

TANZANIA COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY



INVITATION TO TANZANIAN YOUTHS TO PARTICIPATE IN ITU TELECOM WORLD 2006, HONG KONG, CHINA, 4 -8 DECEMBER 2006.

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU), the United Nations specialized organization for telecommunications development will hold the world ITU Telecom exhibition and forum in Hong Kong, China from 4 to 8 December 2006. As Tanzania's representative to international communications organizations, the Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority is coordinating Tanzania's participation in the Hong Kong event.

An important part of ITU Telecom World 2006 will be the Youth Forum in which young people from all over the world meet to discuss the development of information and communications technologies and their impact to their respective countries. Tanzanian youths have been participating in ITU Telecoms since 2001. Tanzanian youths participated in ITU Telecom Africa 2001 in Johannesburg, ITU Telecom World 2003 in Geneva and ITU Telecom Africa 2004 in Cairo.

The Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority invites Tanzanian youths to participate in ITU Telecom 2006 and has organized an essay writing competition as the basis on which to select the suitable candidates.

Conditions for eligible participants:

- Tanzanian nationals aged between 18 and 23 by February 2006, who have completed at least two years at national universities or institutions of higher learning in any discipline.
- Ready to travel to Hong Kong between 2 and 8 December 2006
- Working knowledge of English
- Submission of an essay of between 250 and 500 words addressing this question:

If you were a world leader, what information and communications technology (ICT) programme would you establish to improve the lives of people in your country and the world? In other words, what would be your digital vision?

Entries should be submitted in printed hard copy and in floppy diskettes or CD in word format. Candidates should enclose a covering letter forwarded by their respective institutions, two recent passport photographs, proof of age and an e-mail contact.

Selection Procedure

- A national selection panel will select the best four essays by two male and two female candidates and submit them to the ITU headquarters in Geneva.
- ITU will select one male and one female participant

Successful candidates will be fully sponsored by ITU. TCRA will facilitate local logistics.

Deadline:

Entries should be submitted to TCRA latest by 1600 hours on Friday 20 January 2006.

Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

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About TCRA

The Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority (TCRA) is an independent government agency responsible for regulating the communications and broadcasting sectors in Tanzania. It was established under the Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority Act No.12 of 2003 which merged the Tanzania Communications Commission and the Tanzania Broadcasting Commission. TCRA became operational on 1st November, 2003 and has effectively taken over the functions of the two defunct commissions. Specifically the Authority is responsible for enhancing the welfare of Tanzanians through:

- Promotion of effective competition and economic efficiency;
- Protecting the interests of consumers;
- Promoting the availability of regulated services;
- Licensing and enforcing licence conditions of broadcasting, postal and telecommunication operators.
- Establishing standards for regulated goods and services
- Regulating rates and charges (tariffs);
- Managing the radio frequency spectrum;
- Monitoring the performance of the regulated sectors;
- Monitoring the implementation of ICT applications.
- Managing numbering resources

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