

E-Waste Recycler upgrades their capacity

Sindawonye Granulators & Processors has concluded installation of a \$1500 electronic shredder and a Jet Air Filter System. This gives them capacity to handle 50 tons of electronic waste per day. The completely environmentally friendly system operates with no chemical processing, incineration or emissions into the atmosphere.

The shredder enhances Sindawonye's highly sophisticated scrap handling facility, which includes granulators, wash plants and plastic recycling machinery. Sindawonye can now perform the complete recycling cycle on one site for e-waste, which guarantees data destruction.

Companies interested in viewing this unique facility should contact Ryan on 072 622 5970, alternatively email to ryan.recycling@telkomsa.net or through their website www.nfshred.com.

Building Schools for the Future What does "Transformed Education" look like?

The world we live in is forever changing - as evidenced by numerous writings, ancient and modern. Transformational trends over the millennia always dictated the needs for change in the way things were done. And so it is today, where we recognise the changes in our lifestyles and the way we do business, considering just the last half century. The information age has brought about explosive growth globally and we can no longer turn a blind eye to the need for a major shift in educational systems.

MicroSoft seems to lead the way into the future of schooling, having piloted innovative projects in cooperation with various educational institutions. It will be wise of any forward-thinking individual to gain familiarity with emerging trends in this crucial arena. Even as a working adult you may well have to re-school yourself (maybe more than once) to ensure you stay on the path of skills demands!

Make an effort to familiarise yourself with this vital trend that may affect your future and that of your children or grandchildren. For your convenience we have put together a special web page with many links of relevance to this important subject which you'll find at <http://www.ita.org.za/Documents/FutureSchooling.htm>

THE MERAKA e-SKILLS INSTITUTE

The Meraka eSkills Institute was established by initiative from the Department of Communications. The Institute will contribute to national programmes to ensure that all South Africans obtain skills necessary to function in the emerging Information Society and knowledge economy. It will set in place the type of institutional architecture which should yield the strategic outputs and unlock the necessary resources to help narrow the gap between national ICT skills needs and what is currently in supply in South Africa.

The Meraka e-Skills Institute will focus on the different categories of e-skills, i.e. information and communication technology (ICT) practitioner skills, ICT user skills, e-business skills and e-literacy (with special focus on the social appropriation of ICTs). The working definition of "e-skills": ...a combination of skills to design, develop, maintain and operate ICT systems; exploit business opportunities and organisational improvements provided by ICT systems; and to socially appropriate ICTs for local socio-economic development. The strategic themes envisaged are: (i) e-Skills for Business, (ii) e- Skills for Government, (iii) e-Skills for Development, (iv) Information engineering, (v) Research and Development.

The Meraka e-Skills Institute will enable effective and efficient training in e-skills, encourage thought leadership and provide strategic direction with regards to e-skills development in South Africa. It will build on existing ICT skills development capacity in the country through multi-stakeholder partnerships (corporate schools and other alliances) and the deployment of a distributed educational model involving institutional capacity at a regional and local level. *By Dr. Harold Wesso.*

More info at <http://www.doc.gov.za> and at the following link http://www.pnc.gov.za/emzanzi_issue3

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