

# FIBRE TECHCELERATE PROGRAMME

Building Fibre.  
Empowering Futures.





# PROGRAMME MODULES

The Fibre TechCelerate experience was delivered through a rigorous, industry-informed curriculum, tailored to fibre sector realities:



## **Fibre Optics Technical Training**

Hands-on modules in splicing, network installation, and fault resolution.



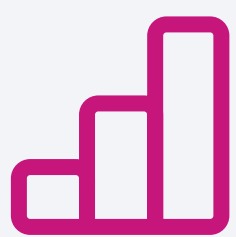
## **Occupational Health & Safety (OHS)**

Site safety protocols, auditing, and compliance standards.



## **Community Engagement & Social Facilitation**

Techniques for building public trust, resolving conflict, and securing buy-in.



## **ERP Integration**

Business systems for HR, finance, inventory, and real-time tracking.



## **Business Development & Financial Literacy**

Procurement readiness, cash flow control, pricing, and growth strategy.



## **Coaching & SMME Wellness**

Mentorship, leadership, emotional resilience, and strategic guidance.



# GRATITUDE

## STAKEHOLDERS NOTE

This programme was made possible through vision, collaboration, and shared purpose.

We thank you:

### **Liquid Intelligent Technologies**

for leading the charge in equitable fibre development.

### **The Cortex Hub**

for designing, delivering, and sustaining MSME impact.

### **SITA**

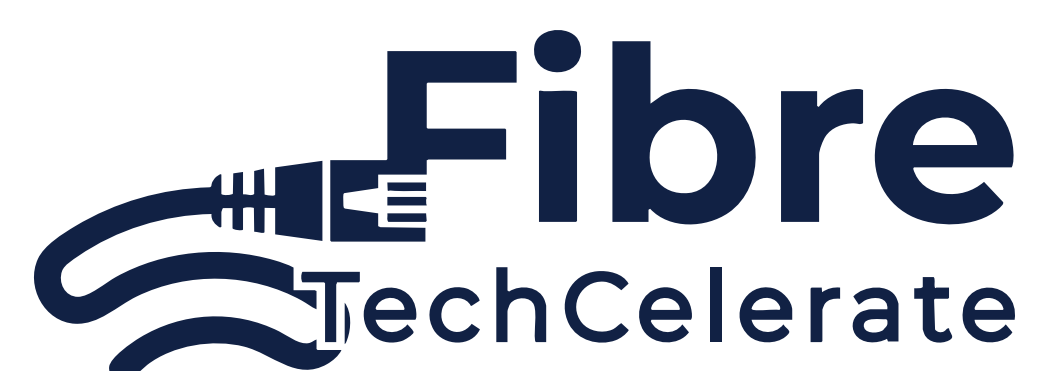
for institutional support and alignment with South Africa's ICT goals.

### **Eastern Cape Provincial Government**

for unlocking local ecosystems and infrastructure opportunity.

### **Walter Sisulu University**

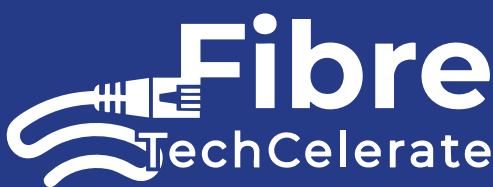
for contributing to the future of women in tech.



# 2024 COHORT

MDK Technologies
Khula Technologies
Awake Consulting
Zenavuvu Investments
IBBA General Trading
Valley of the Lily's
Rolong-Over Business Solutions
CAT SEC Vision
Maphozana Trading
New Era Telecoms
Quadrant Technologies
Kwalanda
DBI Intelligence
Faku Projects
Samo Construction
Mooya Technologies
Blaqtronics
Bay Technologies
Bongani Telecom
Aqua Telecoms

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# THE FIBRE TECHCELERATE PROGRAMME

## ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

The Liquid Fibre TechCelerate Programme is more than a development initiative — it is a commitment to reimagining opportunity.

Over 12 months, this programme identified and elevated 20 Black-owned MSMEs, preparing them to participate meaningfully in South Africa's digital economy.

Rooted in the Eastern Cape, TechCelerate blends training, finance, technology, and market access into a proven pipeline that transforms small contractors into fully-fledged fibre infrastructure enterprises.

With tailored coaching, digital enablement through CortexFlow, access to the Tech Credit Fund, and real-world deployment, TechCelerate repositions local businesses as national players in broadband rollouts.

**"The TechCelerate Programme helped us gain clarity on scaling through ERP. We've started optimising customer acquisition and financial reporting and we can already see the long-term impact."**

— Lwando Madikiza, MDK Technologies

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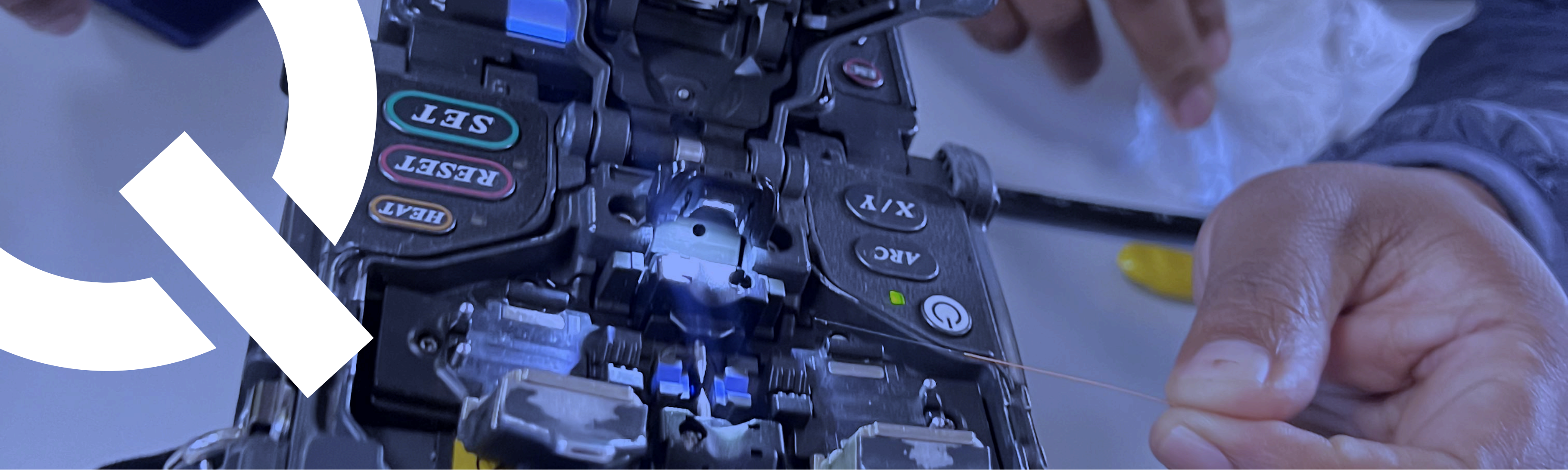


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TechCelerate Impact Report



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**Thursday, 7 August 2025**

## **THE PROGRAMME**

**10:00 – 10:05**

### **Welcome Remarks**

Programme Director

**10:05 – 10:15**

### **Harnessing Innovation for Africa's Digital Future**

Mr. Nico Muka, Board Chair, the Cortex Hub

**10:15 – 10:25**

### **The Power of Collaborative Transformation**

Ms. Fiona Khan, Senior Manager,  
B-BBEE, Liquid Intelligent  
Technologies South Africa

- Insights into the strategic partnership with the Eastern Cape Provincial Government and SITA, and the TechCelerate Programme's impact on regional development.

**10:25 – 10:35**

### **Youth Empowerment and Job Creation**

Mr. Thembelani Maphanga, Senior Project  
Manager: Youth Empowerment  
and Job Creation, ECDC





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**10:35 – 10:45**

## **Building a Resilient Eastern Cape Through Digital Enterprises**

Prof. WD Thwala, Executive Dean, WSU

**10:45 – 10:55**

## **The Liquid Fibre TechCelerate Journey**

Ms. Nkateko Mdluli, ESD & CSI Specialist, Liquid Intelligent Technologies South Africa

**10:55 – 11:15**

## **Tea Break**

**11:15 – 12:15**

## **Celebrating Achievement and Future Potential**

- Presentation of Graduates and Awarding of Certificates
- Announcement: Winning SMME of the Pitching Competition
- Special Recognition: Walter Sisulu University – Girls in ICT Fibre Optics Initiative
- Remarks from a Representative of the Graduating Suppliers





# THE PROGRAMME

**12:15 – 12:25**

## **Catalysing South Africa's Digital Future: A Connected Economy**

Mr. Darryl Dennis, Chief Executive Officer,  
NMB iHub

**12:25 – 12:35**

## **Catalysing South Africa's Digital Future: Congratulatory Message**

Mr. Xolani Mbulawa, Regional Head of  
Department, SITA

**12:35 – 12:45**

## **Announcing the TechCelerate Class of 2025**

Mr. Anda Ngcaba, The Cortex Hub Board Director

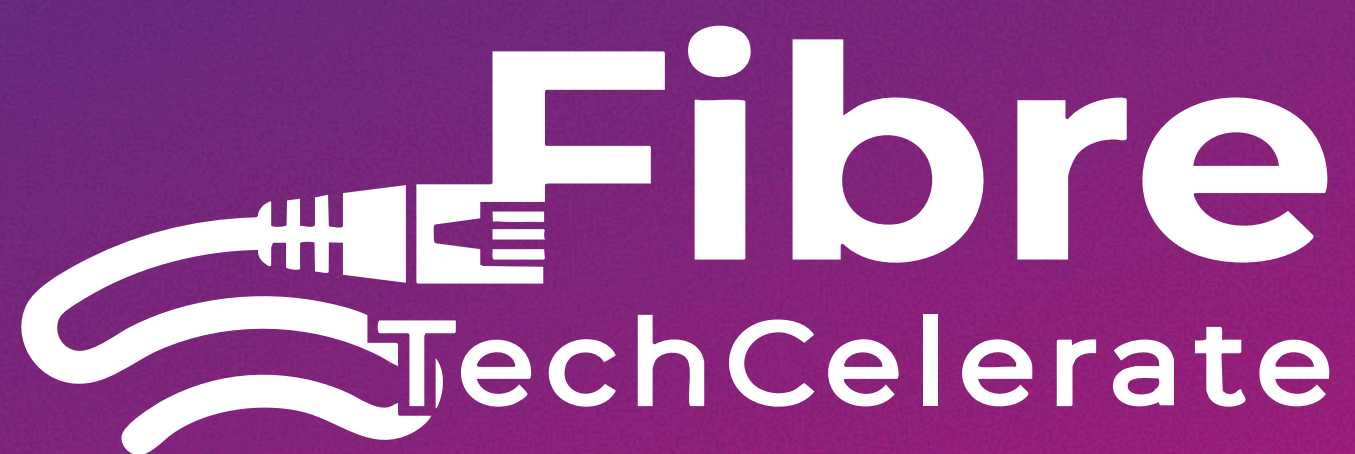
**12:45 – 13:30**

## **Photo Opportunity**

**12:45 – 14:00**

## **Lunch**





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