

Africa Partnership Conference 2016

Creating Shared Value through Sustainable Investment



20th to 21st September 2016

Intercontinental Mauritius Resort, BalACLava



DAY 1: TUESDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2016

0830 – 0930 Registration of Delegates

0930 – 1035 Opening Session

- 0930 – 0940 Welcome note by **Gerard Sanspeur, Chairman, Board of Investment**
- 0940 – 0955 Address by **Bostjan Skalar, CEO, WAIPA**
- 0955 – 1020 Keynote Address
- 1020 - 1035 Official Opening Address by **The Hon Pravind Kumar Jugnauth, Minister of Finance and Economic Development**

1035 – 1050 Networking Break

1050- 1100 Special Address by Dr. Carlos Lopes, UN Under Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, UN Economic Commission for Africa

1100- 1115 Signing Ceremony of Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Investment Mauritius and

- Nigeria Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC)
- Swaziland Investment Promotion Agency (SIPA)

1115 – 1215 Special Dialogue: “Mauritius-Africa Partnership – Growth through collaboration”

- The global scenario: Trends & Opportunities in Africa
- Creating shared value: boosting intra Africa trade and lowering trade barriers
- Fostering better relations between Mauritius and Africa to improve investment climate
- Leveraging on the Africa-Mauritius relations to improve funding, infrastructure and logistics across the African continent

Proposed Session Moderator: *CNBC Africa/ Forbes Africa*

Proposed Panelists:

- *Yaw Ansu, Chief Economist, Africa Center for Economic Transformation (ACET)*
- *H.E Erastus Mwencha, Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission (AUC)*
- *Kanini Mutooni, Director, Investment and ICT USAID Contractor, East Africa Trade Investment Hub*
- *Yusuf Atiku Abdalla, Regional Trade Advisor- COMESA at The Commonwealth*

1215 – 1315 Networking Lunch

1315-1415: Country and Projects Presentation by:

- *Cameroon- Minja, Marthe Angeline, Chief Executive Officer, Investment Promotion Agency Cameroon (CIPA)*
- *Nigeria- Katagum Ladi, Acting CEO, Nigeria Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC)*
- *Egypt- Mohamed Khodear, Chairman & CEO, General Authority for Investment & Free Zones GAFI*

1415 – 1515 Session 1: Financing for Growth

- Project financing: plugging the funding gap
- Converting investors' risk appetite into committed investment
- Access to finance and deepening capital markets

Proposed Session Moderator: *Atam Sandhu, Joint-Chief Executive Officer, Developing Market Associates*

Proposed Panelist:

- *Désiré Vencatachellum, Director, Resource Mobilization and External Finance, African Development Bank*
- *James Mwangi, CEO, Equity Bank*
- *Michael M. Selassie, Country Director & Principal, CEO, Ascent Capital*
- *Sunil Benimadhu, Chief Executive Officer, Stock Exchange of Mauritius*
- *Harvesh Seegolam, Chief Executive, Financial Services Promotion Agency*

1515 – 1530 Networking Break

1530-1630 Session 2: Empowering Investment Promotion Agencies: Moving toward the fourth generation investment promotion

- Shift to sustainable investment: Challenges & Opportunities
- Tools and systems that can be developed for Investment Promotion Agencies
- The strengthening business case for a successful Investment Promotion Agency

Proposed Session Moderator: *Bostjan Skalar, CEO, WAIPA*

Proposed Panelist:

- *Leo Clancy, Head of Technology, Consumer & Business Services, Industrial Development Authority Ireland*
- *DTI*
- *JETRO*
- *Dr. Ikiara Moses, Chief Executive Officer, Keninvest*

1630-1645 Special address by Hon Alain Akouala Atipault, Minister of Special Economic Zones, Congo Brazzaville

1645-1745: Country and Projects Presentation by:

- *Senegal- Mountaga SY, Administrateur Directeur Général, APIX*
- *Namibia- Artivor Bernadette, Executive Director, Namibia Investment Centre*
- *Ivory Coast – Essis Esmel Emmanuel, Chief Executive Officer, Centre de Promotion des Investissements en Côte d'Ivoire (CEPICI)*

1800 – 2000 Networking Cocktail

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 2016

0900- 0910 Address by The Hon. Minister Seetanah Lutchmeenaraidoo, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade

0910-0920 Special Address by Chinedu Echeruo, Tech Entrepreneur & Founder of Hopstop.com and Tripology.com

0920- 1020 Session 1: Engineering the future of Africa

- Innovation as the engine of growth of a modern economy
- Developing an innovative culture: Policy formulation and implementation to facilitate innovation and stimulate creativity
- Innovation & disruptive innovation- how to service the gap
- How can innovation, through the smart use of technologies, improve quality of life?
- Transforming higher education through innovative partnerships

Session Moderator: *Kanini Mutooni, Director, Investment and ICT USAID Contractor, East Africa Trade Investment Hub*

Panelist:

- *Sacha Wunsch-Vincent, Senior Economic Officer, Economics and Statistics Division, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva*
- *Mamadou Toure, founder and Chairman of Africa 2.0*
- *Kartik Maheshwari, Nishith Desai Associates, Legal and Tax counselling dept*

1020 – 1035 Networking Break

1035 – 1050 Special address by Hon Motuma Mekassa, Minister of Water, Irrigation and Energy, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

1050 – 1150 Session 2: Sustainable Power Development

- The future of energy outlook for Africa
- Overcoming the challenges in the Energy sector in Africa
- Energy as the engine of growth: needs and priorities
- Energy financing through private sector investment

Proposed Session Moderator: *Rentia Van Tonder, Head: Renewable Energy, Power and Infrastructure*

Proposed Panelist:

- *Prof. Mosad Elmissiry, Head of Energy Programme- NEPAD*
- *Chad Larson, Co-founder and CFO of MKOPA*
- *Fred Sisson, Co-founder & Chief Executive Officer, Synnove Energy*
- *Brian Molefe, Group Chief Executive, ESKOM*

1150 – 1250 Networking Lunch

1250-1350: Country and Projects Presentation by:

- *Burundi- Didace Ngendakumana, Chief Executive Officer, Burundi Investment Promotion Agency (API)*
- *Ethiopia- Arega Fitsum, Director General, Ethiopian Investment Commission*
- *Swaziland- Dlamini Phumele, Chief Executive Officer, Swaziland Investment Promotion Agency (SIPA)*

1350 – 1405 Special Address by H.E James Macharia, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, Kenya

1405 – 1505 Session 3: Leveraging on Connectivity: Building and Expanding Africa's trade and investment gateways

- Asia and Africa- Towards a Global Partnership
- Opportunities and Challenges that Africa faces in infrastructure development
- Championing the power of connectivity in Africa
- Bridging Asia and Africa – Through Air & Maritime Connectivity

Proposed Session Moderator: *Georges Chung, Senior Advisor, Prime Minister's Office, Mauritius*

Proposed Panelists:

- *Joakim Reiter, Deputy Secretary-General, UNCTAD*
- *Dr Thomas Duve, Head of Africa Department, KFW Development Bank*
- *Sanjeev Gadhia, CEO Astral Aviation Limited*
- *Mark Roberton, Director, Palm Global*
- *Air Mauritius*
- *Representative of CMA-CGM*

1505 – 1520 Networking Break

1520 – 1530 Award Ceremony 'Most Collaborative IPA'

1530- 1545 Closing Address by **Ken Poonosamy, Managing Director, Board of Investment, Mauritius**

1545 – 1730 Business to Business meetings

1730 - End of Conference
