Integrating Africa: Regional Integration and Infrastructure Development in Africa

UN House, Tokyo, Japan  
May 23, 2002  
09:00 - 17:30

PROGRAMME

Morning: 09-00 - 12:30

Opening Remarks

09:00-09:05 United Nations University - Professor Hans van Ginkel, Rector, UNU
09:05-09:10 Africa Diplomatic Corps - H.E. Ambassador Rachad Farah, Dean, ADC
09:10-09:15 Government of Japan - Representative of the Government of Japan (TBC)

Keynote Lectures 1: Regional Integration

09:15-09:30 H.E. Mr. Emmanuel Ondo Metogho, Vice Prime Minister of Gabon:  
"Regional Integration and the NEPAD initiative"

09:30-09:45 Senior Officer of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (TBC):  
"Japanese African Policy"

09:45-10:00 Mr. Noboru Hatakeyama, Chairman of JETRO:  
"Trade & Investment and African Development and Integration"

10:00-10:30 Questions & Answers

Coffee Break - 10:30-10:45

Panel: Regional Integration, Infrastructure and Development in Africa: the case of Information and Communication Technology:  
co-chair H.E. Mr. Abdou Aziz Sow & H.E. Prof. Shunji Yanai, Former Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs

Co-chair and speaker: H.E. Mr. Abdou Aziz Sow, Minister in charge of NEPAD, Senegal: "Regional Implementation of NEPAD"

Co-chair and speaker: H.E. Prof. Shunji Yanai, Former Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs: "The TICAD Process and African Development"

Panelists:

The Heads of (ECCAS, ECOWAS, COMESA, SADC, UMA):  
"Experiences in Regional Integration"
12:15-12:30  Questions & Answers

Lunch - 12:30-14:00

Afternoon: 14:00 - 17:30

Keynote Lectures 2: Different Perspectives on Regional Integration: co-chairs: Mr. Zéphirin Diabré, Associate Administrator of UNDP & Mr. Hisao Azuma, Senior Vice-President of JICA

14:00-14:15  Co-chair and speaker: Mr. Zéphirin Diabré, Associate Administrator of UNDP: "UNDP Perspectives on African Integration"

14:15-14:30  Co-chair and speaker: Mr. Hisao Azuma, Senior Vice-President of JICA: "South-South Cooperation from a Japanese perspective"

14:30-14:45  Mr. Kaoru Ishikawa, Acting Director, Japan Inst. for Intl Affairs "NEPAD and TICAD: Japanese Perspective"

14:45-15:00  Prof. Bonnie Campbell, Université du Quebec a Montreal: "African Regional Integration: a G8 Perspective"

15:00-15:30  Questions & Answers

Coffee Break - 15:30-15:45

15:45-17:00  Panel: Conclusions and Recommendations

Chairman: H.E. Mr. Emmanuel Ondo-Methogo, Vice Prime Minister of Gabon

Panelists:

H.E. Mr. Abdou Aziz Sow, Minister in charge of NEPAD, Senegal Professor Dr. Hans van Ginkel, Rector, UNU

H.E. Prof. Shunji Yanai, Former Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs

Mr. Zéphirin Diabré, Associate Administrator of UNDP

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Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, Executive Secretary, UNCCD

H.E. Mr. Ambassador Rachad Farah, Dean of the African Diplomatic Corps

Mr. Kaoru Ishikawa, Acting Director, Japan Institute for International Affairs

Prof. Bonnie Campbell, Université du Québec à Montréal

17:00-17:30  Questions & Answers

Symposium Ends at 17:15

17:15-20:00  Reception at UNU
List of Speakers and Panelists in order of appearance

- Professor Hans van Ginkel, Rector, UNU
- H.E. Ambassador Rachad Farah, Dean, ADC
- Representative of the Government of Japan
- H.E. the Deputy Prime Minister of Gabon
- Senior Officer of J-MOFA
- Mr. Noboru Hatakeyama, Chairman of JETRO
- H.E. Mr. Abdou Aziz Sow, Minister in charge of NEPAD, Senegal
- H.E. Prof. Shunji Yanai, Former Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Mr. Sylvain-Goma Louis, Secretary General, Economic Community of Central African States, ECCAS
- Dr. Mohammed Ibn Chambas, Executive Secretary, Economic Community of West African States, ECOWAS
- Mr. Erastus Mwencha, Secretary General, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa, COMESA
- Dr Prega Ramsamy, Executive Secretary, Southern African development Community, SADC
- Mr. Habib Boulares, Secretary General, Union of Arab Maghreb, UMA
- Mr. Zéphirin Diabré, Associate Administrator of UNDP
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