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PRESS RELEASE

Acknowledging Our Valued Sponsors – Youth in ICT 2025

The Office of the Regulator proudly acknowledges and extends heartfelt appreciation to the sponsors whose generous contributions made this year's event a resounding success. Held to inspire, educate, and empower young Samoans in Information and Communications Technology (ICT), the Youth in ICT Day celebration of 2025 brought together students, educators, industry leaders, government leaders, and the Diplomatic Corps.

This Government initiative would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our valued sponsors:

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Your support has helped create a platform that nurtures innovation, builds digital skills, and inspires the next generation of ICT leaders of Samoa. As the Honourable Prime Minister, Fiame Naomi Mataafa announced, Government decided that from 2025 the name of this event will be "Youth in ICT" instead of "Girls in ICT". This decision was based on the fact that in the last 5 years there were more college girls taking science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) subjects than boys; according to the Ministry of Education and Culture's statistics. **STEM skills lead to increased job security and career growth assisting Samoa's economic and social development.**

Thank you again for your role in supporting this important event for Samoa today and into the future.

Faafetai, Faafetai tele Lava!

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