



**OFFICE of the
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**GIRLS IN
ICT DAY**
23 APRIL 2015



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change attitudes*

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The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in collaboration with the Office of the Regulator (OOTR) will be commemorating the “Girls in ICT” Day on the **23rd April 2015**. “Girls in ICT” is an initiative of the International Telecommunication Union in a global effort to raise awareness on empowering and encouraging girls and young women to consider studies in Information and Communication Technology and Engineering. OOTR will hold a one day celebration and part of which will be an Essay Writing Competition for all girls at Year 12 and Year 13 from all Colleges in Samoa.

Essay Writing Competition “Girls in ICT”

The Essay should focus on answering the question **WHY** is it fewer females undertaking ICT as a career and **HOW** we can change this trend and get more females interested in venturing into ICT Industry?

- Topic** : “Girls in the Information, Communications and Technology Sector”.
- Eligibility** : Girls competing must be attending Year 12 or Year 13 at any College in Samoa.
- Length of Essay** : Not more than 3 pages (single spaced) on sheets of A4 papers
- Due Date** : Essay can be submitted early but no later than Friday 17th April 2015 at 4pm
- Submission** : All essays must be submitted to the Office of the Regulator using the cover sheet that can be found on our website www.regulator.gov.ws or from your respective principals.
- Prizes** : The prizes would include ICT Devices sponsored by OOTR and its partners. The Honorable Tuisugaletaua Aliimalemanu Sofara Aveau, Minister of ICT will present prizes awarded for the most outstanding essays. Presentation will be at the workshop to be held on 23rd April during the “Girls in ICT Day”
- Judges** : Essay Competition will be judge by an independent panel of Judges.

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