

MEETING REPORT: Ministry of Youth and ICT, and World Alliance against Youth Unemployment

		Observations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Date, time , and avenue 	<p>The third meeting with MYICT representatives took place on Tuesday, July 16th at the MYICT office in Nyarutarama at 11am.</p>	
	<p>The agenda included the following items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update the MYICT Permanent Secretary on the progress of planning the Global Campaign against Youth Unemployment 2. Present campaign promotional materials to the Permanent Secretary 3. Follow-up concerning the stakeholders meeting which was proposed by the Ministry in the previous meeting 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants 	<p><i>From MYICT</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Permanent Secretary Rosemary MBABAZI 2. Gloriose NIWEMUKOBWA 	<p><i>From WAYU</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Aloys NTEZIMANA 4. Jean de Dieu KABENGERA 5. Bethany SCHOWENGERDT 6. Dukuzeyezu Dominique savior 7. Karine RUSARO Utamuliza
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion and conclusion 	<p>1. Updates on the Global Campaign against Youth Unemployment</p> <p>The WAYU team presented the general logistics of the campaign including target audience and venues, strategies for outreach, proposed timeframe, actual and potential partners, etc. Rwanda is to be a model country, as the WAYU team stressed the long-term nature of the campaign project and its scalability to the international level.</p>	
	<p>The Permanent Secretary (PS) advised WAYU to further develop the outcomes of the campaign and elaborate on the proposals for Youth Seed Fund and Youth Hub for Business, Trade and Commerce to share with stakeholders. The Youth Hub received attention as the type of model that MYICT was already looking at developing. The Youth Seed Fund would be subject to rules by the National Bank of Rwanda, which</p>	

	<p>2. Commitment of MYICT to the Global Campaign against Youth Unemployment</p> <p>MYICT is “on board” and will provide office space for WAYU as well as logistics support where possible. MYICT is the primary government partner, but will help facilitate connections to other government offices, but most especially encourages WAYU to focus on the private sector as a source of partners.</p> <p>3. MYICT’s Facilitation of connection with stakeholders</p> <p>The PS raised the idea in common with the agenda of WAYU that a meeting between WAYU and potential private sector partners should take place with the assistance of MYICT. The Ministry already has upcoming meetings and forums to which WAYU could be invited to present to these stakeholders.</p> <p>4. Referral of the SCEP model in Singapore</p> <p>The PS remarked on an incubation center targeted towards youth in Singapore known as SCEP. Since SCEP is similar in scope to the proposed Youth Hub for Trade, Business and Commerce, she recommended WAYU to research SCEP’s model.</p>	<p>WAYU needs to familiarize itself with.</p> <p>Furthermore, she recommended that WAYU develop a strong connection with the private sector, as they are concerned in the financial stability of its future customers who are the youth of today. The PS advised the development of a sponsorship package plan to provide for easy linkages at differing levels of commitment for private sector businesses.</p> <p>Due to the number of prescribed government programs to which MYICT is already committed, they can only provide support where allowable by constrained time and money. Printing promotional materials and banners can be done at MYICT. Printing does not include merchandise or give-away items including T-shirts and bags as this is forbidden by government policy.</p> <p>The PS will keep WAYU updated about the schedule of these meetings. WAYU members must be prepared to give a presentation tailored to the interest of potential private sector partners.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remark 	<p>Aloys will be in communication with the MYICT representatives concerning updates about the Global Campaign against Youth Unemployment.</p>	<p>Proposal to organize the meeting will be forwarded to the office of the minister and the minister will decide upon meeting convocation, and WAYU will be informed of the ministry’s decision.</p>