



UGANDA TO HOST THE 4TH EDITION OF THE DIGITAL GOVERNMENT AFRICA SUMMIT

October 10, 2025 - Lusaka, Zambia: Uganda, through the Ministry of ICT and National Guidance (MoICT) and the National Information Technology Authority – Uganda (NITA-U), has been selected to host the 4th Edition of the Digital Government Africa (DGA) Summit in 2026.

The announcement was made at this year's Summit in Lusaka, Zambia, officially opened by His Excellency Hakainde Hichilema, President of the Republic of Zambia. The 2025 edition convened over 30 African governments and numerous industry leaders to advance dialogue on digital governance, e-government transformation, and innovation in public service delivery.

The Digital Government Africa Summit is the continent's premier ministerial platform dedicated to advancing public-sector digital transformation. It provides space for policymakers, innovators, and private-sector leaders to exchange knowledge, forge partnerships, and align national initiatives with the African Union Digital Transformation Strategy (2020–2030).

Across the continent, governments are making significant investments in digital and e-Government services to enhance delivery, transparency, and efficiency. Emerging trends continue to redefine Africa's digital landscape, including the expansion of digital identity systems, e-Government platforms, smart public services, cybersecurity and data protection frameworks, e-payments, and cashless service delivery models. These transformative shifts are increasingly being driven by the integration of artificial intelligence (AI) in public systems.

Uganda's delegation that officially accepted the hosting mantle on behalf of the country included: Hon. Dr. Chris Baryomunsi, Minister of ICT and National Guidance, Hon. Gen. David Muhoozi, Minister of State for Internal Affairs, Dr. Hatwib Mugasa, Executive Director, NITA-U, Maj. Gen. Apollo Kasiita-Gowa, Chief of Immigration; Ms. Rosemary Kisembo, Executive Director, National Identification and Registration Authority (NIRA); and other senior government officials.

"We are honoured to have Uganda chosen as the next host of the Digital Government Africa Summit. This recognition affirms the progress our country has made in leveraging ICTs to transform public service delivery and improve the lives of our citizens," said Hon. Dr. Chris Baryomunsi, Minister of ICT and National Guidance. "The Summit will provide a strategic opportunity to showcase Uganda's achievements, share best practices, and strengthen continental collaboration in building a digitally empowered Africa."



Dr. Hatwib Mugasa, Executive Director, NITA-U, added: “Digital transformation is no longer a choice but an imperative. Hosting DGA 2026 positions Uganda at the center of Africa’s digital discourse, allowing us to demonstrate how infrastructure, interoperability, and innovation are powering inclusive growth.”

The Digital Government Africa Secretariat noted: “Uganda’s commitment to digital excellence and its track record in implementing scalable, citizen-centric ICT solutions made it a natural choice for the 2026 host. We are excited to partner with MoICT and NITA-U to make next year’s Summit the most impactful yet.”

Uganda looks forward to welcoming Africa to Kampala for #DGA2026; a landmark gathering that will shape the continent’s next phase of digital governance, innovation, and transformation.

About the Ministry of ICT and National Guidance

The Ministry of Information and Communications Technology and National Guidance was established in June 2006 with a mandate of providing strategic and technical leadership, overall coordination, support, and advocacy on all matters of policy, laws, regulations, and strategy for the ICT sector. <https://ict.go.ug/>

About the National Information Technology Authority – Uganda (NITA-U)

NITA-U is a statutory body under the Ministry of ICT and National Guidance. Its mandate is to coordinate, promote, and monitor IT development in Uganda. NITA-U leads key e-government initiatives that support efficient service delivery, transparency, and data-driven governance. www.nita.go.ug

About the Digital Government Africa Summit

Now in its third year, the Digital Government Africa Summit has established itself as a premier, high-level platform for driving digital transformation across Sub-Saharan Africa. The Summit enables governments to leverage technology to improve service delivery, enhance transparency, and accelerate economic growth. DGA is a unique meetings-based event, facilitating pre-scheduled engagements between industry partners and ministerial delegations, fostering collaboration and partnerships that drive tangible outcomes in digital governance. Digital transformation remains a top priority for African governments, and through platforms such as the DGA Summit, stakeholders continue to explore the opportunities and challenges that will shape the future of public service delivery across the continent. <https://africa-digital.com/2025/>