



Full Circle
Africa Economic
Conference

Conference Program

28-29 December 2023



SESSION 1 – OPENING CEREMONY

12:00 PM	Opening remarks (FCAEC Team))
12:10 PM	Remarks by Nikole Hannah-Jones, Pulitzer Prize Winning Author
12:20 PM	Special Address by Marlene Ngoyi, CEO, FEDA
12:50 PM	Special Address by Fred Swaniker, Co-Founder, ALG; CEO, Sand Technologies
1:20 PM	Keynote Address by H.E. Nana Dankwa Akufo-Addo, President of Ghana
1:50 PM	Run of Show Introduction by Anita Erskine
2:00 PM	FIRESIDE CHAT
	Moderator Boris Kodjoe – Co-Founder, Full Circle Africa Economic Conference
	Guest H.E. Nana Dankwa Akufo-Addo – President of Ghana

PANEL DISCUSSION **DEMYSTIFYING FINANCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE & INVESTING**

3:20 PM	Moderator Tutu Agyare – Chairman, Volta River Authority
	Panelists R. Yofi Grant – CEO, Ghana Investment Promotion Centre Marlene Ngoyi – CEO, FEDA Hamdyia Ismaila – Investor at Savannah Impact
3:50 PM	Q & A

PANEL DISCUSSION **HOUSING AND URBANIZATION**

4:05 PM	Moderator Kofi Anku – Board Member, Ayi Mensah Parks
	Panelists Brad Rohrs – CEO, Rohrs Team Reisa Bryan – CEO, Paths Kwabena Ampofo Appiah – Managing Director, State Housing Company Limited
4:35 PM	Q & A

PANEL DISCUSSION **RECHARGING THE AFRICAN DIASPORA**

4:50 PM	Moderator Dentaa Amoateng, Mbe
	Panelists Dr Jatali Bellanton – Investor, BMU META Crypto Hedge Fund Amb. Chihombori-Quao – Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer, ADDI Hon. Dr. Ibrahim Mohammed Awal – Minister, Ministry of Tourism Arts and Culture
5:20 PM	Q & A



SESSION 2 – OPENING PLENARY

- 1:00 PM Keynote Address by Alexia Clayborne J.D., Head of D&IA Global Events, Microsoft
- 1:10 PM Opening Remarks by H.E. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA

PANEL DISCUSSION AFRICA'S CREATIVE ENTERTAINMENT ECONOMY

- 1:25 PM Moderator Gyankroma Akufo Addo – Director, Creative Arts Council
- Panelists Lena Waithe – Emmy Award Winning TV Producer and Cultural Thought Revolutionary
Shirley Frimpong-Manso – CEO, Sparrow Productions
Juliet Yaa Asante – CEO, National Film Authority
Deon Taylor – Co-Founder/CEO Hidden Empire Films
- 1:55 PM Q & A

PANEL DISCUSSION SUSTAINABILITY AND MANUFACTURING

- 2:10 PM Moderator Roslyn Ngeno – Senior Investment Expert Directorate of Trade in Services, Investment, Intellectual Property Rights & Digital Trade
- Panelists Kevin Okyere – Founder/CEO Springfield Energy & Oil Company
Angela Kwashie – National Project Coordinator, UNCDF
Hon. Dr. Kwaku Afriyie – Minister, Ministry of Environment, Science, Technology & Innovation
- 2:40 PM Q & A

PANEL DISCUSSION UNLEASHING AFRICAN TALENT ON THE GLOBAL STAGE

- 2:55 PM Moderator Jake Bediako – Presidential Coordinator for Youth Engagement & Strategy
- Panelists Sangu Delle – CEO, Carepoint
Kofi Agyepong – CEO, Youth Employment Agency
Fred Swaniker – Co-Founder, African Leadership Academy, CEO Sand Technologies
Peace Hyde – Head of Digital Media and Strategic Partnerships, Forbes Africa
- 3:25 PM Q & A
- 3:35 PM COFFEE & REFRESHMENTS



PANEL DISCUSSION

BREAKING BARRIERS - WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT REVOLUTION

4:00 PM

Moderator

Chinenye Uwanaka – Co-founder, Africa Policy Conversations

Panelists

Hon. Lariba Zuweira Abudu – Minister of Gender, Children & Social Protection

Amb. Erieka Bennett – Head of Mission, Diaspora African Forum

Rosy Fynn – Country Director (Ghana) at the Mastercard Foundation

Alexia Claybourne, J.D. – Head of D&IA Global Events, Microsoft

4:30 PM

Q & A

PANEL DISCUSSION

THE NEW AFRICA NARRATIVE

4:45 PM

Moderator

Chinenye Uwanaka – Co-founder, Africa Policy Conversations

Panelists

Walla ElSheikh – Founder, Birthright Africa

Hon. Shirley Ayorkor Botchwey – Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration

Tembe Denton Hurst - Author and Journalist (New York Magazine)

5:15 PM

Q & A

MCs



Anita Erskine



Chris Spencer