



THE ATLANTIC DIALOGUES

Africa in the Atlantic: Time for Action
La Mamounia Hotel, Marrakesh, Morocco
December 13 - 15, 2017

Draft Agenda
As of 25 October 2017
All times are subject to change

Wednesday, December 13

11:00 – 12:15 Youth in changing global demographics: What roles for and which ideas from the new generation (joint session with the EL program, TBC)

12:30 – 13:00 Side-Event (TBC): Atlantic Currents Launch (Open to Press)

13:00 – 14:15 Side-Event (TBC): Networking Lunch/Africa-Latin America Dialogue

14:30– 15:15 AD Connect

15:15 – 15:30 Welcome Remarks

- TBD

15:30 – 15:45 Opening Conversation: What Core Values for Africa’s Development? (Title to be reviewed)

- TBD

15:45 – 17:00 Plenary I: Rethinking partnerships between Africa and Atlantic Superpowers

17:00 – 17:30 Coffee Break

17:30 – 18:45 Plenary II: Unleashing the potential of Southern Atlantic corridors in the Global Economy

19:00 – 19:30 AD Talk: Incentivizing Private Initiatives through Sound Public Policies

19:30 – 21:30 Transfer to Breakout Dinners

1. Leveraging on Africa’s informal economies
2. Rethinking financial aid paradigms
3. Building resilient paths to climate change
4. Water Energy Food Nexus
5. 1 billion Youth by 2050 in Africa: Time for action
6. Doing business in Sub Saharan Africa: Strengthening confidence
7. Is migration still shaping identities?
8. Regional partnerships to better position the South Atlantic in global value chains
9. Jobless growth in times of automation
10. The role of academia, media and civil society in shaping narratives
11. Conflict resolution of African maritime borders?
12. Low commodity price environment: shifting growth models (natural resources)
13. Transnational Crime and Violent Extremism

21:45 AD Evening Sessions

1. Gender and Social Inequalities: local solutions to a global issue
2. Walking the Talk of entrepreneurial policies in Africa
3. African political systems in transition: Building stronger institutions

Thursday, December 14

7:30 – 8:45 Side Event (TBC): Malabo Panel on Agriculture

9:00 – 10:15 Plenary III: Framing a Modern Map of the Transatlantic Security Dialogue

10:15 – 10:45 AD Talk: Quelles Issues pour le Populisme ?

10:45 – 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:30 Plenary Session IV: Military tendencies: Are states still sole guarantor of peace and security?

13:00 – 14:30 Networking Lunch/Atlantic Think Thank Summit – AD Board

14:30 – 14:45 Introduction by an Emerging Leader

14:45 – 16:00 Plenary V: Financing infrastructures: Time for a big push in Africa

16:00– 16:30 Coffee Break

16:30– 17:45 Plenary VI: Bridging Africa's financing gap: new actors, longstanding challenges

17:45 – 19:00 Plenary VII: Energy-mix to accelerate Africa's development potential

21:45 AD Evening Sessions

1. Asia's new African horizons
2. Africa in the Atlantic: from shared history to contemporary ties
3. Islam in Africa from the 7th century to the present

Friday, December 15

- 07:45 – 09:15** Side-Event TBC: Climate Change Breakfast
- 09:30 – 10:45** Plenary VIII: Food security in the Southern Atlantic
- 10:45 – 11:15** AD Talk: Re-Designing education systems: what skillsets for the jobs of tomorrow?
- 11:15– 11:45** Coffee Break
- 11:45 – 13:00** Plenary IX: Local natural resource transformation: Long road ahead for Africa?
- 13:00 – 14:00** Closing Plenary – AD Emerging Leaders (TBD)
Closing Remarks
Closing Reception