

HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE ON THE PROMOTION OF GOOD GOVERNANCE AND FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION

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WELCOME ADDRESS

Hon. Peggy Serame, Minister of Finance of Botswana

Peggy Onkutlwile Serame, Minister, Ministry of Finance (Formerly, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development).

Ms. Serame became Minister of Finance and Economic Development in April 2021. Before then she served as Minister of Trade and Industry (MITI) from November 2019 to April 2021. She holds a master's degree in economics (Electives on International Trade; Policy Analysis and Economic Management) and a BA degree in Economics and Statistics from the University of Botswana. Before joining the ministry, she was Director of Macroeconomic Policy Section, Economic and Financial Policy Division in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, and briefly as the immediate past Acting Deputy Permanent Secretary to the President.



Plenary: Good Governance to Overcome Fragility and Achieve Economic Transformation in Africa

SESSION I: Keynote Addresses: A Framework to Win the Fight Against Corruption in Good Times and in Bad Times

Keynote Address I

H.E. Dr. Monique Nsanzabaganwa, Deputy Chairperson (DCP) African Union Commission (AUC)

H.E. Dr. Monique Nsanzabaganwa is the Deputy Chairperson (DCP) for the African Union Commission. She is in charge of Administration and Finance and assists the Chairperson in the execution of his functions to ensure the smooth running of the Commission, and acts as the Chairperson in his absence.

Dr. Nsanzabaganwa holds a Ph.D. in Economics, and Honorary Doctorate of Commerce, University of Stellenbosch. She has over twenty years' experience developing and leading programs that drive financial inclusion and economic prosperity. Prior to her election she held senior positions in the Government of the Republic of Rwanda including Minister of State in charge of Economic Planning, Minister of Trade and Industry and Deputy Governor of the Central Bank. Dr. Nsanzabaganwa has supported various Gender Empowerment initiatives through her memberships in the Alliance for Financial Inclusion Gender committee, Women's World Banking African Advisory Council, the Graça Machel Trust Expert Group on women's financial inclusion and the digital economy in Africa, New Faces New Voices Rwanda chapter, Unity Club amongst others.

Dr. Nsanzabaganwa was elected by the 34th African Union Assembly for a four-year term renewable once. She is the first woman to hold the position of Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission.



Keynote Address II

Ms. Antoinette Monsio Sayeh, Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Before assuming her new role at the IMF, **Antoinette Monsio Sayeh** was a Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the Center for Global Development (CGD) and Co-Chair for the recently concluded 19th Replenishment of the International Development Association (IDA19), the World Bank's Fund for the poorest. She previously oversaw and significantly enhanced the International Monetary Fund's engagement with its sub-Saharan African members as Director of the African Department between July 2008 and August 2016.



As Minister of Finance in post-conflict Liberia (January 2006 through June 2008), she led the country through the clearance of its long-standing multilateral debt arrears, the HIPC Decision Point, the Paris Club, and its first Poverty Reduction Strategy, significantly strengthening its public finances and championing public financial management reform. Before joining President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf's Cabinet, Ms. Sayeh worked for the World Bank for 17 years, including as Country Director for Benin, Niger, and Togo; Senior Country Economist for Pakistan and Afghanistan, as well as an Advisor in the Bank's Operations Policy Vice Presidency and as Assistant to its principal Managing

Director. Before joining the Bank, Ms. Sayeh worked in economic advisory positions in Liberia's Ministries of Finance and Planning.

Ms. Sayeh graduated with a bachelor's degree with honors in economics from Swarthmore College and a PhD in International Economic Relations from the Fletcher School at Tufts University. While at CGD, Ms. Sayeh has also served on the Board of Managers of Swarthmore College; Board of Directors of the Ellen Johnson Sirleaf Presidential Center for Women and Development; and Board of Directors of Emerging Public Leaders.

SESSION II: Reaping the Governance Dividend in Africa

Speaker:

H.E. Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Former President of Liberia

Internationally known as "Africa's Iron Lady," Nobel Laureate **Ellen Johnson Sirleaf** is a leading promoter of freedom, peace, justice, women's empowerment and democratic rule. As Africa's first democratically-elected female head of state, she has led Liberia through reconciliation and recovery following the nation's decade-long civil war, as well as the Ebola Crisis, winning international acclaim for achieving economic, social, and political change. Recognized as a global leader for women's empowerment, President Sirleaf was awarded the prestigious Nobel Prize for Peace in 2011. She is the recipient of The Presidential Medal of Freedom—the United States' highest civilian award—for her personal courage and unwavering commitment to expanding freedom and improving the lives of Africans. Her many honors also include the Grand Croix of the Légion d'Honneur, France's highest public distinction, and being named one of Forbes's "100 Most Powerful Women in the World."



And in 2017, former President Sirleaf was awarded the Mo Ibrahim Prize for Achievement in African Leadership, which celebrates excellence in African leadership. The Ibrahim Prize recognizes leaders who, during their time in office, have developed their countries, strengthened democracy and human rights for the shared benefit of their people, and advanced sustainable development. Sirleaf was the first female recipient.

President Sirleaf was elected President of the Republic of Liberia in 2005, two years after the nation's bloody civil war ended. Her historic inauguration as Africa's first democratically elected head of state took place on January 16, 2006. Prior to the election, she had served in the transitional government, where she chaired the Governance Reform Commission and led the country's anti-corruption reform. She won reelection in November 2011.

During her two terms as president, Johnson Sirleaf has focused on rebuilding the country, attracting over \$16 billion in foreign direct investment. She has also attracted more than \$5 billion in private resources to rebuild schools, clinics and markets, and fund scholarships for capacity building. She successfully negotiated \$4.6 billion in external debt forgiveness and the lifting of UN trade sanctions, which have allowed Liberia to once again access international markets. She increased the national budget from \$80 million in 2006 to over \$672 million in 2012, with an annual GDP growth rate of more than 7%.

In June 2016, President Sirleaf was elected the first female Chairperson of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) for a twelve-month term. In May 2012, she was appointed co-chair of the United Nations Secretary

General's High-Level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda. The panel is tasked with crafting a roadmap for global recovery and sustainable development.

President Sirleaf began her career in the Treasury Department in Liberia in 1965. In 1979, she rose to the position of Minister of Finance and introduced measures to curb the mismanagement of government finances. After the 1980 military coup d'état, she became president of the Liberian Bank for Development and Investment, but fled Liberia that same year, escaping an increasingly suppressive military government. Johnson Sirleaf has also served as vice president of Citicorp's Africa regional office in Nairobi, as senior loan officer at the World Bank, and as a vice president for Equator Bank.

Prior to her first campaign for the presidency, Johnson Sirleaf served as assistant administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and as director of its Regional Bureau of Africa, with the rank of assistant secretary-general of the United Nations, a post she resigned to contest the 1997 presidential elections. After coming in second, she went into self-imposed exile in neighboring Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast). While in exile, she established a venture capital vehicle for African entrepreneurs and founded Measuagoon, a Liberian community development NGO.

President Sirleaf has been awarded honorary doctorates by more than 15 institutions, including: Tilburg University (Netherlands), the Nigerian Defence Academy, the University of Massachusetts Medical School, Harvard University, Rutgers University, Yale University, Georgetown University, the University of Abeokuta (Nigeria), the University of Minnesota, Furman University of South Carolina, Brown University, Indiana University, Dartmouth College, Concordia University, Langston University, Spelman College and Marquette University.

In addition to her Nobel Prize, President Sirleaf is the recipient of numerous honors, including: the Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace Disarmament and Development (2012), the African Gender Award (2011), Friend of the Media Award (2010), FUECH Grand Cross Award (2009), FAO's CERES Medal (2008), Golden Plate Award (2008), International Women's Leadership Award (2008), International Crisis Group Fred Cuny Award for the Prevention of Deadly Crisis (2008); James and Eunice K. Matthews Bridge Building Award (2008), American Academy of Achievement Golden Plate Award (2008), National Civil Rights Museum Annual Freedom Award (2007), National Democratic Institute Harriman Award (2007), Bishop T. Walker Humanitarian Award (2007), Gold Medal of the President of the Italian Republic (2006), Africa Prize for Leadership for the Sustainable End of Hunger (2006), National Reconciliation Award (2006), International Woman of the Year (2006), and International Republican Institute Freedom Award (2006).

President Sirleaf has been ranked among the top 100 most powerful women in the world (Forbes, 2012), the most powerful woman in Africa (Forbes Africa, 2011), one of six "Women of the Year" (Glamour, 2010), among the 10 best leaders in the world (Newsweek, 2010) and top 10 female leaders (TIME, 2010). In 2010, The Economist called her "the best President the country has ever had."

Born Ellen Eugenia Johnson, President Sirleaf is the granddaughter of a traditional chief of renown in western Liberia and a market woman from the southeast. U.S. educated, she holds a master's in public administration (MPA) from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. She also earned a degree in accounting at Madison Business College in Wisconsin and received a diploma from the University of Colorado's Economics Institute.

President Sirleaf has written widely on financial, development and human rights issues, and in 2008 she published her critically acclaimed memoir, *This Child Will Be Great*.

She is the proud mother of four sons and grandmother of 12.

Discussants:

Prof. Eddy Maloka, CEO, African Peer Review Mechanism

Prof Eddy Maloka is the CEO of the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM), an organ of the African Union responsible for promoting good governance on our continent, and a Visiting Professor at the University of Witwatersrand's School of Governance, Public and Development Management in South Africa.



He was the Chairperson of the African Governance Architecture (AGA), a platform for dialogue among AU institutions with the mandate to promote good governance and strengthen democracy in Africa, and formerly the President of the Convocation of the University of Cape Town.

His other previous appointments include: Special Advisor to the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation in the Republic of South Africa; South Africa's Special Representative to the Great Lakes Region; Special Advisor to the Deputy President of the Republic of South Africa; and Advisor on Governance, Public Administration and Post-Conflict Reconstruction to the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD).

Prof Maloka holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Rhodes University (South Africa); a Master Degree in Development Studies from the Geneva-based Institute of Development Studies, in Switzerland; and a Ph.D in History from the University of Cape Town.

He was a Post-Doctoral Fellow at Princeton University, in New Jersey, the USA; and a Research Fellow at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), the University of London.

He served as President of the Association of African Political Science (AAPS), and the President of the South African Association of Political Science.

He is a widely published scholar with interest in African and international affairs.

Dr. Frannie Leautier, CEO, SouthBridge Group

Dr. **Frannie Léautier**, Senior Partner at SouthBridge Group and CEO of SouthBridge Investments, is a highly experienced and well-known finance and development expert, with long-standing global experience leading and transforming organisations in the private, public and non-for-profit spheres.



Dr. Léautier had an illustrious career at the World Bank Group (WBG), where during her 15-year tenure, she held senior financial positions across the Group. Frannie was Chief of Staff to the President, and served as Vice-President for seven years of her tenure at the WBG. She was Infrastructure Director and played a critical role in the strategic work around the joint World Bank/IFC infrastructure products and played a crucial role in developing the WBG's infrastructure strategy. At the WBG, she won several awards for her outstanding support and contributions. She was Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at the African Development Bank (AfDB) and chaired the AfDB Board for much of the time she was there. She has held several leadership roles at the Trade and Development Bank (TDB) Group, including Vice Chair of the

Board, Special Advisor to the President, before becoming TDB's first Chief Operating Officer. She also led the Asset Management business of TDB, including the recent launch of a unique product for trade finance in Africa.

She has founded two companies, one in Risk Management Advisory and another to invest equity into SMEs. In addition to her extensive career, Dr. Léautier holds advisory and governance roles on several boards, including the UN Foundation, where she is a member of the Board and serves on the Program Committee and Nominating Committee; Orca Energy Group, a Toronto Exchange publicly listed company, where she is member of the Risk and Audit Committee and chairs the ESG Committee; chair of the board of Norsad Finance Ltd; member of the Executive Board at AZA Finance, a cross-border payments platform; chair of the Board of FSD-Africa and FSD-Africa Investments; trustee at ODI; and is a member of the board of Les Eaux Minérales d'Oulmes, where she sits on the Audit and Risk Committee. She is also a member of the Board of World Resources Institute (WRI). She is a member of the World Economic Forum's (WEF) Regional Advisory Group for Africa and has previously served as co-Chair for the Global Agenda Councils of the WEF on youth unemployment and also for Africa. Other advisory and board roles she has held include with MIT, OCP Group, African Economic Research Consortium (AERC) where she was Treasurer and also chaired the Audit and Risk Committee, Institute for Security Studies (ISS), King Badouin Foundation US (KBFUS), and Nelson Mandela Institute for Science and Technology (NM-AIST). She has authored several books including "Leadership in a Globalized World: Complexity, Dynamics and Risk" and articles in prestigious journals. She was distinguished professor at Sciences Po Paris, and has lectured at MIT where she developed a course on infrastructure systems. She has also been invited to lecture at Harvard and the University of Tokyo. She holds a Masters of Science in Transportation, and a PhD in Engineering (thesis on Infrastructure Systems) from MIT. She also holds a doctorate in Humane Letters from North Central College and a doctorate in Law from Lancaster University, honoris causa.

[Dr. Mlambo Kupukile, Deputy Governor Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe]

SESSION III: Presentation of the IMF Book on Good Governance

Speaker:

Mr. Abdoul Aziz Wane, Director of the IMF's Africa Training Institute and AFRITAC South

Mr. Abdoul Aziz Wane is the director of the IMF's Africa Training Institute and AFRITAC South. Prior to joining the IMF, he was a lecturer at the University of Dakar. At the IMF, he has held mission chief and resident representative positions and worked in the Fiscal Affairs and the Strategy, Policy, and Review departments. He has published on growth, public investment, and green investment. He holds a master's degree in econometrics from the University of Toulouse and a doctorate from the University of Dakar.



SESSION IV: Good Governance for/during Bad Times

Chairperson:

Mr. Mohammed Nyaoga, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Central Bank of Kenya

Mohammed Nyaoga is the Chairperson of the Central Bank of Kenya Board of Directors and the Chairperson to the International Monetary Fund (Washington) external Experts Panel. Mr. Nyaoga is a Senior Counsel and a Senior Partner at the law firm of Mohammed Muigai LLP. He holds LLB and LLM degrees from the University of Nairobi and Diploma in law from the Kenya School of Law. He is also currently a PhD student researching on "The Role of Regulation and Corporate Governance of Banks in Kenya". He is a Certified Public Secretary (CPS); holds certificates in Corporate Governance from Commonwealth Association of Corporate Governance, Certificate from American Securities and Exchange Commission; a Certified Company Director and a Member of the Institute of Directors of Kenya. He specializes in Corporate Finance, Civil, Commercial, Litigation and Corporate Governance. In addition to the practice of Law, he has been Vice-Chairman of the Law Reform Commission, Chairman of its Business Laws Committee and Chairman of the Mining Licences Task Force. He has also been a Director of Capital Markets Authority, Chairman of International Commission of Jurists, Council member of Law Society of Kenya, Special Board Corporate Governance Advisor and Chairman of EcoBank Kenya. He has also been Chairman at the Commission of Inquiry into the suspension of the County Government of Makeni.



Speaker:

Mr. Abdoulaye Coulibaly, Director of the Governance and Economic Reforms Department, African Development Bank

Mr. **Abdoulaye Coulibaly** is currently Director of the Governance and Financial Management Department in the Economics and Knowledge Management Vice Presidency of the African Development Bank Group.

Mr. Coulibaly has over 15 years of experience at the AfDB serving in various positions of responsibility.

In his current role, he coordinates the Bank wide governance work with particular focus on strengthening the capacity of States to ensure the efficient use of public resources, improving results in the various social sectors and promoting a business environment conducive to the economic transformation of Africa.



Prior to joining the African Development Bank in 2002, Mr. Coulibaly served the World Bank as Financial Management Specialist, providing advisory and technical assistance for financial management and auditing for World Bank operations, particularly in Mali and Mauritania.

Mr. Coulibaly began his professional career at Ernst & Young International, where he rose through the ranks finishing as Mission Chief / Supervisor. He was responsible for auditing and consulting services to companies in various sectors, including industry and mining.

Mr. Coulibaly is a graduate of Expert-Comptable France and holds a Master's degree in Corporate Audit from Paris-V-Descartes University.

Discussants:

Mr. Einar Gørrissen, Director General INTOSAI Development Initiative

Einar is the Director General of the INTOSAI Development Initiative which supports 140 Supreme Audit institutions (SAIs) in developing countries to sustainably enhance their performance and capacities through needs-based support on independent, professional, well governed and relevant SAIs.



He started his career in the Office of the Auditor General of Norway before being recruited to their international department working with INTOSAI and capacity development support. He was also a Long-Term Advisor to the National Audit Office of Malawi from 2005 to 2008. In 2010 he joined the IDI as Deputy Director General where he established the Secretariat for the INTOSAI-Donor Cooperation, a partnership between development partners and INTOSAI to strengthen support to SAIs in developing countries. In 2014 he was appointed Director General. He has published numerous articles on SAIs and is a member of FIPP (INTOSAI's standard setting body).

H.E. Amb. Bankole Adeoye, Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security (AUC)

Prof. John Mukum Mbaku, Weber State University

SESSION V: Views Outside the Public Sector

Chairperson:

Mr. Rueben Lifuka, Vice-Chair of the Board, Transparency International

Rueben Lifuka is an Anti-corruption advocate and researcher with specific interests in corruption in the construction and natural resources sectors. He runs a Zambia based environmental and governance consulting firm- Riverine Ltd and also serves as Vice Chair of the Board of Transparency International. He is also the Vice Chair for the Council of the International Anti-Corruption Council. Rueben previously served as Chapter President for Transparency International Zambia, and as Chair of the National Governing Council for the APRM process in Zambia. He holds a Bachelor of Architecture degree and a Master of Science in Integrated Environmental Management.



Speaker:

Mr. Abdourahmane Sano, President PCUD, Guinea



Discussants:

Mrs. Matlhogonolo Mponang, De Beers Global Sightholder Sales

Ms Matlhogonolo Mponang is a business executive with over 20 years' experience in the field of Human Resource Management, Strategic Leadership, Organisation Development and Design, together with Change Management.

She joined De Beers on March 1st, 2018, as Senior Human Resource Manager – De Beers Global Sightholder Sales. She was then appointed to act in the position of Head of Human Resources Diamond Trading – on May 8th, 2018, for 6 months.

The De Beers Diamond Trading Head of Human Resources portfolio is a Midstream ExCO role.

The De Beers Group Midstream comprises of the following companies that cut across different geographical locations: Namibia Diamond Trading Company (advisory), Diamond Trading Company Botswana (advisory), De Beers Sightholder Sales South Africa, De Beers Auction Sales – Singapore. Ms Mponang was appointed to this role on a substantive basis effective September 1st, 2018.

Ms Mponang has served as Deputy Executive Director – Corporate Services at Botswana Accountancy College where her portfolio spanned Finance and Procurement, Human Resource Management, Integrated Facilities, Information Communication and Technology, Marketing and Communications Student Affairs and Quality Assurance.

Ms Mponang has a B.Sc. in Psychology from the University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA and as a seasoned HR professional has operated across industries and at all levels in government, non-governmental and now within the private sector. She has worked in both green field and established environments. She also writes and to that end has had a social commentary column in both “Lapologa” Magazine and “The Weekend Post” newspaper. She is also a Transformational Speaker who speaks globally.

She has sat on the Westwood International School Council as Deputy Chairperson and H.R Committee Chair, on the Water Utilities Pension Fund as Chairperson of the Fund; on the Botswana Medical Aid Fund Board as a Board of



Trustee Member and on the World Young Women's Christian Association Council as a Council member. She has also sat on the Boards of the Okavango Diamond Company, Pula Medical Aid and has also been the Chairperson of the Botswana Karate Foundation – all until she joined De Beers. During her tenure at De Beers she has sat on the Botswana Open University Council Human Resource Committee and the Companies and Intellectual Property Authority (CIPA) Human Resources Committee.

Ms Mponang recently resigned from both these Committees. She currently sits on the De Beers Holdings Botswana Board and the Namibia Diamond Trading Company Board, together with being the Chairperson of the Tshiamo Gotlhe Mogapi Trust-a vehicle used to drive social development work across Botswana with both children and youth. It is to this end that Ms Mponang and her team of youth activists have driven impact in the lives of over 2000 youth in the last five years. She is married with three children.

Mr. Neil Cole, Exec. Sec. Collaborative Africa Budget Reform Initiative (CABRI)

Neil Cole has more than 20 years professional experience in the field of Public Financial Management and international financial relations.

Between 2001 and 2013 he worked for the National Treasury of South Africa in senior management positions in the Budget Office and in the International Economic Policy divisions. His responsibilities included: policy advice and implementation of budget reforms; expenditure planning of national government; co-ordination of the national budget process; policy advice on South Africa's engagement with the rest of Africa; and served as a representative to several bilateral forums and multilateral development banks.

Prior to joining the National Treasury, he worked for UCT in the Student Advice Office.

Neil Cole has participated in many global forums on development effectiveness and represented South Africa on the committees that drafted the Accra Agenda for Action and the Busan Partnership agreement.



He currently serves as the Executive Secretary of the Collaborative Africa Budget Reform Initiative; an inter-governmental organisation that provides a platform for peer-learning and exchange for approximately 30 African ministries of finance and planning. CABRI's work covers: fiscal and budget policy; budget transparency and accountability; and public debt management. For information on CABRI's work visit our website www.cabri-sbo.org

In addition to his role at CABRI, Neil Cole has been a co-faculty member of the Harvard PFM Executive Training Course. In 2016 he was invited to be a co-faculty member of the Harvard Ministerial Leadership Forum. He is also a part-time faculty member of the International Training Centre of the ILO.

His undergraduate and post-graduate qualifications cover public administration/policy, politics and economics.

Mr. Emeka Jude Phillipe Obegolu, President of the Executive Committee of the Pan African Lawyers' Union

Emeka Jude Phillipe Obegolu is a senior and founding Partner of Greenfield Chambers

Emeka is a graduate of Nnamdi Azikiwe University Awka, and was called to the Nigerian Bar in 1999. He holds a Master's degree from the University of Dundee, and a Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration from the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK). He has a doctorate degree in Arbitration.

Emeka is a Notary Public of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. He is a certified Capital Market Operator, an expert in Alternative Dispute Resolution, holding Fellowship of several professional bodies including the Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators (ICMC) and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK). He is an alumnus of the Harvard Law School Program on Negotiation.

He is the Chairman of the Governing Council of the Institute of ADR Registrars. He is also the Chairman of the Governing Council of the Nigerian Chambers of Commerce Dispute Resolution Centre (NCC-DRC).

He is currently the President of the Pan African Lawyers Union (PALU).



DAY 2, TUESDAY, June 14, 2022

Plenary: Transmission Mechanisms of the Impacts of Corruption on the Economy

SESSION VI: Understanding Governance and Corruption / Illicit Financial Flows and Transnational Corruption

**Moderator:
Kwabena Akuamoah-Boateng, Communications Officer (IMF)**

Kwabena Akuamoah-Boateng is a communications officer at the IMF with over 12 years of experience in communications and public policy. He previously worked for US Embassy in Ghana and Ghana Export Promotion Authority. He also has experience working with teams across Africa, North America, and Europe on tech and public policy. Kwabena has a bachelor's degree in geography and resource development from the University of Ghana and a master's in global politics and security from Georgetown University.



Panelists:

Prof. Elizabeth David-Barrett, University of Sussex

Prof. **Liz David-Barrett** is Head of the Global Programme on Measuring Corruption at the International Anti-Corruption Academy. She is on leave from the University of Sussex, which she joined in 2014 and where she was Director of the Centre for the Study of Corruption from 2018 to 2022. Prof David-Barrett has published her research on ethics in public office, corruption risks in public procurement, and business integrity, in top-tier academic journals. She engages widely with policy-makers and practitioners – for example, she chaired the first Academic Roundtable of the G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group in 2020 and has advised several governments on anti-corruption policy as well as working with private-sector organizations on improving integrity.



Prof. John Mukum Mbaku, Weber State University

Ms. Ragnheiður Elín Árnadóttir, Director Development Centre, OECD

Ragnheiður Elín Árnadóttir has been the Director of OECD Development Centre since 16 August 2021.

Ms. Árnadóttir served as Minister of Industry and Commerce in Iceland from 2013-2017 and was an elected Member of Parliament for the Independence Party from 2007-2016.

Before being elected to Parliament, she was successively a political advisor to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Prime Minister. She also worked for the Trade Council of Iceland both in New York and in Reykjavík.

A nonresident Senior Fellow at the Atlantic Council's Global Energy Centre, she is also a Board member of RÚV (Icelandic National Broadcasting Company) and of the American-Icelandic Chamber of Commerce. She was the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Duty Free Iceland, and a member of the Board of Directors of Landsvirkjun (national power company).

Ms. Árnadóttir has a Master's Degree in Foreign Service from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., and a Bachelor's Degree in Political Sciences from the University of Iceland. She attended the Georgetown Leadership Seminar in 2007, by invitation.



Break-out Sessions – Key Policy Areas on Governance and Corruption Issues Facing the Continent

SESSION VIII: Fiscal Governance and Vulnerabilities to Corruption

Chairperson:

Ms. Vera Songwe, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa

Vera Songwe is the Under Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA). Following her appointment, she became the first woman to lead the institution in the organisation's history and the highest-ranking United Nations regional official.

As a leading figure on Africa's development issues, Songwe's reforms have focused on developing and implementing "ideas for a prosperous Africa", with critical emphasis on macroeconomic stability, innovative finance, private sector participation, the digital transformation, and trade and competitiveness in fostering growth and improving livelihoods.

She was listed as one of Africa's 50 most powerful women by Forbes in 2020 and named as one of the '100 Most Influential Africans' by Jeune Afrique in 2019. In 2017, New African Magazine listed her as one of the '100 Most Influential Africans' and the FT named her one of the '25 African to watch' in 2015.

Songwe is acknowledged for her long-standing track record of providing policy advice and her wealth of experience in delivering development results for Africa. She has written extensively on development and economic issues including on debt, infrastructure development, fiscal and governance issues. She is well published and contributes to the development debate across a broad spectrum of platforms including in the Financial Times.

Prior to ECA, she held a number of senior leadership roles with the International Finance Corporation and World Bank.



Speaker:

Mr. Abdelhak Senhadji, Deputy Director, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department

Abdelhak Senhadji is currently Deputy Director in the IMF's Fiscal Affairs Department. His responsibilities include overseeing the work on low-income countries. He also managed the Fiscal Monitor, the IMF's flagship publication on fiscal policy. He held several other senior positions at the IMF prior to joining the Fiscal Affairs Department. He led and co-authored numerous policy papers and co-edited a book on Post-Crisis Fiscal Policy published by MIT Press. He holds a Bachelor Degree in Economics and a Master Degree in Econometrics from the University of Brussels, and a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania.



Discussants:

Ms. Charity H. Nchimunya, Executive Secretary, AU Advisory Board on Corruption

Mrs. **Charity H. Nchimunya** is the Executive Secretary of the Africa Union Advisory Board against Corruption (AUABC). She has held the position since January 2016.

She is a Zambian national and seasoned development and anti-corruption expert with previous experience in the Zambia Anti-Corruption Commission as well as GIZ – Zambia where she served as an Advisor for Networking, Facilitation of Dialogue and Anti-Corruption.

A Chevening Alumni, she holds a Masters' Degree in Governance and Development from the Institute of Development Studies (IDS) at the University of Sussex, United Kingdom. Her first degree is in Business Administration from the Copperbelt University, Zambia.



Hon. Ms. Irene Ovonji-Odida, Mbeki High Level Panel on IFFs from Africa

Hon **Irene Ovonji-Odida** is a human rights lawyer and development practitioner.

She is a Member of the AU/ UNECA High-Level Panel on IFFs (Mbeki Panel); Commissioner, ICRICT. Member, South Centre Tax Steering Initiative, Advisory Board, Tax Justice Network Africa and Pan African Lawyers Union IFF Task Force. Formerly she served among others, as a member of the UN High Level Panel on Global Financial Integrity (FACTI Panel), a legislator in the East African Legislative Assembly; Vice Chair of University Council, Makerere University Kampala; Director, Legal, Ethics & Integrity Directorate, Government of Uganda; and International Board Chairperson of ActionAid International.



Mr. Logan Wort, Executive Secretary of the African Tax Administration Forum

SESSION IX: Key Governance Issues in the Financial Sector Oversight and Central Bank

Chairperson:

Dr. Masalila Kealeboga, Deputy Governor, Bank of Botswana

Dr. **Kealeboga S Masalila** is a Deputy Governor at the Bank of Botswana, appointed in December 2016, and oversees the Research and Financial Stability, Financial Markets, Human Resources, Information and Communications Technology, Protective Services, as well as Procurement and Property Management functions. Prior to appointment as Deputy Governor, he had been Director of the Research and Financial Stability Department from 2010, an area where he spent most of the over 30 years he worked at the Bank of Botswana. He has also worked in the Banking Supervision Department of the Bank and under the Special Appointee programme at the International Monetary Fund, as well as the Ministry of Trade and Industry. Dr Masalila has a special interest in monetary and exchange rate policies and financial sector regulation and reform, and has contributed research and policy papers in this regard. He graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Botswana and subsequently studied in the UK and obtained an MPhil in Monetary Economics from Glasgow University and a PhD in Economics from the University of Manchester.



Speakers:

Mr. George Kabwe, Assistant Director IMF Finance Department

George Kabwe is an Assistant Director in the IMF Finance Department. He heads the Safeguards Assessment Division. He has worked in various roles on financial reporting issues, policy work on the IMF's finances, and due diligence in the lending operations. Prior to the IMF, he worked in the private sector at KPMG in the United Kingdom and the United States. George has a bachelor's degree in Electronics and Computer Engineering from the University of Birmingham (UK) and an MBA from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.



Mr. Thapelo Tsheole, CEO of BSE and Vice President of the African Securities Exchanges Association (ASEA)

Mr Tsheole is a seasoned Financial Markets expert with a cumulative experience of over 20 years having worked for the Central Bank Bank of Botswana and Botswana Stock Exchange (BSE).

Mr Tsheole holds a Bachelor of Social Sciences (Single Major Economics) from the University of Botswana and a Master of Commerce (MComm) in Financial Markets from Rhodes University (RSA). Further, he holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration (MBA) from the Graduate School of Business, University of Cape Town (RSA). He has also completed several financial markets programmes as well as a Leadership Development Programme at the University of Stellenbosch Business School (RSA).

Mr Tsheole has extensive financial markets experience in Capital Markets, Forex, Structured Products and the Financial Market Regulation. He was appointed CEO of BSE in January 2016 having been Deputy CEO since February 2014.



Mr Tsheole is a firm believer in the development of the financial market in Botswana and Africa, as well as their importance to economic growth and stability and has led initiatives to increase activity in the financial market in Botswana. In recognition of his exceptional and devoted service to Botswana he was awarded the Presidential Order of Meritorious Service by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Botswana in September 2018.

Mr Tsheole is the Chairman of the Committee of SADC Stock Exchanges (CoSSE), and the Deputy President of African Securities Exchanges Association (ASEA).

Discussants:

Mr. Henri Edmond Rabarijohn, Governor, Banky Foiben'i Madagasikara

Henri Rabarijohn is the Governor of the Central Bank of Madagascar.

He brings 22 years' experience in private sector development through various managerial assignments with the International Finance Corporation (IFC, World Bank Group). He has been involved in the structuring of Public-Private Partnerships in the Infrastructure sector, as well as in the development of large investment transactions in the Energy, Manufacturing and Financial sectors.

He led the development of Investment Climate and Business Enabling Environment programs in West and Central Africa, involving sustained dialog with Governments and private sector representatives.



He also led the project identification process and the presentation to Donors and Investors for the Madagascar National Development Plan.

Before his appointment with the Central Bank of Madagascar, Henri Rabarijohn was the Chairman of BNI Madagascar Bank. He also served as an independent director for several private sector companies.

Henri Rabarijohn completed the Corporate Finance Program, LBS, UK. He holds an Executive MBA from HEC, France; a Master's degree in International Trade and a Master's degree in Insurance, Insurance Institute of Lyon, France.

Mr. Steven Lefentse Bogatsu, CEO of First National Bank of Botswana

Ms. Fabiana Melo, Deputy Division Chief, IMF Monetary and Capital Markets Department

Fabiana Melo is a Deputy Division Chief in the Financial Supervision and Regulation Division of the Monetary and Capital Markets Department. Since joining the IMF in 2009, she has been involved in Basel III/FSB/G20 related policy work, including the Core Principles for Effective Banking Supervision (BCP), regulation of Fintech, and Governance. She has participated in several FSAPs, including the Euro Area, the U.S.A, Germany, New Zealand, Philippines, Paraguay, Spain, Italy, Iceland, Austria, and Russia. Fabiana also coordinates technical assistance projects in several countries. Before joining the IMF, Fabiana worked for 17 years at the Banco Central do Brasil, where she was involved in implementation of international prudential standards. Over the years she has been a member of several groups under the Basel Committee, including the Core Principles Liaison Group and the Basel Consultative Group.



SESSION X: Challenges in Translating Anti-Corruption Policies and Frameworks into Reducing Corruption

Chairperson:

Mr. Rueben Lifuka, Vice-Chair of the Board, Transparency International

Speaker:

Ms. Seynabou Ndiaye Diakhaté, Chairperson, National Office for the Fight against Corruption (OFNAC)

Présidente de l'OFNAC depuis juillet 2016, Mme Seynabou NDIAYE DIAKHATE est magistrate de formation depuis 1989.

Elle a occupé de hautes fonctions dans la sphère judiciaire tant au niveau national qu'international.

Elle a été:

- Conseillère a la Cour Suprême du Sénégal (Chambre administrative et criminelle);
- Premier Avocat General a la Cour de Justice de l'UEMOA ;
- Doyenne des Juges d'instruction au tribunal régional hors classe de Dakar;
- Procureur de la République près le Tribunal Régional de Thiès;
- Substitut du procureur au Tribunal régional hors classe de Dakar.



Elle est souvent sollicitée en qualité d'experte dans la problématique des droits de l'enfant (Présidente du comité africain d'expert sur les droits et le bien-être de l'enfant) et de la criminalité transnationale organisée.

Discussants:

Mr. Abdourahmane Sano, President PCUD, Guinea

Mrs. Mary Chirwa, Head of Drug Enforcement Agency and Former Head of Financial Intelligence Unit, Zambia

Mary Chirwa, Director General – Drug Enforcement Commission (ZAMBIA)

Ms **Chirwa** was the first Director General and Board Secretary for the Financial Intelligence Centre in Zambia from 2013 – 2022. She holds a Master’s Degree in Business Administration and undergraduate qualifications in Financial Management and Accounting.

She has over 25 years of experience in Financial Analysis, Financial Investigations and Intelligence Gathering. She further holds an Advanced Certification as a Certified Anti Money Laundering Specialist-Financial Crimes Investigations. Prior to joining the Financial Intelligence Centre she was the Senior Assistant Commissioner and Head of the Anti-Money Laundering investigations Unit (AMLIU) under the Drug Enforcement Commission for which she is now Director General. At the regional level, she serves as the Chairperson of the Typologies Working Group of the Eastern and Southern Africa Anti-Money Laundering Group (ESAAMLG). Ms. Chirwa is a qualified AML/CFT Mutual Evaluation Assessor. She is a fellow of the International Institute of Certified Forensic Investigation Professionals. Ms. Chirwa holds an award in her name for courageous leadership awarded by Nudge Global Impact, a Netherlands based institution.



Mr. Emmanuel Mathias, Advisor, IMF Legal Department

Emmanuel Mathias heads the Governance and Anti-Corruption unit in the International Monetary Fund (IMF)’s Legal Department, where he is overseeing the IMF’s work on anticorruption and the rule of law. He previously focused on anti-money laundering issues.

Prior to joining the IMF in 2005, Emmanuel served as a researcher in economics, was trained as a Customs special agent, and worked for the French financial intelligence unit.

Emmanuel holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Paris – Pantheon Sorbonne. He graduated from the Institute of political studies of Strasbourg, and was admitted to the French national school of administration (ENA).



SESSION XI: Audits and Accountability

Chairperson:

Prof. Thulisile Madonsela, Former Public Protector of South Africa

Speaker:

Mr. Mamadou Faye, President of AFROSAI

1- Current position :

- First President of the Court of Accounts of Senegal;
- President of the African Organisation of Supreme Audit Institutions (AFROSAI);
- President of the Association of Supreme Audit Institutions having in common the use of French (AISCCUF)

2- Main diplomas obtained

A graduate of ENAM in Dakar and IDEP of the United Nations, Mr FAYE spent 34 years in the administration, including 22 years at the Court of Accounts of Senegal where he was successively Referendary Counsellor, Master Counsellor, Chamber President before becoming First President.

3- Recent communications made on :

- Budgetary Transparency in Francophone Africa, IMF, 2020;
- On the accountability of the response to the Covid-19, 2020;
- Main studies carried out:
 - Study on "Guinea's Judicial Review System" with Cabinet Expertise-France in 2016
 - Study on "Burkina Faso's public control system" with Mr Alain-Gérard COHEN, former Inspector General of Finance (IGF) of France, in 2016;

4- Trainer in public finance in Senegal and Africa

Discussants:

Prof. Elizabeth David-Barrett, University of Sussex

Mr. Emeka Jude Phillipe Obegolu, President of the Executive Committee of the Pan African Lawyers' Union



Mr. Birahim Seck, Head of Forum Civil (Transparency International Senegal)

Monsieur Birahime SECK est de nationalité sénégalaise. Il est juriste, Coordonnateur Général du Forum Civil, section sénégalaise de Transparency International. Il est Vice-Président Tax Justice Network Africa (TJNA), réseau panafricain de lutte les flux financiers illicites. Il est membre du Groupe de travail de la revue du Guide méthodologique d'évaluation des dépenses fiscales en Afrique de l'Ouest dans le cadre de la restitution des outils de la transition fiscale en Afrique de l'Ouest (CEDEAO-UEMOA).



Monsieur SECK est membre du Conseil Économique, Social et Environnemental depuis 2013 d'où il occupe le poste de rapporteur de la Commission Éducation, Emploi et Jeunesse depuis décembre 2018. Monsieur Birahime SECK est membre du Comité national de Coordination de la Stratégie nationale de la lutte contre le blanchiment de capitaux et le financement du terrorisme du Sénégal et membre du Commission nationale de Gouvernance (CNG) dans le cadre du Mécanisme Africain d'Evaluation des Pairs (MAEP).

Monsieur SECK est décideur-superviseur des projets exécutés par son organisation, le Forum Civil. On peut citer : le Projet « Renforcement de la Justice fiscale au Sénégal financé par TJNA, le Projet pour la Transparence et la Redevabilité, en plus, du Projet lutte contre les inégalités dans le Sahel financés par OXFAM, le Projet de lutte contre la Corruption et de promotion de la Redevabilité financé par OSIWA, le Projet pour la mise en Application des Engagements Anti-Corruption de l'Afrique financé par la GIZ et la Ministère Fédéral Allemand de la Coopération Economique et du Développement et la Projet Education à Voix Haute (EOL) financé par Action Aid et Tax and ED Alliance.

Monsieur Birahime SECK est auteur de deux ouvrages : d'abord, « Lettre au Peuple : Prodac, un festin de 36 milliards de Fcfa », janvier 2019, ensuite « Senelec, une entreprise électrocotée : Akilee, Excellec, Powercom », décembre 2020.

Monsieur Birahime SECK est titulaire d'un DEA en Droit Public Général et en Droit de la Décentralisation et en Gestion des Collectivités territoriales respectivement à la FSJP de l'Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar (Sénégal) et de l'UFR SJP de l'Université Gaston Berger de Saint-Louis (Sénégal). Monsieur SECK a été membre du Conseil de Régulation des marchés publics et du Comité de Règlement des Différends de l'Autorité de Régulation des Marchés Publics (ARMP) et ancien Directeur de Formation du Cabinet Procurement Consulting Group (PCG), spécialisé en renforcement de capacité dans les marchés publics.

SESSION XII: Addressing Corruption in Fragile Country Settings

Chairperson:

Mr. Abdoul Aziz Wane, Director of the IMF's Africa Training Institute and AFRITAC South

Speaker:

Mr. Joel Turkewitz, Senior Counsel, IMF Legal Department

Joel A. Turkewitz is a Senior Counsel in the IMF Legal Department at its headquarters in Washington DC, where he specializes in anticorruption and rule of law issues. In this capacity, Joel is involved in elaborating and operationalizing the Fund's 2018 strengthened governance policy. Joel joined the IMF recently after a 20-year career working with the World Bank on governance and anticorruption. He has worked and written on anticorruption approaches and experiences and has extensive country experience across Asia and Africa.



Discussants:

Mr. Djamel Ghib, Director of Economic Development, Integration and Trade (AUC)

Mr. Djamel Ghib - Director for Economic Development, Integration and Trade African Union Commission- has 25+ years of proven professional international experience and history of delivering superior results while ensuring excellence as a strategic visionary and advisor on policy development and programme management and coordination, at Multilateral Development Bank, Inter-Governmental Organization, UN System, Private and Public sectors and International Development Agency.

Prior to joining the African Union Commission, Djamel Ghib worked at the Islamic Development Bank where he was in charge of critical functions and projects. Among his achievements, his management of the G20-Debt

Service Suspension Initiative, and the G20 Stock-Take on "Enhanced PRI Risk Mitigation Best Practices", and the G20 Country Platforms for Somalia and Uzbekistan. He also led the African Co-Guarantee platform. However, Mr. Ghib is not new to the African Union Commission where he, previously served as the Head of Division between 2009 and 2016. During his tenure he successfully developed a harmonized investment code in Africa and adoption of best practices to include; rules of origin, tariff reduction schedules, removal and elimination of Non-Tariff Barriers (NTBs), customs and transit procedures and trade facilitation among others.

Mr. Djamel Ghib, holds a post-Master degree in Firms in International Trade from the University of Pierre Mendes France (Grenoble- France), and a Master and Bachelor degrees in managing companies from the same university.



Plenary: Take Stock and Press Forward

SESSION XIII: Reporting Back from Breakout Sessions

Chairperson:

Speakers:

Ms. Vera Songwe, *Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa*
Fiscal governance and Vulnerabilities to Corruption

Dr. Masalila Kealeboga, Deputy Governor, Bank of Botswana
Key Issues in the Financial Sector

Prof. Thulisile Madonsela, Former Public Protector of South Africa (*virtual participation*)
Real-Time Audits and Rule of Law

Mr. Rueben Lifuka, Vice-Chair of the Board, Transparency International
Challenges in implementation of Anti-Corruption Policies and Frameworks

SESSION XIV: The Way Forward – Raising Africa’s Governance Standards

Chairperson:

Vera Songwe, *Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa*

Panelists:

H.E. Ambassador Bankole Adeoye, *Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security (AUC)*

Mr. Abebe Aemro Selassie, Director, IMF African Department

Abebe Aemro Selassie is the Director of the African Department at the International Monetary Fund, a position he has held since 2016. In this capacity, Mr. Selassie oversees the IMF’s operations and engagement with 45 countries across sub-Saharan Africa, spanning the three main pillars of IMF work—policy advice, lending operations, and technical assistance. His responsibilities also include building strategic partnerships and dialogue with senior policymakers and institutions across the region.



Before taking up his current position, Mr. Selassie gained extensive experience in a wide-ranging 22-year career at the IMF. He held various senior positions, including Deputy Director in the African Department, Mission Chief for Portugal and South Africa, Division Chief of the African Department’s Regional Studies Division, and the IMF’s Senior Resident Representative in Uganda. Earlier in his career, he worked on the Fund’s lending programs with Turkey, Thailand, Romania and Estonia as well as being deeply involved in policy, operational review, and economic research work.

Before joining the IMF in 1994, he worked for the Government of Ethiopia and the Economist Intelligence Unit in London. Mr. Selassie is an Ethiopian national. He completed his graduate studies at the London School of Economics.

Ms. Ita M. Mannathoko, IMF Executive Director, Africa Group 1 Constituency

Ita Mannathoko is the Executive Director of the Africa Group I Constituency at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

She has over thirty-five years work experience in areas relating to central banking, international development, macroeconomic research and policy making, regional economics, and results-based program monitoring and evaluation. Her previous professional positions include Senior Economist and then Adviser in the IMF’s Independent Evaluation Office; Adviser to the Executive Director for Africa Group 1 - first at the World Bank, then at the IMF; Economic Policy Adviser and M&E Specialist for USAID/RCSA’s IMPACT Office in Southern Africa run by Aurora Associates International; and Principal Economist at the Bank of Botswana.



Ms. Mannathoko has an undergraduate degree in statistics from Queens University in Canada, and a postgraduate degree in Development Banking (Economics) from American University in Washington D.C. She has published on monetary and development topics and is a member of the African Economic Research Consortium.

Prof. Kevin Urama, Acting Vice President, African Development Bank

Prof. Thulisile Madonsela, Former Public Protector of South Africa

Closing Remarks by

Hon. Mr. Moses Dinekere Pelaelo, Governor of the Central Bank of Botswana

Mr. Palaelo joined the Bank of Botswana in 1990, served as deputy governor since 2006 and as governor since October 2016. He has a strong background on financial stability issues (including working at the financial stability unit of the BIS in the early 2000s). The Governor and his staff deeply appreciate the Fund's engagement with Botswana in recent years, including the surveillance recommendations and the technical assistance that has been provided. He sees the Fund as an ally of reform-oriented officials in the country and does everything in his power to promote a good image for the institution. He is more of a technocrat with limited political clout within the government.

