Top technology entrepreneur to share insights at Technology Centre launch

Featured on Forbes Africa Cover before 30 and named *Entrepreneur for the World 2014* by the World Entrepreneurship Forum, Rapelang Rabana is a seasoned technology entrepreneur and will share her insights at the official launch of the NMMU Centre for Community Technologies next week.

She started her own business, was featured on the cover of Forbes Africa magazine, and was invited to join a panel at the World Economic Forum (WEF) Annual Meeting in Davos in 2012 – all before she turned 30. But today, Rapelan admits that when she was 16, she did not even have a life plan.

Rabana is the founder of Rekindle Learning, which describes itself as a "learning and development company that provides mobile and computer learning solutions that enable knowledge mastery and measurement in corporate and schooling environments".

The online training and education company was launched in 2013. It was not her first foray into the business world: as soon as she graduated from university, where she studied computer sciences, Rabana co-founded Yeigo to develop one of the earliest mobile VoIP applications.

She serves as the Chairperson for Moro Group, an ICT and payment services group headquartered in Botswana as well as for Generation Ubuntu, an NGO providing lifesaving holistic care to children living with HIV.

In addition, she also sits on the World Economic Forum Global Agenda Council for *Software and Society* as well as the Global Knowledge Networks Advisory Board that oversees all the councils and think tanks of the Forum. Rapelang was also selected as a Harambe Associate of the Harambe Entrepreneur Alliance.

Rapelang also serves on the board of Nisela Capital, a Pan-African asset management, private equity and advisory firm. Coined by CNN.com as one of Africa's Marissa Mayers, Rapelang was selected as a Global Shaper by the World Economic Forum and invited to join the Annual Meeting in Davos in 2012 where she shared a panel with Profs Mohammed Yunus and Klaus Schwab. Rapelang is a Harambe Associate of the Harambe Entrepreneur Alliance and has also been listed on the Forbes 30 under 30 – Africa's Best Young Entrepreneurs and the Oprah Magazine 'O Power List'