



WITFOR2005 Program of the Economic Opportunities Commission

31 August to 02 September 2005, Gaborone, Botswana
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	Best Practice Case studies (1,5h) 14:00 – 15:30 (parallel)	Commission Panel Discussions (1,5h)16:00 – 17:30 (parallel)	Commission Report (1,5h)14:00-15:30
General	31 August: Case studies	31 August: Presentation of projects & research proposal + a Panel discussion	1 September General Feedback
How (type)	Presentations: India, South Africa, Botswana	Panel session: (Invited individuals+ case presenters+ targeted audience)	Group discussions: <i>Group1:Project 1</i> <i>Group2:Project 2</i> <i>Group3:Research</i>
Who (people)	<p>Co-chairs: Satish Jha & David Kapaletswe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Botswana:</i> Mrs Tjonga Selaolo Mr M. Maphorisa Ms Daffodils Seele • <i>South Africa:</i> Dr HH Lotriet Mr Judas Mabena Princess Zodwa Mahlangu • <i>India:</i> Mr Siva Kumar <p>Process record management: Winnie Kandie + Hossana Twinomurindzi</p>	<p>Co-chairs: Dr Jackie Phahlamohlaka & Dr Alok Gupta</p> <p><i>Discussants of case studies, projects & research proposal (Mr David Kapaletswe, Mrs Tjonga Selaolo, Mr M. Maphorisa, Mr Siva Kumar, Mr Satish Jha, Dr HH Lotriet, Prof Trish Alexander, Dr William Tlhapi, Mr Ben Laauen, Mr Judas Mabena, Princess Zodwa Mahlangu)</i></p> <p>Process record management: Prof Trish Alexander</p>	<p>Co-chairs: Dr Alok Gupta & Satish Jha</p> <p>Group presentations <i>G1:Mr Ben Laauen</i> <i>G2:Mrs Tjonga Selaolo</i> <i>G3:Dr William Tlhapi</i></p> <p>Process record management: Thea Wooding</p> <p>Final commission presentation by Dr Alok Gupta</p>
What (content)	<p><i>Case studies</i></p> <p>From the 3 cases (what has to be or could be done further based on lessons from these cases in relation to the proposal of the commission?)</p>	<p><i>Projects Rationale</i> <i>The Research Proposal</i> <i>Questions & Panel discussion</i></p> <p>Application of ICTs in rural communities for the generation and enhancement of economic opportunities.</p>	<p><i>Funding, budget, technology choices, implementation issues etc.</i></p> <p>Issues from case studies, projects & research proposal and their nuances</p>

Motivation for students support

A special request for support for the following people, who have participated in the workshop but are also students attached to the Department of Informatics, University of Pretoria. These students will make valuable contributions to the discussions, but will also benefit in many ways from the exposure that they will get from the conference. This is in addition to the specific roles that they have been assigned in the program (see above). Apart from all these, they come from **four** different African countries that are in many ways the target beneficiaries of the WITFOR activities. Finally, they could play important roles, especially on the research side, when the proposed projects are to be implemented. The students are:

Ms Winnie Kandie (PhD candidate, Informatics): **Kenya**

Mr Hossana Twinomurindzi (PhD candidate, Informatics): **Uganda**

Ms Thea Wooding (PhD candidate, Informatics): **South Africa**

Ms Daffodils Seele (BCom): **Botswana**

Princess Zodwa Mahlangu (BCom Hons, Informatics): **South Africa**