

TRANSFORM: AFRICA BUSINESS AND INVESTMENT FORUM

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA





ABOUT THE AFRICA BUSINESS AND INVESTMENT FORUM

The Corporate Council on Africa (CCA) - U.N. Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) 'Africa Business and Investment Forum', held on the margins of the African Union (AU) Summit, will bring together African and U.S. public and private sector leaders to discuss specific benchmarks and measures that can be implemented to support private-sector led growth in Africa.

During the day-long Forum, four high level roundtables will be held to enable African and U.S. private sector executives to engage in conversations and share insights with African Heads of State, Ministers, senior USG officials, representatives of multilateral institutions and other stakeholders. The roundtables on trade and diversification, energy, agribusiness, and health will ensure that the private sector voice and views are heard by leaders and key stakeholders, and that both African and U.S. policies address in concrete ways the day-to-day doing business challenges faced by the private sector operating in Africa.

In addition to providing a platform for a high-level public-private sector dialogue, the objectives of the Forum are to increase opportunities for business partnerships, secure commitments to as well as track the adoption of business-friendly policies, and showcase countries and policies that are contributing to an enabling environment for enhanced African regional and global trade and investment, including with the United States.

AGENDA

8:30 am - 9:30 am | Welcome and Remarks

Lalibela Ballroom Salons 1 and 2

Ms. Florizelle Liser, President & CEO, Corporate Council on Africa

Ms. Vera Songwe, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)

Mr. Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede, Chairman, Coronation Capital Mauritius Limited

Mr. Ali Mufuruki, Chairman, African Management Services Company (AMSCO)

Mr. Jonathan Nash, Acting CEO, Millennium Challenge

H.E. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson, African Union Commission

H.E. Hailemariam Desalegn, Prime Minister, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

H.E. Paul Kagame, President, Republic of Rwanda

9:30 am - 11:00 am | Roundtable I - Promoting African Trade and Diversification: A Business Imperative

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As a result of the AU Heads of State agreement to establish a Continental Free Trade Area, Africa is now on a path to reduce barriers to the movement of goods and people across the continent and to significantly increase intra-African trade. This commitment along with a plan for enhanced African industrialization will support value-added manufacturing and the diversification of African economies. The round table will present an opportunity for high-level dialogue on the implementation of these commitments, and what African and U.S. businesses see as the critical steps that must be taken to make the promise of increased and more diversified African trade a reality.

Opening Remarks

H.E. Yoweri Museveni, President, Republic of Uganda

H.E. Mahamadou Issoufou, President, Republic of Niger

Opening speakers

Mr. Tewolde Gebremariam, CEO, Ethiopian Airlines

Mr. Miguel Santos, Managing Director, Africa, Boeing

H.E. Alan Kyerematen, Minister for Trade and Industry, Ghana

Mr. Admassu Tadesse, President, TDB

H.E. Albert Muchanga, Commissioner of Trade and Industry, African Union Commision

Mr. Tarig Hamza Zain El Abdein, CEO, Sudatel Group

Dr. Charles Stuppard, Petrolin Group

Mr. Kabirou Mbodje, CEO, Wari

Mr. Stephen Karingi, Director, Capacity Development Division, UNECA (Moderator)

11:30 am - 1:00 pm | Roundtable II - Increasing Power Supply through Cross Border Networks

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As the demand for power in Africa continues to grow, regional networks will be critical to increasing the number of people who have access to power and more importantly provide the much-needed capacity for the rapid industrialization being experienced in Africa. New resource discoveries and alternative fuel all hold incredible regional opportunities for the entire continent. The roundtable will discuss the kinds of regulatory reforms required to aid investment, the role of various actors and how they come together to deliver efficient and secure access to power across the Continent.

Opening remarks

H.E. Macky Sall, President, Republic of Senegal

H.E. Uhuru Kenyatta, President, Republic of Kenya

Opening speakers

H.E. Dr. Seleshi Bekele, Minister of Water, Irrigation and Electricity, Ethiopia

H.E. Alan Kyerematen, Minister for Trade and Industry, Ghana

Mr. Jay Ireland, President & CEO, GE Africa

Mr. Suleiman Kiggundu, Jr., Regional Director for Africa, CDC Group

Mr. Alain Ebobisse, CEO, Africa50

Mr. Siengui Apolinaire Ki, General Secretary, West African Power Pool

Mr. Mark Makanda, Director, Strategic Finance, APR Energy

Ms. Lucia Bakulumpagi-Wamala, Founder, Bakulu Power

Mr. Wieber Boer, CEO, All On

Ms Cathia Lawson Hall, Senior Banker, Société Générale (Moderator)

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm | Luncheon

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2:00 pm - 3:30 pm | Roundtable III - The Business of Agriculture: Creating Successful Agribusinesses

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The agribusiness sector has the ability to positively impact the economies of African countries because of its ability to lift millions out of poverty. The time is ripe to invest in building a 21st century business-oriented and sustainable agribusiness sector given the amount of arable land, entrepreneurship, and infrastructural development occurring on the continent. Despite the sluggish pace of agribusiness investments in Africa, there are examples of very successful agribusiness operations where governments and the private sector are working together to positively impact economic development.

Opening remarks

H.E. Filipe Nyusi, President, Republic of Mozambique

Opening speakers

H.E. Patrick Gomes, Secretary General, ACP Secretariat

Amb. Abdoulaye Diop, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Mali

Mr. Jonathan Nash, CEO, MCC

Ms Rahel Moges, Managing Director, Ethiogreen

Mr. Haddis Tadesse, Deputy Director (Africa), Gates Foundation

Mr. Yohannes Assefa, Director of Agriculture & Agribusiness, E. Africa Trade & Investment Hub

Ms. Jennifer Blanke, VP of Agriculture, Health & Social Development, AFDB (Moderator)

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm | Networking Break

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4:00 pm - 5:30 pm | Roundtable IV - Advancing Public Private Partnerships on Non-Communicable Diseases *Lalibela Salon 3AB*

This session continues the health forum discussion that took place in September 2017 on the margins of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) where the World Health Organization engaged with CCA private sector organizations on promoting increased public/private sector collaboration on non-communicable diseases (NCDs). There is widespread recognition that millions around the globe are dying prematurely from diseases such as cancer, heart disease and diabetes. To achieve Goal 3 of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal, nations agreed that good health and well-being is essential. This goal is also expressed in the African Union's 2063 Agenda. Speakers in this session will talk about specific benchmarks and measure that can be implemented and identify best practices in helping to make real progress in the fight against NCDs.

Opening remarks

H.E. Paul Kagame, President, Republic of Rwanda

Opening speakers

Mr. Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede, Chairman, Coronation Capital Mauritius Limited

Ms. Zouera Youssoufou, CEO, Dangote Foundation

Mr. Papa Salif Sow, VP of Program Development & Management, Gilead Sciences

Ms. Rita Owino, Primary & referral Care Leader for Sub-Sahara Africa, GE Healthcare

Ms. Nancy Wildfeir-Field, President, GBC Health

Mr. Tony Carroll, Vice President, Manchester Trade

Dr. Amit Thakker, Chairman, Africa Healthcare Federation

Dr. Maraki Fikre, Operations Manager (Ethiopia), Ethio-American Doctors (Moderator)

7:00 pm | Closing Dinner

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United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) provides a unique platform for intermediation between the public and the private sector policies and programs, offering solutions and support to accelerate sustainable private sector development on the continent. ECA also works to support evidence based policymaking for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as well as Africa's own development vision, dubbed Agenda 2063 -The Africa We Want, which is aimed at leaving no one behind. Established in 1958, ECA is the only UN agency mandated to operate at regional and subregional levels to harness resources and bring them to bear on Africa's priorities. The Commission's mandate is to promote the economic and social development of its 54 member states, fostering intra-regional integration, and boost international cooperation for Africa's development.

Corporate Council on Africa (CCA) is the leading U.S. business association focused solely on connecting business interests in Africa. Established in 1993 to promote business and investment between the United States and the nations of Africa, CCA serves as a neutral, trusted intermediary connecting its member firms with the essential government and business leaders they need to do business and succeed in Africa. CCA uniquely represents a broad cross section of member companies from small and medium size businesses to multinationals as well as U.S. and African firms. Our members are invested in Africa's most promising sectors including agribusiness, energy, finance, health, ICT, infrastructure, security, tourism and trade facilitation.

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