70% population of Vanuatu living in rural communities going to urban areas (Port Vila and Luganville) to access the ICT services.  

In 2015, Ituani was established to outreach the ICT services to the doorstep of rural communities targeting girls, women, orphans and people with disability. However, with the scattered geographical challenges, blended learning was identified to be the best approach. Given that Ituani trainers did not have relevant skills for blended learning, TVET Professional Development Online Toolkit for the Pacific was used as a basis for upskilling the staff through the funding support of COL. 

The Project design was held, and a detailed project plan was developed. The Toolkit was used to identify gaps among trainers and develop strategies for upskilling the five (5) trainers including three (3) males and two (2) females with support from COL consultants. The project focuses on three (3) main areas where Ituani is expecting its trainers to build and develop their skills and knowledge on. 

➢ Trainers to have skills to conduct better training and assessments to learners
➢ Trainers to have skills to explore more employment opportunities for learners
➢ Trainers to have skills to develop training marketing tool

The project is in its implementation phase while the trainers already conducted training to fifty (50) learners including thirty women/girls and twenty (20) men/boys using the knowledge and skills acquired for blended learning.

From Ituani experience, The Online Toolkits is as a one stop shop TVET resources source available online. When COL funding project will come to an end, Ituani will continue to promote the Toolkit and encourage its current and future staff to continue using it as their professional development avenue to benefits its learners’ target.

Ituani was registered in 2019 as the first rural training provider to deliver accredited computer courses through its community and schools ICT program.

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