



# AFRICAN SUMMIT ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION

*Theme: "Exploring innovative opportunities beyond the Pandemic"*

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## PROGRAM

*All timings are in the East African Time (EAT)*

### 10.00 - 10.20 Opening Ceremony

**Keynote speakers:**

- Tafadzwa Antony Munyaradzi - Asenti Advisory Board - Zimbabwe
- Victor Djemba - Chief, Regional Division for Africa, UNIDO

### 10:20 - 11.30 Panel Discussion 1.0: "Entrepreneurship and Innovative Ecosystem Mechanisms beyond the Pandemic"

*This will be an open panel discussion with a major focus on entrepreneurship ecosystems in Africa and how young women and men can thrive in the current context.*

Moderated by Akisa A. Wandera - News Anchor KTN - Kenya

**Motivational talk:** Hjortur Smarason - Founder and Principal S.A.L.T. School of Astronaut Leadership Training - Iceland

**Panel speakers:**

- Goitsewang J. Khutsafalo - CEO Launchit International - Botswana
- Karima Rhanem - President International Center for Diplomacy - Morocco
- Dorcas James - Chairman of Anthrop Management - Nigeria
- Youssouf Simbo Diakite - President ADYFE - Mali
- Yann Huguenard - Founder, Y.H Consulting - France

Q&A session

**11:30 - 13:50 Panel Discussion 2.0: “Industrial Innovation, Digitalization and Fintech - the need for new business processes”**

*This panel discussion will explore all opportunities offered by digitalization and related sectors, and how new financing schemes can be beneficial to entrepreneurs. It will be divided in two sub-sessions. The first lead will focus on youth in Agribusiness and the second lead on Fintech’s impact on African entrepreneurs.*

**11:30 - 12:40 Lead 2.1: Youth in Agribusiness - Agripreneurs and entrepreneurs of today ready to strive and/or adapt themselves through innovative solutions towards Africa’s food security amid the COVID-19 pandemic?**

Moderated by Wafulla T. Nekesa - Business Development Manager, Crop Nutrition Laboratory services (Cropnuts) - Kenya

**Presentation:** Opportunities for Youth in Africa (OYA) Programme - Francesca DallaValle - Youth Employment and Institutional Partnerships Specialist, FAO

**Panel speakers:**

- Mouna Lyoubi - International Development and Cooperation Consultant, UNIDO
- Andrew Egala - CEO Africa Honey Consortium - Kenya
- Joseph Oliver Biley – CEO Wefly Agri - Cote d’ivoire
- Kwame. O. Opoku - Lead Reset Global People/SDG Advocate - Ghana
- Sol Eskenazi - Head Innovation Lab One Acre Fund - Kenya

Q&A session

**12:40 -13:50 Lead 2.2: “FinTech’s Impact on African Entrepreneurs: COVID-19 as a catalyst for digital transformation”**

Moderated by Bibusa. W. Wißemann - CEO SensXAfrica (LTD) - Germany

**Panel speakers:**

- Melanie Kaita - CEO Melanin Kapital - Austria
- Alpha Bacar Barry - International Expert on Innovative Financing, UNIDO - Guinea
- Holger Vogt – Managing Director, AMENA Africa (LTD) - Germany
- Mara Michelo - Founder Jacaranda Hub – Zambia
- John Armah - CEO J.A Venture Capital - Ghana
- Francine Beleyi - Founder and Digital Strategist – United Kingdom

Q&A session

**13:50 - 14:30 Master Class: “Enhancing youth engagement in multi-stakeholder partnerships to build renewable energy capacities in Africa”**

*This masterclass will focus on exploring and maximising the opportunities in the renewable energy sector to curb climate change.*

Moderated by Sheila Waswa - CEO Chasing Mavericks - Kenya

Conducted by Dr. Ioannis Tsipouridis - General Manager, RED Pro; Visiting Professor at the Technical University of Mombasa – Greece

Q&A session

**14:30 - 15:20 Panel Discussion 3.0: “Adapting entrepreneurial processes to support the health sector towards mitigating COVID-19 impacts and beyond”**

*The session focuses on opportunities and solutions offered by and to entrepreneurs to support healthcare systems in Africa.*

Moderated by Nobantu Modise - Editor in Chief, AfroPhilia Magazine - South Africa

**Panel speakers:**

- Ansoumane Berete - UNIDO’s Representative in Guinea
- Yael Misrahi - General Partner CoVelocity - United Kingdom
- Mary Akangbe – Founder/President, Zenith Global Health - United Kingdom
- Kate Kibara - CEO Kate Organics - Kenya
- Chrispinus Onyancha CEO, clinicPesa LTD - Uganda

Q&A session

**15:20 - 16.30 Panel Discussion 4.0: “Entrepreneurship in a Time of Crisis”**

*As entrepreneurs adapt to the crisis and pivot to innovative and resilient ways of doing business, speakers will share their success stories on how they weathered the COVID-19 pandemic.*

Moderated by Cathy Sibanda CEO Financial Literacy Trust Foundation - Botswana

**Panel speakers:**

- Tatenda Mungofa - CEO Mureza Auto Co - South Africa
- Sophy Mwale Juma - Founder/CEO Emploi.co - Kenya
- Mona-Lisa Danieli Mungure - Director Molao Matter - Botswana
- Amira Sabir - Member of Egyptian Parliament - Egypt
- Prince Akpah - Md. Avance Media - Ghana

Q&A session

**16:30 - 17:00 Closing Ceremony**

Moderated by Calvin Jodisi - President African Summit on Entrepreneurship and Innovation (ASENTI)

**Keynote speaker:** Larisa Miller - CEO Phoenix Global and Ambassador State of Africa Diaspora - United States of America

**Closing remarks:** Mohamed Salama Asenti Advisory Board - United Arab Emirates