

National Information and Communications Technology Authority

Public Consultation

Draft National Broadband Policy

NICTA with the technical assistance of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) has prepared a Draft National Broadband Policy. This Draft provides an over-arching framework with settings to ensure that demand-side and supply-side aspects of broadband infrastructure, applications, services, access and usage are best optimised to meet the objectives and targets that the Policy and associated Strategic Action Plan contain. The Policy is a major part of the overall National ICT policy and is consistent with the ICT aspects of Vision 2050.

NICTA is now making available the draft Policy and engaging in public consultation as required by Section 229 of the National ICT Act 2009 ("the Act"). All stakeholders and the public in general are invited to submit comments.

The draft document is available on the NICTA website at www.nicta.gov.pg and at the NICTA Head Office at the corner of Frangipani Street and Croton Street, Hohola, NCD. Written submissions should be addressed to: kgulovui@nicta.gov.pg or Director Economics, Consumer and International Affairs, P O Box 8444, Boroko 111, NCD, facsimile: 300 4829.

NICTA will upload comments it receives and the final instrument in its Public Register on its website. Respondents can request for particular aspects of their submission to remain confidential as prescribed in Section 44 of the Act.

The deadline for comments is close of business 17 May 2013.

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