## **SOUTH SUDAN**

## E-Applications Development; Policy Strategy

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### Introduction

#### **E-Applications:**

Is all about applying Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) to transform the ways how people do business to improve efficiency effectiveness.

E-Apps also supports governments to deliver services citizens across the countries

## Republic South Sudan

- South Sudan gained independence from Sudan on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2011;
- The Government of RSS fully recognizes the important role ICTs play in transforming how governments and citizens do business;
- It is incumbent upon it to develop policies, legislature and regulatory frameworks to ensure the development, deployment and use of ICTs to all citizens

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- Ministry of Telecommunications and Postal Services was created.
- Currently, ICT Sector is under the Ministry Information,
   Communication Technology and Postal Services
- ICT Policies:
  - Telecom and Postal Services Policy and Strategic Work Plan 2008 (after CPA-Southern Sudan)
  - Communication Sector Policy 2013 2018
  - National Communication Act, 2012
  - Draft of the Review South Sudan ICT Policy
  - Postal Services Master Plan

# Policy Implementation



Government & Redulator

### Role of Government:-

- Develop & Oversee ICT Policies and Strategies to manage & stimulate growth of the Sector
- Develop and implement E-Government and other E-Applications
- Oversee capacity building programmes for Government.

#### **Role of Other Main Actors:-**

#### **Private Sector:**

- Main investor and developer of the info-economy system
- Participate in provision of universal service/access
- Develop the sector with efficiency, credibility, commercial integrity and good corporate governance
- Provide quality and sustainable service with choices to consumers

#### Institutions – Other Main Actors:-

- Role of the Civil Society:
  - Inform the policy making process through relevant contributions in regard to ICT access, poverty reduction, e-Governance, citizen participation ...
  - Assist Govt to understand the needs of society better & help integrate public voices in the policy process
- Role of Development Partners:

Technical & financial support and assistance (e.g. in development of incubators, capacity building, business networking, etc)

#### Ministry's Strategy and Stakeholders Involvement

#### First RSS ICT4D Conference 25th - 27th 2015

#### **Recommendations:**

- 1. Concerns over ICTs penetration in South Sudan,
- 2. The fundamental Infrastructure,
- 3. Level of uptake of ICTs by Government ministries, institutions and parastatals in service delivery,
- 4. Lack of human and technical capacity,
- Innovative ways of use of social media to promote peace and development; and
- 6. The role of ICTs in promoting gender equality

## E-Apps Dev. Capacity Building



Delegates at the 1st South Sudan ICT Conference. © UNESCO



Ms Martha Chumo (Kenya) leading Panel on Mobile Apps Development. © UNESCO

#### South Sudan Internet Governance Forum

Youth Innovators let by Nelson Kwaje in collaboration with MIC&PS organized and founded the South Sudan Internet Forum (SS-IGF) Conference in Juba

- Recommendations which include among others;
- Equity in ICT development
- Closing the Gender Digital Divide Y
- Youth empowerment and participation in ICT
- Establishment of ICT Universal Services and Access Fund
- ICTs Infrastructure for opening up Rural community and women empowerment

# THANKS



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