
		Panelist		**Gideon Gitonga,** BlockCoop
		Panelist		**Larry Cooke,** Head of Legal Binance Legal Counsel - Africa for Binance
		Panelist		Roy Njoka, Terralima
		Moderator	**Breakout Session 2:** AI for Impact: Harnessing	**Moderator: Dr. Elizabeth Wamicha,** Social impact researcher, Qhala
		Speaker		**Presentation:** AI Meets IoT: Advancing Sustainable Development and Citizen Wellbeing
				Dr. Gibson KIMUTAI, Moi University & ICT Advisor Muranga County Governor

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2:00- 3:30 PM	Opportunities for Software Innovation Breakout Sessions structure:	Panelist	**Breakout Session 2:** AI for Impact: Harnessing Intelligence for Africa's Sustainable Future	Harpal Mann - impact of AI on Agritech
		Panelist		Elizabeth Mwashuma, Founder, AgriScanAI
		Panelist		Anthony Waliaula, Software Quality Assurance Expert
		Panelist		Brian Omwenga, THiNK
		Moderator	**Breakout Session 3:** DevSecOps and Cybersecurity in the Global Software Economy	**Moderator: Philip Irode, ICTA**
		Speaker		David Muusya - Silensec
		Speaker		Shain Rahim, CISCO
		Panelist		Emmanuel Kata, Secretary Cybersecurity
		Panelist		Jackson Kimeu, Cybersecurity Expert
		Panelist		Boniface Asiligwa-Manager IT & Infrastructure Kentrade
		Panelist		Collins Ojiambo-Forensic Services
		Moderator	**Breakout Session 4:** Future of Personal Identification	**Barnabas Sang, Director ICT**
		Speaker		John Barorot, ECS
		Panelist		
		Panelist		Richard Chirchir, Development Pathways
		Panelist		Hillary Kirui, Manager ITES & Smart City, KoTDA
		Panelist		Yvonne Nderitu, Head of Digital Transformation, Safaricom PLC
		Moderator	**Breakout Session 5:** Intellectual Property Rights and Open Source	
		Speaker		**Janet Kisio,** Manager Trademarks, KIPI
		Panelist		Dr. Henry Mutai, Consultant, GIZ
		Moderator		Plenary Q&A
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Tech Labs (Parallel Sessions) - demystify the technology		Virtual Asset Chambers - Web3Clubs	Blockchain TechLab Session
			Silensec/CyberRanges	Cyber Drills
			Software Programming Tools	KoTDA
			Engineering at Scale: Daraja API; Govaconnect (KRA etc); Digital Identity embed in any solution; develop a portal - plug & play	SAFARICOM PLC

Day 3 - Wednesday 12th November 2025 Focus: Support for Startups: investment, global partnerships, and software export

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All Day			Exhibition	All Delegates
7:30 AM- 8:30 am			Software Advisory Council Breakfast Meeting — Promoting Software Industry - Charting a way forward	MICDE
7:30 AM– 8:30 AM			Registration & Networking	MICDE
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM			Recap Plenary Session	**MC: Linda and Maina**
		Speaker	**Digital Transformation in Murang'a County**	Dr. Irungu Kangata, Governor, Muranga County
9:00 - 9:30 AM				
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	...ortunities for Software Innovation ...kout Sessions structure:	Moderator	**Breakout Session 6:** Inclusive Future and Digital Accessibility	**Moderator: Cecilia Mutua, Director ICT**
		Speaker		Sen. Crystal Asige,
		Panelist		Micah Rachuonyo, Senior Standardization Expert, KEBS
		Panelist		Julius Mbura, Digital Inclusion Champion, inAble
		Panelist		Benson Kiptum, Kenya Society for the Blind
		Panelist		Dr. Hawa Omar, KISE
		Panelist		Elly Savatia, Signvrse
		Moderator	**Breakout Session 7:** Software for the Creative Economy: Gaming, Film, and Digital Media Innovation	**Moderator:**
		Speaker		Grace Murugi
		Panelist		Mike Mugai - Genesis Design Factory
		Panelist		Mike Otieno - Wowzi
		Panelist		Jay Shapiro, Usiku Games
		Panelist		Nyandia Gachago, Minty Lime Ltd
		Moderator	**Breakout Session 8:** Digital Health	**Moderator:** Maina Chege
		Speaker		DHA Leadership Representative
		Panelist		Guest Expert: AI Lead from Microsoft Africa Development Center or University of Nairobi AI Lab
		Panelist		Demo Narrator: DHA IT Director or System Architect
		Moderator		**Moderator:** Lucas Omollo HSC, Manager, ICT & Smart City Solutions at Konza Technopolis Development Authority
		Speaker		Loyford Murithi, Director, MICDE

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	Oppo Break	Panelist	**Breakout Session 9** Infrastructure for Software Ecosystem	funding for infrastructure
		Panelist		**Agnes Limo,** CEO Vilcom Ltd
		Panelist		**Prof. Joyce Komen,** Director ICT, Moi University, Hardware Assembly
		Panelist		**Kenneth Matiba -**Dep Director, Government & Public Affairs at Huawei
		Panelist		**Robert Mutai,** Savannah Semiconductor
		Moderator	**Breakout Session 10:** Powering Kenya's Digital Transformation: AI Models, Cloud, and the Future of Code	**Moderator:** Nusu Mwamanzi, Director ICT, R&D
		Speaker		**Dr. Carmen Mazijn,** 2nd Secretary, Belgium Embassy
		Speaker		**Mr. Leonard Mabele,** Research Lead, AFRALTI
		Speaker		**Alphonse Oniala,** Tech Lead, Safaricom PLC
		Speaker		**Mark He,** CTO Africa Region China Mobile International
10:30 AM- 11:00 am	**Tea Break**			
11:00 - 12:00 PM	START-UP SUPPORT	Moderator	**Plenary Session**	**Ruth Mureithi,** Knowledge Economy and Innovation, KoTDA
		Speaker	**Keynote Address:** Unlocking Kenya's Next Generation of Developers & Startups	**Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam**, PS, Trade
		Panelist	**Panel discussion:** Funding the Software Ecosystem – TBC Investors, accelerators, DFIs	**Johny Falla,** Associate Director, Innovation & Technology, Equity Foundation
		Panelist		**Allan Rop,** CUBE
		Panelist		**Joseph Kanyua,** Digital Transformation, Safaricom PLC
12:00 PM - 1:00PM	SOFTWARE GLOBAL EXPORT	Moderator	**Plenary Session**	**Moderator: TBC**
		Speaker	**Keynote Address:** From Nairobi to Global Stage: Building Software for Export	**Abubakar Hassan Abubakar**, PS Investment Promotion
		Speaker	Powered by Innovation, Exported to the World	**Zilpher A. Owiti** CEO ICTA
		Panelist	**Panel discussion:** Creating an enabling environment for software export	**Wycliffe Rono,** Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency (KEPROBA)
		Panelist		Zone 01 Kisumu
		Panelist		Paul Mbuguah, Founder Eclectics Intl.
		Panelist		Samuel Kanja , Founder & CEO	Oasis Outsourcing
		Panelist		
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	**Lunch Break**			
2:00PM - 2:30PM	**Startup showcase Finals**		**Plenary Session**	**Moderator: TBC**
			AI Hackathon Finals - Winner Announcement	
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	**CLOSING PLENARY AND CALL FOR ACTION COMMUNIQUE**		**Closing Keynote:** Global Outlook – What's Next for Software? How do we leapfrog as a country?	**Mahesh Punia,** Head of Advisory Services, Andersen
			Conference Summary and Reading the Call to Action	**Eng. John Tanui, CBS** - Principal Secretary, State Department for ICT & Digital Economy
			Signing Call to Action	**TBC**
			Speeches	**TBC**
			Closing Ceremony	**CHIEF GUEST**
			Press Conference	**Media**
4:00pm – 4:30pm	**TEA BREAK & GUESTS LEAVE AT THEIR PLEASURE**			