









## WIRELESS AFRICA WORKSHOP

25 – 27 June 2008

**CSIR International Convention Centre** Emerald Auditorium, Pretoria, Gauteng

## **Workshop Programme**

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The purpose of the workshop is to promote networking and collaboration amongst potential partners in the Wireless Africa initiative funded by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC).

Our research focus is supporting community based operators to roll out their networks in ways that are financially sustainable and technically appropriate. We are keen to explore new network approaches based on Open Source Software and Hardware plus innovative business models and services.

At the workshop, we would like everyone to share their ideas and then explore how to push back the barriers to access.

	DAY 1 - Wednesday - 25 June 2008
08h00	Registration
08h30	Welcome and formalities
	Kagiso Chikane, Centre Manager – Meraka Institute
08h40	Introduction, Purpose of workshop, format, etc.
	Chris Morris (Meraka Institute) & Adel El Zaim (IDRC)
08h50	Introduction of delegates & project backgrounds
09h10	Overview of the Wireless Africa project
	Wireless Africa vision and project
	Wireless Africa Alliance
10h00	Q & A session and Project discussion
10h20	Tea break
10h40	Presentations: country partners
10h45	Morocco
11h00	Tanzania
11h15	Uganda
11h30	Kenya
11h45	Mozambique
12h00	Zimbabwe
12h15	Zambia
12h30	Angola
12h45	South Africa
13h00	Lunch
14h00	Ghana
14h15	Rwanda
14h30 14h45	Lesotho
	Nigeria
15h00	Somalia Tas brook
15h15 15h35	Tea break
15h35 16h05	Village Telco, Steve Song (Shuttleworth Foundation)
16h55	Partner requirements Day 1 - Workshop Closure
17h00	Networking & discussions
18h00	Dinner
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DAY 2 - Thursday - 26 June 2008

## 08h30 Welcome and formalities, Chris Morris (Meraka Institute) 08h40 Introduction, Purpose of workshop, format, etc. Chris Morris (Meraka Institute) 09h00 Wireless Africa project Discussion of project objectives VoIP in a box (VoIPiab), Alberto Escudero-Pascual and David Rowe 09h20 10h20 Tea break WISP in a box (WISPiab), Sebastian Buettrich 10h40 11h40 Understanding the demand for ICT products and services, Michael Jenkins 12h30 Research – policy, Chris Morris 12h40 Gender, Kathleen Diga 12h50 Localisation, Chris Morris 13h00 Lunch 14h00 Working together to find sustainable business models, Michael Jenkins 14h40 **Overview of Research Methodologies Outcome Mapping & Utilization Focussed Evaluation** (Techniques, tools, methodology) 15h15 Tea break 15h35 Feedback on Questionnaires 16h55 Day 2 - Workshop Closure 17h00 Networking & discussions 18h00 Dinner

DAY 3 - Friday - 27 June 2008		
08h00	Registration	
08h30	Welcome and formalities, Chris Morris (Meraka Institute)	
08h40	Introduction, Purpose of workshop, format, etc.	
	Chris Morris (Meraka Institute)	
09h00	Feedback on presentations	
09h40	Project Implementation	
	Partner requirements	
	Selection of reference sites	
10h20	Tea break	
10h40	Open discussion	
12h20	Wireless Africa Alliance	
12h40	Day 3 - Workshop Closure	

08h00 Registration