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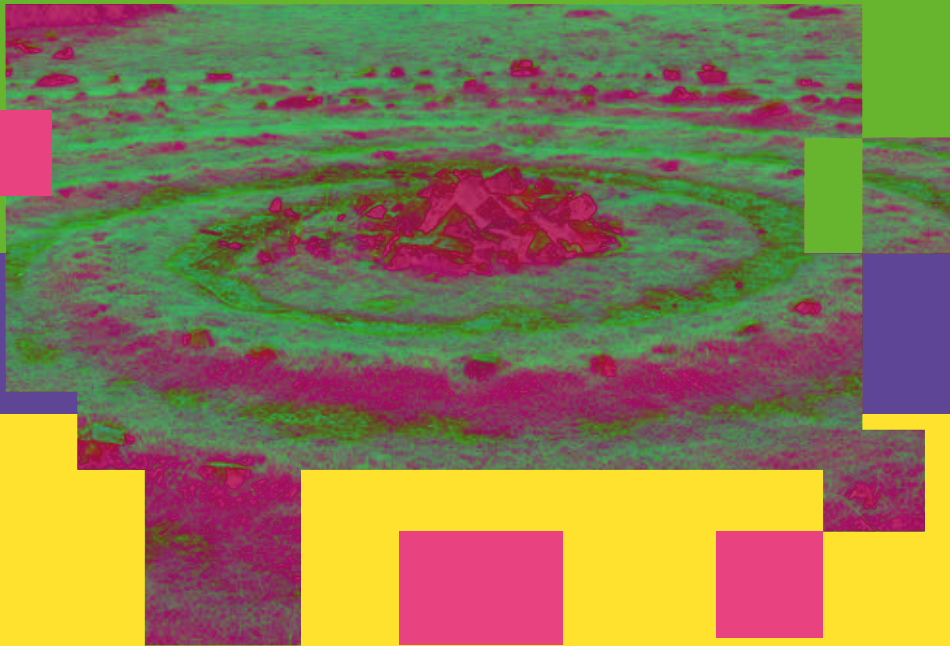
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## Syntropy /ˈsɪntroʊpi/

**meaning:** the tendency toward energy concentration, order, organization, and life, acting as the opposite of entropy (disorder and decay)

The Port Harcourt Tech Expo 2026, themed "Syntropy," marks a pivotal shift from the mere "Emergence" of a tech scene to the intentional engineering of a self-sustaining, high-order ecosystem. Syntropy represents the force of life and organization that counters entropy—the natural tendency toward disorder and fragmentation. For the Niger Delta, this theme serves as a strategic call to action to move beyond isolated innovation and toward a cohesive "Silicon Creek." By focusing on how individual startups, digital infrastructure and talent pipelines can synergize, the expo aims to create a technological environment that generates more economic and social energy than it consumes, transforming raw regional potential into a structured, regenerative power.



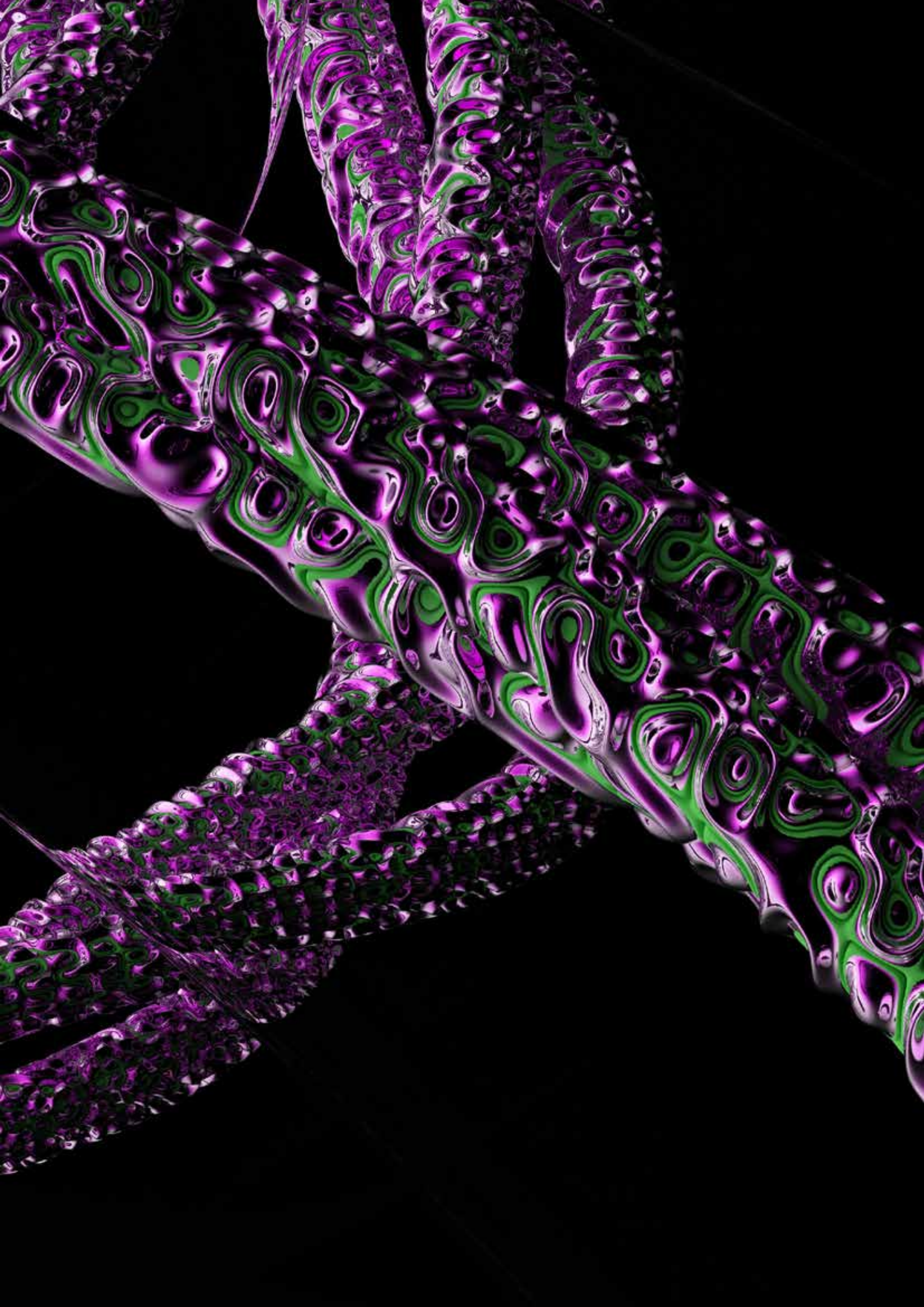
In practice, Syntropy 2026 provides a roadmap for the future through four critical pillars: resilient systems, regenerative solutions, human-AI synergy, and ethical governance. The expo will convene developers, investors and policymakers to transition from building "apps in a vacuum" to designing integrated systems that solve the region's specific challenges in energy, agriculture, and data sovereignty. Through collaborative hackathons and high-level dialogue, the event will demonstrate how technology can act as a unifying force, ensuring that the Port Harcourt ecosystem is not just expanding in size, but evolving in complexity and maturity to become a leading engine for the global digital economy.

## INTRODUCTION

Port Harcourt Tech Expo 2026 is a dynamic and engaging event that seeks to bring together industry experts, thought leaders, and tech enthusiasts from various sectors to explore and discuss the present and future of technology. This expo will serve as a platform for networking, knowledge sharing, and collaboration, fostering innovation and growth within the technology ecosystem in Nigeria, in West Africa and beyond.

Continuous learning is essential in the tech industry. As technology evolves at an increasingly rapid pace, those who don't keep up will quickly fall behind. The most successful professionals are those who are constantly seeking new knowledge and skills."

— Dr. Dario Gil, Senior Vice President and Director of IBM Research



**We are pleased to introduce you to Port Harcourt, the capital city of Rivers State, Nigeria. Port Harcourt is a vibrant and dynamic city with a rich history and a bright future, offering investors a wealth of opportunities across various sectors.**

#### **Strategic Location:**

Port Harcourt is strategically located at the heart of the Niger Delta region, with easy access to the Atlantic Ocean and major transportation hubs. The city is a major commercial, industrial, and educational center, serving as a gateway to Southern Nigeria and the West African sub-region.

#### **A Business-Friendly Environment:**

Rivers State is renowned for its business-friendly environment, characterized by robust infrastructure, favorable government policies, and a skilled workforce. The state government has implemented a range of initiatives aimed at promoting investment, including tax incentives, streamlined business registration processes, and investment programs across various sectors.

#### **Rich Natural Resources:**

Rivers State is endowed with abundant natural resources, including oil and gas, timber, minerals, and fertile land. The state is the largest oil-producing state in Nigeria, with significant reserves of natural gas. The state is also home to abundant agricultural resources, including palm oil, rubber, cocoa, and cassava.

#### **Thriving Economic Sectors:**

Port Harcourt and Rivers State are home to thriving economic sectors across various industries. The state is a hub for the oil and gas industry, with significant investments in exploration, production, and refining. The state also has a vibrant manufacturing sector, including food processing, textile and apparel, and plastics. The tourism sector is another area of potential growth, with the state boasting a rich cultural heritage, natural attractions, and a vibrant nightlife.

#### **Investment Opportunities:**

The investment opportunities in Port Harcourt and Rivers State are diverse and abundant, with potential for substantial returns on investment.

##### **Some of the key investment opportunities include:**

- **Oil and Gas Exploration and Production**
- **Refining and Petrochemicals**
- **Agriculture and Agro-processing**
- **Manufacturing and Industrial Production**
- **Infrastructure Development**
- **Real Estate and Property Development**
- **Tourism and Hospitality**

#### **Dynamic and Growing Tech Ecosystem:**

Port Harcourt is witnessing a rapid rise in technology-driven enterprises, driven by a young and talented pool of entrepreneurs, engineers, and innovators. The city is home to numerous tech hubs, incubators, and co-working spaces that foster collaboration, creativity, and knowledge sharing.

#### **Access to Skilled Talent:**

Port Harcourt is renowned for its exceptional educational institutions, producing a steady stream of qualified graduates in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. This talent pool offers a diverse range of skills and expertise, providing a strong foundation for your tech business to thrive.

#### **Supportive Government Initiatives:**

**The government of Rivers State is committed to creating an enabling environment for tech investments. Various policies, tax incentives, and business-friendly regulations are in place to facilitate ease of doing business, attracting both local and international investors.**

#### **Conclusion:**

In conclusion, Port Harcourt and Rivers State offer investors a conducive environment, rich natural resources, and abundant investment opportunities across various sectors. The state government is committed to creating an enabling environment for investment and fostering sustainable economic growth, making it an attractive destination for local and international investors.

**We invite you to explore the opportunities available in Port Harcourt and Rivers State and partner with us in driving economic growth and development in the region.**



# Dr. Samuel Ogbuku

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# INTRODUCTION

On behalf of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC), I am delighted to extend a warm invitation to you and your esteemed organization to participate in the Port Harcourt Tech Expo, which will take place in the beautiful Niger Delta region. We are proud to support this event, as it aligns with our commitment to encouraging technological advancement in the Niger Delta.

This event aims to bring together technology enthusiasts, innovators, entrepreneurs, and investors from various sectors, fostering collaboration, knowledge-sharing, and the exploration of investment opportunities within the vibrant tech ecosystem of the Niger Delta.

The Niger Delta region, with its rich cultural heritage, breathtaking landscapes, and abundant natural resources, offers a unique and conducive environment for business and investment. As the Niger Delta Development Commission, we have been actively involved in promoting and supporting technological advancements in the region, recognizing the immense potential it holds for economic growth and development.

The Niger Delta is home to a diverse community of skilled professionals, entrepreneurs, and startups, who are driving innovation across various technological fields. In recent years, the region has witnessed remarkable progress in sectors such as information technology, renewable energy, agriculture, healthcare, and infrastructure development. Through targeted initiatives, the Niger Delta Development Commission has played a pivotal role in empowering local talents, fostering an ecosystem that nurtures innovation, and creating an enabling environment for tech advancement.

By attending the Port Harcourt Tech Expo, you will have the opportunity to engage with industry leaders, explore cutting-edge technologies, forge strategic partnerships, and gain valuable insights into the vast potential and investment prospects available within the Niger Delta region. We believe that this event will serve as a catalyst for collaboration, knowledge exchange, and the exploration of investment avenues that can contribute to the sustainable growth and development of the Niger Delta.

We extend our warmest welcome to you and your organization as you embark on this exciting journey in the Niger Delta. We are confident that your participation in the Port Harcourt Tech Expo will be both rewarding and impactful, allowing you to connect with dynamic entrepreneurs, explore innovative solutions, and contribute to the growth of the tech ecosystem in the region.

Together, let us unlock the immense potential of the Niger Delta through technology and innovation. We look forward to welcoming you to the Niger Delta.

**Dr. Samuel Ogbuku**

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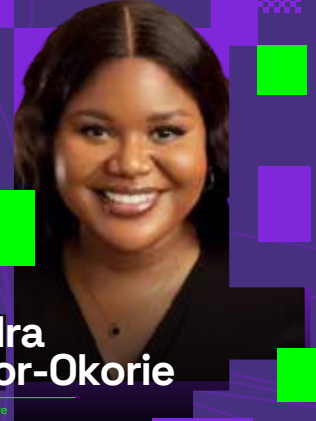
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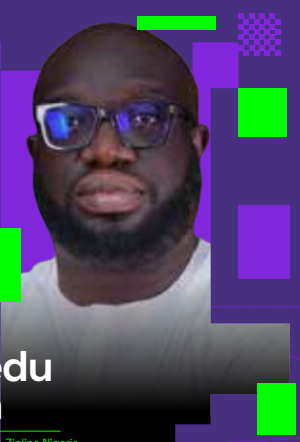
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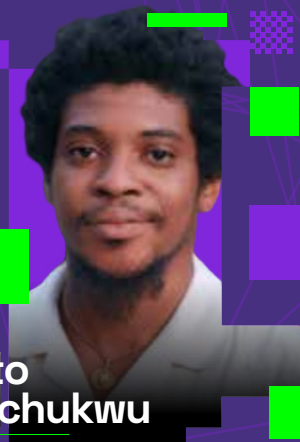
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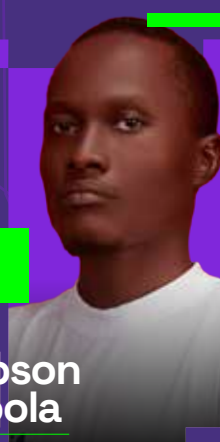
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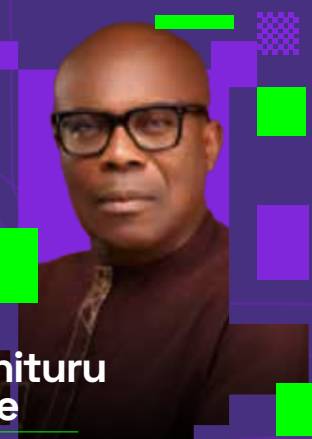
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# SESSION DETAILS

## ENERGY TECH SESSION

## Energizing the Hub: Navigating the Intersection of Hydrocarbons and Electrons

### Problem Statement/Background:

Port Harcourt remains the absolute epicenter of Nigeria's energy landscape, standing at a complex intersection where the multi-billion-dollar legacy of the oil and gas sector meets an urgent, rising demand for modern, reliable electricity access. Historically, this landscape has suffered from extreme structural entropy. The oil and gas value chain is plagued by severe physical leaks from vandalism and commercial inefficiencies, while the centralized national grid remains fragile, leaving small businesses and communities trapped in a cycle of power instability. Furthermore, the region has long relied on imported foreign tech solutions rather than cultivating indigenous industrial software and hardware capacity.

**To achieve Syntropy**—the purposeful, structured alignment of regional resources and systemic efficiency—Port Harcourt must pioneer a dual-pathway energy transition. By deploying advanced technology across both heavy industrial assets and decentralized renewable grids, we can transform fragmented energy infrastructure into a synchronized, self-sustaining powerhouse.

11th/12th JUNE 2026

**Duration:**  
60 minutes

**Session Type:**  
Strategic Dialogue / Panel Discussion

### Session Objectives:

- **Activate Policy as an Ecosystem Catalyst:** Discuss how government frameworks can move past superficial hardware procurement and evolve to focus deeply on curriculum integration, public sector standards, and intensive teacher training.
- **Systematically Map Infrastructure Gaps:** Analyze the deep disparities in tech access between urban and rural areas, identifying specific low-bandwidth or offline Ed-Tech interventions required to reach Nigeria’s massive out-of-school population.
- **Drive the “Parenting Pivot”:** Redefine the domestic environment by transforming the parent’s role from a passive provider of gadgets into an active digital mentor who balances screen time, ensures online safety, and implants early financial and digital literacy.
- **Align Tech to High-Value Human Capital:** Bridge the gap between Ed-Tech platforms and the labor needs of a modern economy, ensuring that children are equipped with the business intelligence and technical skills necessary to produce and own their futures.

### Key Takeaways:

#### Participants will leave the session with:

- **The Regulatory Policy Roadmap:** A clear framework detailing the macro-level regulatory changes and public sector standards needed to support and sustain a tech-driven national education system.
- **The Ed-Tech Gap Matrix:** A comprehensive awareness of the specific hardware, software, and pedagogical voids that indigenous developers and startups must target to resolve regional inequities.
- **The Parental Mentorship Toolkit:** Actionable, practical frameworks and strategies for parents to transition into effective mentors, establishing healthy boundaries and teaching digital citizenship.
- **The Economic Alignment Blueprint:** Concrete insights into designing educational outcomes that directly convert a massive youth population into a highly skilled, high-value labor force.

### Why This Session is Important for Port Harcourt:

Port Harcourt stands as a critical socio-cultural hub, home to a surging, highly dynamic population dominated by Gen Z and Gen Alpha. For the Niger Delta—a region where economic self-determination and digital sovereignty are paramount—education cannot remain tied to outdated, passive models. Leaving youth digital development unguided or dependent on imported, non-contextual foreign tech is an explicit threat to long-term regional stability and local industrial growth.

### This session fundamentally changes that dynamic for Port Harcourt in two vital ways:

- **Incentivizing Localized Design for Social Good:** Rather than relying on imported educational solutions that fail to reflect local language and cultural contexts, this session challenges regional tech founders to build systems engineered for the specific infrastructure realities of Rivers State. It shifts the focus toward building “local-first” platforms that address the millions of children left out of the formal economy.
- **Cultivating the Home as a Sanctuary for Innovation:** In alignment with the “Third Space” philosophy of creating ethical, structured environments for community stewardship, this session redefines the domestic sphere. It empowers Port Harcourt’s parents to become active curators of their children’s technological journeys. By equipping the next generation with business intelligence and digital literacy at home, the session provides the exact blueprint needed to turn a young demographic into a self-reliant, high-value producer class capable of driving Nigeria’s digital sovereignty.

## EDTECH SESSION

## Beyond the Screen: Architecting Nigeria's Ed-Tech Ecosystem

### Problem Statement/Background:

Nigeria is currently facing a monumental education crisis, with over 10 million children out of school. While technology offers a powerful bridge to close this gap, its introduction has historically been fragmented and superficial. Ed-Tech is too often treated as a mere “bolt-on” accessory or an exercise in basic hardware procurement, rather than being woven into a modernized curriculum. This structural leakage—compounded by severe infrastructure gaps between urban and rural areas—creates educational entropy, where children passively consume foreign media instead of building high-value, productive skills.

To achieve Syntropy—the intentional, structured alignment of policy, innovation, and domestic mentorship—the region must move from simply “consuming” technology to architecting an integrated educational ecosystem. We must bridge the gap between public sector frameworks, local software development, and active parental guidance to build resilient human capital.

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## AGRITECH SESSION

## Closing the Loop: Circular Agritech for Niger Delta's Food Security

### Problem Statement/Background:

The Niger Delta region faces severe and highly specific agricultural challenges, driven by intense land scarcity from industrial activities and the heavy environmental toll of traditional linear food production. This legacy of extraction and fragmented value chains creates economic and environmental entropy, leading to high post-harvest losses and structural threats to local food security. To move toward Syntropy—the purposeful, structured alignment of resources and ecological rejuvenation—the region must transition from basic subsistence models to resilient Circular Food Systems. By deliberately leveraging modern Agritech innovations, the ecosystem can design out waste, keep valuable resources in continuous use, and rebuild long-term local food resilience.

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**Duration:**  
60 minutes

**Session Type:**  
Strategic Dialogue / Panel Discussion

### Session Objectives:

- **Define Regional Circularity:** Clarify the exact parameters of circular food systems engineered specifically for the unique ecology and economic realities of the Niger Delta.
- **Identify Technological Catalysts:** Showcase how advanced Agritech innovations—including IoT-enabled tracking, AI, bio-conversion technologies, and precision data systems—can systematically transform agricultural “waste” into premium assets like organic fertilizer and animal feed.
- **Combat Post-Harvest Loss:** Analyze and deploy digital marketplace solutions and data-driven storage platforms designed to stop food and value from leaking out of the supply chain prematurely.
- **Build Ecosystem Scale:** Blueprint the collaborative frameworks required among Agritech startups, traditional farming cooperatives, and regional government bodies to scale circular models across Rivers State.

### Key Takeaways:

#### Participants will leave the session with:

- **The Circular Agritech Toolkit:** A collection of actionable, localized tech solutions that SMEs and producers can immediately integrate to minimize operational waste and optimize crop yields.
- **Regional Resource Mapping:** A clear framework detailing how existing industrial and agricultural waste streams can be recovered, recycled, and repurposed directly for sustainable food production.
- **The Partnership Roadmap:** A concrete pathway designed to bridge the gap between technological developers, supply chain specialists, and traditional agricultural cooperatives.
- **The Sustainability Mindset Shift:** A total narrative transformation, empowering stakeholders to stop viewing local environmental constraints as barriers, and instead treat them as the ultimate drivers for high-tech, circular innovation.

### Why This Session is Important for Port Harcourt:

Port Harcourt sits at the heart of a region where the consequences of an extractive, linear economy are most visible. Securing the food supply for Port Harcourt and its surrounding communities is no longer just an agricultural concern; it is a critical matter of digital and ecological sovereignty. Relying on vulnerable, long-distance supply chains to feed a rapidly expanding urban population is an unsustainable model that leaves the city exposed to constant economic shocks.

### This session changes that dynamic by introducing a “local-first” paradigm built on design for social good:

- **Turning Environmental Tensions into Economic Power:** Instead of treating the Niger Delta’s land constraints as a dead end, this session provides the blueprint to transform industrial and agricultural byproducts into localized wealth. It empowers local youth and digital builders to lead the transition into sustainable, high-tech food security.
- **Establishing a Sanctuary for Regenerative Innovation:** In alignment with the “Third Space” philosophy of creating ethical, community-driven environments, this framework positions Port Harcourt not merely as an oil and gas hub, but as Nigeria’s leading laboratory for circular industrial policy. It equips regional tech founders with the tools to turn ecological challenges into competitive advantages, ultimately positioning the Niger Delta as a future leader in sustainable food systems.

## FINTECH SESSION

# The Digital & Ethical Finance Frontier: Accelerating SMEs in a Tech-Driven Nigeria

## Problem Statement/Background:

Nigeria's economic landscape is undergoing a massive digital shift, yet small and medium enterprises (SMEs) continue to face severe friction regarding liquidity, high-interest debt, and traditional barriers to capital. While rapid fintech innovation provides high-speed infrastructure for seamless commerce, it often operates in isolation from value-based financing. Concurrently, Non-Interest Banking offers a resilient, partnership-driven approach to financing that aligns with long-term asset-backed growth, but it requires digital acceleration to reach scale.

Left unaddressed, this fragmentation creates economic entropy—where small businesses are caught between high-interest lending traps and fragmented payment systems. To achieve Syntropy—the purposeful alignment and structured energy of our ecosystem—we must bridge the gap between fintech speed and ethical financial frameworks.

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**Duration:**  
60 minutes

**Session Type:**  
Strategic Dialogue / Panel Discussion

### Session Objectives:

- **Innovate Payments:** Showcase how advanced fintech tools (localized checkout, embedded finance, automated reconciliation) drastically reduce operational friction and stabilize daily liquidity for local ventures.
- **Demystify Non-Interest Banking:** Clarify how asset-backed, non-interest models function within a modern digital layer, demonstrating why a risk-sharing partnership model is inherently more resilient for early-stage and tech-driven startups.
- **Bridge the Strategic Gap:** Identify the precise intersection points where digital payment speed meets ethical financial architecture to design superior, community-centered financial products.
- **Deliver an Actionable Roadmap:** Provide tech founders and business owners with a clear blueprint to optimize their digital footprints, making them immediately eligible for capital and institutional partnerships.

### Key Takeaways:

#### Participants will leave the session with:

- **The Syntropic Toolkit:** A curated guide mapping specific fintech payment solutions and non-interest financial instruments directly to distinct SME growth stages.
- **The Partnership Paradigm Shift:** A total mindset transformation, moving attendees away from viewing financial institutions as predatory gatekeepers and toward treating them as collaborative growth partners.
- **The “Finance-Ready” Blueprint:** A concrete eligibility checklist detailing exactly what modern ethical lenders and fintech partners look for in an enterprise’s transaction data, digital footprint, and operational governance.
- **Ecosystem Connectivity Map:** Immediate awareness of available regional networks, accelerators, and blended finance frameworks that actively bridge the gap between grassroots commerce and institutional capital.

### Why This Session is Important for Port Harcourt:

Port Harcourt sits at a critical socio-economic crossroads. As the economic anchor of the Niger Delta, the city boasts an incredibly resilient, high-potential merchant class and a surging demographic of youth digital builders (Gen Z and Gen Alpha). However, traditional centralized banking structures have historically underserved this market, favoring extractive industries over grassroots innovation.

### Bringing this session to the Port Harcourt Tech Expo changes the narrative in two vital ways:

- **Localizing Digital Sovereignty:** It shifts the conversation from merely adopting generic tech tools to establishing true economic autonomy for Niger Delta enterprises. By mastering localized payment infrastructure and ethical capital, regional businesses can self-determine their growth without relying on distant financial hubs.
- **Building a Sanctuary for Commerce:** In alignment with the “Third Space” philosophy of creating secure, collaborative environments for community stewardship, this session reframes finance as a tool for social good. It provides Port Harcourt’s tech ecosystem with the exact blueprint needed to turn fragmented market activities into a structured, regenerative, and self-sustaining economic powerhouse.

## MEDTECH SESSION

## Disrupting Nigeria's Primary Healthcare Crisis: Technology as a Catalyst for Primary Care Reform

### Problem Statement/Background:

Nigeria's primary healthcare centers (PHCs) serve as the absolute frontline of the health system, yet they remain severely paralyzed by systemic, interconnected challenges. Deep structural crises—including inadequate infrastructure, critical skilled-staff shortages, inconsistent drug supply chains, and completely fragmented data collection—have broken the continuity of care. This breakdown introduces severe entropy into regional public health, making healthcare delivery reactive, inefficient, and inaccessible to those who need it most.

To achieve Syntropy—the intentional, structured alignment of resources to create a resilient ecosystem—we must move past these fragmented systemic failures. By bringing public health experts and tech developers together into a unified framework, we can deploy targeted Med-Tech innovations to transform broken systems into optimized, self-sustaining networks of care.

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Strategic Dialogue / Panel Discussion

### Session Objectives:

- **Dissect Core Structural Realities:** Critically analyze the specific operational and funding challenges currently paralyzing Primary Health Care (PHC) delivery in Nigeria, with a localized focus on the realities within Rivers State.
- **Deploy Targeted Med-Tech Catalysts:** Identify and map out how specific medical technologies—such as telemedicine, remote patient monitoring, mobile diagnostics, and logistics optimization tools—can directly overcome acute staff shortages, weak facility infrastructure, and persistent drug supply gaps.
- **Formulate Sustainable Scalability Models:** Explore and build the sustainable funding models, private-sector investment pathways, and public policy frameworks necessary to scale PHC-focused tech innovations across diverse communities.
- **Transition from Reactive to Preventive Care:** Evaluate and deploy digital health solutions, electronic medical records (EMRs), and centralized patient data management systems to radically improve community health outreach, transparency, and proactive preventive care.

### Key Takeaways:

#### Participants will leave the session with:

- **The Med-Tech Deployment Toolkit:** A compilation of practical, localized examples and operational strategies demonstrating how medical technology is currently driving efficiency and solving real-world friction in Nigerian healthcare.
- **The Digital Health Value Matrix:** A clear, data-driven understanding of the tangible benefits that digital health integration delivers to both underserved patients and overburdened healthcare providers. The
- **Policy & Investment Roadmap:** Strategic insights into navigating regional public health policy frameworks and capitalizing on high-impact investment opportunities within the emerging African Med-Tech sector.
- **The Resilient Infrastructure Blueprint:** Actionable strategies for seamlessly integrating patient data systems and decentralized technology layers into the physical, core infrastructure of regional health centers.

### Why This Session is Important for Port Harcourt:

Healthcare is the ultimate foundation of human capital. For Port Harcourt and the wider Niger Delta—a region marked by unique environmental pressures and stark socio-economic disparities—building a resilient health network is a non-negotiable prerequisite for digital and civic sovereignty. When primary health centers fail, the resulting economic shockwaves destabilize families, deplete small business productivity, and hit the region’s dominant Gen Z and Gen Alpha youth demographics the hardest.

### This session changes the paradigm for Port Harcourt in two profound ways:

- **Designing Healthcare as a Social Sanctuary:** In perfect alignment with the “Third Space” philosophy of creating ethical, community-centered environments for stewardship, this session reframes the PHC not just as a clinic, but as a reliable sanctuary for community well-being. It leverages technology to restore public trust, ensuring transparency, equity, and reliability within the local health system.
- **Pioneering Decentralized Industrial Health Policy:** Rather than waiting for centralized, top-down federal overhauls that rarely account for regional nuances, this session empowers Port Harcourt’s surging tech ecosystem to collaborate directly with local healthcare administrators. By designing and deploying “local-first” Med-Tech infrastructure right here in Rivers State, we establish a scalable blueprint for self-determination and health resilience that can be exported across all geopolitical zones.

## LAWTECH SESSION

# Law In The Digital Age: Balancing Innovation With Accountability

## Problem Statement/Background:

Africa at large and Nigeria specifically are active participants in the rapid wave of global tech innovations, spanning artificial intelligence, blockchain, fintech, programming, and data analytics. Because every dimension of technology inherently involves human relations, human beings remain the ultimate users and consumers of these innovations. This creates an urgent structural demand to ensure that citizen rights are protected, digital consumption remains legally and ethically safe, and commercial transactions between business partners and consumers are soundly regulated.

Without balanced oversight, rapid technological growth risks collapsing into legal and ethical entropy—characterized by data privacy violations, unprotected intellectual property, and a reliance on imported software that ignores local contexts. To achieve Syntropy—the purposeful, structured alignment of innovation with societal well-being—the ecosystem must balance technological speed with legal accountability.

11th/12th JUNE 2026

**Duration:**  
60 minutes

**Session Type:**  
Strategic Dialogue / Panel Discussion

### Session Objectives:

- **Demystify Data Protection Frameworks:** Provide deep insights into relevant data protection and cybersecurity laws, emphasizing their practical operational requirements and the severe consequences of neglecting compliance.
- **Navigate Ethical and Regulatory Hurdles:** Analyze the complex legal and ethical challenges posed by emerging digital technologies within Nigeria, establishing clear boundary lines for safe technological expansion.
- **Empower Creators and Users:** Enlighten tech consumers on how to protect their digital rights, while teaching tech innovators and startups how to aggressively defend their intellectual property.
- **Modernize the Administration of Justice:** Emphasize the strategic importance of legal frameworks in the tech space and explore the systematic incorporation of technology within the judicial system and dispute resolution.

### Key Takeaways:

#### Participants will leave the session with:

- **The Compliance and Trust Framework:** A comprehensive understanding of how to navigate the complex legal landscape, mitigate systemic risks, and foster a marketplace of digital compliance and consumer trust.
- **The Innovator's IP Playbook:** Actionable strategies for founders and creators to identify, claim, and take full advantage of underutilized intellectual property rights.
- **The Consumer Rights and Remedies Matrix:** Clear awareness of data privacy protections, examples of local big-tech violations, and the specific legal remedies available when consumer data is breached.
- **The Tech-Legal Partnership Map:** Concrete recommendations on how tech experts and startups can systematically identify and source specialized commercial, data privacy, and legal tech lawyers.

### Why This Session is Important for Port Harcourt:

Port Harcourt is rapidly solidifying its position as one of Nigeria's most vibrant technology hubs, driven by an ambitious demographic of young developers, startup founders, and digital builders. However, as local startups scale from regional projects into national and cross-border commercial systems, they face an invisible wall of regulatory hurdles, digital trade agreements, and complex corporate vulnerabilities. For the Niger Delta tech ecosystem, achieving true digital and economic sovereignty requires more than just writing code; it demands mastering the legal architecture that protects that code.

### This session changes the paradigm for Port Harcourt in two profound ways:

- **Transitioning from Passive Consumption to Systemic Design:** Too often, African markets default to importing generic, foreign digital solutions that fail to provide real local answers or align with local laws. This session explicitly challenges Port Harcourt's innovators to build "local-first," Nigerian-oriented digital products engineered to solve local problems within a secure, ethical framework.
- **Establishing the Courtroom and Classroom as Sanctuaries:** In direct alignment with the "Third Space" philosophy of creating collaborative, ethical environments for community stewardship, this session reframes the law as a shield for social good rather than an administrative barrier. By training Port Harcourt's tech ecosystem to integrate legal counsel early into business modeling, it ensures regional startups are structured for long-term survival, investment compliance, and global expansion.

## SPECIAL SESSION

## Advancing Digital Transformation for Sustainable Development: Aligning South-South ICT Strategies with WSIS+20, the Global Digital Compact, SDGs 2030, and Africa 2063 Agenda

### Problem Statement/Background:

The World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) +20 outcome document and the Global Digital Compact (GDC) establish clear global mandates for an inclusive, people-centered digital transformation, prioritizing universal connectivity, robust data governance, and open innovation. However, within Nigeria's South-South region, digital transformation efforts remain highly fragmented across state lines. Individual states face diverse socio-economic complexities and infrastructural gaps that isolate local technological advancements from broader macro-level milestones like the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs 2030) and the African Union's Agenda 2063.

Without coordinated regional policy integration, the South-South zone suffers from strategic and technological entropy—characterized by redundant infrastructure projects, inconsistent digital governance, and localized regulatory environments that stifle regional scale. To achieve Syntropy—the purposeful, structured alignment of policy and shared cross-border networks—regional governance must actively synchronize state-level ICT plans into a unified digital transformation framework.

11th/12th JUNE 2026

**Duration:**  
60 minutes

**Session Type:**  
Strategic Dialogue / Panel Discussion

### Session Objectives:

- **Contextualize Global Digital Compacts:** Translate and ground the international objectives and commitments of WSIS+20 and the Global Digital Compact (GDC) to fit the unique structural realities of South-South Nigeria.
- **Embed ICT in Development Plans:** Explore actionable pathways for ICT/STI Commissioners and Advisers to seamlessly integrate digital infrastructure policies into their respective state-level development architectures.
- **Forge Deep Regional Collaboration:** Foster institutional cooperation among South-South states (Akwa Ibom, Bayelsa, Cross River, Delta, Edo, and Rivers) to build shared regional strategies for digital inclusion, innovation, and ecosystem resilience.
- **Formulate State-Level Policy Guidelines:** Identify priority sub-national ICT interventions that directly advance SDGs 2030 and Agenda 2063, yielding concrete, actionable policy recommendations for state executives.

### Key Takeaways:

#### Participants will leave the session with:

- **The Global Framework Alignment Matrix:** Enhanced awareness and localized understanding of global digital frameworks and how they govern modern infrastructure, data sharing, and public sector tech integration.
- **The Shared South-South ICT Roadmap:** A comprehensive, collaborative blueprint mapping out ICT-driven sustainable development specifically designed for the South-South geopolitical zone.
- **The Sub-National Policy Playbook:** A curated set of actionable recommendations tailored for state governments to establish harmonized regulatory standards and digital frameworks.
- **The Port Harcourt Digital Declaration:** Adoption and clear strategic understanding of a foundational regional manifest (The Port Harcourt Digital Declaration I) targeting cross-border peer learning and unified digital development.

### Why This Session is Important for Port Harcourt:

Port Harcourt stands as the primary economic engine and cultural heart of the South-South region. As the city hosts the PHTech Expo, it is uniquely positioned to lead the conversation on transitioning the Niger Delta from a hub of resource extraction into a powerhouse of digital industrial policy. For decades, the states in this geopolitical zone have operated in policy silos, missing the opportunity to leverage their collective data, merchant classes, and youth demographic (Gen Z and Gen Alpha) to assert collective digital and regional sovereignty.

### This session changes the paradigm for Port Harcourt in two profound ways:

- **Pioneering “Local-First” Sub-National Diplomacy:** Rather than passively waiting for federal ICT directives that may fail to account for regional nuances, this session brings together the political and technical leadership of all six South-South states right here in Port Harcourt. It provides the platform to design cross-border digital frameworks, positioning the South-South zone as Nigeria’s definitive leader in localized digital transformation.
- **Structuring a Governance Sanctuary for the Ecosystem:** In direct alignment with the “Third Space” philosophy of building ethical, collaborative spaces for community stewardship, this session bridges the gap between grassroots tech developers and state policy executives. By actively codifying the Port Harcourt Digital Declaration I during the event, the session ensures that Port Harcourt isn’t just a place where technology is displayed, but the exact location where the future laws, protections, and public-private structures governing Nigeria’s digital future are actively architected.

## Day 1 -11th Of June, 2026

Guests Arrival, Registration, Networking

Opening Prayer / Welcome Address By Joyce Daniels

National Anthem

Declaration /Keynote By MD,NDDC Dr Samuel Ogbuku

Goodwill Message By National Information & Technology Development

Goodwill Message By Permanent Secretary (ICT), Rivers State

Goodwill Message By CEO Of Hyprep, Prof N. Zabbey

Keynote Address By NITDA

Edtech	Sandra Owhor-Okorie	Session Setting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ominini Adah (Mod)</li> <li>• Eliezer Ajah</li> <li>• Sam Ogeh</li> <li>• Enobasi Emah</li> </ul>	Panel Discussion
Q & A For The Panelists - Taken By Mod		
Cyber Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Jimson Olufuye</li> <li>• Dr. Robinson Tombari Sibe</li> </ul>	Session Setting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zubi Wokocha (Mod)</li> <li>• Onwo Lewis C.</li> </ul>	Panel Discussion
Q & A For The Panelists - Taken By Mod		
Agric Tech	Chinedu Amah (Mod)	Panel Discussion
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ucheyeshua Chugbo</li> <li>• Dr. Taiwo Alabi</li> </ul>	
Rise Vest		
Alliance Francaise		
<p><b>Mr Chuks Okpaka</b>  <b>Syntropy In Practice: Building Collaborative Intelligence Ecosystems Across The Niger Delta.</b></p>		
Creative Economy	Juliet David West (Mod)	Panel Discussion
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rita Awuri Chindah</li> <li>• Innocent Chikezie</li> <li>• Somtochukwu Ajulochukwu</li> <li>• Kalada Briggs</li> </ul>	
Q & A For The Panelists - Taken By Mod		
After Party		

## Day 2 - 12th Of June, 2026

Guests Arrival, Registration, Networking

National Anthem

Opening Remarks By Joyce Daniels

Keynote Address By Dr Daere Akobo

Legal Tech	Smart Okpara (Mod)	Session Setting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uchechi Ofoegbu</li> <li>• Senator Ihenyen</li> <li>• Victoria Imoh</li> </ul>	Panel Discussion
Energy Tech	Igo Weli	Session Setting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obiora Okafor (Mod)</li> <li>• Chibueze Ekeh</li> <li>• Engr. Obinna Okeke</li> <li>• Prisca Ezuzu</li> </ul>	Panel Discussion
Q & A For The Panelists - Taken By Mod		
Med Tech	Chinedu Amah	Session Setting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Chinonso Egemba</li> <li>• Dr. Chinweuba Nwugha</li> <li>• Dr Chituru Adele</li> <li>• Dr. Daniel Okachi</li> </ul>	Panel Discussion
Q & A For The Panelists - Taken By Mod		
Fin Tech	Jekwu Ozoemene	Session Setting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Edevbie Vuaye Ikenna</li> <li>• Chinedu Amah</li> <li>• Joshua Chibueze</li> <li>• Eneyi Obi</li> </ul>	Panel Discussion
Q & A For The Panelists - Taken By Mod		
Fireside Chat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1. Dr Darren Akobo</li> <li>• 2. Dr. Igo Weli</li> <li>• 3. Dr. Chinonso Egemba</li> <li>• 4. Dr. Tombari Sibe</li> <li>• 5. Obiora Okafor</li> <li>• 6. Emi Oyibo</li> </ul>	
Breakout Session	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Advancing Digital Transformation for Sustainable Development: Aligning South-South ICT Strategies with WSIS+20, the Global Digital Compact, SDGs 2030, and Africa 2063 Agenda</b></li> <li>2. Pitch with Precision: Communicating Your Tech Solution to Non-Technical Audiences - Joyce Daniels</li> <li>3. <b>Staying Relevant :How to Future- Proof Your Career Before Someone Else Does It For You - Eliezer Ejah</b></li> <li>4. Job Market Readiness - Inyene Ikpe</li> </ol>	
Hackathon Winner / Tech Pitch Winner Announcements		
Raffle Draw		
Closing Remarks / Vote Of Thanks / After Party		

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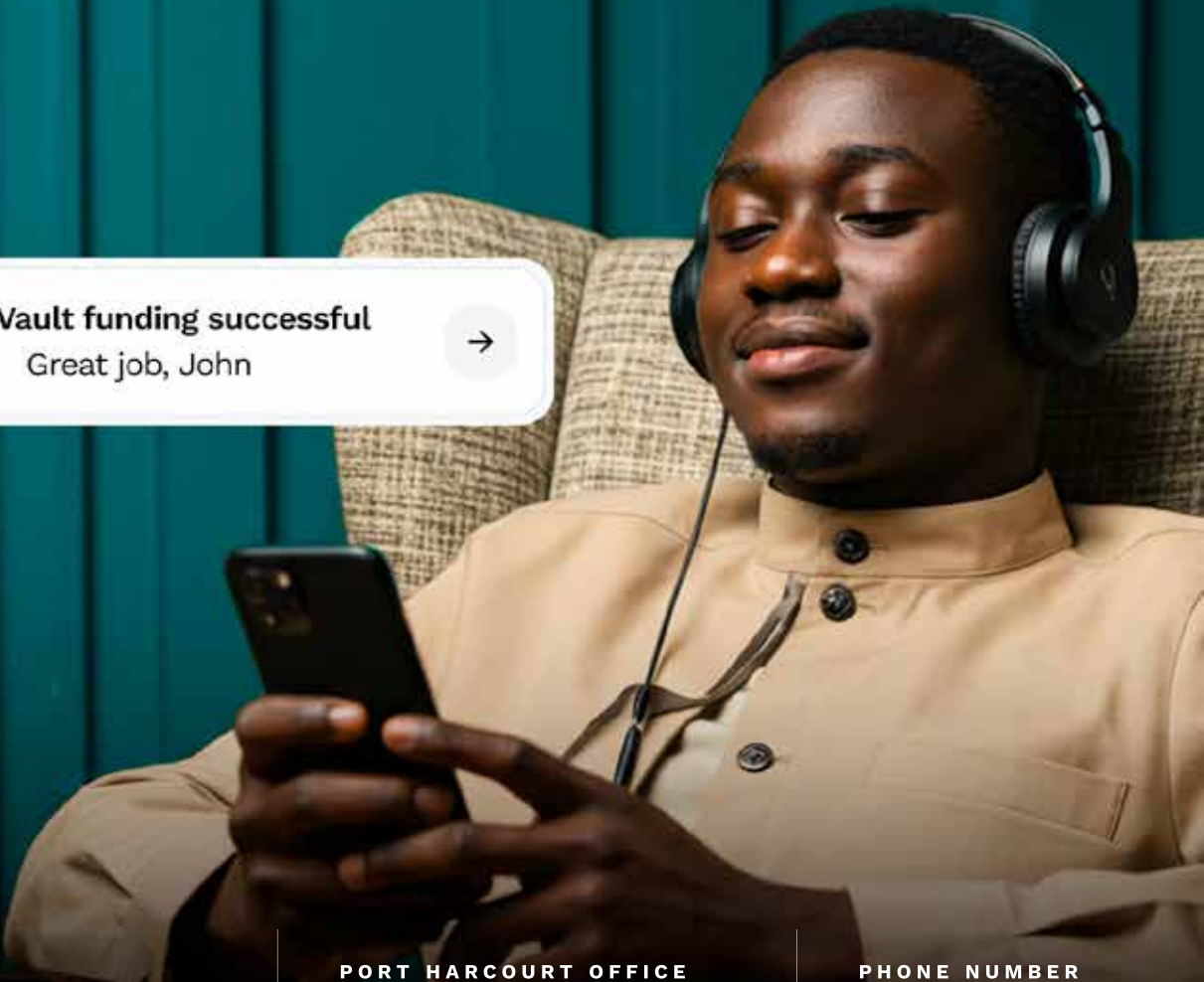
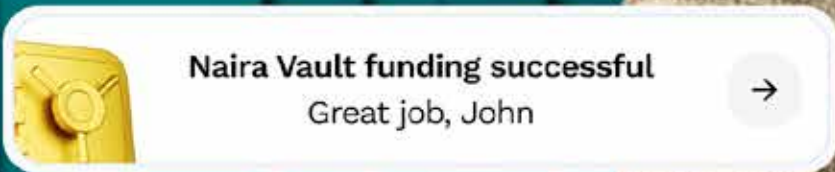


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