FEATURES LIST 2020

Welcome to the *Southern African Wireless Communications* 2020 features list, which this year also includes online contributions we're seeking during the year ahead. Editorial inclusion is at the editor's discretion and carries no charge because relevant, focused, independent and informed content is the key to a strong and active readership.



Since the magazine launched in 1997, it has been a must read for the sector. Apart from news and analytical features, it contains case studies, products and opinion pieces from some of the most influential people in the region with comment pieces becoming so popular, we've decided to skew our content so it is more features-led. News will remain critical as it sets the agenda and is what opinions are usually predicated on. In fact, we want more of it to populate www.africanwirelesscomms.com freeing up the magazine for these thought led-pieces.

So, how will this manifest itself?

The Industry View will remain a key feature and we will make On the Network a regular piece. In addition, we would like to introduce you to the Round Table – a feature in which a handful of industry execs share their views on and debate a key topic. The editorial team will decide what that subject will be, but if you think that there's a burning issue that needs addressing quickly, we'd be delighted to hear from you.

Last year we also introduced a full-page Q&A, in which a C-level person removes the shackles of work and talks openly about their life. This has become one of our most sought after pieces of editorial, so please pitch sooner rather than later as we only have 6 issues per year!

News & Analysis

A close look at what's going on in the north, east, west and central parts of the continent

Wireless Business

Financial reports, deals, who's hiring and who's firing

Wireless Solutions

New products and services available to wireless users

Wireless Users

Case studies highlighting customer and sector success stories across the continent

And looking at our regular columns

Industry View

Comment from an industry luminary on the issues impacting wireless comms

On the Network

A more technical analysis of what's going on in the sector

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A soft feature with a C-level industry luminary, in which they talk about their life

Talking Satellite

GVF tells us what's hot in satellite as each issue goes to press

Please contact the editor in advance for all word counts – they will generally remain the same but there will be occasions when they vary. If you are pitching an opinion piece for the website, then there is no word limit. However, unless the scribe sports acid wit or is a wonderful raconteur, we recommend no more than 600 words. Anything longer can be soporific.

Remember, our readership is made up of operators, integrators, service providers, towercos, broadcasters, regulators, distributors and key public and private sector user groups, so please keep that in mind.

It just leaves me to say thank you for all of your help last year and here's to continued co-operation during 2020. Note again, what appears within the publication is my choice and does not involve any cost to you, though I know my commercial counterparts would, naturally, like to discuss supporting advertising!

JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020

FEATURE I

New entrants – 4th operators/ disruptors distorting or helping the market?

FEATURE II

Power problems: how operators and consumers can stay connected in the event of natural disasters and war

CASE STUDIES

Telemedicine Health Emergency Services

INDUSTRY VIEWPOINT

The ESA said two-thirds of satellites orbiting the earth are dead and pose a serious threat to the planet. What does this mean for the industry?

ROUND TABLE

Is outsourcing the answer to cyber security?

DEADLINE

21st February 2020

EVENT DISTRIBUTION

Pre-show issue: Seamless Southern Africa 2020; IoT Forum Africa 2020

MARCH-APRIL 2020

FEATURE I

Where it's sat: LEO v GEO – what's better?

FEATURE II

MNO/IoT security: how to secure vehicles, operating machines and telemedicine

CASE STUDIES

Agriculture Fishing Wildlife management

INDUSTRY VIEWPOINT

Why are the north, east and west of the continent leading the way?

ROUND TABLE

Smart cities in Africa – are any of them any good?

DEADLINE

10th April 2020

EVENT DISTRIBUTION

TBC

MAY-JUNE 2020

FEATURE I

Top Trump: the impact of US v Huawei/China trade war on 5G plans

FEATURE II

Mobile broadcasting: how operators can bump up their ARPU

CASE STUDIES

NGOs Weather Natural disasters

INDUSTRY VIEWPOINT

Broadband and bandwidth – the problems still facing Africa

ROUND TABLE

What's the future of backhaul – has microwave technology reached its peak?

DEADLINE

15th June 2020

EVENT DISTRIBUTION

TBC

JULY-AUGUST 2020

FEATURE I

The data growth challenge: volume has increased because of demand, but data revenue is not rising as fast, because mobile operators have not yet found the best and most innovative data pricing solutions

FEATURE II

5G focus: what have been the benefits so far?

CASE STUDIES

Education Factories Mining

INDUSTRY VIEWPOINT

Last mile: the long walk to connectivity

ROUND TABLE

OTT – friend or foe of the mobile operator?

DEADLINE

14th August 2020

EVENT DISTRIBUTION

Pre-show issue: Seamless East Africa 2020 At-show issue: TowerXchange Africa 2020

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2020

FEATURE I

Sub-Saharan Africa v north Africa – what are the key differences?

FEATURE II

How telecoms can thrive in emerging markets: what do operators need to do?

CASE STUDIES

Smart cities – trash/traffic/ environment Connected vehicles Leisure/sport/entertainment

INDUSTRY VIEWPOINT

In-building – the difficulties of installation

ROUND TABLE

How do you implement agile networks for a 5G future?

DEADLINE

1st October 2020

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Pre-show issue: AfricaCom 2020; Mission Critical Technologies Africa 2020

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2020

FEATURE I

Backhaul options – reducing costs and/or sharing spectrum?

FEATURE II

The 'smeature phone' – how has it fared since launch?

CASE STUDIES

Aviation Transport Seaports

INDUSTRY VIEWPOINT

Recovery and continuity following a power cut

ROUND TABLE

How is Africa monetising 5G?

DEADLINE

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