

The Nairobi Research Buzz **Sharing Technology Research**

Nairobi Research Buzz is a seminar series exploring the technological, economic, political and social implications of technologies in Africa. The seminar has two key objectives:

- To offer a platform for researchers to disseminate their work, practice presenting, and receive feedback on their research;
- To bring those working in disparate fields and sectors together for interesting discussions and possible collaboration.

We welcome participants from all **research and tech** backgrounds working in Kenya or East Africa. **University students and staff, independent researchers, NGO/UN researchers and government researchers** are all welcome to attend and present.

We also welcome researchers at all stages of their projects; those seeking guidance at the start of fieldwork, those mid-way through projects wanting fresh eyes on preliminary findings and those whose work is more polished, seeking engagement with **other researchers and stakeholders. Government stakeholders, Entrepreneurs, Techies and other individuals** with interests in these technologies and communications are also invited to attend.

Themes may include:

- New economic practices and processes of innovation around technological change
- Impact of Open and Big Data on Research Processes and Understandings
- Information Communication Technologies for Development (health, education, environment)
- The implications of E-government on public policies, information delivery, economy, education and challenges of adopting technologies
- The implications of E-Learning
- Past and current aspects of control over and use of new technologies
- Dangers and threats posed by new technologies
- New Technologies, material culture and print media
- The relationships between newly introduced technologies and existing technologies
- Patterns of communication and imagined social, economic and political identities
- The role of technologies in the (re)territorialization of geographic and economic space

The seminar event is held on the first Thursday of every month at 5:30pm at the iHub, 4th floor of the Bishop Magua Centre, opposite Uchumi Hyper along Ngong Road. During each session, the presenter will have 45-60 minutes to present their work after which there will be 30 minutes for questions and comments. A networking session will follow.

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