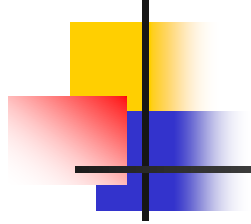


# INNOVATION – A DREAM OR THE FUTURE?



## THE IMPACT OF INTRODUCING LIBRARY- BASED ICT INNOVATION TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN TANZANIA

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# **Tanzania Library Services Board (TLSB) ICT innovation Agenda**

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- **Taking the library to the grass-root**
- **Bridging the digital divide**
- **Helping communities to earn their lives**
- **Expansion of client-base (library users)**
- **Publicizing the public library and its services**



# What is Innovation?

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- **Application of new solutions that meet new requirements, inarticulate needs, or existing market needs**
- **Something original and new that “breaks in to” the market or society**

**Note: Innovation differs from improvement in that innovation refers to the notion of doing something different rather than doing the same thing better...**

**Source: *Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia***



# Innovation requires 3 things

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- A recognised need
- Competent people with relevant technology
- Financial support

**Source:** *Engineer Joseph F. Engelberger*



# Tanzania's TLSB experience

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- **A recognised need**

- ICT needs in education, health, business, entrepreneurship
- Digital divide

- **Competent people with relevant technology**

- TLSB staff prepared : training and exposure
- Development of ICT equipment and resources base

- **Financial support**

- Small budget set aside
- Partnership with donor organisations: Finnish Library Association, EIFL, etc.



# Outputs & Outcomes

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## **Formation of innovative ICT-based projects:**

### **1. Libraries for Development Project (supported by Finnish Library Association)**

- Training of local communities on how to use ICT: SMEs, Women, etc.

### **2. ICT Training for Poultry-Keepers (supported by EIFL)**

- Cattle-rearing, chicken-rearing

### **3. ICT Training for Youth:(supported by EIFL)**

- Secondary school new graduates













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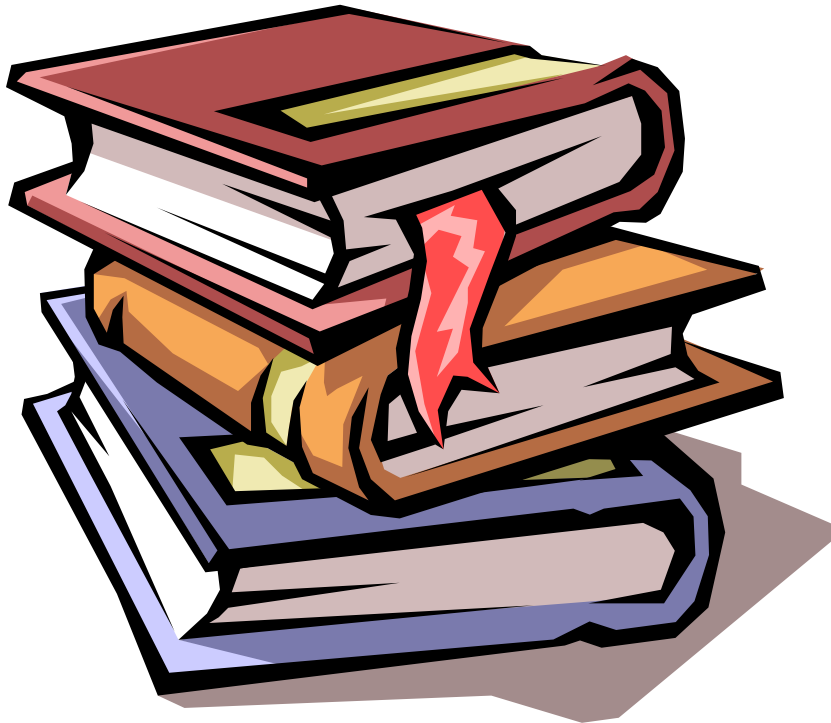




# Conclusion

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**Innovation is both:  
a dream and the future.**



**Thanks for listening**