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DIGITAL GOVERNANCE DIALOGUES: CAPACITY BUILDING AND COOPERATION IN DIGITAL GOVERNANCE CAPACITIES IN THE PALOP

**Workshop #1 – Data Governance and Protection in the context of digital
transformation: challenges, opportunities, and perspectives**

June 17th and 18th, 2026, Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 – 17:00 (GMT+2)

CONCEPT NOTE

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I. INTRODUCTION

Digital transformation has been taking a strategic role in strengthening public institutions, modernising service delivery, and promoting sustainable development. In this context, digital governance and data governance are essential elements to ensure the use of digital technologies is done in an ethical, secure, and inclusive way, and in line with fundamental rights.

Mozambique is experiencing a significant moment of consolidation of policies and strategies related to digital transformation, interoperability, artificial intelligence, governance, and data protection, as well as the strengthening of the public sector's digital infrastructure and institutional capacities. At the same time, the country is following regional and international movements aimed at building reliable, interoperable digital ecosystems oriented towards the public interest and human rights.

In this context, this Workshop, organised as part of the “Digital Governance Dialogues” initiative, will serve as a space for exchange, training, and collective construction among government representatives, experts, international partners, and other actors involved in Mozambique's digital transformation.

The Workshop will be held on 17-18 June 2026 and will focus on the debate over governance and data protection in the context of digital transformation, considering the



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institutional, regulatory, technical, and social challenges associated with developing public policies in this area.

This activity aims to strengthen participants' institutional and technical capacities by promoting practical discussions on the implementation, monitoring, and coordination of national strategies related to the workshop's theme.

II. WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

General Objective

To promote a space for dialogue, capacity building, and exchange of experiences on digital governance, data governance, and data protection in the context of digital transformation in Mozambique, strengthening institutional capacities and supporting the articulation between national policies, strategies, and initiatives and regional and international commitments on the subject.

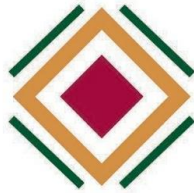
Specific Objectives

- Discuss challenges and opportunities related to digital governance and digital transformation in the public sector;
- Promote understanding of global, regional, and national frameworks related to data governance and protection;
- Support the articulation between public policies, national strategies, and institutional initiatives related to the Workshop's theme;
- Debate mechanisms for harmonising, implementing, and monitoring policies and actions related to the Workshop's theme;
- Encourage the exchange of experiences between national participants and international partners;
- Encourage the collective construction of reflections and proposals aimed at strengthening the Mozambican digital ecosystem.

III. TARGET AUDIENCE

The Workshop targets:

- Representatives of ministries and public institutions;
- Public managers involved in digital transformation initiatives, data governance and data protection;
- Specialists and technicians in the areas of technology, data, innovation and public policy;
- Representatives of regulatory authorities;



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- International organisations and cooperation partners;
- Academia, civil society and other strategic actors involved in the digital governance agenda.

IV. METHODOLOGY

The workshop will be conducted primarily through practical, participatory sessions, exchange of experiences, collective construction, and application to the context of Mozambique, especially the public sector.

Activities may include:

- Interactive presentations;
- Panels and roundtables;
- Group dynamics;
- Case studies;
- Practical exercises;
- Guided discussions;
- Sharing of institutional experiences.

The methodology will seek to stimulate active participation, promoting reflections applied to the concrete challenges of digital governance and the implementation of governance and data protection initiatives in Mozambique.

V. PRIORITY THEMES AND POLICIES

The workshop will address topics related to digital transformation and digital governance, with a focus on:

- Data governance;
- Protection of personal data;
- Interoperability;
- Artificial intelligence;
- National digital transformation strategies;
- Implementation of public policies;
- Monitoring and indicators.



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VI. STRATEGIC DOCUMENTS FOR THE WORKSHOP

During the workshop, strategic documents on digital transformation and data governance in Mozambique will serve as references and a basis for discussion. Among the main documents to be debated are:

1. **Proposal for a Data Governance Policy and Strategy;**
2. **National Digital Transformation Strategy (Digital Mozambique);**
3. **Documents related to interoperability;**
4. **Strategies and initiatives related to artificial intelligence;**
5. **National, regional, and international instruments related to the Workshop theme.**

The discussions will seek to support articulation among the above strategic documents, promote reflections on implementation and monitoring, and strengthen the State's capacities.

VI. PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Day 1 – 17 June 2026 (Wednesday)

Theme: Challenges and global, regional, and local alignment in digital transformation.

09h – 09h45 | Institutional Opening

Panel with authorities and institutional representatives.

09h45 – 10h45 | Presentation of the “Digital Governance Dialogues” initiative

Presentation of the initiative Digital Governance Dialogues and of the organising institutions (CETIC.br and UNU-EGOV).

10h45 – 11h | Break

11h00 – 12h | National overview of digital governance and data protection

Presentation of the most relevant ongoing initiatives and strategies in development in Mozambique.

12h – 13h | Roundtable: global and regional frameworks on data governance and data protection

- Proposal: Present global and regional data governance and data protection frameworks, discuss the articulation among them and their translation to the national level. Space for questions and comments.
- Panelist representing the Africa Union (*to be confirmed*)



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- Panelist representing the UNECA (*to be confirmed*)
- Panelist representing the European Union (*to be confirmed*)

13h – 14h | Lunch

14h – 17h | Workshop Session #1: Challenges and global, regional and local harmonisation in digital transformation (Break: 15h30 to 15h45)

Debate on the main challenges related to data governance and data protection in Mozambique, considering global, regional and national commitments.

Planned activities:

- Interactive presentation;
- Group discussions;
- Practical reflection on the articulation between national strategies and international frameworks;
- Identification of challenges and opportunities for the implementation of political and regulatory frameworks related to the Workshop theme.

DAY 2 – 18 June 2026 (Thursday)

Theme: Implementation, monitoring and perspectives

09h – 13h | Workshop Session #2: Opportunities and Implementation (Break: 11h to 11h15)

Discussion on the implementation of national policies and strategies related to:

- Interoperability;
- Artificial intelligence;
- Governance and data protection;
- National Digital Transformation Strategy.

The session will focus on institutional articulation, practical implementation, and the impacts of these initiatives on the performance of the public sector.

13h – 14h | Lunch

14h – 16h45 | Workshop Session #3: Monitoring and Perspectives (Break: 15h30 à 15h45)

Session focused on the debate about the construction of indicators, monitoring, and follow-up of policies and strategies related to the Workshop theme.

16h45 – 17h | Closing



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VIII. Expected Outcomes

This workshop is expected to contribute to:

- Strengthen understanding of data governance and data protection in the Mozambican context;
- Support harmonization between national initiatives and international benchmarks;
- Promote greater coordination between public institutions and partners involved in the digital agenda;
- Identify priority challenges related to the implementation and monitoring of digital public policies;
- Encourage the building of institutional and technical capacities;
- Produce input for future actions of the “Digital Governance Dialogues” initiative.

IV. Additional Information

Venue: Council Room of the Ministry of Communications and Digital Transformation (Avenida Patrice Lumumba, no 770)

City: Maputo

Dates: 17 and 18 June 2026

Time: 9h:00 to 17h:00

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