



AFRICA MONTH VIRTUAL SYMPOSIUM

'Africa's Innovations in the Global Fight
Against the COVID-19 Pandemic'

27 May to 29 May 2020

Programme and Speakers

WEDNESDAY, 27 MAY	
TIME	TOPIC
10h30	Opening Remarks: Introducing the Africa Month series
SPEAKERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof Loretta Feris, Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Transformation, UCT • Prof Eddy Maloka, CEO: African Peer Review Mechanism • Prof Faizel Ismail, Director: Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance, UCT <p>Programme Director: Dr Russell Ally, Executive Director: Development and Alumni Department, UCT</p>	
TIME	TOPIC
11h00 – 12h30	Knowledge systems and knowledge production on the continent
SPEAKERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ahmed Ogwel Ouma, Deputy Director: Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention • Mr Saliem Fakir, Executive Director: African Climate Foundation • Prof Gilbert Khadiagala, International Relations: University of the Witwatersrand • A/Prof Sudesh Sivasu, Biomedical Engineering Department, Faculty of Health Sciences: University of Cape Town <p>Moderator: Ms Sara Hamouda, African Union Secretariat: African Peer Review Mechanism</p>	
LINK	https://bit.ly/Africa-Month-Session1 (includes Opening Remarks)



TIME	TOPIC
14h00 – 15h00	Why has Africa been less impacted? Best practice examples in Africa
SPEAKERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Diana Atwine, Permanent Secretary: Ministry of Health, Government of Uganda • Dr Mosoka Fallah, Deputy Director-General: National Public Health Institute of Liberia • Prof Adewale Aregbeshola, International Business Finance and Strategy in the Department of Business Management: University of South Africa <p>Moderator: Ms Tsakane Mahlaule, Office of the CEO: African Peer Review Mechanism</p>	
LINK	https://bit.ly/Africa-Month-Session2

THURSDAY, 28 MAY	
TIME	TOPIC
11h00 – 13h00	Unpacking the climate change and development nexus in Africa: Moving beyond obligations to opportunities
SPEAKERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amb. Seyni Nafu, Spokesperson: African Group of Negotiators (AGN) • Prof Carlos Lopes, Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance, UCT • Ms Tasneem Essop, Executive Director: Climate Action Network International (CAN-I) • Respondent: Mr Channing Arndt, Director: Environment and Production Technology Division, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) <p>Moderator: Mr Saliem Fakir, Executive Director: African Climate Foundation</p>	
LINK	https://bit.ly/Africa-Month-Session3



FRIDAY, 29 MAY

TIME	TOPIC
11h00	COVID-19: the catalyst for shaping Africa's future
SPEAKERS	
• Prof Mamokgethi Phakeng , Vice-Chancellor: University of Cape Town	

TIME	TOPIC
11h30 – 13h00	Pan-African reflections on leadership and good governance during COVID-19: Good practice, challenges and opportunities
SPEAKERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr Mcebisi Jonas, Chairperson: MTN Group and former Deputy Finance Minister, Government of South Africa• Ms Nomzamo Zondo, Executive Director: Socio-Economic Research Institute (SERI)• Dr Boniface Dulani, Senior lecturer: Department of Political and Administrative Studies, Chancellor College, University of Malawi• Amb. Said Djinnit, Senior Advisor: ACCORD, Special Envoy of the UN Secretary General for the Great Lakes Region• Dr Gwamaka Kifukwe, Tanzanian independent consultant in leadership and sustainable development in Africa <p>Moderator: Dr Shanil Haricharan, Academic Director: The Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance, UCT</p>	
LINK	https://bit.ly/Africa-Month-Session4 (includes Opening Remarks)



TIME	TOPIC
14h00 – 15h00	COVID-19 philanthropy on the continent
SPEAKERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Carl Manlan, COO: EcoBank Foundation • Ms Bongwiwe Mlangeni, CEO: Social Justice Initiative • Ms Bulelwa Ngewana, Director: Open Society Foundation, South Africa <p>Moderator: Dr Bhekinkosi Moyo, Chair of the Africa Centre for Philanthropy and Social Investment, WITS Business School</p>	
LINK	https://bit.ly/Africa-Month-Session5 (includes Closing)

TIME	TOPIC
15h30 – 16h00	Closing: Key insights & practical implications
SPEAKERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof Eddy Maloka, CEO: African Peer Review Mechanism • Prof Faizel Ismail, Director: Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance, UCT • Amb. Ombeni Yohana Sefue, Vice Chairperson: APR Panel of Eminent Persons 	

