

## Innovation Hub to showcase power inventions

SMEs, start-ups and young innovators will be given the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to showcase their new solutions, game changing technology and inventions for the power industry at the Innovation Hub taking place during the upcoming WAPIC (West African Power Industry Convention) in Lagos on 24 November 2016.



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"Find a solution that helps stakeholders better manage power in West Africa and you and the industry are primed to strike gold," says Yolisa Nyoka, the WAPIC Innovation Hub programme director. She adds "we invite the brightest minds in Nigeria and the region to share their ideas and solutions with the power industry and investors at WAPIC who will help them take their projects to the next level and out into the world where they can make a real difference."

Nyoka explains: "Nigerians are naturally very innovative and the Innovation Hub aims to bridge the gap between this kind of blue sky thinking and stakeholders in the power sector to bring power utilities and their customers closer together. The telecoms sector is a great example of such collaborations.

"Not only will the WAPIC Innovation Hubgather start-ups, SMEs and innovators and introduce them to investors, financiers and seasoned industry experts, the brightest solution or idea will be selected for the WAPIC New Innovation Award."

Part of the programme of the Innovation Hub is a look at specific, identified problem sets in the power sector where innovation and new technologies can make a huge difference. These problem sets include:

- Using applications and technology for increased revenue collection.
- · Winning the consumer market.
- Re-thinking supply chain management.
- Innovation for renewable energy.

WAPIC, a flagship, regional conference and exhibition, will return to Lagos with an exciting interactive programme that reflects the dynamic energy landscape of the region and will once again attract some 2000 power professionals, high-level experts and industry stalwarts during the 13th edition of the event.

The third edition of the hugely successful West African Power Industry Awards will also take place at this year's WAPIC during a gala dinner evening when industry pioneers and projects will be recognised and celebrated in seven different categories.

Any SMEs, start-ups and young innovators which are interested in taking part in the Innovation Hub, can contact WAPIC.

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