

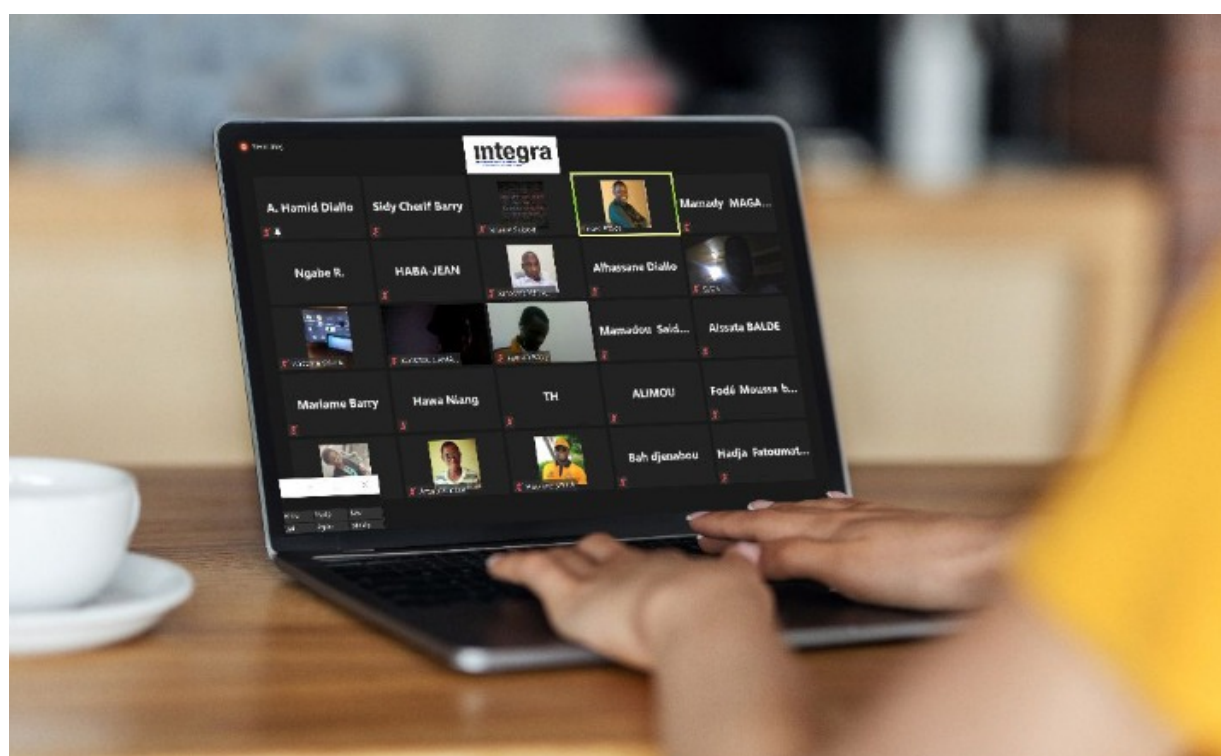
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Young developers learn USSD technology



30 young Guineans broadened their software skills by taking part in a month-long certification course offered by the INTEGRA programme in partnership with National Agency for Innovation and the Digital Economy (ANIEN). The training provided young developers with in-depth knowledge of USSD technology and explored ideas for possible income-generating projects.

The young developers also put together ideas for applications to provide tailored solutions to Guinean digital issues such as a pre-natal consultation application for women living in remote areas with difficult access to healthcare.

At the end of the course, the trainees were awarded with certificates on 28 January 2021 and encouraged to explore their pursuits in digital entrepreneurship. 10 of the best trainees will soon begin a paid internship with partner companies. 20 other trainees will continue to receive additional support in coaching to implement and advance their business ideas.



Agricultural processing training continues for youth in Faranah region



ITC continued its training sessions in management and agricultural reinforcement for economic independence (GRAINE) across four towns in the Faranah region. 30 budding agri-preneurs were selected to attend the week-long agricultural training.

The trainees were selected as the most promising youth agripreneurs with an interest to work in the agricultural sector either as farmers, farm managers or employees of agricultural cooperatives. After the workshop, they were able to process fruits into fruit juice, prepare businesses to access finance and improve product packaging approaches.

Promoting youth employment by reinvigorating Guinea's manufacturing industry



ITC held a virtual workshop to explore market identifiers and possibilities for Guinea's local production and manufacturing industry. 20 local companies joined the discussion to identify areas for agricultural value chains to contribute towards

the country's production industries. The initiative will also provide these value chains with a sustainable approach to waste processing in agriculture.

Key sectors in manufacturing include housing construction bricks, the production of coal with rice, groundnut and fonio residue and the production of agrofuel with kernel oil. The workshop's secondary objective is to create and sustain 300 jobs for youth working to expand these sectors. Guineans will develop new skills linked to construction, improve the housing deficit and integrate youth in the development of local products.

The project is implemented by ITC in partnership with the National Company for Real Estate Development and Promotion of Guinea (SONAPI), the Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of Industry for the Promotion of Local Wealth.

Vocational training institutions upgrade technical equipment



Students from the Ecole Nationale des Arts et Métiers (ENAM), the Ecole Nationale de l'Agriculture et l'Elevage (ENAE) in Bordo, the Institut Supérieur des Arts Mory Kanté (ISAMK) in Dubréka and the post-primary and secondary

training centre in Kipé will all be pursuing their vocational interests using the latest technological equipment in their fields of study.

The items provided include computers, audiovisual, technical and solar technology as well as specialised sewing equipment. Students will have the opportunity to diversify skills with exposure to the latest technology for future use in their careers. With the new technical equipment, institutions can also ensure graduates are better placed to secure jobs in the country's evolving labour market.

Upcoming Activities

- Computer graphics and webdesign training workshop in Conakry
- Urban logistics and equipment training in Mamou and Faranah
- CARE mission (meetings with beneficiary cooperatives) – 8 March 2021
- INTEGRA Caravan – 10 March to 11 April 2021

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