

# Program Outline - Day 1

TUESDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2026 (Adesa Hall)

| Time          | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| 8:00 - 9:00   | <b>Arrival &amp; Registration</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 9:00 – 9:20   | <b>Welcome Address &amp; Opening:</b> Mr. Benjamin Boakye (Executive Director, Africa Centre for Energy Policy, ACEP)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9:20 – 9:30   | <b>Address by Guest Speaker:</b> Dr. John Abdulai Jinapor (Minister, Ministry of Energy and Green Transition, Ghana)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 9:30 – 9:40   | <b>Address by Guest Speaker:</b> Ms. Claudine Sigam (Interim Director General, African Minerals Development Centre – AMDC, African Union)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 9:40 - 9:50   | <b>Address by Guest Speaker:</b> Mr. Yagouba Traore (Head of Policy Planning and Strategy, Africa Energy Commission – AFREC, African Union)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 9:50 – 10:10  | <b>Address by Keynote Speaker:</b> Dr. George Nana Agyekum Donkor ( <i>President, ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development – EBID</i> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 10:10 – 10:55 | <b>PLENARY THEMATIC DISCUSSION</b><br>Building the Foundation for Industrial Transformation<br><br><b>High Level Ministerial Forum:</b> Africa's Energy Future for Industrial Growth                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 10:55 - 11:05 | <b>Musical Interlude</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 11:05 - 12:05 | <b>Panel Session 1: Repositioning Africa's Energy Systems for Industrial Competitiveness</b><br><br><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Rushaiya Ibrahim-Tanko (Global Policy Director, Energy for Growth Hub)<br><br><b>Discussants:</b><br>Dr. Olufunso Somorin (Regional Principal Officer, African Development Bank)<br>Ms. Wangari Muchiri (CEO, RE.Think Energy)<br>Dr. Ishmael Ackah (Technical Adviser, Ministry of Energy and Green Transitions)<br>Mr. Kabiru Sarki Bello (Director, Investment and Sector Development, Ministry of Power, Abuja, Nigeria) |
| 12:05 – 13:10 | <b>Opening Address and Launch of Afrohackathon - Innovation Challenge 2026 :</b><br>Mr. Donovan Antony Chimhandamba (President   CEO, Nyanza Light Metals – South Africa)<br><br><b>Afrohackathon - Innovation Challenge Part I</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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| 13:10 – 13:15 | <b>Coffee/Health Break/Visit to Exhibition Booths/Networking</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 13:15 – 14:15 | <b>Side Events</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.Unlocking Investment Pathways for Sustainable Energy Solutions (Association of Ghana Industries, AGI)</li> <li>2.How Self Supply Power is Serving as a Parallel Grid for Firms and Industries in Africa (Energy for Growth Hub)</li> <li>3.Justice in Critical Minerals Governance: Rethinking Africa's Energy Costs, Supply Chains and Industrial Competitiveness (King's College)</li> <li>4.Considering Alternative Dynamics and Sources for Sustainable Energy: Natural Resources and Human Development transitions in Africa's Sustainable Transformation (Lake Turkana)</li> <li>5.From Deployment to Industrialization: Green Tech Innovation, Youth Employment and Industrial Competitiveness in Africa (APRI/NRGI)</li> <li>6.Technology Pathways for Competitive Industrial Energy: Leveraging Innovation to Power Africa's Industrial Transformation (Virtual, Africa Centre for Digital Transformation)</li> </ol> |
| 14:15 – 15:15 | <b>Lunch/Exhibition Tour</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 15:20 – 16:20 | <b>Panel Session 2: Financing Competitive Industrial Energy Systems: Who Pays, Who Invests, and What Must Change?</b><br><br><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Doris Edem Agbevivi (Project Manager for Energy Transition and Green Infrastructure for Ghana and Liberia, Agence Française de Développement)<br><b>Discussants:</b><br>Dr. Joseph Asenso (Head, Macroeconomic and Research Studies Division, Ecowas Bank for Investment and Development)<br>Ms. Olanrewaju Atiqhuat Shasore (Senior Advisor, Sustainable Energy For All)<br>Ms. Rachel Antwi (Head of Sustainability, Ecobank Transnational Incorporated)<br>Mr. Chama Reuben Tisa (Chief Technical Officer, Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines-Investment Holding)<br>Mr. Sulaiman Amadi Cisse (Senior Investment Officer, Africa Finance Corporation - AFC)                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 16:20 – 17:20 | <b>Innovation Challenge</b><br><br><b>Afrohackathon - Innovation Challenge Part II</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 17:20         | <b>Recap and Closing Remarks</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

# Program Outline - Day 2

WEDNESDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2026 (Adesa Hall)

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| 8:00 – 9:00   | <b>Arrival &amp; Registration</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 9:00 – 9:10   | <b>Address by Guest Speaker:</b> Dr. Cassiel Ato Forson (Minister of Finance, Ghana)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 9:10 – 9:30   | <b>Address by Guest Speakers</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 9:30 – 9:50   | <b>Address by Keynote Speaker:</b> Dr. Marit Kitaw (Economic Affairs Officer, UN Economic Commission for Africa - UNECA)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 9:50 – 10:00  | <b>Musical Interlude</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 10:00 -11:00  | <p><b>PLENARY THEMATIC DISCUSSION</b><br/>From Industrial Capacity to Competitive African Economies</p> <p><b>Panel Discussion:</b> Powering Value Addition Through Competitive Industrial Value Chain<br/><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Theo Acheampong (Technical Adviser, Ministry of Finance)</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b><br/>Dr. Ketakandriana Rafitoson (Executive Director, Resource Justice Network)<br/>Mr. Donovan Antony Chimhandamba (President   CEO, Nyanza Light Metals – South Africa)<br/>Mr. George Chikondi Lwanda (Economic Adviser, Energy and Natural Resources Division, Commonwealth Secretariat)<br/>Ms. Benedicta Lasi (Executive Chair – African Trade Chamber)<br/>Mr. Jerry Ahiadje (Chief Minerals Officer, African Natural Resources and Investment Centre, African Development Bank - AfDB)</p> |
| 11:00 - 11:30 | <p><b>Expert Chat:</b> Competing in a New Global Industrial Order: What Must Africa Get Right?<br/><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Juliette Twumasi-Anokye (Principal Consultant, Anojul Afriyie &amp; Company)<br/><b>Discussant:</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 11:35 - 11:50 | <b>Coffee/Health Break/ Visit to Exhibition Booths/ Networking</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| 11:55 – 12:55 | <b>Side Events</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.From Data Gaps to Coordinated Action: Scaling Measurement Based Emissions Reporting across Africa's Energy Sector to Enhance Global Competitiveness (Stakeholder Democracy Network)</li> <li>2.Powering Africa's Mineral Value Addition: Energy Systems, Regional Infrastructure and the Viability of Alumina Refining (Natural Resource Governance Institute)</li> <li>3.Driving Industrial Competitiveness through Coherent Energy Systems and Policy Reforms (Strategic Youth Network Democracy)</li> <li>4.Financing Africa's Green Industrialisation in the Energy Transition (TJNA/Enzi Ijaye)</li> <li>5.Women Powering Africa's Industrial Transformation (AWEIK/NWEC)</li> <li>6.The West African Power Pool (WAPP) High Level Strategic Dialogue : Financing Regional Integration through WAPP (Africa Change Lab, Labadi Conference Suite)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | <b>Side Events</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.From Methane Data to Risk-Informed Action: Strengthening Decision-Making for Effective Methane Management (ACEP)</li> <li>2.Who is going to run Africa's Energy Transition?: Why Human Infrastructure is the Missing Line item in Africa's Energy Investments Case (Energy Transition Africa)</li> <li>3.Beyond Energy Access: Leveraging Decentralised Energy for Rural Infrastructure, Enterprise and Inclusive Growth (Dream Renewables/Tangelic)</li> <li>4.From Minerals to Manufacturing: Powering Africa's Green Industrialisation (SE4ALL)</li> <li>5.From Extraction to Transformation: Aligning Africa's Energy Transition Minerals with Industrial Policy and Structural Economic Transformation (SARW/TWN)</li> <li>6.Investing in the Future: Policy Frameworks and Capital Pathways for Energy Innovations in Africa (Youth Council/RGCH)</li> <li>7.The West African Power Pool (WAPP) High Level Strategic Dialogue: Building the Future Grid: Storage Readiness, Electrification, and Community Benefits. (Africa Change Lab, Labadi Conference Suite)</li> </ol> |
| 14:00 – 15:00 | <b>Lunch/Exhibition Tour</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 15:00 – 16:00 | <b>PLENARY THEMATIC DISCUSSION</b><br><b>Panel: Beyond Resources: What Capabilities Must Africa Build to Compete in the Clean Energy Economy?</b><br><br><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Alaka Lugonzo (Senior Civil Society Advisor, Transition Minerals Campaign Global Witness)<br><br><b>Discussants:</b><br>Dr. David Ofosu-Dorte (Snr. Partner   Co-founder, AB&David Africa)<br>Mr. Vincent Egoro (Executive Director, Energy Transitions Africa)<br>Dr. Cledwyn Mangunda (Senior Lecturer, University of Cape Town)<br>Ms. Nafi Quarshie (Africa Director, Natural Resource Governance Institute - NRGi)<br>Ms. Claudine Sigam (Interim Director General, African Minerals Development Centre – AMDC, African Union)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 16:00 – 17:00 | <b>Afrohackathon - Innovation Challenge – Grand Finale and Awards</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 17:00         | <b>Conference Communique and Closing Remarks</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |