# Information Controls: Report Review and Cocktail Forum

Strathmore University | Ole Sangale Road | Nairobi | Kenya

Friday, May 31, 2019 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM (EAT)

Strathmore Business School – Transcentury Auditorium

## ABOUT

The internet has enabled improved access and sharing of information in society. However, as more people gain access to the Internet, other actors are seeking ways of controlling it on different levels. This is particularly so during elections, and related political processes and events. In fact, globally, Internet shutdowns have risen steadily from 75 in 2016, 108 in 2017 and 188 in 2018 (Access Now, 2018). Most of these shutdowns have happened during elections. Despite these overt controls on the flow of information, there exists little primary data to explain how these shutdowns happen and the laws on which they are anchored. If the Internet is to enable meaningful participation in the electoral processes on the African content, it is necessary to understand the nature of information controls for better policy and technical responses.

Registration link: https://bit.ly/2YSHlJ8

## PROGRAM

**2.00 pm- 2.30 pm:** Registration and Coffee

**2.30 pm-2.45 pm:** Welcome by Strathmore Law School Dean

Dr. Luis Franceschi

**2.45 pm-3.10 pm:** Opening remarks by CIPIT & Ford Foundation Directors

Dr. Isaac Rutenberg | Ms. Linda Ochiel

**3.00 pm-3.45 pm:** Presentation on Key Findings & Learnings

Dr. Robert Muthuri

**3.45 pm- 5.00 pm:** Remarks on #KeepItOn and Moderation of Open Panel

Ms. Berhan Taye

**5.00 pm-7.00 pm:** Cocktail & Networking

Guests leave at their own leisure