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RE: INNOVATION AFRICA 2016: NAIROBI, 20 – 22 SEPTEMBER, 2016

On behalf of the Government of Kenya I am pleased to confirm official patronage for Innovation Africa 2016. The Ministry of Education, Science and Technology endorses the summit to take place from 20th to 22nd September 2016 at the Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi. **This will be the main education and ICT summit held under the patronage of the ministry in 2016.**

We are delighted that Africa's number 1 high-level forum for education, ICT and innovation will be taking place in Kenya this year. On behalf of our Government we will be working closely with AfricanBrains to ensure an event of the highest quality that is the continent's largest annual gathering of ministers for education, higher education, ICT and science and technology.

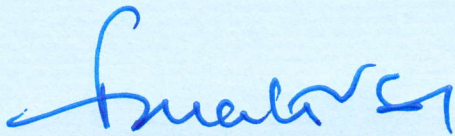
Accordingly, the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology along with the organizers will be inviting and confirming the participation of ministers, deputy ministers and senior officials from over 40 African countries.

The summit is of great importance to the Government of Kenya. Innovation Africa's unique status comes from its meetings-based format allowing for productive face-to-face engagement between government, civil society and industry partners. The summit has Cabinet approval and as well as our own high level involvement from the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology we will also be actively encouraging strong participation from the Ministry of ICT, Teachers Service Commission (Kenya), the leading universities and the many Kenyan technical colleges.

We are encouraged to be working with African Brains who have established this powerful meetings-based format whereby such engagement produces genuine output and purpose. Moreover we strongly encourage all-comers to enjoy the delights of "Magical Kenya". We trust that all participants of Innovation Africa 2016 can take some time to enjoy the culture and heritage of our great country.

We look forward to meeting you at Innovation Africa 2016.

Warmest regards.



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