Nineh African Development Forum
Innovative Financing for Africa’s Transformation

OVERARCHING OBJECTIVES
Promote and develop sustainable financing models and mechanisms to fast-track development and economic transformation in Africa.

FOCUS
Policy options and strategies for mobilising domestic resources by strengthening frameworks and new partnerships for Africa’s development.

Overview

12 - 16 October 2014
Marrakech, Morocco
Objectives of the forum

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FAQs

Who will attend?
Heads of State, Ministers, and Senior Government Officials
Private Sector Leaders
Financiers
Entrepreneurs
Academics
Scholars
Africa Experts
Civil Society Representatives

Travel to the Forum
Our logistics teams at UNECA, www.uneca.org and ADF9 Team r.rock@adf9.org will be available to assist you with any logistics arrangements.

Where do I find additional information?
Additional information and documents for the Forum can be accessed from UNECA and ADF.

Where will I stay?
As well as other hotels in Marrakech, participants can stay at the venue, Palmeraie Golf Palace Hotel.

This 5-star hotel surrounded by landscaped gardens and swimming pools is a fine example of Moroccan architecture. Alternative accommodation, all of which are within 30 minutes of the venue of the Forum is available. Non-sponsored participants are kindly requested to contact the hotels themselves for accommodation. Below is a list of some recommended hotels.

Kenzi Farah
Kenzi Menara
Le Meridien
Palmeraie Golf Palace Hotel
Palmeraie Palace
Hotel Du Golf

How do I Register?
ADF (IX) is an invitation only event with no registration fee. Registration can be made online by clicking here. Onsite registration for ADF and pre-ADF activities will take place from 8.00 a.m. Sunday 12 October 2014. Please note all applications are subject to approval.

Do I need a Visa?
Nationals of countries indicated in the link below do not require visas.
Click here for travel advice
Participants with nationality not included in the link above are requested to obtain a visa from the Moroccan diplomatic missions that serve their country of embarkation. A letter to expedite visa issue can be obtained by contacting the ADF9 Logistics team at r.rock@adf9.org. Participants must ensure they are in possession of a full passport valid for a minimum period of six months from the date of entry into Morocco.

Do I require any vaccinations?
Participants should ensure routine vaccinations are up to date. It is recommended that you be vaccinated against Hepatitis A, Typhoid and Rabies.

In accordance with WHO directives, the Ministry of Health, Morocco, will require all participants to undergo screening for the Ebola virus upon arrival at the airports.
Schedule

Pre-Event: Sunday 12th Oct
Registration for ADF and pre-ADF activities
Opening of ADF-IX side events

Pre-Event: Monday 13th Oct
Exhibition (Full day)
Meetings/workshops
A new paradigm in health financing: the importance of national funding (Global Funds and African Partners)

Opening Ceremony
African Development Forum IX

Day 1
Tuesday 14th Oct
Exhibition All Day
Keynote Address

Plenary Session 1
Private Equity (PE)
Private Equity Markets in Africa

Parallel Sessions: Private Equity
PE  PE  PE

COFFEE BREAK

LUNCH

Plenary Session 2
Domestic Resource Mobilisation (DRM)
Challenges and Opportunities

Parallel Sessions: Domestic Resource Mobilisation
DRM  DRM  DRM

COFFEE BREAK

Reception

Day 2
Wednesday 15th Oct
Exhibition All Day
Keynote Address

Plenary Session 3
Illicit Financial Flows (IFF)
An African Problem with a Global Solution

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Plenary Session 4
New Forms of Partnership (NFoP)
Renewed Partnerships for Africa's Development in a Multipolar World

LUNCH

Plenary Session 5
Climate Financing for Africa (CFfA)
Innovative Mechanisms to Fast-track Climate Financing

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Parallel Sessions: Private Equity
NFoP  IFF  NFoP  IFF  NFoP

Day 3
Thursday 16th Oct
Exhibition All Day

Plenary Session 6
Review of the Discussions, Policy Suggestions and Proposed Actions Emanating from Breakout Sessions

COFFEE BREAK


LUNCH

Closing Session
Plenary Session 7
Open-ended Discussion on the Draft Consensus Statement

COFFEE BREAK

Closing Ceremony