Platform Technologies and Socio-Economic Development: The Case of Information and Communications Technologies (ICTs) in Nigeria

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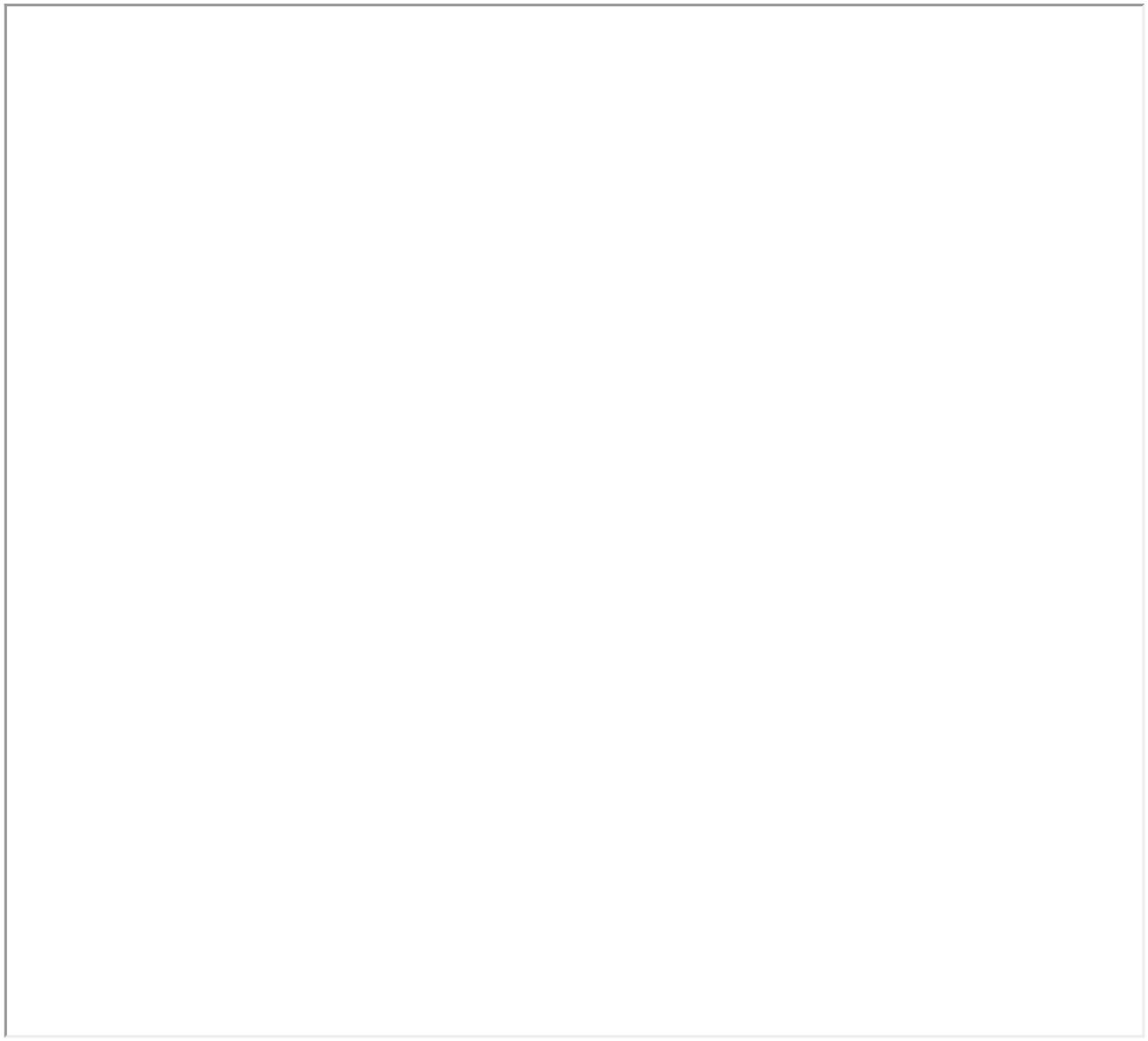
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Why did we select this research?

ICTs have redefined human existence in recent times, with profound effects on socio-economic, political and cultural aspects of society and have become indispensable tools in the implementation of national development plans. Information and Communications Technologies (ICTs) portend as a possible avenue through which global competitiveness can be improved.

Key Findings

- Wide-scale adoption, adaptation and application of platform technologies can enhance socio-economic transformation of citizenry and the enhancement of global competitiveness of a nation
- With ICT becoming the third largest contributor to Nigeria's GDP as well as the largest provider of employment, coupled with general improvements in the living standards of the people, Nigeria's socio-economic development has indeed improved remarkably since the liberalisation of and subsequent massive investment in the telecoms industry in the country.
- The new techno-economic paradigms such as ICTs, biotechnology and nanotechnology, and the emergence and spread of these new paradigms, be considered as a necessary strategic starting point to rethink development policies for the 21st century



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