

Inveneo

Connecting Those Who Need It Most



Inveneo is a non-profit social enterprise based in San Francisco, CA. Its mission is to get the tools of information and communications technology (ICT), such as computers, telephony and Internet access, to those who need it most in rural and highly underserved communities in the developing world.

To do this, Inveneo designs highly sustainable ICT systems for organizations that provide vital education, healthcare, relief and economic development services and is building a local partner network across Africa to deliver and support these systems. Based on four years of successful implementations throughout rural Africa, Inveneo and our local partners have developed the expertise to match the most relevant technology (hardware, software, power) with in-country implementation and support services to each situation and the unique challenges these different organizations face.

The ICIP (Inveneo Certified ICT Partner) Program is at the core of Inveneo's work. Since its launch in 2006, Inveneo has worked with over 46 partners in 15 countries: Benin, Cameroon, Congo (DRC), Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, South

Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zimbabwe, and most recently Nepal, offering regional trainings in basic and advanced technical and business concepts. Once a partner has been certified, they are considered the preferred channel through which to distribute Inveneo certified low-power computing stations, as well as to deploy technical installations in rural and underserved areas.

Inveneo and its partners have deployed appropriate, cost-effective and sustainable information and communications solutions to individuals and organizations in nearly 300 communities in 23 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa and two in Asia. The groups that have received Inveneo certified IT solutions include schools, community centers, clinics and hospitals, micro-finance programs and e-government projects, each of which now has the opportunity to provide important and much-needed services to its constituents.



"Broadband has considerable economic impact at all levels of individuals, firms and communities. Individuals increasingly use broadband to acquire knowledge and skills to increase their employment opportunities. Where broadband has been introduced in rural areas of developing countries, villagers and farmers have gained better access to crop market prices, training and job opportunities."

From "Information and Communications for Development 2009: Extending Reach and Increasing Impact", The World Bank

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