



**UNIDO-Africa Investor CEO Forum
ICC, Durban
South Africa
26-28th October 2008**

This event will bring together African Ministers of Industry and representatives from private companies operating in Africa to debate practical solutions to sector specific challenges. Its first objective will be to establish a platform for dialogue between UNIDO and private sector representatives on matters of common interest, such as the African Industrialization Strategy. The second objective will be to encourage large companies in Africa to commit to local supplier development.

Large companies operating in Africa are often faced with a poorly developed local economy characterized by poor infrastructure and an obstructive business and regulatory environment. They may also find it hard to identify local suppliers capable of meeting their business requirements and that have the drive to invest in upgrading. However these international companies, with their large procurement needs, also represent an enormous opportunity for local economic development. They also offer solutions to the current food crisis threatening Africa. What can private companies do to alleviate the obstacles to agribusiness development in Africa and how can international organizations help?

Organized in parallel with the Conference of African Ministers of Industry (CAMI), the Forum will invite around 90 CEOs from African companies and from multinational companies operating in Africa. The Forum will include one joint session, two lunches and a dinner which be attended by Ministers and delegations. The sessions of the Forum will also be open to representatives from business associations attending the UNIDO Afripanet Launch Meeting. The event is supported by the African Union (AU) and NEPAD and is organized in partnership with Africa Investor Magazine, Microsoft Corporation and the International Finance Corporation (IFC).

Program

Sunday 26th:

Arrival of 30 private sector participants to advise on the AU's industrialization strategy.

12.30 Lunch

14.00 Review of Africa's Industrialization Strategy

Moderator: Ken Kwaku/Mansour Cama

Participants: UNIDO and UNIDO-invited CEOs

16.00 Joint Review of Industrialization Strategy with CAMI Experts

Moderator: Ken Kwaku/Mansour Cama

Rapporteur: Kenyon

18.00 Break

19.00 Cocktail sponsored by DTI/TIK and local authorities (to be confirmed)

Monday 27th

Arrival of 60 private sector participants invited by Africa Investor

9.00 Opening Session of CAMI Ministerial Meeting

Open to CEOs attending Forum

12.00 Opening Session of AI/UNIDO CEO Forum:

Remarks by Dr. Alhaji Bamanga Tukur, Chairman, Africa Investor (Confirmed); Dr Kandeh Yumkella (Confirmed)

12.30 Networking break and press conference (AI)

13.00 Joint lunch with Ministers (sponsored by Microsoft) (confirmed) and launch of the Afripanet Investment Platform

Opening remarks: Microsoft's Contribution to Bridging the Digital Divide in Africa (Dr Cheick Diarra, Chairman, Microsoft Africa) (Confirmed)

Closing remarks: H. E. Ham Mulira, Minister of IT, Uganda (Confirmed); Patrick Bitature (CEO, Uganda Green Computer Company) (Confirmed)

15.00 Roundtable 1: *Supply Chain Development in Africa: Business Partnerships for Supply Chain Development; Financing for Supply Chain Development.* Large companies operating in Africa often find it hard to identify local suppliers capable of meeting their business requirements. But these international companies, with their large procurement needs, also represent an enormous opportunity for local economic development. What steps can they take to invest in upgrading their supplier networks and how can international organizations help?

Presenter: Nestle Representative (Invited)

Moderator/Chair: Mr. Bastiaan Mohrmann, IFC (Confirmed)

Panellists: Ms. Portia Molefe, Director General, Department of Public Enterprises, South Africa (Invited); Mr. Fortune Nthloro, Regional Manager Supply Chain Anglo Coal, AngloAmerican (Confirmed); Dr. Bola Afolabi, GM Project Director SAP, NNPC Nigerian National Petroleum Company (Confirmed); Mr. Raphael Titi Manyaka, Alucam, Cameroon (Invited)

16.00 Coffee and networking break

16.30 Roundtable 2: Joint Session with Ministers: *Private Sector Perspectives on the African Union's Industrialization Strategy.* The African Union will present its proposals for encouraging industrial development in Africa. How should policy-makers prioritize competing demands on government capacity? What is the role of the private sector in implementing investment climate and other reforms? And how should we convene, structure and inform the debate between private actors and government bureaucrats that leads to effective partnership?

Presenter: M. Mansour Cama, South Africa (Confirmed)

Moderator/Chair: Siki Mgabadel, CNBC (Confirmed)

Panellists: Professor Wiseman Nkuhlu (Confirmed); Ms. E. N. Oputu, Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer, Nigerian Bank of Industry (Confirmed)

18.00 Break

19.30 Joint dinner with Ministers, followed by Africa Investor Awards Ceremony

Hosted by South African DTI. Speakers: Dr Kandeh Yumkella, Director General, UNIDO (Confirmed), H.E. Mandisa Mpahlwa, Minister of Industry, South Africa (Confirmed)

The Africa Investor awards reward exceptional business practices and economic achievements across the investment spectrum in Africa, including Best Ministers supporting Investment, Smart Regulation, Best Initiative in Support of the MDGs, Carbon Finance Initiative of the Year and Sustainable Investing in Africa etc. They also emphasize good corporate citizenship.

Tuesday 28th

09.30 Roundtable 3: Agribusiness and Food Security: Investment Opportunities; Sectoral Regulatory Issues. Cross-border investors operating in Africa are also often confronted with a business environment characterized by poor infrastructure and inefficient or inadequate regulation. This is particularly so for agribusiness investors, who suffer among other things from an absence of wholesale markets, cold storage and cargo flight connections. What steps can public and private sector representatives take together to remedy these deficiencies?

Presenter: Mr. Faycal Sharara, Entrepreneur, Senegal (Confirmed)

Moderator/Chair: Mr. Derek Naidoo, Deputy City Manager, Durban Promotion Investment Agency (DIPA) (Confirmed)

Panellists: Mr. Carlo Dagnino Monta, Managing Director, Afrotropic Cocoa Processing Ghana, Ltd (Confirmed); Mr. Mohlomi Mthobi, Tetrapak, South Africa (Confirmed); H.E. Papa Owusu Ankomah, Minister of Industry, Ghana (Confirmed); Mr. Aliko Dangote, Chairman, Dangote Group, Nigeria (Invited)

11.00 Project Presentations:

This session will propose practical solutions to the problems discussed in the Roundtable Sessions. Its objective is to enlist private sector participation in joint WB-UNIDO programs in agribusiness, supplier development and small-scale mining.

Chairman: M. Mansour Cama

Supplier development and benchmarking (Mithat Kulur/UNIDO)

Agribusiness value chain development (Sergio Miranda da Cruz/UNIDO)

12.00 Closing Session: Discussion of Next Steps

Formation of advisory group and selection of projects for review

12.30 Lunch (Sponsored by IFC)

Departure of CEOs

Biographies of Panel Chairpersons and Panellists:

M. Mansour Cama: M. Cama is Chairman and CEO of the Senegalese Investment Company, a holding company that oversees businesses ranging from fishing, leather processing and shoe manufacturing to water distribution and banking. A founding member in 1983 and since 1993 Chairman of the Senegalese National Confederation of Employers, M. Cama is a member of various international organizations as the African Business Roundtable and the ACP–EU Business Forum. He is also a board member of the IDB (Islamic Development Bank) and serves on the ICIEC Advisory Committee to its Chairman.

Mr. Mohlomi Mothobi: Mr Mothobi is the Food for Development and Sub-Sahara Africa Cluster leader for Tetra Pak South Africa (Pty) Ltd, a leading supplier of liquid food processing and packaging systems. Mr Mothobi previously worked for Anglo American Research Laboratories, the Council for Science and Industrial Research (CSIR) and South African Breweries. He is an Associate Member of the Institute and Guild of Brewing (London) and a member of the South African Institute of Chemical Engineers and the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) Business Alliance - Africa Advisory Group. He holds a BSc (Biology and Chemistry) from the National University of Lesotho, a B.Eng (Chemical) from the University of Pretoria, and an MBA from the University of Wales.

Professor Wiseman Nkuhlu: Professor Nkuhlu is the Chairman of Pan-African Capital Holdings (Pty) Ltd, Kagiso Trust Investments and Metropolitan Limited. He served as Economic Advisor of the President of the Republic of South Africa, T M Mbeki and as Chief Executive of the Secretariat of new Partnership for Africa's Development NEPAD from October 2000 to July 2005. From 1989 to 2000, Professor Nkuhlu served as a director of a number of major companies, including Standard Bank, South African Breweries, Old Mutual, Tongaat Hulett, BMW and JCI. He also played a leading role in development as Chief Executive of the Independent Development Trust for three years and as Chairman of the Development Bank of Southern Africa from 1993 to July 2000.