



# Guinea and Africa Technology Fair



# REPORT 2026

« Building Africa's Digital Future: Startups, Innovation  
and Technological Autonomy »



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## Commissioner's Message

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It is with great pride that we present the report of the second edition of AFRINOV TECH EXPO, an initiative led by Afric Innovation Technologie, founded in 2017. Following the remarkable success of the first edition, this second edition reaffirms our ambition to position Guinea as a leading hub of technological innovation in Africa.

Under the theme “Building Africa’s Digital Future: Startups, Innovation, and Tech Autonomy”, this edition brought together key stakeholders of the African technology ecosystem for exchanges, discussions, and innovation showcases. The results speak for themselves: 40 exhibitors and 3,261 participants, marking exceptional growth compared to the first edition. Here, ideas become opportunities. Connections become partnerships. Visions become concrete projects. No initiative of this scale can succeed without a strong and dynamic collective effort.

In this regard, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to:

- Our institutional partners
- Our sponsors
- Our exhibitors
- Our panelists
- Our technical teams
- The volunteers and everyone who worked tirelessly day and night to make this second edition a success.

AFRINOV TECH EXPO is the result of collective commitment, teamwork, and a shared belief in the digital future of our country. May God grant us the grace to continue this journey together.

Thank you.

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# KEY FIGURES



Total number of participants (across all categories)	3 261
Total number of exhibitors present	40
Total number of panels and conferences	09
Number of masterclasses organized	06
Co-organized AI Conference	01
Hackathon co-organized with Saboutech	01
Afrinov Tech Pitch Competition	01
Afrinov Beta Test	01
Roundtable discussion on startup financing	01

# ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT



## Panels & Conferences

The 2026 edition featured nine thematic panels bringing together experts, entrepreneurs, and decision-makers to discuss the major challenges and opportunities shaping Africa's digital landscape. These sessions enabled in-depth discussions on strategic topics such as Artificial Intelligence, technological independence, innovation financing, and the growth of African startups. Speakers from diverse professional backgrounds contributed valuable insights and perspectives that generated strong engagement from participants.

### Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AI TINKERERS)

A conference dedicated to Artificial Intelligence, AI TINKERERS, was co-organized as part of AFRINOV TECH EXPO. The event explored both the opportunities and challenges surrounding AI adoption across Africa, with a particular focus on practical applications in Guinea and strategies that can empower African nations to shape their own technological future. Renowned local and international experts led high-level discussions throughout the conference.



## Masterclass

Six masterclasses were organized throughout the event, providing participants with practical and in-depth training sessions. Following the format established in previous editions, these sessions covered a wide range of topics, including Low-Code/No-Code mobile application development, technology project management, cybersecurity, renewable energy solutions applied to technology, and several other themes aligned with the evolving needs of the Guinean market.



## Afrinov Beta Test

The Afrinov Beta Test is an innovative initiative that enabled startups and project leaders to test their technological solutions before a live audience and experienced testers. This real-world testing session provided entrepreneurs with direct and actionable feedback on their products, helping them refine and improve their solutions ahead of their official market launch.



## Afrinov Tech Pitch Competition

The Afrinov Tech Pitch Competition brought together startups and innovative project leaders who presented their solutions before a jury composed of experts and investors. This dynamic and highly engaging competition fostered a spirit of innovation and healthy competition among participants, while providing selected projects with exceptional visibility and valuable funding opportunities. The competition established itself as one of the highlights of the edition.




## Hackathon (co-organized with Saboutech)

In partnership with Saboutech, a hackathon was co-organized as part of AFRINOV TECH EXPO. This intensive innovation event brought together developers, designers, and entrepreneurs to tackle real-world challenges related to Guinea's digital development. Within a limited timeframe, teams developed prototypes and creative solutions, showcasing the dynamism, creativity, and talent of Guinea's emerging tech generation.



## Roundtable on Startup Structuring and Financing



A roundtable dedicated to the structuring and financing of Guinean startups, co-organized with Guinée Alliance Startup, brought together entrepreneurs, investors, representatives of financial institutions, and business development experts. Discussions focused on the financing challenges facing the startup ecosystem in West Africa, governance best practices, and innovative mechanisms for mobilizing both local and international capital.



## **Plenary Session on Technology Solutions Sales**

The Technology Solutions Sales Plenary provided exhibitors and partners with an ideal platform to showcase their products and services before a broad audience of participants and investor groups. These sessions fostered promising business negotiations, emerging partnerships, and early-stage commercial transactions, further strengthening AFRINOV TECH EXPO's position as a catalyst for technology-driven business and innovation in Guinea.




## **Business Room - Business Meetings**

The Business Room was among the most appreciated features of this edition. Designed as a dedicated B2B networking space, it brought together entrepreneurs, investors, institutional partners, and corporate stakeholders in a professional environment for targeted exchanges and strategic discussions. Structured meetings facilitated connections between project leaders and potential financiers, creating numerous opportunities for collaboration and investment.



## **Exhibitions - Sales**

The Exhibition & Sales Space was another flagship feature of this edition. Designed to support product and service sales, business prospecting, and networking, this dedicated area enabled exhibitors to engage directly with partners, clients, and investors while expanding their business and partnership portfolios. These exhibitions provided exhibitors with valuable opportunities to market their products and services while strengthening their professional networks and expanding their business connections.



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## 2026 PANEL THEMES

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**Panel : African Artificial Intelligence: Towards Algorithmic Sovereignty? Addressing the challenges of local data, algorithmic bias, and the development of AI solutions tailored to African realities.**



**Panel : Building a Connected, Green, and Resilient Africa Through Technology? Climate innovation, green technologies, sustainable infrastructure, and the future of environmental AI in**



**Panel : Robotics, AI & the Future of Intelligent Automation: Collaborative robotics, service automation, smart assistants, and the next generation of AI-powered technologies.**



**Panel : Women Driving Africa's Digital Transformation: Closing the gender gap in technology and empowering the next generation of African women leaders in innovation.**



**Panel : Digital Health Innovation: How AI and IoT Are Reshaping Healthcare in Africa? Telemedicine, AI-assisted diagnostics, connected healthcare systems, and remote patient monitoring.**



**Panel : Made in Africa : Advancing Technological Independence Through Hardware Innovation: The future of African manufacturing, electronics, embedded systems, and industrial innovation by 2030.**



**Panel : Smart African Cities & Inclusive Rural Connectivity: 5G ecosystems, public IoT infrastructure, and smart city models adapted to Africa's urban and rural realities.**



**Panel : The Future of EdTech in Africa: How digital technologies and innovation can bridge educational gaps and expand access to quality learning.**



**Panel : Startup Regulation & Innovation Financing in Africa: Policy frameworks, investment opportunities, startup governance, and the future of entrepreneurial ecosystems across the continent.**



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## 2026 MASTERCLASS THEMES

Six (6) masterclasses were organized throughout the event, providing participants with practical, hands-on, and in-depth training experiences. Building on the success of previous editions, these sessions covered a wide range of high-impact topics, including Low-Code/No-Code mobile application development, technology project management, cybersecurity, renewable energy technologies, and several other innovation-driven subjects aligned with the evolving needs of the Guinean market.



**Masterclass 1: Artificial Intelligence applied to African realities - How to train local models? Concrete use cases.**



**Masterclass 2: A connected, green, and resilient Africa through tech? Long-term vision, climate, green tech, environmental AI.**



**Masterclass 3: Building your startup in Africa: from idea to growth - Entrepreneur journeys, practical advice, mistakes to avoid.**



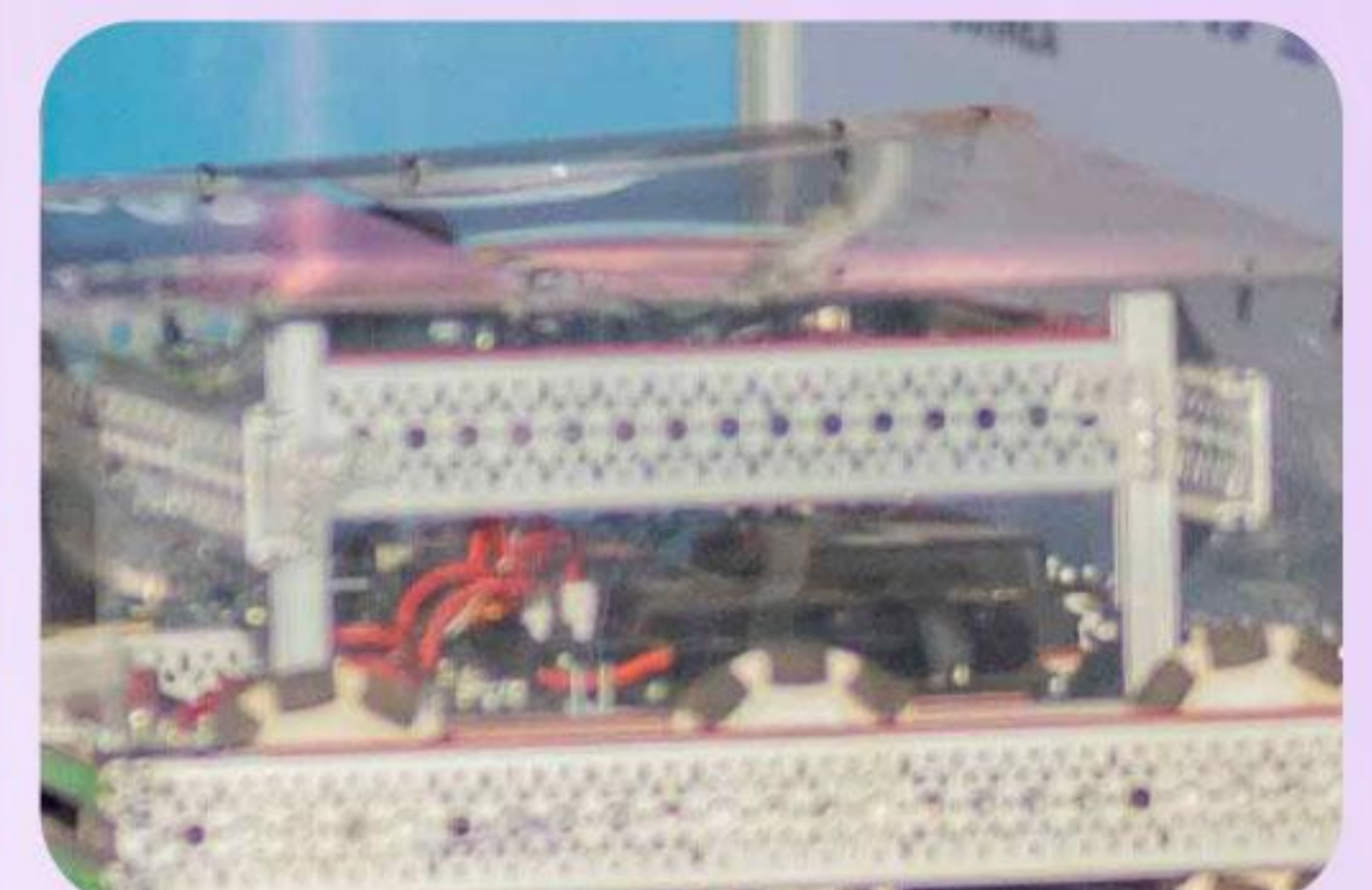
**Masterclass 4: Securing your digital business - Cybersecurity best practices for startups and SMEs.**



**Masterclass 5: UX/UI Design for the African market - Designing simple, beautiful interfaces adapted to local usage.**



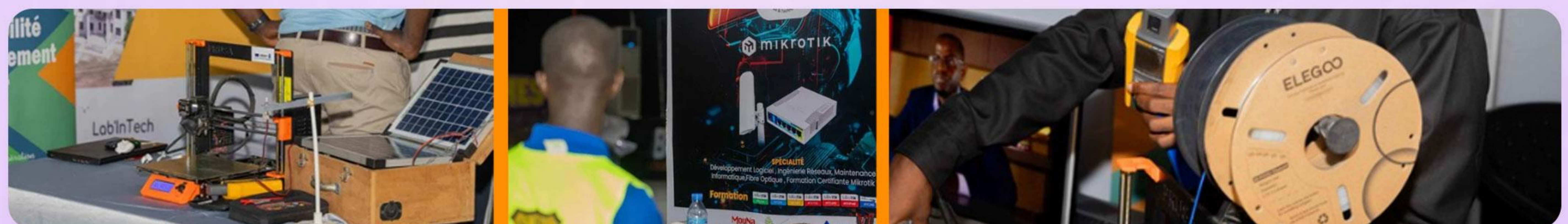
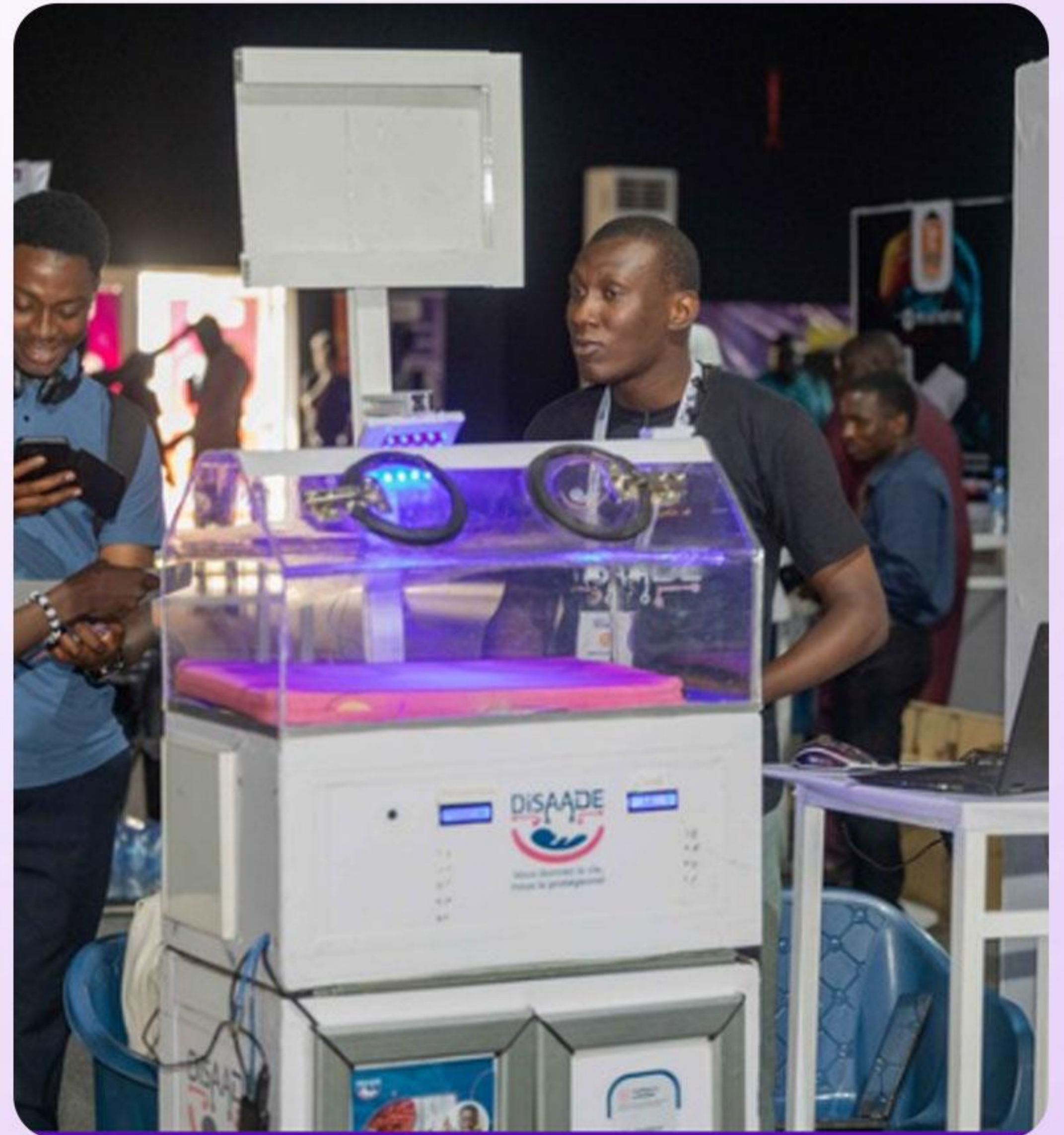
**Masterclass 6: Generative AI & digital content - Creating visuals, text, videos with AI: tools & demos.**



# 06 EXHIBITORS AND SECTORS REPRESENTED

The second edition of AFRINOV TECH EXPO welcomed 40 exhibitors from a wide variety of sectors, reflecting the richness and diversity of Guinea's technology ecosystem. Among the sectors represented are notably:

- Artificial Intelligence and Big Data
- Digital Services Companies (DSC)
- AgriTech and connected agricultural solutions
- Health Tech and digital medicine
- Renewable Energies and Green Tech
- Robotics and Home Automation
- Electronics and computer hardware
- Tech Training and EdTech
- Digital Marketing and communication
- Business software and software publishers
- Parcel delivery and logistics
- Web hosting and cloud
- AviTech and aerial solutions
- Printing
- Higher education institution
- STEM School





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## MOBILIZATION-PARTICIPATION

The second edition recorded a record attendance of 3,261 participants from all backgrounds.

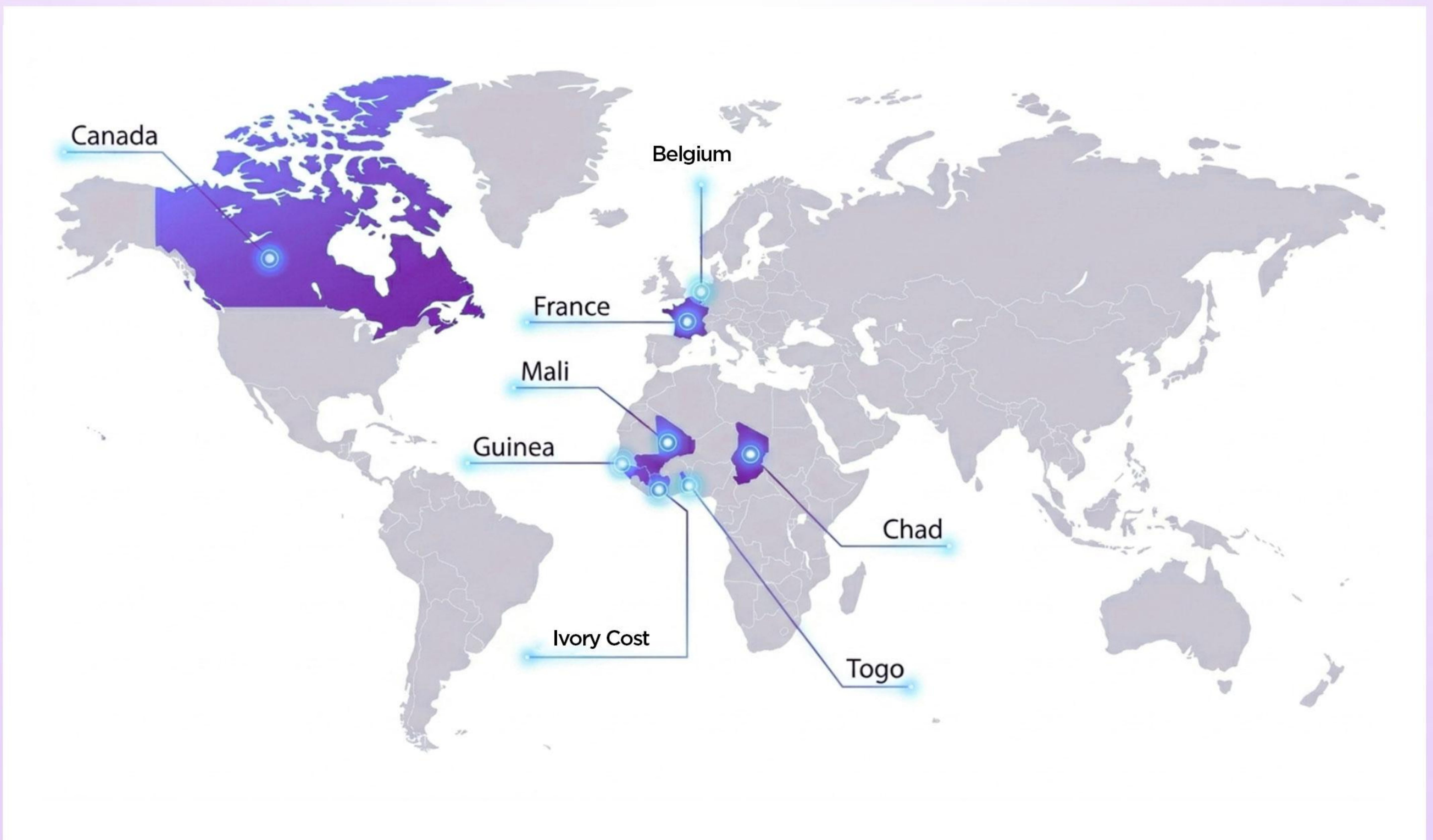




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## COUNTRIES REPRESENTED

The second edition welcomed participants from several countries across Africa, Europe, and the Americas. This strong international participation reflects the growing influence of the event within Guinea's technology ecosystem and the increasing confidence of key industry stakeholders. Among the represented countries were:



This diversity of profiles enriched the discussions and strengthened the networking dimension of the event, helping to position AFRINOV TECH EXPO as a true hub where key stakeholders in Africa's digital development converge.

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# IMPACT AND PROSPECTS



## Impact of this Edition



**+ 300 000 000 GNF**  
of revenue generated



**+30** Collaborations/partnerships created for our exhibitors



**03** Afrinov Tech Pitch winners



**+30** Masterclass beneficiaries



**+1000** Leads collected by our exhibitors



**91%** Participant satisfaction rate



**+8** Invited countries (3 continents)



**32** Business Meet organized

## Prospects for Future Editions

Building on the success of this second edition, Afric Innovation Technologie aims to further strengthen its positioning and expand its influence across Africa. Future editions will focus on:

- Increasing the number of exhibitors and participants by engaging more members of the African diaspora
- Developing strategic partnerships with international institutions and investment funds
- Strengthening startup financing initiatives through concrete post-event support mechanisms
- Expanding media coverage and digital broadcasting to reach a wider pan-African audience
- Establishing AFRINOV TECH EXPO as the leading and must-attend technology and innovation event in West Africa

## OUR SPONSORS



## OUR PARTNERS



The organizing team of AFRINOV TECH EXPO extends its sincere gratitude to all stakeholders who contributed to the success of this second edition:

- Our institutional partners: The Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, the Governorate of Conakry, and UNDP
- Our financial partners: By ISSA and Orange Guinea
- Our co-organizers, including Saboutech for the Hackathon
- Our co-organizer of the AI Tinkerers conference
- Our business angels and investor groups: Trustee Seed Factory, Gola Capital, Guinuty, GAIN, 3AE, and FODIP
- Our 40 exhibitors for their trust and commitment
- All keynote speakers, moderators, and trainers
- The Afric Innovation Technologie Organizing Team for their outstanding dedication and remarkable work throughout the event



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