

ALICT FINAL WORKSHOP

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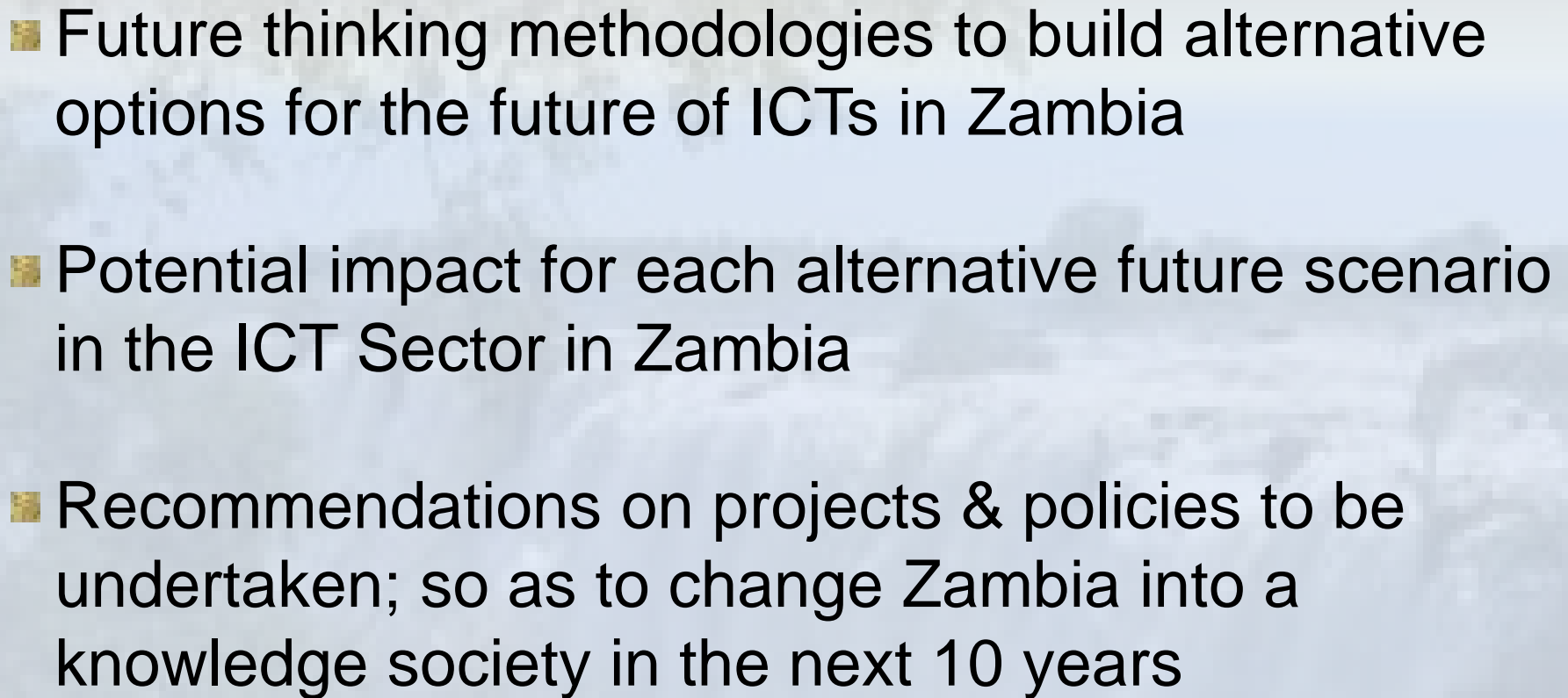
POLICY COHERENCE IN ICT & INFRASTRUCTURE PILLAR TOWARDS KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT IN ZAMBIA

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INTRODUCTION

The presentation is a summary of the report that looked at the following:

- Current ICT Services in Zambia
- Current ICT Infrastructure in Zambia
- ICT Policies & associated Laws in Zambia
- Current ICT Projects in Zambia & General Observations

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- Future thinking methodologies to build alternative options for the future of ICTs in Zambia
 - Potential impact for each alternative future scenario in the ICT Sector in Zambia
 - Recommendations on projects & policies to be undertaken; so as to change Zambia into a knowledge society in the next 10 years

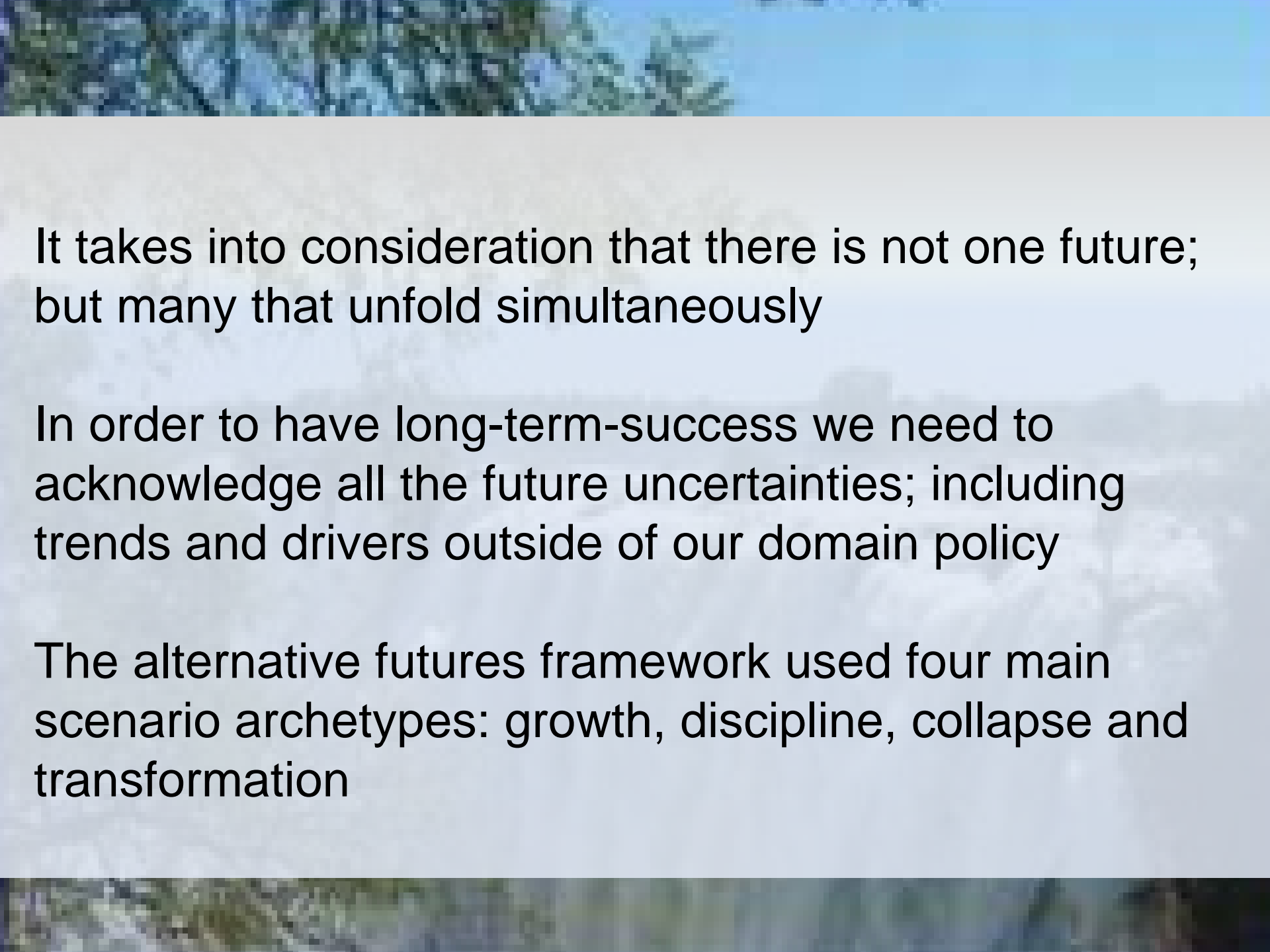
METHODOLOGY

In its findings, the report used Futures Thinking Methodologies: in particular, signaling and horizon scanning

A Signal is any event, innovation, disruption or local pattern that points to a larger shift on the horizon

Horizon scanning is the continuous exercise of gathering and understanding of signals

The alternate future thinking framework methodology helps prepare policies that take into consideration the uncertainty of the future



It takes into consideration that there is not one future;
but many that unfold simultaneously

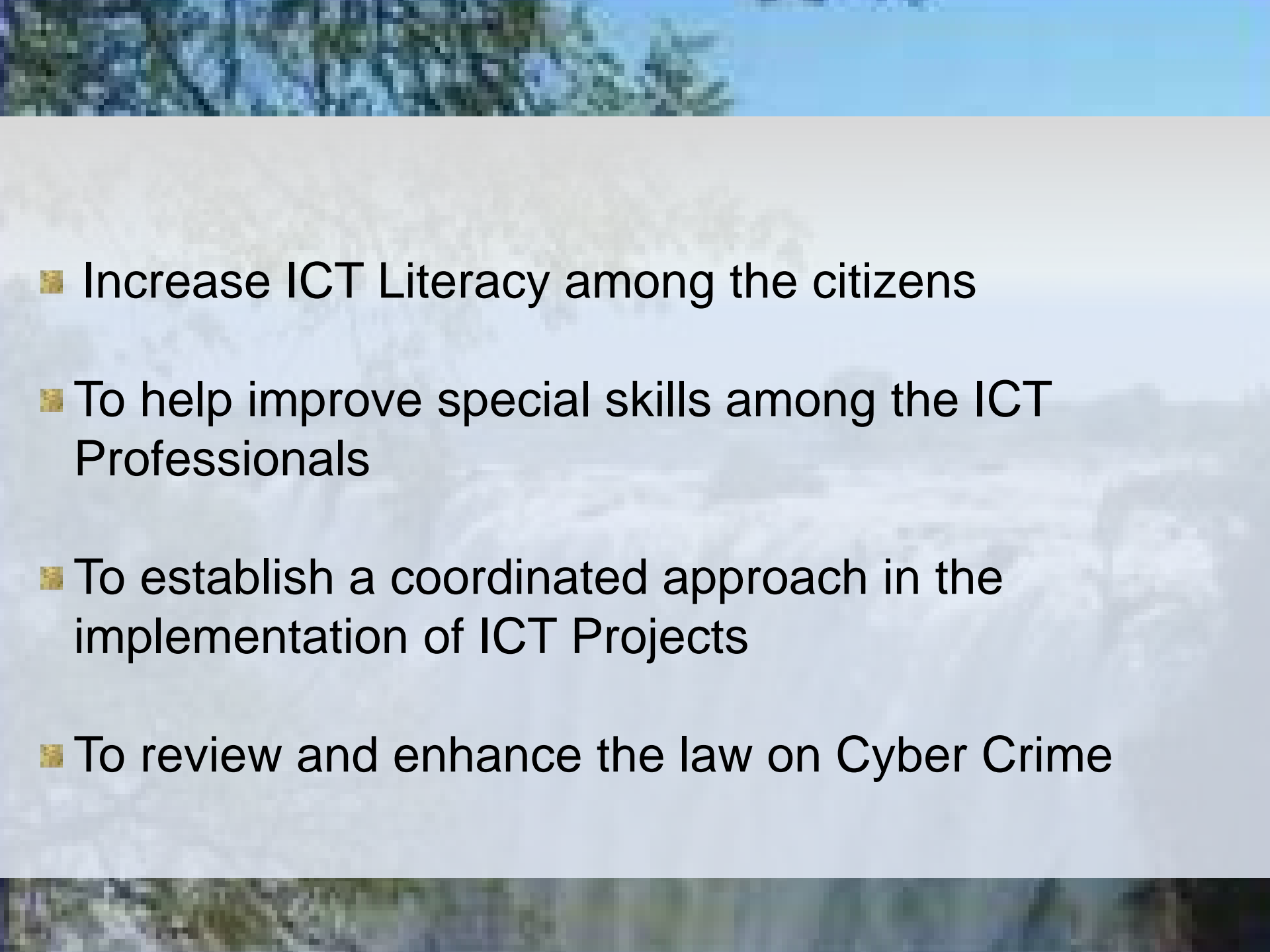
In order to have long-term-success we need to
acknowledge all the future uncertainties; including
trends and drivers outside of our domain policy

The alternative futures framework used four main
scenario archetypes: growth, discipline, collapse and
transformation

RESULTS

Based on the scenario building exercise, it was established that in order to build Zambia into a knowledge society, the following projects are supposed to be undertaken:

- Constructing the National Communication Backbone Infrastructure to connect all the areas in the country
- Increase investment in the ICT Sector
- Subsidize ICT Services & Investments in the rural areas

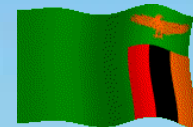
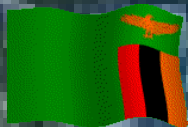
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- Increase ICT Literacy among the citizens
 - To help improve special skills among the ICT Professionals
 - To establish a coordinated approach in the implementation of ICT Projects
 - To review and enhance the law on Cyber Crime

RECOMMENDATION

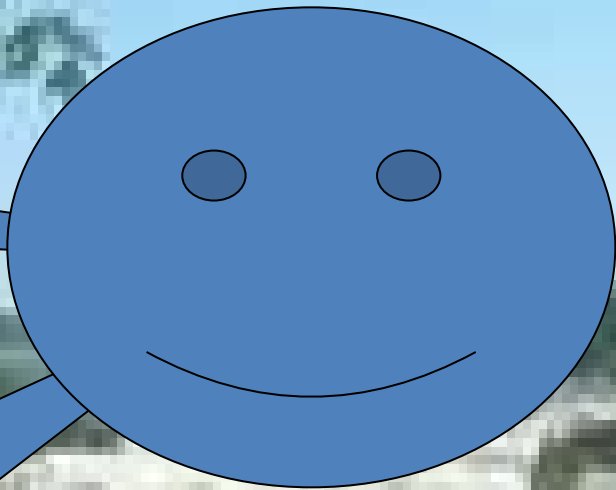
It was established and demonstrated from the scenarios that the above projects will continue to build towards a knowledge society in Zambia; regardless of what future may come

The recommendation being made is that of undertaking the stated projects for Zambia to be turned into a knowledge society by 2022

A detailed road map for each project should be worked on but all the projects should start immediately and be implemented concurrently



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