A4AI-NIGERIA COALITION MEETING

Tuesday 24th February, 2015
8:30-13:00
Sheraton Hotel Abuja

About the A4AI-Nigeria Coalition

The Alliance for Affordable Internet (A4AI) brings together prominent players from the private sector, public sector, and civil society to provide a unified voice and coordinated focus in addressing the shared goal of open, affordable access to the Internet in the developing world. The Alliance aims to increase the affordability of both mobile and fixed-line Internet access dramatically, with a focus on achieving the UN Broadband Commission Broadband Target of entry-level broadband services priced at less than 5% of average monthly income.

Since the start of its work in Nigeria A4AI has held a successful 1st A4AI-Nigeria Forum in which a number of priority issues were identified. These priority issues appear to be a challenge or, if not done effectively, have the potential to undermine efforts to increase access and affordability to broadband in Nigeria. The priority issues identified in Nigeria are:

- Infrastructure Sharing and Open Access

- Spectrum Policy and Regulation

- Consumer Advocacy and Pricing Transparency

The coalition members have formed three working groups that are working on each priority issue. Following the last A4AI-Nigeria Coalition meeting in July 2014, the working groups have developed work plans that outline the policy and regulatory outputs each working group will produce, the expected impact of the outputs, the activities required to produce each output, the timeline, and the risks and assumptions related to producing the output.

Objectives and Outline of the A4AI-Nigeria Coalition Meeting

The quarterly A4AI-Nigeria Coalition Meeting on Tuesday, 24th February is open to all stakeholders interested in increasing broadband access and affordability in Nigeria. It will give each of the three A4AI-Nigeria working groups the opportunity to present their work plans, provide participants with an update on progress, create synergies with other working groups, assign roles and responsibilities, and refine the work plans if necessary. The meeting will also be an opportunity for all participants to contribute by providing comments and helping to refine the work plans.

Working group representatives will outline the activities they have undertaken to date. They will also discuss future activities and how participants can contribute over the coming months to develop the outputs that will contribute to Nigeria's broadband policy and regulatory development and lead to more affordable and accessible broadband.

AGENDA

8:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-9:10 Introduction of the Agenda and Plan for the Day
Kojo Boakye, Policy and Advocacy Manager, Alliance for Affordable Internet (A4AI)

9:10-10:00 Lightning Talks: A4AI-Working Groups
Representatives of each Working Group will present their current work plans and provide participants with an overview of progress.

Update Presentations:

- **Spectrum Working Group, Plans: Progress and Next Steps**
  Engr. Abraham Oshadami, Assistant Director, Spectrum Administration, Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC)
  A4AI-Nigeria Champion for Spectrum

- **Infrastructure Sharing and Open Access Working Group: Plans, Progress and Next Steps**
  Jinmi Sonuga-Oluanuiga, Principal Consultant, Business Unusual
  A4AI-Nigeria Champion for Infrastructure Sharing and Open Access

- **Consumer Advocacy and Pricing Transparency Working Group: Plans, Progress and Next Steps**
  Oyebisi Babatunde Oluseyi, Executive Director, Nigeria Network of NGOs
  A4AI-Nigeria Champion for Consumer Advocacy and Pricing Transparency

10:00-10:45 Synergies and Refinements Part 1
This session will give participants the platform to identify, discuss and agree upon potential synergies that might be created between Working Groups and any refinements to work plans, activities and outputs.

10:45-11:00 Networking Refreshment Break

11:00-11:30 Synergies and Refinements Part 2
During this session, participants will continue the discussions and work started in the preceding session. Time will be given for participants to draw the discussions to a close and to developing points to report to all participants.

11:30–11:45 Reporting
Representatives of each working group report the results of the synergies and refinement sessions.

11:45-12:00 Next Steps and A4AI-Nigeria Monitoring and Evaluation
During this session participants will agree on the timing of the next coalition meeting and discuss ways in which the A4AI-Nigeria process might be improved further.

12:00-13:00: Networking Lunch

End of Meeting