2017 Partnerships Conference

Information note
Scaling up Partnerships and Leveraging Resources For Africa’s Transformation

Slogan
Partnering for the High 5s

Date
6-7 April 2017

Venue
Abidjan, Côte d’ivoire - CCIA Building

Hosted by
Resource Mobilization & Partnership Department

Background
The Bank periodically organizes partnerships conferences to enhance the dialogue with partners across the world. Since the last conference in 2012 in Tunis, Tunisia, the Bank has seen many changes: we have successfully returned to our Headquarters in Abidjan, elected a new President and refocused our priority areas.

The 2017 Conference will create a platform for the Bank to present its journey so far in scaling up investments and leveraging donor resources in the High 5s priority areas identified for its 2013 – 2022 Ten Year Strategy (TYS). These High 5s include: Light up and Power Up Africa, Feed Africa, Industrialize Africa, Integrate Africa and Improve the Quality of Life for the People of Africa.

Objectives
The Partnership Conference will:

- Provide a platform for bringing together multilateral agencies, bilateral donors and Non-Sovereign Entities (foundations, philanthropies, private sector etc.) to engage in a strategic discussion on how best to partner for development;

- Provide an overview of best practices including a possible role for multilateral agencies, bilateral donors and Non-Sovereign Entities.

Expected outputs
The conference is expected to result in a greater understanding of the role of partnerships in development and identify the key success factors for these.

A summary will be prepared capturing the key messages from the discussions including:

- The potential sources and options for funding, and opportunities for partnership(s) that would help address the challenge of eradicating poverty in Africa;

- Potential role that partner could play in the achievement of the SDGs

- The enablers for effective partnerships for the High 5s.
Program

The two-day conference will consist of a plenary session as well as ‘partner specific’ sessions (multilateral agencies, bilateral donors and Non-Sovereign Entities) to allow deeper discussions on their perspectives, experiences, best practices and recommendations on how to achieve the High 5s in the rapidly changing development assistance landscape. In addition, individual meetings will be organized for participants to allow them to hold deeper discussions with their AfDB counterparts on specific partnership opportunities.

In the session for bilateral partners and international institutions, participants will present their current programs and experiences in the continent and discuss:


2. How can we work together to have a meaningful impact on the continent’s development?

3. What is each institution’s role in supporting and implementing effective solutions?

The session with Non-Sovereign Entities will provide participants with an overview of how to develop partnerships with AfDB including different types of partnerships, key steps, policies and timeline.

We therefore look forward interacting with you on innovative partnership opportunities and new business models for our common objectives.

One-on-one sessions

Participants must send as soon as possible a request for One-on-on sessions and indicate their area of interest prior to the event.

Target participants

- Multilateral institutions
- Bilateral donors
- Non-Sovereign Entities (foundations, philanthropies, private sector etc.)
- Bank Staff

Resource speakers

The opening remarks will be made by Mr. Charles Boamah, Vice-President, Finance. Each session will be chaired by the concerned Vice-President.
Practical information before arrival in Abidjan

**Registration**

Register now to attend the event. Please ensure the accuracy of your email address to properly receive an automated email acknowledgement of registration. Apply through the link:

https://frmb.afdb.org/?page=partnershipforum&event_id=partnership_forum_1&section=registration

If you are having difficulty logging in, please contact us at partnershipsforum@afdb.org

**General Visa Information**

Entry into Côte d'Ivoire is subject to a visa, except for nationals of ECOWAS member countries, and countries that have signed special agreements with Côte d'Ivoire. Furthermore, a valid passport is required for entry into Côte d'Ivoire. The validity of passports must be for at least six months from the date of entry into Côte d'Ivoire.

Participants are requested to make arrangements for an entry visa to Côte d'Ivoire. If a letter of invitation is required to facilitate the obtaining of such a visa, please indicate this when registering online.

Countries whose nationals are exempt from Visa formalities in Côte d'Ivoire


Additional information can be obtained at the following links:

https://www.embassypages.com/cotedivoire_fr

**Vaccinations**

Côte d'Ivoire requires travelers entering the country to present a certificate of vaccination against yellow fever. An individual international health booklet should testify the participant’s protection against yellow fever. Participants who do not have certificates of vaccination against yellow fever will be vaccinated on site at the health station of the FHB airport. The cost of vaccination is approx. Eur 11.

**Arrival and Transportation**

Many airlines have direct flights to and from Côte d'Ivoire. Several companies have scheduled flights to Europe from Abidjan: Air France; Royal Air Maroc; South African Airways; Corsair; Emirates; Brussels Airlines, etc.

Additional information can be obtained at the following link:

http://www.aeria-ci.com/
http://www.aeroport-abidjan.com/

It should be noted that participants have to arrange their own travel from their respective countries and local transportation to the hotel of their choice from the airport. Taxis are available at the airport. If needed, taxi companies can be directly reached at the following links:

http://afri-cab.com/en
http://www.taxijetci.com/

We strongly recommend you to use a shuttle service of the hotel, if available.
**Accommodation**

We encourage participants to make their reservations in one of the following hotels, where we have secured a number of standard rooms at negotiated rates (the related registration forms are attached). In order to insure room availability at negotiated rates, it is highly recommended to make reservations as early as possible, and in any case before the end of March 2017.

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Useful notes

Venues
Adresse of the venue of the conference is: Immeuble du Centre International de Commerce d’Abidjan (CCIA)
Avenue Jean-Paul II 01 BP 1387 Abidjan 01, Côte d’Ivoire
Tél. +225 2026 3900
The Bank Headquarters address is: Avenue Joseph Anoma 01 bp 1387 Abidjan 01
Tél. +225 2026 1020

Facilities
- Simultaneous English and French interpretation will be provided during the sessions
- Free Wi-Fi will be available throughout the meeting’s venue. The login credentials will be furnished to participants at the time of registration.
- The facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities and assistance will be provided if needed.
- For security reasons, the presentation of a valid Passport will be required to access the Bank.
- Red badge (Participants) / Green badge (AfDB Staff)

Dinner/Cocktail/Coffee break
- An opening cocktail will be held at Hotel TIAMA, on Wednesday, 5 April 2017 for all participants who will arrive on 5th April 2017 or earlier. The address of Hotel TIAMA is Boulevard de la République, Abidjan Plateau, 04 BP 643 Abidjan 04
  Tel: (+225)2031 3333
- Dinner will be offered on Thursday, 06 April 2017 at Maquis du VAL at 20h00 pm.
  Address: Cocody Val doyen, 06 BP 2761 Abidjan 06
  Departure time from CCIA: 19h00 pm
  Tél: 22 44 04 64 / 22 48 50 94 / 07 08 96 33
- Lunch and Coffee breaks will be offered to all participants during the event at the venue of the event.

Costs
African Development Bank will not cover any costs related travel and associated arrangements (i.e. return airfare, hotel accommodation, daily subsistence, ground transport, and appropriate visa, if required) for the participation to the Partnership Conference 2017.

Documents for Download
- Program
- AfDB in brief
- Bilateral booklet
- The High 5 priorities of AfDB
- Annual Report 2015
- Resource Mobilization and Partnership in Brief
- Investor presentation 2017

About Abidjan
- Living in Abidjan (African Development Bank Group)