

# Africa Technology Awards nominees announced

Following the Digital Marketing summit in Nairobi, the [Afri-Tech Group](#) is set to host the 2012 [Afri-Tech Technology & Digital Summit](#) in Johannesburg, South Africa from 14-16 May 2012. The summit will culminate with the Africa Technology Awards which aims to recognise excellence in African technology.



The three-day summit, to be held at the Sandton Convention Centre in Johannesburg, will be attended by some of the most innovative minds of 21st century, in collaboration with the most acclaimed innovators and strategists in the fields of health, education, science and technology and digital marketing as well as business luminaries, philanthropists, government decision makers and some of the largest investors from Africa.

The summit will welcome 70 speakers, 200 exhibitors and over 2000 delegates from 18 African countries and will culminate in the 'Africa Technology Awards', which will recognise excellence in African technology.

## And the nominees are...

Nominations for these awards have already been announced and are as follows:

- **Technology Provider of the Year**

Safricom Telecommunications  
Econet  
Eskom

- **Technology Product of the Year**

EcoCash  
M-Pesa  
M-Net Africa

- **Best Application in Technology**

EcoBank  
Standard Bank  
dangote-group

- **Technology Educator of the Year**

African Virtual University (AVU)  
SAASTA (South African Agency for Science and Technology Advancement)  
Makerere University

- **Technology Executive Of The Year**

Kevin Urama, African Technology Policy Studies (Nigeria)

Mokhtar Bououdina, National Centre for Cleaner Technologies Production (NCCTP, Algeria)

Nagmeldin Goutbi Elhassan, vice-chair of the Expert Group on Technology Transfer (SUDAN)

- **Software Company Of The Year**

Opera Software ASA

SOFTtribe Limited

Cyber Tracker

- **Technology Company Of The Year**

UBAGroup

orascomtelecom

MTN Group

Bernard Sanganza, CEO of the Afri-Tech Group said, "Afri-Tech Nairobi 2011 was a first of its kind in Nairobi, but the Johannesburg summit has the potential to create life-changing solutions for the benefit of the mankind and in particular for the most amazing continent of Africa".

The Africa Technology awards aims to promote a sense of pro-consumer and healthy competition within the business community on the African continent. The 2012 Afri-Tech Technology & Digital Summit in Johannesburg offers a great opportunity for investors and global business giants because of its extremely solution-oriented approach. The summit will also act as a catalyst for innovation, research and the entrepreneurial mindset.

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