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Theme: *Awakening Africa's Sleeping Giants in the Implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA) and Leveraging Strategic Opportunities for Africa's Turnaround*

Accra, Ghana

19-22 October 2021

Programme

DAY 1: Tuesday, October 19

Tea-Coffee-8:00-9:00

Arrival and Seating for Presidential Opening and Panel (9:00 am)

Session One: (9:30 am - 12:30 pm) - Presidential Opening Keynote Address and Big Conversation Panel

Moderators: Prof. Sam Ndogo and Prof. Margaret King

Opening – 9:30 -10:30 am

- Chambers of Commerce Statement- Clement Amoako, National Regional and Continental Chambers of Commerce
- AAU Statement-Prof. Olusola B. Oyewole, Secretary General, Association of African Universities (AAU)
- ABC Statement- Dr. Amany, President, African Business Council (ABC)
- AfCFTA Statement-H.E. Wamkele Mene (TBC), Secretary General, AfCFTA
- UNECA Statement:
- Opening Address: Hon. Alan K. Kyeremateng, Minister of Trade (on behalf of President of Republic of Ghana) (Confirmed)

Keynote Address- H.E. Lazarus Chakwera, President of Republic of Malawi and Chair of SADC (Confirmed)

Refreshment

Session Two: Presidential Panel: The Big Conversation- Awakening the Sleeping Giants of Africa in RECs and AfCFTA (10:30 am-12:30 pm)

Moderator: Mo Ibrahim (TBC)

Panellists: H.E. Samia Suluhu, President of United Republic of Tanzania (TBC); H.E. Faure Gnassingbe, President of Republic of Togo (TBC); PM Pravind Jugnauth (Prime Minister of Mauritius (TBC); H.E. Olusegun Obasanjo, Former President, Federal Republic of Nigeria (Confirmed); Aliko Dangote (Confirmed), Nana Kwame Bediako (Confirmed), Dr. Sir. Sam Jonah (TBC), Patrice Motsepe (TBC) Dr. Amany Asfour(Confirmed), Ousman Touray (Confirmed), David Ofosu Dorte (confirmed), Dr. El Swedy (TBC).

Lunch: 12.30-1.30 pm

Session Three: Guest Speech and Panel: Multi-stakeholder Oriented Economies of Scale within RECs and AfCFTA (1:30-4.30 pm)

Guest Speech

Moderator: Souad Osman, Executive Director, CODA

Dr. A.Y. Amoako, President Africa Centre for Economic Transformation (ACET), Guest Speaker: Multi-stakeholder Oriented Economies of Scale in the Context of RECs and AfCFTA - 1:30 -1:45pm (TBC)

Envisioning and Maximizing Agricultural Potential in RECs and AfCFTA: 1.45-3.00 pm

Moderator: Mr. Dev Chamroo

Panellists:

- Dr. Abu Sakara Foster, Farmer and Agricultural Expert (TBC)
- Dr. Abu Bako, Agriculture Economist/Founding President, Logos-Rhema Foundation for Leadership Resource Development
- Kwame Jantuah
- Toussant Ngueso, World Cocoa Farmers Organisation, Cote D'Ivoire

Manufacturing: 3.00-4.30 pm (with concurrent coffee-Tea)

Moderator: Paulo Gomes, Founder of Orango Investment Corporation

Panellists:

- Mr. Sherif Elgabaly- Industrialist-Egypt
- Eng. Mr. Ahmed Mansur, President Manufacturers Association Nigeria (MAN)/Dangote Group
- Seth Twum Akwaboah, CEO, Association of Ghana (AGI)

DAY 2: Wednesday, October 20

Tea-Coffee 8:00 - 9:00 am

Session One: Multi-stakeholder Oriented Economies of Scale within RECs and AfCFTA (9:00 am)

Panel Discussion

Blue Economy: 9:00 -10:30 am

Moderator: Adedayo Dayo-Dunmoye

Panellists:

- Nichole Esparon CEO Provisita
- Edmond Idokoko Country Director Maersk line?
- Mrs. Funmi Folorunsho President Shipowners Association of Nigeria, Sec. Gen African Shipowners Association
- Commander Tsetsi
- Nana Dr Appiagyei Dankawoso, Past President Ghana National Chamber of Commerce
- Mr. Richard Ngatia President Kenya National chamber of commerce & Industry

- Mrs. Toki Mabogunje President LCCI
- Representative of DHL

Legal, Regulatory and Policy Frameworks for IP, Innovation and standardisation in RECs and AfCFTA-10:30 am-12:00 pm

Moderator: Prof. Alexander Anim-Mensah

Panellists:

- Prof. Alexander Anim-Mensah
- Dr. Thomas Mensah, CEO of Georgia Aerospace and Silicon Valley (Inventor of the broadband Fibre)
- Sarah Norkor Anku, Director and Founding President of Intellectual Property Network Ghana
- Ashitey Trebi-Ollenu, Robotics engineer at the NASA, USA
- Professor Brahim El Bhiri, Professor of telecommunication, Moroccan School of Engineering Science
- Prof. Alex Dodoo, President, Africa Organization for Standardization/Ghana Standards Authority
- ARIPO

Lunch-12:00 -1:00 pm

Social Solidarity Security and Peace-1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Moderator: Dr. Ayman Mosallam, Egypt

Panellists:

- Prof. Peter Quartey (Director, ISSER)
- Dr. Ayman Mosallam, Egypt
- Mr. Mounir Bouazar, Global Vaccine Logistics Lead
- Prof. Yassine Maleh, Africa's cyber security and digital sovereignty
- Tunmi DImini, APRM – AU
- Mr. Zourheir Lakhdissi, Opening opportunities for start-up companies in Africa

Infrastructure and Transportation: 2.30-4.00 pm

Moderator: Bunmi Makinwa

Panellists:

- Dr. Matthew Opoku Prempeh, Minister of Energy
- Dr William Musekia Goriwondo
- Mr Silvestre Kasuku
- Mr Nana Kwame Bediako
- Prof Yassine Maleh

- Mr. David Luke

Young Women Entrepreneurs MSMEs and Trade-4:00 pm-5:00 pm

- Intissar Bashir Kurfi, CEO Ifrique Eco Solutions
- Nzambi Matee, CEO Gjenge Makers
- Gladys Freeman, CEO Liberia Pure Inc. Montserrado
- Farouk Khaillan

DAY 3: Thursday, October 21

Tea-Coffee-8:00-9:00 am

Session One: Stimulating Africa's New Financial Frontiers in RECs and AfCFTA (9:00 am-12.30pm)

Panel Discussion

African Common Currency: 9:00-11:00 am

Moderator: Dr. Henry Clarke Kitembo, PhD Financial Economics/ PhD Development Finance, Global Chief Managing Partner- Development Associates Link International (DALI)

Panellists:

- The Governor-Central Bank of Ghana
- The Governor-Central Bank of Uganda
- The Governor- Central Bank of Mauritius
- The Governor-Central Bank of the Republic of South Africa
- The Governor-Central Bank of Nigeria
- The Governor-Central Bank of Kenya
- The Governor- Central Bank of Senegal
- The Governor – Central Bank of Liberia
- Moses Manuel, Director General, Africa Trade Insurance Agency
- Chairman, United Bank of Africa
- President, ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID)
- Frank Mujini, MADI

Ease of Access to Finance-The ATI Path: 11:00 am-12:30 pm

Moderator: Kebour Ghenna, CEO, Pan-African Chamber of Commerce

Panellists:

- John Awuah, CEO Ghana Banking Association (TBC)

- Kodjo Attaty Regional Director Africa Trade Insurance Agency
- Kenneth Tanyi, Senior Investor Relations Officer, Africa Trade Insurance Agency
- Clement Amoako, President Ghana Chamber of Commerce

Lunch-12.30 -1.30 pm

Intra-African Tourism development for RECs and AfCFTA-1.30-2.30 pm

- Prof Adeyeye Adewole
- Esimaje Michael Onoseme
- Emmanuel Chinunda

Digitalisation and ICT-2.30pm-3.30 pm

Moderator: Professor Yassine Maleh, Associate Professor of Cybersecurity and IT governance, Sultan Moulay Slimane University, Morocco

Panellists:

Professor Yassine Maleh, Associate Professor of Cybersecurity and IT governance, Sultan Moulay Slimane University, Morocco

Usen Antia, MD Vobiss Ltd

Professor Brahim El Bhiri, Professor of telecommunication, Moroccan School of Engineering Science

Session Two: Frameworks, Formats and Templates for Implementable Action Plans and Projects-3.30-5.00 pm (with Tea-Coffee)

Moderator: Nelson Godfried Agyemang, APSS Coordinator

Follow Up Action Plans and Projects ideas from the Panels and Presentations so far- 3:30-4:00 pm

Panellists:

Kwabena Twumasi, APSS Rapporteurs Team

Templates for Projects Concept Paper-4.00 pm-4.30pm

Panellists: Benjamin Acheampong, Co-Chair, APSS

Formats and Templates for Action Plan/Projects-4.30-5.00pm

Panellists:

Joe Tackie, Chair AfCFTA Policy Network (APN)

DAY 4: Friday, October 22

Tea-Coffee-8.00-9.00 am

Session One: Implementable Action Plans and Projects (9:00 am-12.30 pm)

Moderator: Nelson Godfried Agyemang, APSS Coordinator

Group Work on Action Plan and Project Themes - 9:00-11:00 am

Action Plan and Project Group Work Reports – 11:00 am-12:30 pm

Lunch: 12.30pm-1.00pm

Plenary: Discussion of Action Plan and Projects Group Work Reports-1.00pm-3.00pm

J Wendell Addy, Chair APSS; Louis Yaw Afful, ED, APN

Concluding and Closing Session: Recommendations Actions Projects and Follow-up (3:00 -4:00 pm)

Moderator: Nelson Godfried Agyemang, APSS Coordinator

Panellists:

- Joe Tackie, APN
- Dr. Nicole
- Dr. Sam Ndogo
- Dr. Margaret King

