More than 86% of businesses and organisations will use AI by 2025

By 2025, more than 86% of businesses and organisations will use AI, and data utilisation will reach 80%. AI services will be everywhere, creating an intelligent world that will reveal endless avenues of opportunity, according to the Global Connectivity Index (GCI) research by Huawei Technologies, a global leading ICT solutions provider.

The latest GCI findings, show that most countries in sub Saharan Africa (SSA) have embarked on the road to a digital economy, but they are at different stages of this journey. The bulk of SSA region countries are at the beginning of the digital economy transformation journey. To tap into the inherent value of technology and ICT particularly for its people and businesses, SSA region countries must establish and complete the foundations including ubiquitous broadband, national data centers and cloud technologies.

To create a platform for businesses and organisations to exchange ideas and stake their claim in the intelligent world, Huawei is hosting <u>HUAWEI CONNECT 2018</u> from October 10th to 12th, 2018 at the Shanghai World Expo Exhibition & Convention Centre, China. This event will be joined by the best minds in the industry – including global ICT leaders, industry experts, and ecosystem partners – to chart the way forward and explore new opportunities.

Chen Zhijun, president of Huawei Enterprise Southern Africa Region, says "Human society is at the threshold of a fully connected, intelligent world, businesses and organisations need to find the right path to make the most of this intelligence.

The door to the intelligent world is opening. To avoid being left behind, every developer needs to know where AI is heading, how to extract value from it, and keep moving forward. AI is ushering nations, organisations and businesses into a golden age of competence, creativity, and productivity. To seize the opportunities, businesses and organisations need to proactively activate intelligence for their growth and long term prosperity."

At <u>HUAWEI CONNECT 2018</u>, participants will be able to dive deep into industry trends and share ideas with industry leaders

- Learn about Huawei's AI strategy and full-stack solutions for all scenarios, which help businesses and organisations adopt intelligent technologies to seize opportunities and increase efficiency
- Explore new advancements in technology and digital solutions, and share innovations and best practices in AI, cloud, 5G, IoT, and video
- Discover new ideas, prospects, partnerships, and business opportunities