WINNERS OF THE THIRD EDITION OF THE FIRE 2014 AWARDS

FIRE Programme Awards acknowledge the remarkable contributions ICT innovators have made to their communities by using the Internet to address social and development challenges.

The FIRE Programme Awards are granted to initiatives already completed or in their final implementation phases and that are aligned with one of the three funding categories:

* Innovation on Access Provision

* E-Development

* Freedom of Expression

There is one Award winner per category. In addition, there is a Community Choice Award category, voted for by the community.

This year, the FIRE 2014 Award did not recognise an initiative promoting Freedom of expression. This category will be back in 2015.

The following outstanding projects won a FIRE 2014 Award:

Category: Innovation on Access Provision

Project 1: **OER4Schools**

Organisation: Witaba Foundation

Project 2: **Affaires Mobiles Bénin,** a platform for linking buyers and sellers of food products in Benin

Organisation: Beninese Agency for the Promotion of Commercial Exchanges

Category: E- Development

Project 3: **mJangale: Improving Education in Senegal with Mobile Solutions**

Organisation: SenMobile

Category: Community Choice

Project 4: **ICTD4DEV.ci for its Lôr Bouôr Project.**

All four winners will receive a cash prize of US$ 3,000 and a travel grant to attend the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) taking place in Istanbul (Turkey) from the 2nd - 5th September 2014.

During the IGF, the 2014 Awardees will be given opportunities to showcase their project, make professional contacts and participate in discussions about the future of the Internet.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2014 FIRE AWARD WINNERS!