



News Release

Intel Collaborates with the Ministry of Education in Côte d'Ivoire for Education Transformation through ICT

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

- Intel and the Ministry of Education in Côte d'Ivoire sign a memorandum of understanding for education transformation through ICT in public schools.
- An exhaustive approach considering all aspects of learning and teaching is brought through Intel's extensive experience in education programs around the world.
- This collaboration feeds both parties common interest to empower today's youth for a knowledge based economy and the nation's sustainable development.

ABIDJAN, June 8, 2016 – In the context of its efforts to transform education through ICT, Intel Corporation represented by Mr. John Galvin, Vice President of the Sales and Marketing Group and General Manager of Intel Education signed today a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Education in Côte d'Ivoire represented by Mrs Kandia Kamissoko Camara in the presence of Mr Daniel Duncan Kablan, Côte d'Ivoire Prime Minister, Mr Robert Beugré Mambé, the Governor of Abidjan and other government officials for projects related to the deployment of 1:1 eLearning solutions in public primary and secondary schools in the country.

This is in line with Intel's vision to promote digital literacy, build innovation capacity in an increasingly smart and connected world and prepare today's students for the global knowledge-based economy. This education transformation initiative falls under the umbrella of the citizen PC program executed by the ministry of ICT through ANSUT (The National Agency of Universal Telecommunication-ICT Services) and supported by Intel. The project is to be accomplished in 2 phases; the first phase will consist of a pilot in selected number of schools to test the suggested solutions and the second phase is to use the pilot results in the development of a master plan for generalizing the 1:1 solution in a national scale.

Intel believes that education transformation can only happen through a comprehensive approach that considers all aspects of the national education system. It addresses the need for policy reform, curriculum & content development, standards and assessment, sustained professional development efforts, information and communications technology, and ongoing research and evaluation to support continuous improvement. This model embodies the best practices that have emerged from Intel's engagements around the world, as well as from education research and best practices in many areas:

- Establishing a policy environment for education reform and technology use

- Transforming curriculum, professional development and assessment in ways that help teachers use technology to support academic excellence and increase individual and national achievement
- Identifying where and how ICT can support the countries' goals
- Advancing individual and national achievement in science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), and other areas that are critical to economic progress

'It is not just about using technology. This is about setting up students for success in an increasingly smart and connected world. It's about expanding opportunities for students, economies, and societies', said Mr John Galvin, VP of the Sales and Marketing Group and General Manager of Intel Education

'We are very happy to collaborate with Intel and believe this is going to contribute to the strategy of ICT integration in education and the development of qualified human resources up to the 21st century challenges' affirmed Mrs Kandia Kamissoko Camara, Minister of National Education in Côte d'Ivoire.

The MoU not only aims at projects transforming education but also modernizing and refreshing Ministry of Education ICT infrastructure and innovation in schools through the promotion of maker programs aiming at putting in the hand of budding entrepreneurs and young student the technology to bring to life unique, smart and connected creations.

This public-private collaboration is in line with Côte d'Ivoire Numeric strategy and with Intel and the Ministry of Education shared interest in the joint deployment and establishment of teaching and learning programs, school and student curricula and educational standards as well as in the development of novel hardware and software solutions allowing expanded access to information at affordable rates, to address the digital divide.

The Intel Education Initiative

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