

Nigeria frets over Kenya ICT

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TechCentral wraps up the week's major technology news from around the African continent.

There are fears that Nigeria is being left behind in information and communications technology (ICT) development after US computer services giant <u>IBM elected</u> to build its first research laboratory in Kenya rather than in the more populous West African state.

...Namibia deploys 4G/LTE network

Namibia's largest mobile operator, MTC, has launched that country's first fourth-generation network using long-term evolution (LTE) technology. The network covers Windhoek, Namibia's capital city.

... Tigo to upgrade network

Tanzanian mobile phone operator Tigo plans to spend \$100m upgrading its network and installing base stations in various parts of the country.

...Sim-card registration in Zambia

Zambia has become the latest African country to require mobile phone users to register their Sim cards. The move is led by the Zambian Information and Communications Technology Authority to "enhance security in the telecommunications sector and protect subscribers from hackers", according to a report in the *Daily Mail* newspaper.

Read the <u>full story</u> on <u>www.techcentral.co.za</u>.

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