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AFSIC 2023 AGENDA AT A GLANCE





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AM/PM	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	Room 5
AM	BANKING ON AFRICA	INFORMED INVESTING	NETWORKING MEET THE INVESTORS AND OTHERS	COUNTRY INVESTMENT SUMMITS	QUICKFIRE INVESTMENT PITCHES
PM	BUILDING AFRICA	INFORMED INVESTING	NETWORKING MEET THE INVESTORS AND OTHERS	COUNTRY INVESTMENT SUMMITS	QUICKFIRE INVESTMENT PITCHES

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AM	POWERING AFRICA SUSTAINABLE GROWTH	FINTECH INNOVATION	NETWORKING MEET THE INVESTORS AND OTHERS	COUNTRY INVESTMENT SUMMITS	QUICKFIRE INVESTMENT PITCHES
PM	FSD Africa Afternoon	FINTECH INNOVATION AGRITECH	NETWORKING MEET THE INVESTORS AND OTHERS	COUNTRY INVESTMENT SUMMITS	

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	ROOM 1	ROOM 2
MORNING SESSION	AFSIC WELCOME	
	BANKING	INVESTING
	BANKING Solo - FCDO Keynote	INVESTING Solo - Verdant Capital - Impact vs Returns - Harnessing capital to drive financial inclusion
	BANKING PANEL: Banking in Africa – For green, smart and inclusive private sector development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building back better with a sustainable focus • Attracting foreign investment and allocating domestic finance efficiently • Responding to the digital revolution and taking advantage of green finance opportunities 	INVESTING PANEL: The evolution of ESG in the Investment Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rise of ethical and ESG-focused funds • From risk management tool to a driver of innovation and long-term sustainability • How do ESG-related considerations impact investment returns?
	BANKING Solo - SBM - The Mauritian IFC as the ideal hub linking Africa and Asia for trade and investment	INVESTING Solo: 27four
	BANKING PANEL: African Banking – The Productivity Investment Opportunity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancing competitiveness building resilience and delivering new value to customers • Showing growth despite macroeconomic uncertainty • Moving from transactional to value-added partner 	INVESTING PANEL: Africa's Public Equity Markets: Navigating market opportunities in a rising interest rate environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Equity Funds punching above the index • Avoiding the value traps • Addressing issues in Africa's public markets
	11:00 NETWORKING BREAK	11:00 NETWORKING BREAK
	BANKING Solo - EDB Mauritius	INVESTING Solo - Manufacturing Africa/BDO - Learnings from supporting 130+ deals in 3 years across Africa
	BANKING PANEL: Microfinance driving inclusive and sustainable economic growth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extending the microfinance benefits beyond the household into the community • Reinforcing microfinance to empower the African private sector • Addressing the gaps in access to finance 	INVESTING PANEL: Africa's Small and Medium Enterprises: Financing Africa's largest employment sector <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Credit Guarantee Schemes to support investment • Managing risks and lack of infrastructure • Value in supporting women-owned SME's
	BANKING PANEL: Harnessing Africa's Economic Growth Prospects via the Financial Services sector <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking on risk to reap the higher profit rewards. • Capitalizing on financial services opportunities in some of the world's fastest growing economies • Investing in Africa's financial sector as part of a sustainable corporate strategy • Harnessing the opportunity to accelerate progress towards continental integration in the context of AfCFTA (African continental free trade area) 	INVESTING PANEL: Measuring the impact of Investment in Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Innovative financing solutions • Managing currency and dollar liquidity risk for global investors • Strategies to accelerate Capital Market development • Opportunities arising from global monetary policy tightening
1:15 LUNCH	1:15 LUNCH	

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AFTERNOON SESSION			
		BUILDING	INVESTING
		<p>BUILDING PANEL: Gearing up Africa as growth sectors drive demand for enhanced infrastructure development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improving access to power, internet and communication Focussing on the structural transformation of Africa's utilities Addressing the financing gap in infrastructure projects 	<p>INVESTING PANEL: Credit in Africa: Closing the Financing Gap</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding growth capital for Africa Growth in corporate green bonds Attracting inward capital to debt products
		BUILDING Solo: Stears	INVESTING Solo: Stears
		<p>BUILDING PANEL: The case for sophisticated financial models to drive investor interest in affordable housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Generating risk adjusted returns while delivering impact at scale through housing provision Catalysing scale interventions through better policy and data analysis Rapid urbanization driving a housing crisis and investment opportunities. 	<p>INVESTING PANEL: Private Equity in Africa: Powering Economic Recovery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cause for optimism in PE markets as African economies reboot Bridging the infrastructure Gap Venture Capital delivering strong returns
	<p>BUILDING PANEL: Power to move - Accelerating the transportation and logistics transition in Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overcoming the affordability, supply issue and availability of asset finance Cohesive working between governments, development partners and private sector to build an enabling ecosystem for EVs in Africa Building tomorrow's markets with better supply chains and distribution networks Providing mobility to create employment 	<p>INVESTING PANEL: Consolidating and Strengthening the (re)insurance industry to promote better quality products to Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building a more robust reinsurance industry Reviewing the significance of Microinsurance and Insuretechs on food Security Solutions Enabling wide access to Agric Insurance products in Africa 	
	<p>PANEL: How can AI and Edutainment build Growth in Africa</p>	<p>INVESTING PANEL: Increasing US Institutional Investment into Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unpacking some of the real and perceived barriers that US investors face in Africa Partnering with dynamic and fast-growing African economies Ensuring promoted growth is durable and equitable Deepening partnerships with governments to improve enabling investment environments 	

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	NETWORKING	COUNTRY INVESTMENT SUMMITS	QUICKFIRE INVESTMENT PITCHES
MORNING SESSION	NETWORKING: Meet the Agriculture Investors	RWANDA INVESTMENT SUMMIT	QUICKFIRE: Powering the Growth Engines - Session 1
	NETWORKING: Meet the Energy & Infrastructure Investors	FRONTIER MARKETS INVESTMENT SUMMIT	QUICKFIRE: Best New Fund Opportunities - Session 1
	NETWORKING: Meet the African Dealmakers	MOROCCO INVESTMENT SUMMIT	QUICKFIRE: Unicorn Hunting - Session 1
		ETHIOPIA INVESTMENT SUMMIT	
	1:00 LUNCH	1:00 LUNCH	1:00 LUNCH
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AFTERNOON SESSION	NETWORKING: Meet the Venture Capital Investors	NIGERIA INVESTMENT SUMMIT	QUICKFIRE: Best New Fund Opportunities - Session 2
	NETWORKING: Meet the US Investors	KENYA INVESTMENT SUMMIT	
	NETWORKING: Meet the Private Equity Investors	GHANA INVESTMENT SUMMIT	

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ROOM 1	ROOM 2
POWERING AFRICA	TECH INNOVATION - FINTECH
<p>POWER PANEL: Increasing Energy Access in Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advancing inclusive, low carbon economic returns • Improving lives and powering health, education and prosperity with cleaner power generation capacity • Developing and greening national utilities and looking beyond the borders for pan African collaboration. 	<p>FINTECH PANEL: Fintech driving financial resilience across Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regulating fintech and building robust policies for the sector • Analysing the real value and potential of blockchain for Africa • Reshaping the financial sector to embrace the digital revolution and enhance shareholder returns
<p>POWER Solo: Genesis Energy - Accelerating energy access in Sub-Saharan Africa: championing SDG7</p>	<p>FINTECH Solo: RMB - Fintech structural fundamentals that beat the hype</p>
<p>POWER PANEL: Harnessing the Exponential Growth of Renewable Energy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting renewable energy projects with private sector investment and innovations • Leveraging the transformative impact of solar energy and battery storage • Enabling further policy support, research and development and finance options 	<p>FINTECH PANEL: Harnessing Digitalisation in Financing the Sustainable Development Goals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enabling fintech to increase the quality of financial information to empower citizens • Supporting governance innovations to overcome digitalisation for SDG financing whilst mitigating risk
SUSTAINABLE GROWTH	FINTECH Solo: Fitch - African Banks Ratings
<p>GROWTH PANEL: Driving Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Development in Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bringing together public and private sectors to grow climate and environmental finance. • Promoting good governance and supporting broader development goals • Addressing Africa's massive financing gap by attracting private finance and increasing public private partnerships 	<p>FINTECH PANEL: Financial Services Technology and Beyond – Embracing Disruption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Envisaging the next moves in global payments • A changing macro environment creating opportunities and obstacles across the payments ecosystem. • Driving the next generation of cross border payments
11:00 NETWORKING BREAK	11:00 NETWORKING BREAK
SUSTAINABLE GROWTH	TECH INNOVATION - FINTECH
<p>GROWTH PANEL: Discussing ESG and Climate Solutions to drive investment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieving Sustainable Impact in Gender Equality and social Inclusion • Quantifying Social impact and addressing the SDGs • Enhancing access to education and health facilities 	<p>FINTECH Solo: Ebury - Examining the Dynamics of African Currency - Trends, Influences, and Future Perspectives</p>
<p>GROWTH PANEL: Closing the Quality Healthcare Gap in Africa with creative and sustainable solutions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieving Sustainable Impact in Gender Equality and social Inclusion • Quantifying Social impact and addressing the SDGs • Enhancing access to education and health facilities 	
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FSD AFRICA AFTERNOON		AGRITECH	
		AGRITECH Solo	
<p>FSD AFRICA PANEL: Leveraging Carbon Markets for Africa's Green Transition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many African businesses have untapped potential to benefit from carbon offsets. However, they often lack the necessary knowledge and skills to incorporate carbon revenue into their business models effectively. This results in a limited supply of carbon credits compared to the continent's abundant sources To address this issue, accelerators offer promising solutions through programmes that focus on supporting early-stage businesses with high-growth potential and help close the skills gap in understanding carbon markets and integrating carbon into business models. They can also assist established businesses looking to enter new markets and activities By leveraging Africa's rich resources, businesses can maximize their profits while contributing to carbon reduction efforts 		<p>AGRITECH PANEL: Sustainable Innovation Driving the Future of Agriculture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examining how Agriculture is evolving to address challenges around food security and energy transition. Reviewing the role of technology in providing farmers with the tools to be successful whilst meeting new societal demands Fast tracking the drive towards sustainable innovation 	
<p>FSD AFRICA PANEL: Africa's Green Future - Unlocking Capital for Climate-Positive Growth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Africa has the potential to achieve both climate targets and economic prosperity through a climate-positive growth path. However, this requires substantial investment and creative solutions across the finance sector. From small climate-tech start-ups to large sustainable infrastructure projects, mobilising capital is crucial to realising this ambition In this panel session, experts from capital markets in Africa and internationally will discuss how innovative approaches in finance can transform green growth and resilience on the continent. They will address the need to make capital markets more attractive for private investors, especially as governments face challenges in funding public services and infrastructure due to high public debt By unlocking capital and fostering collaboration, Africa can pave the way for a sustainable and prosperous future 		<p>AGRITECH Solo: Mastercard Integrating Climate change adaption and mitigation into Agriculture</p>	
<p>FSD AFRICA PANEL: Harnessing the Power of Finance for Nature</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Intersection between Finance and Nature As an interactive high-level panel expert dialogue on the intersection between nature and finance, this session will present current investable nature-positive opportunities for institutions. Included is a conversation on the role of the TNFD Framework in integrating nature decision-making in organisations and determining if nature-positive opportunities will be acted upon. This session will have high-level speakers from both financial institutions and development organisations 		<p>AGRITECH PANEL: Impact Finance – Attracting Climate investment into Agriculture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What investment opps are climate tech funds exploring in Agriculture and how to unlock more capital in this industry Educating investors and connecting them to farmers to build capacity and optimise impact of capital. De-risking finance to transform agricultural production 	
<p>FSD AFRICA PANEL: Novel Financing Structures to Unlock Africa's Climate Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Africa faces significant challenges in financing its climate agenda to address the impacts of climate change. Traditional funding models are often insufficient for implementing ambitious climate projects across the continent. To overcome this, novel financing structures are emerging as innovative solutions to unlock the necessary resources These new financing approaches go beyond traditional grants and loans. They encompass innovative mechanisms such as climate bonds, green bonds, impact investing, and public-private partnerships. By leveraging these structures, Africa can attract private sector investments, access international funds, and provide financial incentives for sustainable projects Implementing novel financing structures enables Africa to accelerate its transition to a low-carbon economy, enhance climate resilience, and achieve its climate goals. It facilitates the funding of renewable energy projects, sustainable infrastructure development, nature-based solutions, and climate-smart agriculture 			

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MORNING SESSION	NETWORKING: Meet the Corporate and Fund Services Providers	SOUTH AFRICA INVESTMENT SUMMIT	QUICKFIRE: Best New Fund Opportunities - Session 3
	ALGERIA NETWORKING SESSION	MAURITIUS INVESTMENT SUMMIT	QUICKFIRE: Unicorn Hunting - Session 2
	NETWORKING: Meet the Top African Legal Firms	NAMIBIA INVESTMENT SUMMIT	QUICKFIRE: Powering the Growth Engines - Session 2
	SENEGAL NETWORKING SESSION	SEYCHELLES INVESTMENT SUMMIT	
	NETWORKING: Meet the Impact Investors		
	TUNISIA NETWORKING SESSION		
	MALAWI NETWORKING SESSION		
	NETWORKING: Meet the Green Finance Investors		
UGANDA NETWORKING SESSION			
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AFTERNOON SESSION	ZIMBABWE NETWORKING SESSION	EGYPT INVESTMENT SUMMIT	
	NETWORKING: Meet the Development Finance Institutions		
	TANZANIA NETWORKING SESSION		
	DRC NETWORKING SESSION		



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