

## JULY 12 TO JULY 15, 2022

### DAY 1: TENTATIVE PROGRAM – MULUNGUSHI INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTRE (MICC), LUSAKA, ZAMBIA

Start Time	End Time	ACTIVITY
16:00hrs	19:00hrs	Movie Screening
19:00hrs	20:00hrs	Cocktail Reception & Discussions
20:00hrs	22:00hrs	VVIP Dinner
Check In & Registration		

### DAY 2:

Start Time	End Time	ACTIVITY
09:00hrs	10:10hrs	<b>Opening Ceremony:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Welcome Address: Executive Director - AFROSEED</li> <li>▪ Welcome Address: Minister of Commerce, Trade, and Industry, Zambia (MCTI)</li> <li>▪ Welcome Address: Minister of Small and Medium Enterprises Development (MSMED)</li> <li>▪ Opening Remarks: Secretary General - African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)</li> <li>▪ Opening Remarks: Executive Secretary - UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)</li> <li>▪ Opening Remarks: President - African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank)</li> <li>▪ Opening Remarks: Director - African Union Commission, Department of Trade, and Industry</li> </ul>
10:10hrs	10:30hrs	Keynote Address (Special Guest of Honour): H.E Olusegun Obasanjo - Former Nigerian President and African Union High Envoy for the Horn of Africa
10:30hrs	11:10hrs	Keynote Speech: His Excellency Mr. Hakainde Hichilema - President of the Republic of Zambia
11:10hrs	11:30hrs	Break
11:30hrs	13:30hrs	<b>High Level Panel:</b> <i>Enhancing strategic collaborations between member states, governments, and partners to mainstream youth and women in AfCTA implementation.</i> <b>Panellists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Heads of Governments available</li> <li>▪ African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)</li> <li>▪ Coalition for Dialogue on Africa (CoDA)</li> <li>▪ UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)</li> <li>▪ The Afrochampions Initiative (AFROCHAMPIONS)</li> </ul>
13:30hrs	14:30hrs	<b>Students Start-up Showcase/Pitch</b>
14:30hrs	15:30hrs	Lunch
19:00hrs	21:00hrs	Cultural Night/Dinner

Start-up  
Showcase

**DAY 3:**

Start Time	End Time	ACTIVITY	
08:00hrs	09:00hrs	Registration	<b>Start-up Showcase</b>
09:00hrs	09:40hrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Opening Remarks: Bank of Zambia</li> <li>▪ Opening Remarks: Other Central/Reserve Bank Representatives available</li> <li>▪ Opening Remarks: Coalition for Dialogue on Africa (CoDA)</li> </ul>	
09:40hrs	11:00hrs	<p><b>PANEL 2: Opportunities and strategies for enhancing ACCESS to finance for youth and women entrepreneurs:</b></p> <p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Bank of Zambia (BOZ)</li> <li>▪ Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)</li> <li>▪ Bank of Ghana (BOG)</li> <li>▪ South African Reserve Bank (SARB)</li> <li>▪ Minister of State for Trade and Investment - Nigeria</li> <li>▪ Africa Development Bank (AfDB)</li> <li>▪ Africa Finance Corporation (AFC)</li> <li>▪ Intra-African Trade Initiative (Afreximbank)</li> <li>▪ Women Entrepreneurship Access Centre (WEAC)</li> </ul>	
11:00hrs	11:30hrs	Break	
11:30hrs	12:30hrs	Students Start-up Showcase	
12:30hrs	14:00hrs	<p><b>PANEL 3: Enhancing Africa's human capital with better 21<sup>st</sup> century skills to achieve the AfCTA goals:</b></p> <p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ UNIDO Southern Africa Regional Office (SARO)</li> <li>▪ Southern Africa Development Community (SADC)</li> <li>▪ Common Market for East and Southern Africa (COMESA)</li> <li>▪ SAGE Global</li> <li>▪ Tony Elumelu Foundation</li> </ul>	
15:00hrs	16:00hrs	Lunch	
15:00hrs	17:00hrs	<p><b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Developing seamless payment system for effective AfCTA implementation (facilitated by PAPSS)</li> <li>2) Digital economy and e-commerce (facilitated by the Smart Zambia Institute and Flutter wave)</li> <li>3) Export and Import readiness for SMEs (facilitated by ZDA and NEPC)</li> <li>4) Effective mobilization of youths and women for AfCTA (facilitated by ZDA, SMEDAN, and AfCTA)</li> </ol>	
19:30hrs	22:00hrs	VVIP Special Banquet in honour of President Olusegun Obasanjo - African Union High Envoy for the Horn of Africa	

**DAY 4 (OPTIONAL):**

- 1) Tour of Lusaka South National Park - Morning
- 2) Tour of Chaminuka Game Reserve - Afternoon

