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AFRICAN INCLUSIVE INFRASTRUCTURE FORUM
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Infrastructure Africa partners with the African Development Bank Group to host the African Inclusive Infrastructure Forum



The 5th annual Infrastructure Africa Business Forum will present stakeholders with an opportunity to unpack the enormous growth potential in addressing Africa's infrastructure needs. Africa, with a population exceeding 1 billion people is well placed as an emerging market, keen for investment & growth and has successfully maintained an average growth rate of 4% for the past few years as a continent.

The Africa Inclusive Infrastructure Forum, hosted by the African Development Bank Group, will form part of the main Infrastructure Africa Business Forum and will have a key focus towards issues of gender in infrastructure development across the continent. The event will discuss financing for women owned business in the energy, transport, ICT & Telecomms and water sectors across Africa. Cross border and regional trade will feature highly on the discussion agenda as well and industry specialists will be invited to participate and share their expertise and to unpack a roadmap for a denied way forward.

To build the infrastructure the continent needs to support growth and meet development goals, Africa will have to spend about \$93 billion a year for a decade. Two-thirds of that sum would be for investments; the remaining third for maintenance. Africa already spends \$45 billion a year on infrastructure, two-thirds of which is domestically financed from taxes and user charges. Most financing for capital investment is obtained from external sources according to the African Development Bank Group.

Maintaining present levels of expenditure on infrastructure and eliminating operational inefficiencies will not be enough to provide all of the funding needed to meet Africa's infrastructure needs.

How much more will be required to close Africa's infrastructure funding gap?

The 2 day Business forum will bring together business to explore new trading opportunities, establish new business networks, develop and form partnerships and plan a way forward to address some of the continent's requirements.

Key sectors to be featured at the 2016 event include:

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The event format will comprise 2 days broken up as follows:

DAY 1: 9 JUNE 2016	DAY 2: 10 JUNE 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infrastructure Africa Business Forum - Africa Inclusive Infrastructure Forum - African Infrastructure Ministerial Roundtable - Exhibition showcase 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infrastructure Africa Business Forum - Africa Inclusive Infrastructure Forum - Exhibition showcase

Objectives

The 2016 Infrastructure Africa Business Forum aims to broadly cover the following topical themes in various business sessions:

- To provide a platform for informative and interactive sessions with the prime movers of the Infrastructure sector across various spheres like Government, Policy makers, Industrial leaders, Academia and Potential investors;
- To enhance policy and regulatory framework to boost investor confidence in the infrastructure sector;
- To find a way around to turn excruciatingly slow pace of infrastructure developments at the ground level;
- To explore new potential areas in order to provide financial assistance as well as access to finance to the infrastructure players and project developers;
- To focus on 5 key industry sectors and explore growth potential within these sectors, as well as unpacking challenges and obstacles and finding the solutions for growth in each sector;
- To encourage Public Private Partnership in the process of developing world class infrastructure in Africa; and
- To reach consensus on importance of gender agenda within the infrastructure sectors.

Business Matchmaking at Infrastructure Africa

The Infrastructure Africa 2016 Business Matchmaking Program affords all exhibitors and conference delegates the opportunity to meet and engage with this year's high-level speakers, exhibitors, sponsors and delegates on a one-on-one basis at the event. For this, we have partnered with Outsmart Marketing, a dynamic company that has already worked on a number of high-profile events on the African continent.

Using the most sophisticated technology in the industry, the Infrastructure Africa Business Matchmaking Program provides the opportunity to have a return on your investment. It is uniquely designed to help you to make the right contacts, fulfill your business and target market objectives and establish long-lasting and valuable contacts in the energy sector.

With the urgency towards creating infrastructure development across Africa, this Program is a key highlight in the Infrastructure Africa conference and exhibition.

Due to the immense success of this programme at previous Infrastructure Africa events, we have once again embarked on hosting this added value business programme.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND AND EXHIBIT AT THE EVENT

Target Audience

- Policy Makers
- Private Equity Investors
- Industry Sector Specialists
- Construction Equipment Manufacturers / Suppliers
- Oil and gas pipeline developers
- Power project developers
- Cross border project developers (PIDA projects included)
- Engineering Firms
- Port Developers / Operators
- Toll Plaza / Road maintenance companies
- IT Solutions Providers
- Transport Operators
- Trade Publication / Media
- Government representatives: Government & Public Sector Undertakings / Intergovernmental Agencies / Industrial Development Zones
- Financial Institutions and Banks
- Construction Companies / EPC Contractors / Electrical & Mechanical Engineering Companies
- Procurement companies
- Consultancy Organizations
- Airport Developers / Operators
- Road & Highways Developers
- Infrastructure Development Agencies
- Logistics / Supply Chain Companies
- Private investors: global and domestic
- Academic & Research Bodies
- Allied Industries (Cement, Iron, Steel Producers, etc)
- ICT and Telecoms operators and developers
- Legal consultants
- Insurance companies
- Regional organizations
- Regional economic communities'

The Company Showcase

The Infrastructure Africa Company Showcase is highly relevant to companies actively involved in all areas relating to providing solutions relating to infrastructure development in Africa. This extends to services for major infrastructure projects, rural development, urbanisation and cross border PIDA projects. By taking a booth and showcasing your company at the event you will have the opportunity to network and promote your company to business counterparts, international investors, buyers and governments from across Africa, attending the conference as delegates and speakers.



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THE AFRICAN INCLUSIVE INFRASTRUCTURE FORUM HOSTED BY THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP



Introduction

The Africa Inclusive Infrastructure Forum 2016 (AIIF), hosted by the African Development Bank Group (AfDB), will form part of the main Infrastructure Africa Business Forum and will have a key focus towards issues of gender in infrastructure development across the continent. The Forum will bring together government, private sector, and development partners onto one platform to discuss financing for women owned business in the energy, transport, ICT & Telecommunications and water sectors across Africa.

Objectives

The AIIF will act as the first regional policy dialogue of its kind. Infrastructure investments are vital for sustained economic growth in Africa since the continent lags behind in energy, transport, water and information technology services, with levels well below international standard. This creates serious bottlenecks for African economies trying to achieve the transformational rates of growth that have been witnessed in other emerging markets. At the same time, it is increasingly recognised that, for African economies to continue their recent substantial growth there is a need to address inequality, especially gender inequality. The AfDB has made gender as one of the areas of special emphasis in all the Bank's operational areas and across the High 5s.

Target audience

Government representatives, industry specialists, development partners, academia as well as civil society will be invited to participate and share their expertise to unpack a roadmap for a denied way forward.

Expected outcome and link to the Banks intervention

The AfDB has long recognized that infrastructure investment are critical for supporting economic growth, poverty reduction and the achievement of the sustainable development goals (SDGs). In 2011, the AfDB approved 184 operations totaling US \$9 billion, infrastructure accounted for 38 per cent (US \$3.4 billion) over which US \$2.25 billion under the private sector window. The AfDB plans to invest \$12 billion in the energy sector over the next five years and aims to leverage \$40-50 billion into the energy sector.

The AIF hopes to galvanize government support for better integration of gender issues in infrastructure projects, drive private sector to develop a more diverse workforce and partners to continue pushing for better outcomes for both women and youth through infrastructure investments.

This Forum will address the question of how to strengthen economic inclusivity in Africa as a strategy to boost growth and ensure its sustainability.

A renewed focus on gender equality, our chance to act

Campaigns for gender equality have produced wide-ranging improvements in the state of women across Africa as much as they have done for women across the globe. Specifically, Africa has seen improvements in women's participation in the labour force, increased enrolment of girls in primary schools, reduction in fertility, and increased participation of women in political processes. Twenty-first century challenges require fresh thinking.

Logistics

The event will form part of the Infrastructure Africa Business Forum and will run for the two days.

A closed ministerial roundtable will take place with Energy, Transport and ICT Ministers.

Partners interested in hosting a panel on the day should contact: Liz Hart & Dana Elhassan:
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“As the African premier financial institution, we welcome the opportunity to raise awareness of how Africa's infrastructure investments contribute to shaping the gender equality future of the continent”

Geraldine Joslyn Fraser-Moleketi
Special Envoy on Gender of the African Development Bank



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