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Agenda

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AGENDA

8:00-9:00	Registration
9:00-10:00	Official Opening Ceremony Macky Sall , President of the Republic, Senegal* Yves Leterme , Deputy Secretary General, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development, OECD African Development Bank Olusegun Obasanjo , Former President, Nigeria
10:00-11:00	Session 1 – Ministerial Roundtable on: “Education, Training and Skills for Youth and Development in West Africa” <i>Facilitator: Didier Acouetey</i> , Chief Executive Officer, AfricSearch Which Education Models suit the needs of development of the West Africa Region? Ginette Nzau Muteta , Représentante résidente, Banque africaine de développement, Burkina Faso Koumba Boly Barry , Minister of National Education and Alphabetization, Burkina Faso Ahlin Byll-Cataria , Executive Secretary, Association for the Development of Education in Africa. Paul Ginies , Managing Director, Foundation 2iE, Burkina Faso Dédia Mahamane Kattrra Diallo , Minister of Employment and Professional Training, Mali N'Gade Nana Hadiza Noma Kaka , Minister of Employment and Professional Training, Niger Questions & Answers (20 minutes)
11:00-11:30	Coffee Break
11:30-12:30	Parallel Session 1.1 – Reforming Education Systems and Curricula in West Africa <i>Chair: Koumba Boly Barry</i> , Minister of National Education and Alphabetization, Burkina Faso Ginette Nzau Muteta , Représentante résidente, Banque africaine de développement, Burkina Faso Ahlin Byll-Cataria , Executive Secretary, Association for the Development of Education in Africa. Said Hanchane , Director General, Instance Nationale de l'Evaluation (INE), Higher Education Council of Morocco Pape Momar Sow , Director, Education Department, Usaid Senegal Questions & Answers (20 minutes)

11:30-12:30 [Parallel Session 1.2 – Promoting Vocational and Technical Training to Meet Job Market Needs](#)

Chair: **Couty Fall**, Coordinator, Regional Programme for Social Cohesion and Youth Employment in sub-Saharan Africa, UNDP Regional Centre for Africa

Paul Ginies, Managing Director, Foundation 2iE, Burkina Faso

Sijibomi O. Olusanya, Provost, Federal College of Education (Technical), Nigeria

Calogero Sciandra, French Development Agency, France

Régis Facia, Chief Executive Officer, Top Chrono, Benin

Questions & Answers (20 minutes)

11:30-12:30 [Parallel Session 1.3 – Investing in Skills Development for Greater Productivity and Sustainable Growth in Africa](#)

Chair: **Federico Bonaglia**, Head of Division, Policy Dialogue, Development Centre, OECD

Dédia Mahamane Kattrra Diallo, Minister of Employment and Professional Training, Mali

Jean-Pierre Favennec, Professor, French Petroleum Institute, France, President, Association for Energy Development, France

Hassan Mahamat-Idriss, Teacher-Researcher, Lyon University, Tchad

Med Kamel Essid, Director General, Centre National d’Innovation Pédagogique et de Recherche en Éducation CNIPRE, Tunisia

Questions & Answers (20 minutes)

11:30-12:30 [Parallel Session 1.4 – Using ICTs for the Development of the Education System](#)

Chair: **Moustapha Guirassy**, President, African management Institute (IAM), Senegal

Talla Kebe, Senior Regional Adviser, Knowledge Management and Strategic Planning, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Ethiopia

Victor Agbegnenou, Coordinator, Network Energy and ICTs for Education (RETICE)

Rebecca Sweetman, Chief Executive Officer, Tutudesk, United Kingdom

Léger Djiba, Responsible for West Africa, Coders4Africa, Senegal

Questions & Answers (20 minutes)

12:30-13:00 [Session 1 – Plenary Conclusions](#)

Facilitator: **Didier Acouetey**, Chief Executive Officer, AfricSearch

3 reporters from Parallel sessions (5 minutes each)

Questions & Answers

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:00

[Session 2 - Ministerial Roundtable on Job-creating Growth Strategies and Economic Policies for Job Creation in West Africa.](#)

Facilitator: **Richard Attias**, Executive Chairman, Richard Attias & Associates

Which sectors drive Africa's Growth: Which Business Models for West Africa?

Amadou Kane, Minister of Economy and Finance, Senegal

Abdelwaheb Maâtar, Minister of Employment and Professional Training, Tunisia

Evelyn Oputu, Managing Director, Bank of Industry, Nigeria

Goolam Aboobaker, Deputy Director-General, Treasury, South Africa

Abdoulaye Bio Tchané, Former President, West African Development Bank

Joseph Siaw Agyepong, CEO, Jospong Group of Companies, Ghana

Aboubacar Demba Dahaba, Minister of Finance, Guinea-Bissau

Questions & Answers

15:00-16:00

[Parallel Session 2.1 – Growth strategies and Economic Policy for Job creation](#)

Chair: **Adebayo Olukoshi**, Director, United Nations African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (IDEP)

Moubarack Lo, Deputy Director of Cabinet of the President, Senegal

Antonin Dossou, Director of Cabinet of the Prime Minister, Benin

Savas Alpay, Director General, Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC), Turkey

Frank Douamba, Head of Strategy for Sub-Saharan Africa, International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Questions & Answers

15:00-16:00

[Parallel Session 2.2 – Infrastructure Development, ICTs and regional Integration](#)

Chair: **Abdoulaye Bio Tchané**, Former President, West African Development Bank

Ralph Olaye, Manager, Regional Infrastructure and NEPAD, African Development Bank

Aly Kane, Chargé de Mission, Chairman of the Committee charged with studying Growth and Employment, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Development (MAED), Mauritania

Bouaké Fofana, General Director, Agence de gestion des routes (Ageroute), Côte d'Ivoire

Joseph Siaw Agyepong, CEO, Jospong Group of Companies, Ghana

Questions & Answers

15:00-16:00	<p>Parallel Session 2.3 –Agriculture, Growth and job creation for youth</p> <p><i>Chair:</i> Ali Gamatie, Former Prime Minister, Niger</p> <p>Ahmed Bachir Diop, Managing Director, SODEFITEX, Senegal Shavit Daham, Director, West Africa, Netafim, Israel Ousmane Badiane, Director for Africa, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), USA Edmond Comlan Amoussou, Director General of National Agency for Employment, Togo</p> <p>Questions & Answers</p>
15:00-16:00	<p>Parallel Session 2.4 –Industrial Development, SMEs and ServicesPromotion</p> <p><i>Chair:</i> Paulo Gomes, Former Executive Director, World Bank, President & Managing Partner, Constelor Investments Holdings</p> <p>Evelyn Oputu, Managing Director, Bank of Industry, Nigeria Ibrahima Wade, Permanent Secretary, Steering Committee, Accelerated Growth Strategy, Senegal Cheikh Oumar Tidiane Tall, Expert Advisor, Consortium d’Etudes et de Promotion Industrielle et Commerciale (CEPIC), Senegal Keith Nurse, World Trade Organization Chair at the University of the West Indies, Barbados</p> <p>Questions & Answers</p>
16:00-16:30	<p><u>Session 2 – Plenary Conclusions</u></p> <p><i>Chair :</i> Richard Attias, Executive Chairman, Richard Attias & Associates</p> <p>4 Speakers from Parallel sessions (5 minutes each)</p>
16:30-17:00	Coffee Break
17:00-18:30	<p>Final Roundtable: What role for Youth in Africa’s Development?</p> <p><i>Co-chairs:</i> Richard Attias, Executive Chairman, Richard Attias & Associates Didier Acouetey, Chief Executive Officer, AfricSearch</p> <p>Olusegun Obasanjo, Former President, Nigeria</p> <p>Magatte Wade, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Tiossan, United States Vérone Mankou, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, VKM, Congo Céline Fotso, Founder and Director of Publication, Je Wanda, Cameroun Amadou Gallo Fall, Vice President, Development in Africa, NBA, South Africa Didier Awadi, Artist-composer, Senegal</p>