

NORDIC-AFRICAN BUSINESS SUMMIT 2017

Investing in Africa's Transition: how, not why?

RADISSON BLU SCANDINAVIA HOTEL, OSLO, OCTOBER 26TH 2017
(DRAFT PROGRAM)

08:00 – 08:30 Registration, coffee and tea

08:30 – 10:30 **PLENARY SESSION PART I: Africa in transition: Current and Future Outlook**

Welcome

Welcome remarks by NABA Managing Director Mr. Eivind Fjeldstad. A conversation with the Norwegian Minister of Foreign Affairs or Norwegian Minister of Trade and Industry and Ms. Vera Songwe, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (confirmed)

Keynote panel on Africa's state of affairs

Key note speech: H.E. Mahamudu Bawumia, Vice President of Ghana (confirmed)

Minister panel: what are the respective countries doing to make it more attractive to invest? Where are the opportunities? How can Nordic investors succeed in their markets?

H.E. Dr. Sahar Nasr, Minister of Investments, Arab Republic of Egypt (confirmed)

H.E. Mubarak Alfadil, Minister of Investment of the Republic of the Sudan (confirmed)

H.E. Arkebe Oqubay, Minister at Prime Minister's office in Ethiopia (confirmed)

H.E. Okechukwu Enelamah, Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Republic of Nigeria (tbc)

Africa's transition – what to expect:

Dr. Nariman Behraves, Chief Economist, IHS Markit (confirmed)

Moderator: Mr. Mark Eddo, Mark Eddo Media Ltd.

10:30 – 11:00 **Networking break**

11:00 – 12:30 **PLENARY SESSION PART II: Investing in Africa's Transition**

Africa's transition – what to expect:

Dr. Nariman Behraves, Chief Economist, IHS Markit (confirmed)

Mr. Amadou Hott, Vice President, Power, Energy – African Development Bank (confirmed)

H.E. Libérat Mfumukeko, Secretary-General of the East African Community (EAC)

Nordic Investments in Africa: how we invest?

CEOs of Swedfund/Finnfund/IFU/Norfund will discuss the Nordic investments in Africa – and how their funds can also lead to more Nordic investors joining them.

Conversation: China, Japan, US in Africa: learning from our competitors

Mr. Svein Tore Holsether, CEO & President, Yara International (confirmed)

Ms. Aubrey Hruby, Africa Investment Advisor, Senior Fellow, the Africa Center at the Atlantic Council (confirmed)

Ms. Helen Hai, CEO, China – Africa Consulting (confirmed)

Representative from The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi (tbc)

Moderators: Mr. Mark Eddo and Mr. Lanre Akinola, Editor, African Business

12:30 – 13:30 **Networking lunch and “by invitation” lunch sessions**

13:30 – 15:15 **SPECIAL SESSIONS**

SESSION I - Finance:

Panel: How are we making successful investments in Africa? What are the lessons learnt?

- Mr. Tutu Agyare, Managing Partner, Nubuke Investments (confirmed)
- Dr. Pontus Engstrøm, CEO, MTI Investments (confirmed)
- Mr. Adam Ikdal, Managing Partner, Boston Consulting Group (confirmed)
- Mr. Yomi Ademola, Head West Africa, Rendeavour (confirmed)

Panel: doing business with African currencies

- Ms. Elizabeth Rossiello, CEO, Bitpesa (tbc)
- Mr. Jean-Claude Ngaboyisonga, FX Sales Scandinavia, Global Payments, INTL FCStone (confirmed)
- Ms. Gaimin Nonyane, Head, Economic Research, Ecobank (confirmed)

Moderator: Mr. Lanre Akinola, Editor, African Business magazine (confirmed)

SESSION II – Energy:

Panel: Africa’s energy challenges – and the solutions?

- Mr. Amadou Hott, Vice President, Power, Energy – African Development Bank (confirmed)
- Ms. Tas Anvaripour, Partner in the Clean Energy, The Abraaj Group (confirmed)
- Mr. Mark Davis, Head of Clean Energy, Norfund (confirmed)
- Mr. Al Cook, Senior Vice President, Statoil (tbc)

Moderator: Mari Sofie Furu, Senior Advisor/Energy Economist, Multiconsult (confirmed)

Panel: The new business models that will generate power

- Mr. Andrew Johnstone, CEO, Climate Investor One (confirmed)
- Mr. Raymond Carlsen, CEO, Scatec Solar (confirmed)
- Mr. Chad Larson, co-founder, Mkopa (confirmed)
- Mr. Saïd Mouline, Director, ADEREE (tbc)

Moderator: Hanna C. Wirschke, Head of Communication Operations, Technology & Partner-Operated Licenses (OTP), DPI – Statoil (confirmed)

SESSION III – Technology:

CEO Panel: Investing in technology in Africa - how?

- Mr. Michael Macharia, CEO, Seven Seas Technology (confirmed)
- Mr. Jørn Lyseggen, CEO, Meltwater (confirmed)
- Mr. Jussi Hinkkanen, CEO, Fuzu (confirmed)

Moderator: Mr. Alisdair Munro, Virke (confirmed)

Conversation: New technologies changing the landscape? How will blockchain change how we are doing business in Africa?

- Mr. Wilfried Pimenta, Business Development Director, IOTA Foundation (confirmed)
- Representative from AP Moller Maersk (tbc)
- Representative from Ericsson (tbc)

Moderator: Ms. Cathrine G. Jansen, Executive Program Manager, Virke (confirmed)

15:15 – 15:30 **Networking coffee break**

15:30 – 17:00 **Speed meetings with Ambassadors, “Meet the experts” and company presentations**

18:00 – 22:00 **Conference Reception at DLA Piper, Bryggegata 6 (to be confirmed)**

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