

Report on "Safer Internet Day 2016 "Play Your Part for a Better Internet" held on Tuesday 9th February 2016 at Calabar Community Hall, 25 Ajao Road off Babatunde Street off Ogunlana Drive, Surulere Lagos.



The SHIFT project is a project put together to celebrate the world 'Safer Internet Day'. This event is celebrated across the world to ensure a safer use of the Internet and to initiate awareness about the Internet and promoting the safety of its use.

The Safer Internet Day 2016 event held at Calabar Community Hall, 25 Ajao Road, off Ogunlana Drive, Surulere.



The event started at about 10:50 am. The event was anchored by Ms. Magdalene from Nigeria Info Radio Station. She introduced the following schools in attendance.

- 1. Jibowu High School
- 2. Clegg Girls Senior High School
- 3. Gbaja Boys Senior High School
- 4. Onitolo Community Senior High School
- 5. Ansar-ud-deen Junior High School
- 6. Ideal Girls Senior High School
- 7. New Era Girls Senior High School
- 8. Obele Community Senior High School
- 9. Randle Senior Secondary School
- 10. New Era Girls Junior Secondary School.

There were 167 students from 10 public high schools, 10 youths, 16 parents and teachers at the event. The event followed with a welcome address by **Mr. Felix Iziomoh,** Executive Director, International Centre for Leadership Development Nigeria, who gave a brief introduction about the objectives of the SHIFT project, and the importance of ensuring a safer Internet among young people. He emphasized the importance of young people understanding the use of the Internet and the positive benefits of its use.



The Guest speakers of the event include;

- 1. Mr Ariyo Muritala Economic and Financial Crime Commission (EFCC).
- 2. Mr. Remmy Nweke- Internet Society Nigeria Chapter DigitalSENSE Africa Media Limited
- 3. Mr. Don Pedro Aganbi- Chairman Actors Guild of Nigeria Lagos Chapter.
- 4. Mr. Chris Ibe- African Youth Initiative on Crime Prevention
- 5. Mrs. Fowosere S.O. Lagos State Education District IV Representative
- 6. Ms. Olamide Egbayelo Paradigm Initiative of Nigeria
- 7. Ms. Heather Caton from World Genesis Foundation, Arizona, USA (Online via Skype)
- 8. Otunte Otueneh Internet Society Nigeria Chapter (Online via WebEx)

Mr. Chris who gave his goodwill message, welcomed the participants and outlined its partnership with ICLDNG and the history of their partnership in helping youth development in Nigeria. He maintained that it is important for a nation to build its youths as it is important for its own growth.



A video from Facebook was also shown to the participants as they also included that it was the most popular Social Media internet platform they were aware of.



Mr. Adedoyin Adedeji of ICLDNG and managing partner - CliqEdge explained on the lessons from the Facebook video, and the use of the privacy setting available on the Facebook platform."



Mr Ariyo from the EFCC presented the risks and consequences of engaging in cyber crime, he explained the meaning and the intent of the Internet. He also emphasized the importance of young people not going into cyber crime and the risk involved in negative use of the Internet. He also noted that being a 'Yahoo Yahoo' or being a 'Maga' (Fraudster) has its consequences, that students should use the Internet for positive outreach.



The next speaker, the representative of the Education District IV Mrs. Fowosere S.O, who gave a goodwill message welcomed all the students, teachers and parents to the event, and also pushed the agenda of the day- Safer Internet in Nigeria.



The program also had Mrs. Nkem Nweke of the Internet Society Nigeria Chapter and an Executive of DigitalSENSE Africa Media Limited and Mr. Don Pedro who highlighted the use of media, mobile devices and the film industry. They emphasized that as the world is becoming mobile, it is important for the youth of today to be cautious about what they watch or what they have access to on the Internet.



Mr Don Pedro outlined the dangers of social media, and he encouraged the 'think before you share or click' campaign.



A video on the dangers of Social Media was also compiled by the SID which showcased the dangers of posting all kinds of information on the Internet. It emphasized the importance of 'thinking before you share' especially where the audience is different.

The students also participated and gave their views on how to pick associations on the Internet.

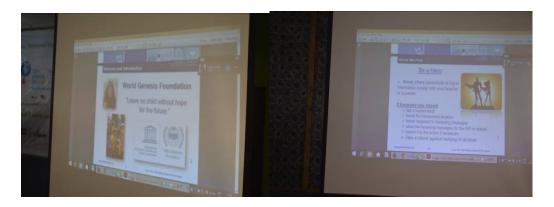
Ms. Olamide Egbayelo, a Digital Media Manager of Paradigm Initiative Nigeria gave few tips on online safety tips. She emphasized the need to protect your data and watch what you say online because the Internet never forgets. She gave the students tips on how they can play a part for a better Internet.



Mrs. Biodun Odunukwe gave her views about how students can spend valuable time on the Internet; she also emphasized the importance of student being focused on their school work via a vis spending all the time on the Internet.



Ms. Heather Caton from World Genesis Foundation, Arizona, USA, made a presentation via Skype, first with a video on cyber-bullying. She gave her thoughts on Cyber bullying and how students can identify it and she told them different ways they could react to cyber bullying. She encourages the students to be heroes.



Finally, Mr Otunte Otueneh of the Internet Society Nigeria Chapter showed a video on Internet of Everything and made a presentation on Internet of Everything and Internet Exchange Point via Webex.

The event came to a close after a quiz competition where every school present participated. As it turns out, every school was a winner. Prizes were won and the pictures were taken after the event. Books and magazines from DigitalSENSE Africa Media and Economic and Financial Crime Commission were shared to each school representative, for the school library.

The event came to a close at about 2:40pm Nigerian time.

Thanks to our partners and supporters for making the event a huge success.

- 1. Internet Society (Global)
- 2. Internet Society Nigeria Chapter
- 3. Facebook
- 4. African Youth Initiative on Crime Prevention
- 5. World Genesis Foundation
- 6. Economic and Financial Crime Commission
- 7. Springboard
- 8. Cliqedge
- 9. New Era Education and Charitable Support Foundation
- 10. YALI / IREX



ICLDNG staff and volunteers



ICLDNG Executive Director been interviewed by the Television Continental (TVC) News







Otunte Otueneh's presentation via WebEx

Media

http://voiceofnigeria.org.ng/group-advocates-positive-use-of-internet/

https://www.betterinternetforkids.eu/web/portal/practice/awareness/detail?articleId=541543

Video Links

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= tSwiOTM5SY

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qzh3Zys9vlA

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XwE4j9A322I

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KyRcZrJnfHs

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