Regional Agenda

World Economic Forum on Africa

Programme

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#### The Future Is in Your Hands: Youth and Africa Rising

Throughout Africa, expanding trade and cooperation are breaking down barriers to growth and opportunity. With 70% of the population under the age of 30, what is the role of youth in Africa rising?

This session will engage the local community by bringing together students from regional schools and universities.
### Your Future Is in Your Hands: The Career of an Entrepreneur

Fast growth and technological change are redefining what it means to enter the workforce, opening new opportunities for a younger generation of entrepreneurs. How are Africa’s youth capitalizing on these opportunities?

This session will engage the local community by bringing together students from regional schools and universities.

### Virtual Reality Experience

Stop by the Virtual Reality space in The Village for a virtual reality demonstration.

### Stories from Africa: Education

Did you know Timbuktu, Mali, is home to one of the oldest universities in the world, over 2,000 years old, yet 40% of adults on the continent are illiterate?

Join this informal discussion in the Transformation Hub, a space created for peer-to-peer learning, to share unknown stories about Africa.
### Boosting Competitiveness and Inclusive Growth

Despite Africa’s rapid growth over the past 15 years, competitiveness has seen little improvement and inequality remains high due to various bottlenecks. In the context of the Fourth Industrial Revolution, Africa’s significant energy deficit is a major constraint. How can leaders in the region collaborate to improve its economic prospects?

This session is for Forum Members and Partners active or interested in the African Regional Business Council.

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### The Power of Play

Divergent thinking is increasingly important for leaders in today’s complex and fast-changing world.

Join a hands-on workshop exploring how to build lateral thinking skills and resilience using the performing arts.

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### Transforming the Digital Marketplace

How is the use of technology transforming Africa’s digital marketplace?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Fostering online entrepreneurs
- Enabling cross-border data exchange
- Overcoming traditional barriers to trade

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

This session is webcast live.
Wednesday 11 May

14.00 - 15.00
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Akagera

growth

Growth in Africa: Rising or Falling?

How is the growth landscape changing across the continent?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Macroeconomic outlook under pressure
- Advances in industry development
- Meeting the needs of a rising youth population

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

This session is webcast live.

14.00 - 15.00
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Muhazi

new solutions/risks

New Solutions: Addressing Risks through Technology

How can business help to address risks to development in Africa?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Safeguarding water security
- Mitigating health risks
- Overcoming violent extremism

15.00 - 15.30
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - The Village

community break

Community Break
Future of Production

How are leaders transforming Africa’s production and manufacturing agenda?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Advancing new manufacturing technologies
- Facilitating home-grown innovations
- Up-skilling for a digitized world

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

This session is webcast live.

Tackling Inequality in Africa

Learn in-depth about the latest thinking on how to overcome income inequality in Africa, where levels are among the highest in the world.

This session is webcast.

A Conversation on Partnerships in Africa

Join a high-level conversation on partnerships and doing business in Africa.

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**Issue Briefing: What Does the Fourth Industrial Revolution Mean to Africa?**

Learn in-depth about Africa's hunger for frontier science and how it is preparing to adapt to the changes brought by the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

*This session is webcast.*
Thursday 12 May

09.00 - 10.00  
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Ruhondo  
healthcare transformation

Transformation of Healthcare

How is the use of technology transforming healthcare in Africa?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Leveraging blockchain to boost access to primary care
- Shifting tasks to tackle worker and financial shortages
- Using data analytics to detect pandemics

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

This session is webcast live.

09.00 - 10.30  
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Sabyinyo  
institutional/industry transformation

Digital Transformation of Industries

How can the digital transformation of industries be designed to enable markets and empower individuals?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Improving access and affordability
- Prioritizing literacy and citizen engagement
- Ensuring integrity and privacy

This session is for Forum Members and Partners active or interested in the Digital Transformation of Industries and Internet for All projects.

09.00 - 09.30  
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - The Village - Transformation Hub  
transformation maps

Live Demo: Transformation Maps

Learn about the Forum’s knowledge platform, which captures the collective intelligence of its global networks and provides insight into global, regional and industry transformations.
Thursday 12 May

09.00 - 10.00
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Kivu

**african creativity**

**African Creativity Meets the Global Market**

How are new generations of artists and designers taking African creativity from idea to market?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Embedding foundational skills in education
- Producing innovative brands at scale
- Building sustainable and responsible businesses

09.00 - 10.00
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Muhazi

**commodities**

**Growth beyond Commodities**

The World Bank has lowered its 2016 price forecast for crude oil as well as its growth forecast for commodity-based economies in Africa. How are Africa’s largest economies rethinking investment decisions and policy reforms?

09.00 - 10.00
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Akagera

**financial market resilience**

**Building Financial Market Resilience**

In the context of global market volatility, how can Africa build resilience into its financial markets?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Mitigating adverse effects of currency depreciation
- Connecting regional payment systems
- Diversifying sources of capital

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

This session is webcast live.
Community Break

**Stories from Africa: Deforestation**

Did you know deforestation rates in Africa are twice the average of the rest of the world?

Join this informal discussion in the Transformation Hub, a space created for peer-to-peer learning, to share unknown stories about Africa.

**Africa’s Fourth Industrial Revolution**

How can Africa use the Fourth Industrial Revolution to deliver economic growth and social prosperity?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Understanding barriers to adoption and usage
- Fostering transparency and accountability
- Promoting civic participation and rights

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

This session is webcast live.
Thursday 12 May

12.00 - 12.15  
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Akagera

Social Entrepreneur Award

Africa Social Entrepreneurs of the Year Award Ceremony

The Schwab Foundation announces the 2016 Africa Social Entrepreneurs of the Year from different sectors and countries across the region.

Simultaneous interpretation in English and French

This session is webcast live.

12.00 - 13.00  
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Karago

Sub-Regional Lunch: Central and West Africa

Exchange insights with business, government and civil society leaders from Central and West Africa.

12.00 - 13.00  
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Muhabura

Sub-Regional Lunch: East Africa

Exchange insights with business, government and civil society leaders from East Africa.
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<td><strong>Community Lunch</strong>&lt;br&gt;The Village of the Future&lt;br&gt;How can rural economies become self-sufficient?&lt;br&gt;Dimensions to be addressed:&lt;br&gt;- Moving from a consumer to producer mindset&lt;br&gt;- Fostering distributed manufacturing&lt;br&gt;- Building on the strengths of their communities&lt;br&gt;Simultaneous interpretation in French and English&lt;br&gt;This session is webcast live.</td>
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Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - The Village - Transformation Hub
pop-up stories/creative industries

Stories from Africa: Creative Industries

Did you know Nollywood is the second largest movie industry in the world and the second largest employer after agriculture in Nigeria?

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13.45 - 14.15
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Muhazi
new solutions/environmental preservation

New Solutions: Modernization vs Preservation

How can ecology and economy be at harmony in rapidly developing conditions?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Balancing parks with development of roads and rail
- Leveraging the circular economy
- Unlocking climate change innovations

13.45 - 14.15
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infrastructure investment

Infrastructure Investment

How can innovative partnerships bridge financing gaps for economic and social infrastructure?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Mitigating risk perceptions
- Using blended finance for public infrastructure
- Applying a sustainable life-cycle approach

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

This session is webcast live.
### SDGs: From Promise to Prosperity

How can African leaders move from commitment to action to results on the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 17?

**Session objectives:**
- Address move from multilateral to national ownership
- Design interconnected systems and approaches
- Mobilize blended finance partnerships

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**Community Break**

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Stories from Africa: Informal Economy

Did you know that the informal sector comprises about 80% of the labour force and contributes 55% of sub-Saharan Africa’s GDP?

Join this informal discussion in the Transformation Hub, a space created for peer-to-peer learning, to share unknown stories about Africa.

Rethinking Agriculture

How can innovative approaches drive sustainable and climate-smart food systems?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Enabling environment for trade and value chain efficiency
- Boosting resilience and productivity through technology
- Enhancing value-chain innovation in food production, processing and distribution

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

This session is webcast live.

New Solutions: Transformation of Financial Services

How is technology transforming Africa’s financial services industry?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Fostering peer-to-peer lending and crowdfunding
- Enabling and securing mobile money
- Innovations in public finance
What If: All Education Were Digital?

Studies have shown that people learn best when learning is active, yet digital education is on the rise. What if all education were taught using digital technologies?

Join an in-depth discussion that explores the possible, plausible and probable impacts of digital education.

This session was developed in partnership with TIME.

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

As this session is televised, please arrive 15 minutes early. The doors will be closed at the scheduled time. This session is webcast live.

Towards an Integrated Africa

The African Union has committed to introducing an African passport by 2018. What will it take to realize this agenda?

Session objectives:
- Explore open skies agreements,
- Support visa facilitation and regional visa agreements
- Integrate and harmonize markets and trade

Stories from Africa: Mobile Connectivity

Did you know Africa has the fastest-growing rate of unique subscribers and connections to mobile phones in the world?

Join this informal discussion in the Transformation Hub, a space created for peer-to-peer learning, to share unknown stories about Africa.
Community Break

Tackling Climate Change
Learn in-depth about innovative solutions that leverage green growth to mitigate the catastrophic impact of climate change in Africa.

This session is webcast.

Realizing Africa as One Market
The African Union has committed to setting up the Continental Free Trade Area by 2017. Given that Africa accounts for 3% of global trade, how can leaders develop sustainable long-term partnerships and trade relations?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Solving export barriers
- Developing trade clusters
- Strengthening regional and global value chains

This session was developed in partnership with CCTV.

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Thursday 12 May

18.45 - 21.00
Serena Hotel - Marquee

cultural soirée

Cultural Soirée

Hosted with the Government of the Republic of Rwanda

The Government of Rwanda and the World Economic Forum request the pleasure of your company at the Cultural Soirée.
Rebuilding Trust and Integrity in Business

Corruption constitutes the largest risk that global companies face while doing business in Africa. How is business creating change at the local level to address both the demand and supply sides of corruption?

This session is for Forum Members and Partners active or interested in the Partnering Against Corruption Initiative.

Live Demo: Transformation Maps

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New Solutions: Digital Entrepreneurship

How can the potential of digitally driven entrepreneurship be realized?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Taking innovation from lab to market
- Creating revenue-generating enterprises
- Investing in digital commerce
Towards a New Energy Future
How can Africa leapfrog towards developing a smart energy system?
Dimensions to be addressed:
- Leveraging renewable, digital and energy-efficient technologies
- Scaling investments into large power infrastructure
- Strengthening regional integration
This session was developed in partnership with Deutsche Welle.
Simultaneous interpretation in French and English
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Nudging People, Policies and Practices
How is the science of nudging reshaping citizen enlightenment, engagement and empowerment?
Dimensions to be addressed:
- Tweaking designs of national citizen services
- Ensuring authentic leadership through the arts
- Using creativity to cultivate tolerance

Managing Migration
Learn in-depth about measures and solutions to ensure that Africa's internal migration flows contribute to its growth and do not put stability at risk.
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**Virtual Reality Experience**

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**Community Break**

**Africa’s Pathways to Transformation**

How will African economies navigate the changing global context?

Dimensions to be addressed:
- Delivering inclusive growth
- Leading the digital revolution
- Driving sustainable investment

This session was developed in partnership with CNBC Africa.

Simultaneous interpretation in French and English

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Friday 13 May

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Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - Akagera  
closing remarks

Closing Remarks

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12.15 - 12.30  
Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village - The Village  
farewell reception

Farewell Reception

All participants and spouses are invited to the Farewell Reception.