

Program Outline - Day 1

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST 2026 (Adesa Hall)

Time	Activity
8:00 - 9:00	Arrival & Registration Welcome Address & Opening: Mr. Benjamin Boakye (Executive Director, Africa Centre for Energy Policy, ACEP) Address by Guest Speakers Address by Keynote Speaker: Dr. George Nana Agyekum Donkor (<i>President, ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development – EBID</i>)
9:00 – 9:10	
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9:55 – 10:55	PLENARY THEMATIC DISCUSSION Building the Foundation for Industrial Transformation High Level Ministerial Forum: Africa’s Energy Future for Industrial Growth
10:55 - 11:05	Musical Interlude
11:10 - 13:10	Panel Session 1: Repositioning Africa’s Energy Systems for Industrial Competitiveness Presentation: Dr. Charles Gyamfi Ofori (Policy Lead, Climate Change and Energy Transition, ACEP) Moderator: Ms. Rushaiya Ibrahim-Tanko (Global Policy Director, Energy for Growth Hub) Discussants: Dr. Olufunso Somorin (Regional Principal Officer, AfDB) Ms. Wangari Muchiri (CEO, RE. Think Energy Fmr. Director, Global Wind Energy Council) Dr. Ishmael Ackah (Technical Adviser to the Minister for Energy and Green Transition Republic of Ghana)
	Panel Session 2: Financing Competitive Industrial Energy Systems: Who Pays, Who Invests and What Must Change? Moderator: Ms. Doris Edem Agbevivi (Project Manager for Energy Transition and Green Infrastructure for Ghana and Liberia, Agence Française de Développement) Discussants: Dr. Joseph Asenso (Head, Macroeconomic Research and Studies Division, EBID) Mr. Deprose Muchena (Director, Resources Futures, Open Society Foundation) Ms. Rachel Antwi (Group Head, Sustainability and ESG, Ecobank Transnational Incorporated)

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13:10 – 13:15	Coffee/Health Break/Visit to Exhibition Booths/Networking
13:15 – 14:15	Side Events 1.Unlocking Investment Pathways for Sustainable Energy Solutions (Association of Ghana Industries, AGI) 2.How Self Supply Power is Serving as a Parallel Grid for Firms and Industries in Africa (Energy for Growth Hub) 3.Justice in Critical Minerals Governance: Rethinking Africa's Energy Costs, Supply Chains and Industrial Competitiveness (King's College) 4.Considering Alternative Dynamics and Sources for Sustainable Energy: Natural Resources and Human Development transitions in Africa's Sustainable Transformation (Lake Turkana) 5.From Deployment to Industrialization: Green Tech Innovation, Youth Employment and Industrial Competitiveness in Africa (APRI/NRGI) 6.Technology Pathways for Competitive Industrial Energy: Leveraging Innovation to Power Africa's Industrial Transformation (Virtual, Africa Centre for Digital Transformation)
14:15 – 15:15	Lunch/Exhibition Tour
15:20 – 17:20	Innovation Challenge Opening Address: Mr. Donovan Anthony Chimahandamba (President CEO, Nyanza Light Metals- South Africa) Pitching Ideas 1. Blessing Unoka - Solar Powered Fortified Food Processing with Integrated Biodigester Waste to Energy System – Sambal Enterprise (Nigeria) 2. Godfrey Noel - AgriKonnekt: Offline Climate Finance Infrastructure for Smallholder Carbon Markets in East Africa (Kenya) 3. Michael Osumune - AI-Enabled Solar Utility Box for Clean Energy, Connectivity, Cold Storage, and Productive Use in African Communities (Nigeria) 4. Rhyl Kiio - Containerized Pay-As-You-Go Adsorbed Biogas and Digital Measurement Reporting and Verification for Off-Grid Communities (Kenya) 5. Tatu Kassim - Transforming Banana Waste into Biodegradable Packaging for Africa's Low-Carbon Future (Tanzania) 6. Tracy Achieng - KilimoChills Solution (Kenya) 7. AbdulBasit Bashir - AfreVolt (Nigeria) 8. Brian Mwai - REVLOG: Safe, Traceable Recovery and Second Life for Africa's Retired Lithium Batteries (Kenya) 9.Christopher Amewuho - AfroCycle — Closed-Loop Battery Recycling & Critical Mineral Recovery (Ghana) 10. Joshua War - Lenol (Nigeria) 11. Modester Nanyunga - SolarPay Swap Hubs: Community-Owned Solar Battery Swapping System for Sustainable Fishing Livelihoods in Coastal Tanzania (Tanzania) 12.Priscila Adhiambo - Pamoja Cell: Second-Life Battery Modules for Off-Grid Cold Storage (Kenya)

Program Outline - Day 2

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST 2026 (Adesa Hall)

Time	Activity
8:00 – 9:00	Arrival & Registration
9:00 – 9:10	Welcome and Recap of Day 1
9:10 – 9:20	Address by Guest Speaker
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9:30 – 9:45	
	Address by Keynote Speaker: Dr. Marit Kitaw (United Nations Economic Commission for Africa)
9:45 – 11:25	PLENARY THEMATIC DISCUSSION From Industrial Capacity to Competitive African Economies Presentation: Panel Discussion: Powering Value Addition Through Competitive Industrial Value Chain Moderator: Dr. Theo Acheampong (Technical Adviser, Ministry of Finance) Discussants: Dr. Ketakandriana Rafitoson (Executive Director, Resource Justice Network) Mr. Donovan Anthony Chimhandamba (President CEO,Nyanza Light Metals, South Africa) Mr. George Lwanda (Head of ESG Business Pillar DARA (Digital Asset Rating Agency GmbH, Founder, Bankability.Africa) Mr. Jerry Ahiadje (Chief Minerals Officer, African Natural Resources Management and Investment Centre (ECNR) African Development Bank Group) Expert Chat: Competing in a New Global Industrial Order: What Must Africa Get Right? Moderator: Dr. Juliette Twumasi-Anokye (Principal Consultant, Anojul Afriye & Company) Discussant: Prof Anthony Bebbington (Natural Resources and Climate Change, Ford Foundation)
11:30 – 11:55	Coffee/Health Break/ Visit to Exhibition Booths/ Networking
12:00 – 1:00	Side Events 1.From Data Gaps to Coordinated Action: Scaling Measurement Based Emissions Reporting across Africa's Energy Sector to Enhance Global Competitiveness (Stakeholder Democracy Network) 2.Powering Africa's Mineral Value Addition: Energy Systems, Regional Infrastructure and the Viability of Alumina Refining (Natural Resource Governance Institute) 3.Driving Industrial Competitiveness through Coherent Energy Systems and Policy Reforms (Strategic Youth Network Democracy) 4.Financing Africa's Green Industrialisation in the Energy Translation (TJNA/Enzi Ijayo) 5.Women Powering Africa's Industrial Transformation (AWEIK/NWEC) 6.The West African Power Pool (WAPP) High Level Strategic Dialogue : Financing Regional Integration through WAPP (Africa Change Lab, Labadi Conference Suite)

Time	Activity
1:05 – 2:05	Side Events 1. 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) 2. Beyond Energy Access: Leveraging Decentralised Energy for Rural Infrastructure, Enterprise and Inclusive Growth (Dream Renewables/Tangelic) 3. From Minerals to Manufacturing: Powering Africa's Green Industrialisation (SE4ALL) 4. From Extraction to Transformation: Aligning Africa's Energy Transition Minerals with Industrial Policy and Structural Economic Transformation (SARW/TWN) 5. Investing in the Future: Policy Frameworks and Capital Pathways for Energy Innovations in Africa (Youth Council/RGCH) 6. 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)
14:00 – 15:00	Lunch
15:00 – 16:00	THEMATIC DISCUSSION Panel: Beyond Resources: What Capabilities Must Africa Build to Compete in the Clean Energy Economy? Moderator: Ms. Alaka Lugonzo (Senior Civil Society Advisor, Transition Minerals Campaign Global Witness) Discussants: Dr. David Ofosu-Dorte (Snr. Partner Co-founder, AB&David Africa) Mr. Vincent Egoro (Executive Director, Energy Transitions Africa) Ms. Nafi Chinery (Africa Director, Natural Resource Governance Institute)
16:00 – 17:00	Innovation Challenge – Grand Finale and Awards
17:00	Conference Communique and Closing Remarks