

OCTOBER 14th

09:00 - 09:15 **Opening**

João Bosco Monte | Founder and President of the Brazil Africa Institute

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Mauro Vieira | Minister of External Relations of Brazil

Guest of honor

09:45 - 10:00

Special guest

Martin Mbeng | Ambassador of Cameroon and Dean of the African Heads of Mission in Brasília

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Agro-Industry: Solving production and logistics challenges in Brazil-Africa food supply Although Africa holds nearly 60% of the world's uncultivated arable land, it remains a net food importer, spending billions annually. The synergies between

Brazil and Africa in agribusiness are significant, given their fertile land, favorable climates, and growing populations. Brazil, a leading agribusiness player, excels in productivity and crop yields, offering valuable expertise to Africa. Roberto Rodrigues | Former Minister of Agriculture of Brazil and Coordinator of the Center for Agribusiness Studies at FGV EESP

Philippe Rubini | Chief Investment Officer of Fictor Group

Márcio Rodrigues | Executive Manager for New Markets at JBS

Gustavo Bastide Horbach | CEO of EuroChem

Cristina Costa | Technical Coordinator of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture in Brazil

Gilberto António | Senior Advisor to the Secretary-General of the Secretariat of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)

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<u>Moderator</u>: **Eduardo Castro** | Journalist at Bandeirantes Network

11:30 - 12:30

Renewable Power: Building block for a sustainable energy future

The transition to renewable energy is essential for a sustainable future, particularly in Africa, where growing energy demand poses challenges for

policymakers. Renewable sources reduce dependence on fossil fuels while fostering economic growth, creating jobs, and expanding access in remote areas. Brazil serves as a success story, with a diverse energy matrix largely based on hydroelectric, wind, solar, and biomass. Its experience underscores the importance of public policies, investment in technology and infrastructure, and public-private collaboration. Enio Verri | Brazilian General Director of Itaipu Binacional

Paulo Gomes | Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Africa-South East Asia Chamber of Commerce Radaés Fronchetti Picoli | Sustainable Fuel General Manager at Petrobras

Carlos Lopes | Honorary Professor at Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance, Faculty of Commerce, University of Cape Town

Moderator: Vinícius Assis | International Correspondent covering Africa

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Lunch

12:30 - 14:00

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Public-Private Partnerships: Strategic tool for infrastructure investment

Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) offer a powerful solution for channeling investment into bankable projects. When well-coordinated with regulatory

frameworks, PPPs can help close the infrastructure investment gap sustainably. Miguel Azevedo | Chairman of Investment Banking for Middle East and Africa at Citi Mônica Monteiro | Senior Executive Advisor for Times CNBC Brazil and President of the BRICS Women's Business Alliance Brazil Chapter

Brazil and many African countries face infrastructure deficits that hinder economic growth. Attracting private investment is crucial to meet rising demand.

Maria Auxiliadora Figueiredo | Ambassador of Brazil and Assistant Secretary to the São Paulo Municipal Secretary for International Relations

Ibraimo Abdul Carimo Issufo Ibraimo | Founding partner of Ernest and Young and Former Chairman of the Executive Board of Moza Bank

Moderator: Caroline Ribeiro | Journalist at Diário de Notícias

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Exploring the Agricultural and Livestock potential of Niger State Organized by the Government of the State of Niger, Nigeria

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Niger State is the largest State by land mass in Nigeria with vast arable and irrigable land area, however still underdeveloped with untapped potential. It has a typical Savanah (Cerrado) vegetation with several patches of floodplain and substantial annual rainfall. Agriculture in the Niger State is still largely

subsistence based and small scale. To ensure food security and stimulate economic development by leveraging the State's arable land, Niger State promoted a Green Economy Framework that will engender commercial scale agriculture. His Excellency Mohammed Umaru Bago | Executive Governor of Niger State, Nigeria Mr. Sam Adigun | CEO of Niger Foods – Security System and Logistics Company Limited

Mr. Jerry Cunningham | CEO of WM Agro International Ltd

Mr. Oloyede, Olawoyin Adebowale | Head of Operations of Niger Foods – Security System and Logistics Company Limited

Artificial Intelligence: Boosting digital and financial inclusion

Format: Side Event | Room: Salvador Room

In the past decade, East Africa has led a digital and financial revolution, becoming the hub of mobile money. Al is now driving financial inclusion in Africa and Brazil, where traditional banking access is limited. Fintechs are using AI to serve underserved markets, creating start-up ecosystems, offering microcredits, and personalized investments, overcoming the lack of banking infrastructure.

Décio Lima | Director-President of SEBRAE (TBC) Mohammed Abdullah Al-Ali | CEO and Founder of TRENDS Research & Advisory

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Nana Baffour | CEO and Chairman of Qintess Michelle Chivunga | Founder and CEO of Global Policy House

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Francisco Javier Trujillo Ramírez | Director of Las Palmas Port Authority Moderator: Vinícius Assis | International Correspondent covering Africa

20:00 - 22:00 Welcoming cocktail

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Keynote address

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Perspectives and opportunities between Brazil and Africa

Haytham El Maayergi | Executive Vice President for Global Trade Bank at Afreximbank

Carlos Sérgio Sobral Duarte | Secretary for Africa and the Middle East of the Ministry of External Relations of Brazil Format: Plenary | Room: Ballroom

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Unearthing the Future: Global prospects and local challenges in the mining sectors The future of mining in Brazil and sub-Saharan Africa is tied to the global shift toward sustainable energy, presenting both challenges and opportunities. These regions, rich in minerals vital for green technologies, can turn mining into a driver of sustainable development. However, this requires addressing

they can lead responsible mining in the global energy transition.

Luiz Cossa | Director of Sales & Operations at CXT-Comexport Group

Ronnie Ntuli | Founder and CEO of Thelo Group **Duncan Chaloba | Professor at PUC-Campinas Faculty of Economics** Moderator: Eduardo Castro | Journalist at Bandeirantes Network

Over 1.6 billion people rely on forests for their livelihoods. Recent studies show deforestation caused USD 78.6 billion in losses, with 10% of global carbon

emissions coming from deforestation and degradation. The global south holds the largest tropical rainforests, home to over half of the world's biodiversity.

infrastructure and sustainability challenges and ensuring equitable economic benefits. With the right policies, investments, and focus on sustainability,

12:00 - 14:00

Lígia Pinto | Vice-President of Government and Institutional Relations of Sigma Lithium

Similarly, oceans and their ecosystems are vital, as coastal regions house over half of the global population and are highly vulnerable to climate change. Investment in the blue economy is crucial for a sustainable future in coastal urban centers. Paulo Protásio | Executive Director of the Rio de Janeiro State Authority for Sustainable Development

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Zemedeneh Negatu | Global Chairman of Fairfax Africa Fund Moderator: Caroline Ribeiro | Journalist at Diário de Notícias

Maria Beatriz Bley Martins Costa | CEO of Green Rio

Maria Tereza Umbelino | Founder and President of BMV Group

Changing Climate: Insights from the Global South

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Dr. Hamad Al Kaabi | CEO of AlEtihad News Center

In response to the African market's growing appeal as a competitive destination for infrastructure investments, this symposium brings together thought leaders, innovators, and policymakers to explore how governance can enhance the African business environment. The focus of this session will be on aligning infrastructure investments with sustainability standards by strengthening governance indicators. Mohammed Abdullah Al-Ali | Founder and CEO of TRENDS Research & Advisory

Sustainable Prosperity: A Governance Approach to Boosting Investment in African Infrastructure

Paulo Gomes | Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Africa-South East Asia Chamber of Commerce Maria Auxiliadora Figueiredo | Assistant Secretary to the São Paulo Municipal Secretary for International Relations

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Otaviano Canuto | Former Vice-President and Executive Director at the World Bank Group

15:00 - 16:00 The role of financial institutions in infrastructure investment and development

Abdul Aziz Al Shehhi | Senior Researcher and Deputy Head of Research sector at TRENDS Research & Advisory

Dr. Mohamed Hamad Al-Kuwaiti | Executive Advisor at The Supreme Council for National Security of the United Arab Emirates

Financial institutions are crucial in supporting infrastructure development, especially post-COVID-19. Multilateral development banks and international finance institutions provide funding, technical expertise, policy support, and promote sustainability. Their efforts drive economic recovery, foster inclusive growth, create jobs, and improve access to essential services.

Luiz Lessa | President of Banco da Amazônia Otaviano Canuto | Former Vice-President and Executive Director at the World Bank Group **Armando Manuel |** Chairman of the Board of Directors of Angola Sovereign Fund (FSDEA)

Natália Dias | Advisory Board Member of Din4mo Venture Building Haytham El Maayergi | Executive Vice President for Global Trade Bank at Afreximbank

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Closing **Celso Amorim** | Former Minister of External Relations of Brazil and Chief Advisor to the Presidency **(TBC)**

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