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AFRICAN DIASPORA INVESTMENT SYMPOSIUM

ACTIVATE WITH AFRICA: CLIMATE CHANGE, CONNECTIONS, AND ACTION

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African Diaspora Investment Symposium 2024

Exclusive Speaker Line Up

Dear friends and colleagues,

Excitement is building for the African Diaspora Investment Symposium (ADIS24), and we're delighted to announce that a partial list of speakers is now live on the website. We have an outstanding line up of government and industry leaders who will join us to discuss the critical theme of **"Activate with Africa: Climate Change, Connections, and Action."**

At ADN, we deeply value the contributions of our speakers, attendees, funders, and community members, all of whom enrich the fabric of our work. Consequently, the ADIS experience has continually evolved to become more dynamic, engaging, and impactful. This year holds particular significance as we have carefully considered your invaluable feedback. In response to your suggestions, we are shining a spotlight on climate change.

Another insightful recommendation from our community was to extend the focus over three days, during which leaders and entrepreneurs from across the globe will convene to envision opportunities, devise collective solutions, and explore strategies for **effectively mobilizing resources to address the challenges of climate change**. Our discussions will span various issues, including education, healthcare, artificial intelligence, investment, and more, as you can see from the broad spectrum of topics covered in the [agenda](#). Please also take a look at the partial list of our speakers [here](#).

Join us in this movement for change and be part of a community dedicated to making a difference. We look forward to welcoming you to ADIS and exploring the possibilities together. Please [register today](#).

As always, thank you,

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Register for ADIS today!

ADIS24 Speakers - A Partial List



The graphic features the ADIS24 logo on the left and the text 'SPEAKER SNEAK PEEK' on the right. Below the text are eight circular headshots of speakers arranged in two rows of four. A large white play button icon is centered over the middle of the top row. The background includes faint icons of an acacia tree, a thermometer, a rain cloud, and a recycling symbol.

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SPEAKER SNEAK PEEK

 John Kamara AI Centre of Excellence Nairobi	 C.D. Glin President, PepsiCo Foundations, Global Head of Social Impact, PepsiCo, Inc.	 Ali Alemayehou Founder and Managing Partner, Semai Ventures LLC	 Ali Diallo Founder of Aurion Capital and Managing Director of NOVA Prime Fund
 Thomas Debass Managing Director of the Office of Global Partnerships, U.S. Department of State	 Hugh Molotsi President and CTO, BuyNothing Project	 Latanya Mapp President and CEO, Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors	 Magdi M. Amin Managing Partner, African Renaissance Partners

Over the coming weeks we look forward to introducing the ADIS24 speakers and highlighting the symposium panels.

Below is a partial list of speakers and you can find more on our website [here](#).

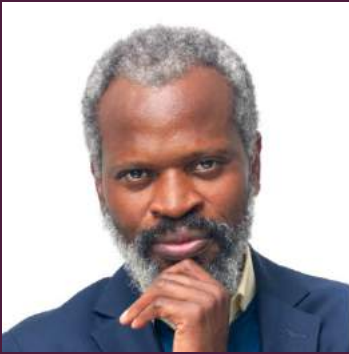
We hope you will join us at ADIS where you will have the opportunity to:

- Network with global leaders and innovators
- Learn from sessions that push boundaries and inspire action
- Collaborate on solutions driving Africa's future

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John Kamara

AI Centre of Excellence Nairobi



John Kamara is a Pan-Africa smart technology thought leader, investor, and technology entrepreneur with over 20 years of experience in business growth and market expertise.

As the CEO and co-founder of Adanian Labs, he has a mission to actuate the tech revolution in Africa by investing in and building tech ventures, building smart technology capacity, launching tech tools to impact multiple sectors, and helping tech companies scale across the continent.

C.D. Glin

President, PepsiCo Foundation, Global Head of Social Impact, PepsiCo, Inc.



C.D. Glin is President of the PepsiCo Foundation and Global Head of Social Impact for PepsiCo. In this role, Glin leads the organization's social- and community-driven impact efforts and a portfolio of global employee engagement programs.

Glin oversees the Foundation's strategic direction, leading internal and external engagement around The PepsiCo Foundation's three core pillars of creating equitable access to nutritious food, safe water, and economic opportunity.

Mimi Alemayehou

Founder and Managing Partner, Semai Ventures LLC



Mimi Alemayehou is the Founder and Managing Partner of Semai Ventures LLC, which collaborates with mission-driven enterprises to advance sustainable development in emerging economies.

She is also a Senior Advisor of the Three Cairns Group, an investment and philanthropic firm working to accelerate the transition to a low-carbon economy.



Ali Diallo

Founder of Aurion Capital and Managing Director of NOVA Prime Fund

“Tonton” Ali Diallo is a Senegalese American investor and entrepreneur focused on sustainable capitalism which combines profit, planet, and purpose.

He is the Founder of Aurion Capital, an investment holding group, and the Managing Partner of NOVA West Virginia Investment Fund.



Thomas Debass

Managing Director of the Office of Global Partnerships, U.S. Department of State

Thomas Debass serves as Managing Director of the Office of Global Partnerships at the U.S. Department of State. Thomas is responsible for coordinating the Department’s private sector engagement efforts and providing thought leadership on partnerships related to economic growth, global finance, entrepreneurship, and innovation.

His notable partnership accomplishments include: Fishackathon, Unreasonable Goals, Women In Science (WiSci) Camp, Veterans Innovation Partnership (VIP), Liberalizing Innovation Opportunity Nations (LIONS@FRICA), and Boldline PPP Accelerator.



Hugh Molotsi

President and CTO, BuyNothing Project

Hugh Molotsi is the President and CTO of BuyNothing, a gift economy platform. Hugh is a seasoned product and technology leader with over 30 years of experience developing global solutions for small businesses and consumers.

Hugh is an accomplished innovator and has helped launch several disruptive products. He has

expertise in leadership development and digital transformation and has led diversity and inclusion initiatives.

Latanya Mapp

President and CEO, Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors



Latanya Mapp is the President and CEO of Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors (RPA), a global nonprofit that remains at the forefront of philanthropic growth and innovation, with a mission to accelerate philanthropy in pursuit of a just world.

RPA currently advises on and manages more than \$500 million in annual giving by individuals, families, foundations, and corporations while also serving as a fiscal sponsor for more than 100 projects.

Magdi M. Amin

Managing Partner, African Renaissance Partners



Magdi M. Amin is the Managing Partner of African Renaissance Partners, a venture capital firm backing innovators and entrepreneurs who use technology to solve development challenges in East Africa and the Horn.

Before launching ARP, Magdi held leadership roles in multilateral development banks, philanthropy, government, and the private sector.

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**Builders of Africa's Future Program
Applications Open**



Applications are now open for the 2024 Builders of Africa's Future program!

Builders of Africa's Future (BAF) celebrates innovation and impact in early-stage African enterprises. The program identifies African entrepreneurs running early-stage nonprofits or for-profit businesses that address key community needs through technology or differentiated business models. The goal is to help scale their ventures and impact in the areas of health, education, energy, agriculture, financial inclusion, gender inclusion, nutrition, commerce, industrial development, and other socioeconomic goods.

The BAF program annually awards 15 to 20 of Africa's most promising entrepreneurs with enterprise development training, mentorship, and networking opportunities, and a platform to boost brand visibility and investment potential in Silicon Valley. Since 2018, Builders of Africa's Future has recognized and catalyzed 62 African startups.

Awardees will receive training from the [African Management Institute](#) of Kenya and be eligible to apply for funding from the U.S. African Development Foundation.

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- Be an organizational sponsor and support the African Diaspora Network to bring together diverse people from around the world to collaborate and work together. Support ADN [HERE](#)
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