



Harnessing the Power of Data for the Sustainable Development Goals

Conference in Numbers:

- 1000+ attendees
- 4 days
- 10 Organizing Partners
- 30+ Sponsor & Exhibitors
- 350+ Speakers
- 8 unique Conference Tracks

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Objective & Background

Objective

The Ninth ICT4D Conference brings together public, private and civil society organizations from across the humanitarian and international development community. Participants share how they've used innovations in technology to increase the impact of their work. Highly interactive and hands-on, the conference attracts a diverse audience of technical advisors, executives, and others who offer a range of practical insights on applying technology to development, humanitarian, and conservation challenges.

This Year's Focus: Sustainable Development Goals

The ICT4D Conference is a dynamic multi-disciplinary gathering of inspiring leaders, thought-provoking speakers, and engaged participants from around the world to **explore how innovation in technology is making a measurable difference** in millions of people's lives. This year's focus is on using data to accelerate achievement of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals – creating a healthy, prosperous and just world.

Hyderabad International Convention Centre

Hyderabad is known as a hub of emerging information technology and telecommunication innovations, with an estimated population of around 8 million it is the 4th largest city in India.

Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC) is an award-winning, state-of-the-art convention facility with 6480 square meters of space, world-class communications and audio-visual services, a 5-star banqueting service and over 40 rooms designed to host breakout sessions.

Background

The ICT4D Conference was founded in 2010 by Catholic Relief Services, and has grown each year to become an invaluable opportunity for NGOs, Private Sector organizations, governmental agencies, foundations and universities to exchange their experiences in using ICT for development and humanitarian programs and learn from each other.

Following the ratification of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, the 2016 ICT4D conference in Nairobi, Kenya, gave over 750 senior executives, program managers and ICT experts an opportunity to explore how digital solutions are enabling the achievement of these goals. The 2017 conference will focus on harnessing the power of data to accelerate progress toward the SDGs and increase the impact of our programs.



Expertise

Speakers at the ICT4D Conference 2017 in Hyderabad include:



Jayant Sinha
Minister of Civil Aviation
Government of India



Rebecca Moore
Director of Engineering,
Google Earth, Earth
Engine & Earth Outreach,
Google



Schuyler Thorup,
Executive Vice President,
Overseas Operations,
Catholic Relief Services

- Neil Sahota, IBM Master Inventor, IBM Watson Group
- Lauren Woodman, Chief Executive Officer, NetHope
- Amit Jain, President, Uber India (*tbc*)
- Cherian Thomas, Chief Executive Officer, World Vision India
- Kate Wilson, Chief Executive Officer, Digital Impact Alliance (DIAL)
- Dr. Kyriacos M. Koupparis, Regional Science, Technology and Innovation Advisor, Asia, United States Agency for International Development (USAID) (*tbc*)
- Anil Bhansali, Managing Director, Microsoft India (R&D), General Manager, Cloud and Enterprise, Microsoft India Development Center
- Frederic Pivetta, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, Dalberg Data Insights
- Radha Basu, Chief Executive Officer, iMerit Technology Services
- Chuck Conley, Non-profit and Global Organizations Account Manager, Environmental Systems Research Institute (Esri)
- Dr. David Bergvinson, Director General, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)
- Dipak Basu, Chief Executive Officer, Anudip Foundation
- Michael Duggan, Chief Information Officer (Global), Oxfam International

For a full list of plenary speakers, please visit
<http://www.ict4dconference.org>



Agenda

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The top themes of the plenary sessions:

- **The impact of digital transformation on development**
- **Innovations in data visualization and analytics**
- **Enablers and barriers to open data sharing**
- **Frontier solutions and their contribution to meeting the Sustainable Development Goals**

Plus, chose sessions from eight parallel Conference Tracks:

- **Agriculture**
- **Health**
- **Education, Livelihoods**
- **Disaster Management**
- **Digital Financial Services**
- **Partnerships & Cross Sector Solutions**
- **Data-driven Adaptation/ Strategy**
- **Executive Session** (Wednesday 17 May)

Furthermore the conference program includes:

- **“Birds of a feather” sessions** gathering like-minded attendees to network and exchange ideas in an informal setting
- **Press event** with representatives of regional and international media, ICT4D publications
- **Exhibit hall** demonstrating the latest product innovations and services
- **Map gallery** illustrating results from development initiatives
- **Post-conference field trip** (details TBC)



Audience

1000+ attendees consisting of:

C-level executives, senior managers, program leaders, field officers, IT/data managers, and senior technical advisors from disciplines ranging from agriculture, health, education, conservation and disaster management to information and communications technology, data management, GIS/mapping, and financial services.

Representatives of regional and international non-governmental organizations (NGOs), civil society and community-based organizations, private sector companies, multilateral and governmental agencies, academic and research institutions, development banks, and aid and development funding organizations.

2016 Conference Attendees

- ✓ Came from 76 different countries, 70% from the Global South
- ✓ Represented over 300 organizations: 54% NGOs, 22% Private Sector, 11% academic and research institutions, 11% multi-lateral & government organizations
- ✓ Specialized in a wide range of disciplines (63% development specialists, 37% IT specialists)
- ✓ Evenly split between senior technical advisors and managers (11% C-Level executives and VPs)

Why should I attend?

Share your ICT4D experience, showcase your work, learn from your colleagues, and engage in a cross-sector discussion regarding implementation challenges and best practices. This year's conference offers a unique, hands-on opportunity to explore how people around the world are using ICT4D to:

- enhance program quality
- improve decision-making
- increase impact and
- accelerate progress toward the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.

Speaking, exhibiting, sponsoring, and attending the conference are all opportunities to demonstrate your commitment to the strategic use of technology in international development and humanitarian relief efforts. **Don't miss this hands-on opportunity to contribute your experience, ideas, and solutions.**

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