EABF 2022 PROGRAMME 16th-17th February 2022 - DRAFT

DAY 1: 16th February 2022

09h00-09h45: High Level Opening/ Welcome Session of Africa week/EABF (Timing TBC)

Moderator: Ms. Tamsin Rose, Senior Fellow, Africa-Europe Foundation

Keynote speeches from:

- Ms. Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission
- Mr. Pierre Gattaz, President, Business Europe

10h00-11h30: High Level Introductory Panel: The road to economic recovery: fostering the Pan-African Opportunity

Covering the road to a resilient economic recovery and how the dynamics in Africa, such as the regional integration drive, represent an opportunity

Moderators:

- Ms. Tamsin Rose, Senior Fellow, Africa Europe Foundation
- Ms. Afolake Oyinloye, Journalist, AfricaNews

Keynote speakers:

- Ms. Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission or Ms. Jutta Urpilainen, EU Commissioner for International Partnerships
- Mr. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson of the African Union Commission

Speakers:

- Dr. Amany Asfour, President, Africa Business Council
- Prof. Maurizio Casasco, President, European Entrepreneurs CEA-PME
- Ahmed El Sewedy, President and CEO, El Sewedy Electric
- Ms. Pamela Coke-Hamilton, Executive-Director, International Trade Centre (ITC)
- Mr. Bruno Bensasson, Executive Director for Renewable Energies, Electricité de France (EDF)
- Dr. Ibrahim Mayaki, CEO, African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD) (TBC)
- Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat (TBC)

11h45-13h00: Parallel High Level Panels

Digital Innovation for Job Creation & Sustainability: Covering the need for a multistakeholder approach for a human centric digital transformation in the aftermath of COVID-19.

Moderator: Ms. Uzoamaka Madu, Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Consultant, Africa-Europe relations specialist

Keynote speakers:

- Ms. Margrethe Vestager, Executive Vice-President of the European Commission
- Dr. Monique Nsanzabaganwa, AUC Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission

• Dr. Bärbel Kofler, Parliamentary State Secretary to the Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development

Speakers:

- Mr. Mulualem Syoum, CEO, AETrade Group
- Ms. Eve Peeterson, Head of Startup Estonia, and member of European Start-up Network
- Mr. Hisham Ezz El Arab, Managing Partners, HE Advisory
- Mr. Thomas Ostros, Vice-President, European Investment Bank (EIB)
- Ms. Lacina Kone, Director General, Smart Africa
- Mr. Marc Vancoppenolle, Global Head of Government Affairs, Nokia

Sustainable Energy: Covering lessons learned and opportunities in investing in sustainable energy and energy efficiency solutions for Africa.

Moderator: Mr. Kandeh Yumkella, Co-Chair, Africa-Europe Foundation Foundation Strategy Group on Energy

Keynote speakers:

- Ms. Kadri Simson, European Commissioner for Energy
- Dr Amani Abou-Zeid, AUC Commissioner for Infrastructure and Energy

Speakers:

- Dr. Kevin Kanina Kariuki, Vice President for Power, Energy, Climate & Green Growth, African Development Bank
- Mr. Salvatore Bernabei, CEO of Enel Green Power and Head of the Global Power Generation Division, President of RES4Africa Foundation
- Ms. Nadja Haakansson, Managing Director for Africa, Siemens Energy
- Ms. Jennifer BOCA, Head of Responsible Investment, Lekela Power
- Mr Prosper Magali, Board Member, Alliance for Rural Electrification (ARE), Chairman, Tanzania Renewable Energy Association (TAREA)
- Ms. Heike Harmgart, Managing Director, Southern & Eastern Mediterranean region (SEMED),
 European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

14h10-14h30: High Level Speeches: The geo-political dimension of our business partnerships

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Josep Borrell, EU High Representative and Vice-President in Charge of External Action (TBC)
- Mr. Bankole Adeoye, AUC Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security (TBC)

14h45-16h00: Parallel High Level Panels

Infrastructure and Connectivity: Covering bottlenecks, business opportunities and transformative changes needed for building sustainable, efficient, reliable and safe infrastructure to intensify intra-African and Africa-Europe trade in the spirit of the Global Gateway Communication.

Moderator: Ms. Angeline Simana, Interim General Secretary, African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC)

Keynote speakers:

- Ms. Jutta Urpilainen, European Commissioner for International Partnerships
- Dr. Amani Abou-Zeid, AUC Commissioner for Infrastructure and Energy

Speakers:

- Mr. Eduardo Rangel, Founder and Chairman of the Board, Rangel Logistics Solutions
- Mr. Ahmed Bennis, Secretary General, Africa Economic Zones Organization (AEZO)
- Ms Makgola Makololo, Managing Director and Sales Executive, Bombardier Transportation South Africa (Alstom JV), UNIFE
- Mrs Messina Guikoume, CEO, Messibat International
- Mr. Benoît Chauvin, President, European International Contractors (EIC)
- Mr. Ahmed Mekky, Chair and CEO, Benya Capital
- Mr. Telwolde Gebremariam, CEO, Ethiopian Airlines (TBC)

Healthcare and Pharmaceuticals: Covering new, better, and resilient health systems and increasing local manufacturing capacities and global value chains for health products and technologies.

Moderator: Mr. Greg Perry, CEO, International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA)

Keynote speakers:

- Ms. Stella Kyriakides, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety
- Ms. Cessouma Minata Samate, AU Commissioner for Political Affairs (TBC)
- Ms Vera Songwe, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa

Speakers:

- Mr. Thomas Östros, Vice-President, European Investment Bank
- Dr. Benedict Oramah, President, African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank)
- Dr. Skhumbbuzo Ngozwana, CEO of Kiara Health, Board of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association (FAPMA) and Chairman of the Board of Biovac
- Dr. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director General, World Trade Organisation (WTO) (TBC)
- Ms. Nathalie Moll, Executive Director, European Federation of Pharamaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA) (TBC)

Ethical Fashion and Apparel Industry: Covering more sustainable value chains for the fashion and apparel industries, creating decent jobs and bringing back manufacturing capacities to Africa.

Moderator: Mr. Arthur Minsat, Head of Unit for Africa, Middle East and Europe and Senior Economist, OECD

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Virginijus Sinkevicius, European Commissioner for the Environment, Oceans and Fisheries (TBC)
- Mr. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining

- Ms. Laureen Kouassi-Olsson, Founder and CEO, Birimian Ventures
- Dr. Abisade Adenubi, Founder and CEO, Heritage Apparels
- Mr. Jaswinder Bedi, Vice-Chair, Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency (BrandKE)
- Mr. Temwa Gondwe, Manager, Intra-African Trade Initiative, African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank)
- Mr. Sergio Tamborini, CEO of RATTI Textiles, President of the Italian Fashion System (TBC)
- Ms. Salma Salifu, Managing Director, Do The Right Thing Apparel (TBC)

16h30-17h45: Parallel High Level Panels

Automotive and Sustainable Mobility: Covering alternative transport solution adapted to the African urbanization and creating local manufacturing capacities on the African continent

Moderator: Ms. Michaëlla Rugwizangoga, Technology Partners Lead, Tony Blair Institute for Global Change

Keynote speakers:

- Ms. Adina Valean, European Commissioner for Transport
- Dr. Amani Abou-Zeid, AUC Commissioner for Infrastructure and Energy

Speakers:

- Dr. Benedict Oramah, President, African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank)
- Dr. Ahmed Fikry Abdel Wahab, CEO of Egyptian National Company for Railroad Industries (NERIC) & Managing Director, Egyptian German Automotive Co. (EGA)
- Ms Nancy Karigithu, Principal Secretary Maritime Authority, Kenya
- Mr. Thomas Schäfer, CEO, Skoda (TBC)
- Mr. Samir Cherfan, Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Office, Middle East and Africa, Stellantis (TBC)
- Mr. Jean Todt, United Nations Secretary General Special Envoy for Road Safety (TBC)
- Ms. Ana Beatriz Jordao, Head of Coordination for Sustainable Cities, Agencia Espanola de Cooperacion Internacional para el Desarollo (AECID) (TBC)
- Ms. Myriam Elloumi, Second Vice President of the Tunision Automotive Association (TAA), and Director of Corporate Affairs and Business Development at COFICAB (TBC)

Sustainable Agri-Food Systems: Covering how to build a resilient agri-food system and value chains in Africa in light of the COVID-19 experience.

Moderator: Ms. Marina Diboma, Director, 2Scale

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Janusz Wojcjechowski, European Commissioner for Agriculture
- Ms. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, AU Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development and Blue Economy (TBC)

- Mr. Kolyang Palebele, President, Pan-African Farmers Organisation (PAFO)
- Ms. Irene Quist Mortensen, Head of CSR and Sustainability, Arla Foods
- Mr. Celestino Alvarez-Neira, Chairman, European Business Organisation Ghana
- Mr. Ben Leyka, CEO, African Agriculture Council

- Mr. Fokko Wientjes, Vice-President Malnutrition Programs and Partnerships, DSM, Member of FoodDrinkEurope
- Ms. Joke Oudelaar, Head of Program Management AGRI3 Fund, Rabobank
- Mr. Samuel Rigu, CEO, Safi Organics
- Mr. Elijah Mwashayenyi, Regional Director, Head of Knowledge Transfer, East-West Seed (EWS) (TBC)

Sustainable Raw Materials and local value creation: Covering sustainable raw materials value chains and local value creation.

Moderator: Ms. Frannie Léautier, CEO, Southbridge Investment

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Thierry Breton, European Commissioner for Internal Market
- Mr. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining

Speakers:

- Mr. Jan Tytgat, Director Government Affairs EU, UMICORE
- Ms. Georgette Barnes Sakyi-Addo, President, Association of Women in Mining in Africa (AWIMA)
- Mr. Ruli Diseko, CEO, Thakadu Battery Materials
- Ms. Christel Bories, CEO and Chairwoman, ERAMET (TBC)
- Ms. Emma Nehrenheim, Chief Environmental Officer, Northvolt (TBC)
- Mr. Imad Toumi, CEO, Managem SA (TBC)

DAY 2: 17th February 2022

10h00-11h30: High Level Panel: Integrating EU and Africa Value Chains

Covering opportunities of integration between European and African value chains in light of the COVID-19 experience and the African business case.

Moderator: Ms. Amanda Sunassee, Advisor, Indian Ocean Commission

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Didier Reynders, EU Commissioner for Justice (TBC)
- Mr. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining

- Mr. Ahmed Mansur, President, Pan-African Manufacturers AssociationMr. Carl Heinrich Bruhn, CEO, Amatheon Agri
- Mr. Carl Heinrich Bruhn, CEO, Amatheon Agri Holding NV
- Dr. Patrick Ndzana Olomo, Policy Officer, African Union Commission
- Ms. Yacine Fal, Acting Vice-President Regional Development, Integration and Business Delivery, African Development Bank (AfDB)
- Mr. Luc Frieden, President, Eurochambres (TBC)
- Mr. Jean-Marie Ackah, President, Confédération Générale des Entreprises de Côte d'Ivoire (CGECI) (TBC)

Mr. Roland Siller, CEO, Deutsche Investitions und Entwicklungsgesellschaft mbH (DEG)
 (TBC)

11h45-13h00: High Level Panel: Youth and Entrepreneurship

Covering support and opportunities available for African MSMEs in the recovery post-COVID, and how to make economic growth inclusive for youth.

Moderator: Ms. Treasure Maphanga, Director, AETrade Group

Keynote speakers:

- Ms. Jutta Urpilainen, European Commissioner for international partnerships
- Dr. Mohamed Belhocine, AU Commissioner for Education, Science, Technology and Innovation

Speakers:

- Prince Randy Koussou Alam-Sogan, CEO, The Black Lion Fund
- Ms Nyama Gusona Marvel, UNICEF Youth Representative and member of the Youth Sounding Board for International Partnerships
- Ms. Cynthia Aïssy, Managing Director, Keyops
- Mr. Robert Sanders, Team Leader, EU BIC Programme
- Ms Hilda Kragha, Managing Director, ROAM Africa
- Mr. Markus Jerger, Federal Executive Director, German Mittelstand (BVMW)
- Mr. Gregory Clemente, CEO, Proparco
- Ms. Stella Ndabeni-Abrahams, Minister of SmallBusiness Development of the Republic of South Africa (TBC)
- Mr. Pablo Ruiz Múzquiz, CEO and co-founder, Kaleidos, EU Youth Representative (TBC)

14h15-15h30: High Level Panel: Financing Africa's Sustainable Growth

Covering improvement to the investment climate and promotion of sustainable investments in Africa to achieve the SDGs, in light of the COVID 19 experience and the rise of youth entrepreneurship.

Moderator: Luca Torre, Founder and co-CEO, Gawa Capital (TBC)

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Diederik Samsom, Chef de Cabinet of EU Executive Vice-President in charge of European Green Deal, and Commissioner for Climate Action Policy Mr. Frans Timmermans
- Mr. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining

- Mr. Bruno Wenn, Chairman, European Development Finance Institutions (EDFI)
- Mr. Paolo Gomes, Co-Chair, AfroChampions
- Ms. Marie-Christine von Hahn, Vice-President Corporate External Affairs, Aurubis AG
- Mr. Sebastien N. Ashong Katai, Grou Head, Financial Institutions and International Organisations, EcoBank
- Ms. Mary Ellen Iskenderian, President and CEO, Women's World Banking
- Ms. Christiane Laibach, Member of the Executive Board, KfW Group

16h-17h30: Closing Session

Covering the wrap up of all sessions to draft the EABF conclusions and to convey them to the EU and AU leaders.

Moderator: Ms. Tamsin Rose, Senior Fellow, Africa-Europe Foundation

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Thierry Breton, EU Commissioner for the Internal Market (TBC)
- Mr. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining

- Dr. Benedict Oramah, President, African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank)
- Mr. Etienne Giros, President, European Business Council for Africa (EBCAM)
- Mr. Youssouf Moussa Dawaleh, President, Pan-African Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PACCI)
- Ms. Werner Hoyer, President, European Investment Bank (EIB)
- Ms. Rebecca Enonchong, Founder and CEO, AppsTech (TBC)
- Ms. Myriam Cohen-Welgryn, President, L'Oreal (TBC)

EABF high level side events (hybrid or online)

14 February 13:00-14:30

Building blocks of a resilient agri-food system and value chains in Africa, and possible collaborative arrangements between public and private sector in the light of the COVID 19 experience

Organised by the AUD-NEPAD and FEWACCI

14 February 14:30-16:00 Hydrogen and green shipping for clean energy

Organised by the Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Opening:

- Moderator: Mr. Jorgo Chatzimarkakis, CEO Hydrogen Europe
- Mr. Kyriakos Mitsotakis, Prime Minister of Greece (TBC)
- Mr. Frans Timmermans, First Executive Vice-President of the European Commission (TBC)
- · Mr. Mohamed Ahmed Ould Ghazouani, President of Mauritania
- Dr. Leila Benali, Minister for Energy Transition & Sustainable Development of MoroccoRepresentative from the Government of Egypt (TBC)

Speakers:

- Mr. Georgios Pantoulis, Deputy Head of Unit, Climate Change and Sustainable Energy,
 Nuclear Safety, Directorate General for International Partnerships, European Commission
- Ms. Alexandra Sdoukou, Secretary General for Energy & Mineral Resources, Ministry for the Environment and Energy of Greece
- Mr. William Todts, Executive Director, T&E Europe's federation of NGOs campaigning for cleaner transport
- Ms. Ingrid Sidenvall Jegou, Project Director, Global Maritime Forum
- Mr.Dimitrios Fafalios, President, Fafalios Shipping SA, and Member of the Board of the Union of Greek Shipowners
- Mr. Marco Alvera, CEO SNAM, Italy
- Mr. Innocent Uwuijaren, Chairman, African Hydrogen Partnership and co-founder of Cheranna Energy, Nigeria
- Mr. Pantelis Capros, Professor of Energy Economics of the School of Electrical Engineering of NTUA, and former President of the Regulatory Authority for Energy, Greece

14 February 14:00-17:30 Business opportunities in the industrialization of construction, infrastructure and transport value chains

Organised by the Infrastructure Support Mechanism Technical Assistance to the AU

Moderator: Mr. Frank Massert, CEO, Trade Mark East Africa (TMEA)

Keynote speakers:

 Ms. Carla Montesi, Director Green Deal and Digital Agenda, Directorate-General for International Partnerships, European Commission

- Dr. Raissa Ada Allogo, Senior Politicy Office IED and Focal Point PIDA, Africa Union Commission
- Dr. Towela Nyirenda-Jere, Head of Economic Integration Division, African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD)
- Ms. Emilia Mpuru Ndoria, Director for Trade in Services and Investment, AfCFTA Secretariat General
- Mr. René Awambeng, Director and Global Head Client Relations, African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank)
- Mr. David Ofosu-Dorte, Senior Partner, AB & David
- Mr. Eric Melet, CEO, Bollore Rail
- Mr. Kristof Waterschoot, Managing Director, Port of Antwerp International

15 February 10:00-11:30 Unlocking opportunities for regional value chain integration under AfCFTA

Organised by the International Trade Center (ITC)

Moderator: Richard Baldwin, Professor of International Economics, The Graduate Institute

Speakers:

- Ms. Pamela Coke-Hamilton, Executive Director, International Trade Center (ITC)
- Mr. Albert Muchanga, African Union Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining (TBC)
- Ms. Sanda Ojiambo, CEO and Executive Director, UN Global Compact (TBC)
- Mr. Hichem Elloumi, Chairman and CEO, COFICAB Group (TBC)
- Ms. Sandra Uwera, Board Secretary, COMESA Business Council (TBC)

15 February 11:30-13:00 Towards an Africa–Europe Partnership for Sustainable Infrastructure

Organised by European International Contractors (EIC)

Moderator: Mr. Frank Kehlenbach, Director, European International Contractors (EIC)

Speakers:

- Mr. Koen Doens, DG INTPA, EU Commission
- Mr. Ibrahim Mayaki, CEO AUDA-NEPAD
- Mr. Solomon Quaynor, Vice President for the Private Sector, AfDB
- Ms. Maria Shaw-Barragan, Director of Lending in Africa, Caribbean, Pacific, Asia, and Latin America, EIB
- Mr. Thibaut Happel, Market Development, Vinci Construction / Sogea-Satom
- Mr. Alain Ebobissé, CEO, Africa50

15 February 13:00-13:45 Investment Opportunities for EU-Africa Partnerships in African Transport Corridors

Organised by the East African Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (EACCIA)

Moderators:

- Mr. Charles Kahuthu, East African Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (EACCIA)
- Mr. Petros Makris-Kourkoulos, European Business Council for Africa (EBCAM)

15 February 13:00-13:45 Building Bridges Through Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Organised by African Electronic Trade Group

Speakers:

- Ms. Sanda Ojiambo, Secretary General, UN Global Compact
- Laura Lecci, CEO, European Business & Innovation Centre Network
- Ms. Treasure Maphanga, Director, African Electronic Trade Group

15 February 14.00-17.30 Taxation and Business in Africa

Organised by DG International Partnerships, unit E1

Opening:

- Mr. Paolo Gentiloni, EU Commissioner for the Economy
- Mr. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining
- Mr. Christian Kaeser, Global Head of Tax, Siemens

Panel 1:

- Mr. Moumouni Lougue, Directeur Général des Impôts, Burkina Faso
- Mr. Benjamin Angel, Director, Directorate General for Taxation, European Commission
- Mr. Logan Wort, Secretary General, ATAF
- Mr. Christian Kaeser, Global Head of Tax, Siemens
- Mr. Ben Dickinson, Head of the Global Relations and Development for Tax Policy and Administrations, OECD

Panel 2:

- Mr. Grégoire Rota-Graziosi, Director, CERDI
- Mr. Githi Mburu, Commissioner General, Kenya Revenue Authority
- Mr. Antti Karhunen, Director, Directorate General for International Partnerships, European Commission
- Ms. Céline Correira, Deputy Tax Director, Vinci Construction
- Mr. Abdoulave Coulibaly, Director of the Governance Department, AfDB

Panel 3:

- Mr. Mark Johnson, Head of CBCR, OECD
- Mr. Juergen Zattler, Director General for International Development Policy, German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
- Mr. Alan McLeann, Head of Tax, Shell
- Ms. Irma Mosquera, Professorof Tax Governance and PhD Dean, Leiden Law School, Universiteit Leiden

15 February 13:45-14:30 Investing in Young Businesses in Africa

Organised by DG International Partnerships, unit E2

- Mr. Koen Doens, Director General, DG for International Partnerships, European Commission
- Ms. Svenja Schulze, German Minister for Development (TBC)

- Mr. Huib-Jan de Ruijter, Chief Investment Officer, FMO
- African young entrepreneurs (TBC)

15 February 14.30-16:00 Launch of the Alliance for Entrepreneurship in Africa

Organised by the French Direction Générale du Trésor and the International Finance Corporation

Speakers:

- Mr. Sergio Pimenta, Regional Vice President for Africa, International Finance Corporation (FIC)
- Mr. William Roos, Assistance Secretary for Multilateral Affairs, Direction Générale du Trésor

15 February 15:15-16:00 European Fund for Sustainable Development + (EFSD+)

Organised by DG International Partnerships, unit E4

15 February 16:00-17:30 How to Foster Entrepreneurship for Young People through Education and Professional Training

Organised by European Entrepreneurs CEA-PME

Moderator: Mr. Stefan Gehrold, Foundation Board of Stiftung Block, Former MEP, former Head of Brussels and Dakar offices of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Training Expert

Speakers:

- Ms. Wincate Muthini, Programme Manager, Pan-African Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PACCI)
- Mr. Kwang-Yung Jung, Regional Manager Western Africa, German Saving Banks Foundation
- Ms. Ayélé Sikavi Gabiam, Co-Founder and Partnerships Director, LadyAgri Impact Investment Hub
- Mr. Ojok Okello, Okere City Project Manager, Uganda
- Mr. Sven Schütt, CEO, IU International University of Applied Sciences
- Ms. Ann-Katrin Hardenberg, Managing Director, THE MAK'ED TEAM GmbH & Co. KG, Training Management and Development

16 February 11:45-13:00 The EU Opportunity for Africa-Based Businesses

Organised by DG for Trade, unit C1

16 February 13.15-14.30 EU-Africa Partnership: SEZs accelerating industrial value chain development and sustainability

Organised by the African Economic Zones Organisation (AEZO)

- Mr. Paolo Gentiloni, EU Commissioner for the Economy (TBC)
- Mr. Albert M. Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry and Mining
- Mr. Ahmed Bennis, Group Business Development Director of Tanger Med., Secretary General of Africa Economic Zones Organisation (AEZO), Secretary General of African Ports Task Force (APTF)
- Ms. Felicia Djibo, Partner, Consulting, Deloitte Africa
- Mr. Gregor Binkert, Board Member, MozParks

- Dr. Bernando Calzadilla-Sarmiento, Managing Director, Directorate of Digitilization, Technology and Agri-Business, UNIDO
- Mr. Adil Chikhi, Director and Head of Corporates for North Africa Region, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

16 February 13.15-14.30 Circular Economy

Organised by DG for Environment

Speakers:

- Mr. Virginijus Sinkevicius, EU Commissioner for the Environment, Oceans and Fisheries
- Ms. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, AU Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development and Blue Economy

16 February 13.15-14.30 AfCFTA, a Game Changer

Organised by DG for International Partnerships, unit A1, and AfCFTA Secretariat General

Speakers:

- Mr. Valdis Dombrovskis, Executive Vice-President, European Commission
- Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA Secretariat (TBC)

17 February 13.00-14.15 Women Entrepreneurship for Africa (WE4A)

Organised by the Tony Elumelu Foundation, GiZ and OACPS

Speakers:

Ms. Helena Dalli, European Commissioner for Equality

17 February 13.00-14.15 Role of Europe Africa Partnerships for Empowering Private Sector, including SMEs, Women and Youth

Organised by the African Business Council, COMESA, and the Spanish Chamber of Commerce

Moderator: Dr. Amany Asfour, President, African Business Council

- Mr. Jaime Montalvo, International Director, Spanish Chamber of Commerce
- Mr. Marday Venkatasamy, Chair of Comesa Business Council and Vice President of the African Business Council
- Prince Randy Alam Sogan, CEO, The Black Lion Fund
- Mr. Corrado Arturo Peraboni, CEO, Italian Expo Group
- Ms. Paz Martin Lozano, BPW International
- · Ms. Candela Mora, BPW International
- Mr. Philippe Lambert, AFRAWE
- Ms. Memory Kachambwa, FEMNET